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EUROPEAN CULTURAL HERITAGE SUMMIT 2023

The European Cultural Heritage Summit 2023 is organised by **Europa Nostra** and co-funded by the **European Union**. Coinciding with Europa Nostra's 60th Anniversary, the 2023 Summit will take place on 27-30 September in the unique but endangered World Heritage City of **Venice**.

The choice of Venice has a highly symbolic value. The European history and significance of this historic city, combined with its breathtaking yet fragile beauty, has always been at the very heart of the mission of Europa Nostra.

Our 60th anniversary represents the perfect occasion to celebrate the significant contribution of our organisation to a value-based and culture-driven Europe, with the focus on the preservation of cultural and natural heritage in Europe and beyond. We shall also reaffirm our unwavering commitment to champion the vital role of heritage for tackling many challenges that our society and environment are facing today.



Panoramic view of Venice © AlexAnton / Shutterstock

The Venice Summit comes at a time of important recent developments for Europa Nostra. This includes the European Heritage Hub project, which will hold its first public event in Venice. The [European Heritage Hub Forum](#) will demonstrate that cultural heritage is a strategic resource for an effective climate action in Europe and beyond. We also look forward to welcoming you to our annual [European Heritage Policy Agora](#), which this year will focus on the essential role of culture and heritage for fostering a sense of European Cultural Citizenship.

During the summit, the winners of the European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards 2023 will be celebrated at the [European Heritage Awards Ceremony](#) in the presence of Cecilia Bartoli, President of Europa Nostra.

On the eve of the Summit, on 26 September, we are also organising the [Lecture "Art and Cultural Heritage in Wartime Ukraine"](#) by our Vice-President Natalia Moussienko, in partnership with Università Ca' Foscari di Venezia and the Council of Europe Programme Office in Venice. Due to limited capacity, the participation in this event is upon invitation only.



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SUMMIT PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER

CREATIVE EUROPE NETWORKS: FOCUS MEETING #2

"Heritage for the Future: European values, citizenship and sense of belonging through cultural heritage"

09.00–13.00

Giardini Reali di Venezia, San Marco, 30124 Venice ([map](#))

This Focus Meeting is primarily open to all interested [Creative Europe networks](#) but can also involve interested Creative Europe-funded platforms or projects, as well as other heritage stakeholders. The meeting shall consider a) the role of heritage in strengthening European values and citizenship, advancing the European idea and ideals and furthering a sense of belonging to a wider European community; and b) the role of education in strengthening civic engagement as a vital tool for a healthy democracy in order to overcome the many challenges of the Europe of today.

The **Focus Meeting Programme Booklet** can be read and downloaded [here](#).

This meeting is organised with the [European Commission](#) and its [European Education and Culture Executive Agency](#) at the Royal Gardens of Venice, thanks to the support and hospitality of the [Venice Gardens Foundation](#).

For all registered participants

13.20 Departure of Vaporetto from Riva degli Schiavoni Cornoldi to Fondazione Giorgio Cini
(see the exact location on the map on page 15)



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WEDNESDAY, 27 SEPTEMBER

EXCELLENCE DAY

PRESENTATIONS BY THE AWARD WINNERS 2023

14.00–19.00

Fondazione Giorgio Cini, Island of San Giorgio Maggiore, Sala degli Arazzi ([map](#))

The Excellence Day will offer the [winners of the European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards 2023](#) an opportunity to present their projects to their peers and the wider public. The winners will share their experiences about the success and impact of their projects as well as the challenges that they had to overcome. As such, the Excellence Day will be an outstanding opportunity to showcase the very best heritage practices that contribute to building a more beautiful, sustainable and inclusive Europe.

The Excellence Day Programme Booklet can be read and downloaded [here](#).

This event is organised with the [European Commission](#) and in partnership with the [Giorgio Cini Foundation](#).



Sala degli Arazzi © Fondazione Giorgio Cini

For all registered participants

19.15 Departure of Vaporettos from Fondazione Giorgio Cini to Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi

SUMMIT PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER

UNVEILING OF AWARD PLAQUE FOR THE ROYAL GARDENS OF VENICE

upon invitation

09.00–09.45

Giardini Reali di Venezia, San Marco, 30124 Venice ([map](#))

The bronze plaque of the European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards 2023 will be unveiled at the [Royal Gardens of Venice](#). Following complex renovation works, these gardens from the Napoleonic-era have been given new life and their architectural link to St. Mark's Square reinstated. Today, these gardens are a beautiful, ecologically sustainable oasis that can be enjoyed by everyone.

The restoration, management and future conservation of the gardens was entrusted to Venice Gardens Foundation by the State Property Office and the City of Venice in 2014.



Royal Gardens of Venice © Courtesy Venice Gardens Foundation

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EUROPEAN HERITAGE HUB FORUM

“Reimagining the Anthropocene:
Putting Culture and Heritage at the Heart of Climate Action”

10.00–14.00

The Home of the Human Safety Net, Piazza San Marco 128, 30124 Venice ([map](#))



Contemporary climate planning and policy is failing to keep the promise of 1.5°C alive and to deliver fit-for-purpose adaptation. At the same time, they continue to overlook the historic and cultural origins of anthropogenic climate change and the socio-cultural enabling conditions of transformative climate action.

The European Heritage Hub Community of Practice Forum will demonstrate the negative consequences of pursuing climate action in Europe and beyond without the necessary and adequate contribution by culture and cultural heritage. It will lay out pathways to fill this gap by holistically integrating culture and heritage into climate action at European and global levels. It will launch a call to action to mobilise public and private support to put culture and cultural heritage at the heart of green transformation.

The Programme of the Hub Forum can be read and downloaded [here](#).

The Hub Forum will be livestreamed via the [Europa Nostra website](#). Sign up [here](#).

This Forum is organised in the framework of the [European Heritage Hub project](#) co-funded by the European Union and in partnership with [The Home of the Human Safety Net](#). This Forum benefits from the support of our partner, the [ALIPH Foundation](#).

The Home of the Human Safety Net will host the event at its premises at the Procuratie Vecchie in St Mark's Square. Built in the early 1500s, this landmark building recently underwent a comprehensive renovation led by Sir David Chipperfield, laureate of this year's Pritzker Architecture Prize.



Procuratie Vecchie in St Mark's Square © The Home of the Human Safety Net / Generali

Note: After the event, participants are invited to visit the interactive exhibitions "[A World of Potential](#)" and "[The Hungriest Eye. The Blossoming of Potential](#)" by Arthur Duff at the Home of the Human Safety Net.

For all registered participants

18.45 Departure of Vaporetto to Lido from Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi

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THURSDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER

EUROPEAN HERITAGE AWARDS CEREMONY 2023

20.00–22.00

Palazzo del Cinema, Lungomare Guglielmo Marconi, 30126 Lido of Venice ([map](#))

Followed by a festive reception

Note: You will be asked to show your ticket at the entrance. Dress code: festive

The [winners of the European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards 2023](#) will be celebrated at a high-level event in the presence of **Cecilia Bartoli**, President of Europa Nostra. During the Ceremony, the five Grand Prix laureates and the Public Choice Award winner, selected from among this year's outstanding heritage achievements, will be announced.

The European Heritage Awards Ceremony is organised jointly by Europa Nostra and the [European Commission](#) in partnership with the [City of Venice](#). It includes an artistic programme developed in collaboration with the [Association of European Cinematheques](#), the [European Commission's Directorate-General for Communications Networks, Content and Technology](#) (DG Connect), and our partner the [European Union Youth Orchestra](#) (EUYO).

The Ceremony will be livestreamed via the [Europa Nostra website](#).



The iconic Palazzo del Cinema on the Lido, which has hosted the Venice International Film Festival since 1937. © All rights reserved

For all registered participants

From 23:00 to 23.30 Return of Vaporetto to Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi

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FRIDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER

EUROPEAN HERITAGE POLICY AGORA

“Towards a European Cultural Citizenship: Utopia or Reality?”

09.00–13.00

Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista, Campiello de la Scuola, 2454, 30125 Venezia

The Agora event will focus on the role culture and heritage can play in fostering the sense of belonging and the sense of togetherness to a wider European community. It will take the form of an inspiring conversation with Europe’s engaged intellectuals, artists and leaders of civil society organisations or local authorities, discussing the shared cultural bonds that shape the multiple identities of each of us and form the true foundation of the European project.

The Agora shall conclude with the launching of a Venice Manifesto on European Cultural Citizenship, a document outlining the shared heritage and ideals that bring together the citizens of the wider Europe. The adoption of this Manifesto will have a special significance and relevance in the light of this and next year’s national and European elections.

The **Programme of the Agora** can be read and downloaded [here](#).



Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista with the stunning scalone by Renaissance architect Mauro Codussi. © All rights reserved

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FRIDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER

EUROPA NOSTRA 60TH ANNIVERSARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY

For Europa Nostra members and associates

15.00–17.00

Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista, Campiello de la Scuola, 2454, 30125 Venezia

This year's General Assembly will mark the 60th Anniversary of Europa Nostra's ongoing commitment to safeguarding, celebrating and championing cultural heritage in Europe and beyond. The General Assembly will be chaired by **Hermann Parzinger**, Executive President of Europa Nostra, and held in the presence of **Cecilia Bartoli**, President of Europa Nostra.

While honouring the past achievements of Europa Nostra, members and associates will join forces to bring our organisation and our European heritage movement to the next level, among others, through the European Heritage Hub project and the stronger involvement of the young generation. We shall also handle relevant statutory matters, including the appointment of new members of the Europa Nostra Council.

SUMMIT CLOSING DINNER RECEPTION

20.00

Palazzo Pisani Moretta, San Polo, 2766, 30125 Venice ([map](#))

Note: You will be asked to show your invitation at the entrance. Dress code: festive.

The dinner reception will be followed by dancing.



SUMMIT PROGRAMME

SATURDAY, 30 SEPTEMBER

VENICE LAGOON TOUR

For all registered participants and invited guests

10.30 – 17.30

This study tour will give us an overview of the natural system that supports and has always been giving nutrition to Venice, of some part of its heritage and to the artificial system that is currently protecting the city from high tides.

This study tour is organised in the framework of the [European Heritage Hub project](#) funded by the European Union. It will contribute to our reflection on the vital interaction between climate change/action and Europe's cultural and natural heritage. It will also confirm Europa Nostra's ongoing interest in and concern for the safeguard of the Venice Lagoon.

Programme Overview

- 10:30 Departure by boat from Riva degli Schiavoni
- 11:00 Presentation of the MOSE system by Hermes Redi at Thetis premises in the Arsenale
- 12:30 Departure from Thetis and visit of the Mose works by Pierpaol Campostrini
- 13.30 Picnic lunch on board
- 14:00 Visit of Lazzaretto Nuovo with guides (2 groups)
- 16:30 Departure to Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi
- 17:15/17:30 Arrival at Riva degli Schiavoni-Cornoldi – End of Tour

Detailed information about the Venice Lagoon Tour can be read and downloaded [here](#).



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ABOUT

EUROPA NOSTRA

[Europa Nostra](#) is the European voice of civil society committed to safeguarding and promoting cultural and natural heritage. It is a pan-European federation of heritage NGOs, supported by a wide network of public bodies, private companies and individuals, covering over 40 countries. It is the largest and the most representative heritage network in Europe, maintaining close relations with the European Union, the Council of Europe, UNESCO and other international bodies. Founded in 1963, Europa Nostra celebrates its 60th anniversary this year.

Europa Nostra campaigns to save Europe's endangered monuments, sites and landscapes, in particular through the [7 Most Endangered Programme](#). It celebrates and disseminates excellence through the [European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards](#). Europa Nostra actively contributes to the definition and implementation of European strategies and policies related to heritage, through a participatory dialogue with European Institutions and the coordination of the [European Heritage Alliance](#).

Since 1 May 2023, Europa Nostra has led the European consortium selected by the European Commission to run the [European Heritage Hub](#) pilot project. Europa Nostra is also an official partner of the [New European Bauhaus](#) initiative developed by the European Commission, and is the Regional Co-Chair for Europe of the [Climate Heritage Network](#).

CREATIVE EUROPE

[Creative Europe](#) is the EU programme that supports the cultural and creative sectors, enabling them to increase their contribution to Europe's society, economy and living environment. With a budget of €2.4 billion for 2021-2027, it supports organisations in the fields of heritage, performing arts, fine arts, interdisciplinary arts, publishing, film, TV, music, and video games as well as tens of thousands of artists, cultural and audiovisual professionals.



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PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Venice Map

You can find [here](#) an interactive map of Venice with the main venues, hotels and restaurants.

Registration and Access Badge

We ask you to wear your access badges at all events. You can pick up your badge at the venues. You do not need to wear the badge during the European Heritage Awards Ceremony and the Closing Dinner Reception. All registered participants will receive an entry ticket for the Ceremony and an invitation for the Reception. Delegates who registered after the registration deadline (20/09/2023) will not receive an access badge.

In line with our strong commitment to sustainability and climate action, this year we ordered ecological badges with mint seeds (badge) and flower seeds (lanyard) that can be planted after the Summit.

Get around

Special Boat Transfers for Summit Delegates

The departure point of the delegates' boat to Fondazione Cini for the Excellence Fair on Wednesday 27/9 and to Lido for the Ceremony on Thursday 28/9 is in [Riva degli Schiavoni – Cornoldi](#). See a picture below to locate it exactly.



By Foot

Venice is the world's only fully pedestrian city and is easily walkable, although large crowds and the small streets make it harder. There are no cars, bikes, scooters or mopeds in sight. The Rialtine islands – the 'main' part of Venice – are small enough to walk from one end to the other in about an hour. The thick walls of some buildings make the walking routes suggested by Google maps less accurate when the mobile signal is lagging. However, Google Maps is quite accurate, including the public transport timetables. Getting lost is part of the charm of Venice, so don't get frustrated. High water (*acqua alta*) can be a further challenge when in Venice, especially in Piazza San Marco.

By Vaporetto

Vaporetti are water buses and [ACTV](#) runs them. For timetables it is best to use [CheBateo?](#) by downloading the app or checking the website. You can buy tickets in advance from www.veneziaunica.it and read [this page](#) about points of sale. A waterborne routes map is available [here](#).

Know the rules in Venice

Please be aware of the rules in Venice in order to have a pleasant stay. You can find [here](#) an infographic (in Italian and English) to read.

Restaurants

We prepared a list of restaurants in several areas of Venice. You can consult it [here](#).



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INFORMATION

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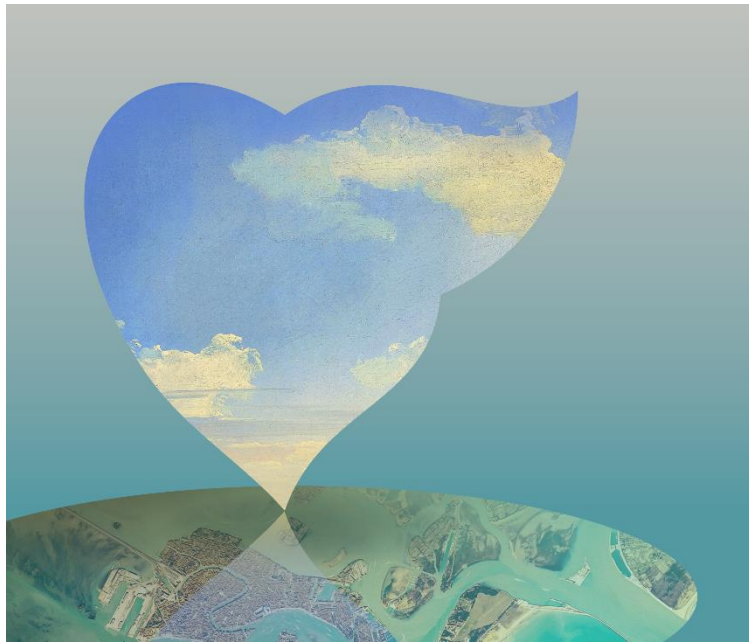
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VISUAL IDENTITY



The visual identity of the European Cultural Heritage Summit 2023 leverages the idea of cultural heritage serving as an indispensable rescue from defeat, crisis and danger.

The upper form in the logo can be interpreted as a surreal cloud, a refreshing mist or a scarf waving in the wind, and symbolises the intangible, quiet yet strong force that is culture. The shape appears to gently surface from the abyss of floodwaters, well preserved and flawless. Should one observe here a dove, a heart, a prima donna on her toes or even a butterfly seeking nutrients in mud, all connotations refer to the notion of peace, gentleness and hope.

The colours of the composition were inspired by the skies painted by masters like Canaletto or Belotto and the shades of the waters of the Venetian Lagoon. Both palettes create a contrasting layout, where serene blues and golds seem to light up the sky after the stormy weather.

Altogether this promising scene tells a story of the future revival, restoration and regeneration of the European way of life. It sends a message of hope, by which we will remain literally and lyrically weatherproof, emerging from every crisis under the wing of cultural heritage.

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BOOKLET

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