

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON

The **Constructed**  
**Environment**



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Fondazione Querini Stampalia, Venice, Italy

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Dear Delegate,

Thank you for participating in the First International Conference on the Constructed Environment! We are pleased you will be joining us in Venice, Italy and hope you are looking forward to coming together with colleagues and members of the Constructed Environment Community this November.

In preparation for the conference, we have put together some information that we hope will be helpful as you begin to prepare for the conference and your arrival in Venice. In this document, you will find information such as city maps, conference venue maps, transportation information, dining suggestions, conference registration information, presentation information, and journal information.

This packet is a starting point for your preparations, and we realize you may have some additional questions after reviewing the material here. For any questions that remain, please contact the conference secretariat at [support@constructedenvironment.com](mailto:support@constructedenvironment.com).

We hope your planning goes well, and we look forward to meeting you in Venice!

Best Regards,

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For the International Conference on the Constructed Environment

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## TRANSPORTATION

\* PLEASE NOTE: Delegates are responsible for researching the most up-to-date transportation information on their own. The information below is meant to help, but please confirm the following before making any arrangements.

### AIRPORT INFORMATION

#### *Marco Polo Airport*

For those arriving by plane at Marco Polo Airport, which is located about 13 km from Venice, the ***easiest way to reach Venice is by sea.***

#### *Water Taxi*

ALILAGUNA is a public water taxi company which offers a service (the Lancione) that goes from the airport to "Calle Vallaresso", near Piazza San Marco, which is in the center of Venice. The crossing takes about 1 hour 10 minutes. The Lancione connects more or less with all flights. The ticket for this boat (Lancione) costs € 12,00 and can be purchased at the ALILAGUNA taxi stand at the end of the arrival hall (opening hours: from 8 am to 11.30 pm).

For a timetable, please see [www.alilaguna.it](http://www.alilaguna.it) or step by step directions at

<http://europeforvisitors.com/venice/articles/alilaguna-and-water-taxis.htm>

- Allow time for walking, the airport terminal is about 7-10 minutes away on foot from Alilaguna
- Most Alilaguna water taxis run at one-hour intervals
- Be sure that you are boarding the right boat, look for the color-coded route sign

You can also take a private water taxi from the airport directly to your final destination (the cost is about € 90,00/100,00). These water taxis can hold up to ten people, and the cost per person can be reasonable if you are splitting the fare with a group.

#### *Land Taxi*

A land taxi to Piazzale Roma from the airport takes about twenty minutes and is about € 30,00. From there you can catch a public boat (Vaporetto). If you know your departure and arrival stops you can visit <http://www.actv.it/en> which is a journey planner for the vaporetto.

#### *Airport Bus*

ATVO Fly Bus coach to Piazzale Roma from the airport takes about twenty minutes and is about € 3,00. You can buy tickets at the ATVO counter in the arrivals hall (open 8 a.m. to midnight), from the ticket machines in the baggage-claim area, or from a ticket machine in the bus departure area.

For more detailed information about travel, ticket prices, and routes:

Marco Polo Airport: [www.veniceairport.it](http://www.veniceairport.it)

Water Taxi (alilaguna): [www.alilaguna.it](http://www.alilaguna.it) Ph: 041 2401701

## TRAVEL ADVICE

- Print a detailed map of Venice to take with you or find one upon arrival. It can be a very confusing location.
- Use your hotel's bathroom before you start the day. You may have to pay to use some bathrooms, so use them while you are in the airport, restaurants, and hotels. Public WCs may charge up to €1,50. Bring extra tissues because some places will also charge for toilet paper.
- Pay attention to spelling. "Signori" means men, and "Signore" means women.
- After checking into your hotel, you will be able to reach most of your locations by foot.

## USEFUL PHRASES

Many vendors and locals can speak some English, but it might be helpful to remember a few basic phrases such as...

- "Where is the bathroom?" Dov'è la toilette?
- "Thank You" Grazie
- "You are welcome" Prego
- "How much?" Quanto?
- "How much does it cost?" Quanto costa?
- "Hello" Ciao
- "Good-bye" Arrivederci
- "Do you speak English?" Parla inglese?

## ACCOMMODATION

### HOTELS

**Locanda la Corte and Casa Santa Maria Formosa** (1 minute walk to conference)

*Locanda la Corte*

*Casa Santa Maria Formosa*

<http://www.locandalacorte.it/>

<http://www.casaformosa.com>

Castello 6317

Castello 5841

30122 Venezia, Italy

30100 Venezia, Italy

+39 41 241 1300

+39 41 528 8872

Both hotels are located just steps away from the conference venue, Fondazione Querini Stampalia. Each is classically decorated in typical Venetian style, with wooden beam ceilings and old sophistication. Breakfast is served daily and is included in the price of each room.

*Rooms at Locanda la Corte also include:* Satellite TV, Free Wi-Fi Internet, Air-conditioning, Mini-bar, Telephone and a Safe.

*Rooms at Casa Santa Maria Formosa also include:* Satellite TV, Free Wi-Fi Internet, Air Conditioning, Minibar, Direct Telephone, Safety Deposit Box and a Hair dryer.

Palazzo del Selvadego (off Piazza San Marco, 10 minute walk to conference)

[http://www.hotelmonaco.it/customers/hotelmonaco/webhm.nsf/webpages/selvadego\\_palace\\_venice\\_hotel.htm](http://www.hotelmonaco.it/customers/hotelmonaco/webhm.nsf/webpages/selvadego_palace_venice_hotel.htm)

San Marco, 1235

30124 Venezia, Italy

+ 39 41 520 0211

The Palazzo del Selvadego is the Hotel Monaco's sister hotel which overlooks the Napoleonic Wing just off Piazza San Marco. The Palazzo del Selvadego is steps away from Venetian shops, restaurants, the sites of Piazza San Marco and the Grand Canal. The conference venue, Fondazione Querini Stampalia, is about a 10 minute walk from the hotel. The rooms have a calm, relaxing atmosphere and express the uniqueness and charm of Venetian culture.

Guests will need to check in at the Hotel Monaco, which is a short walk from the Palazzo del Selvadego. Breakfast is included in the price of each room and will be served on the terrace of the Hotel Monaco restaurant, overlooking the Grand Canal.

Hotel Monaco is fast to get to from both the airport and the train station

30 minutes by water taxi from Marco Polo airport

15 minutes from Venice train station

15 minutes from the parking area

Hotel Monaco & Grand Canal

San Marco 1332

30124 Venezia

### III. CONFERENCE INFORMATION

#### REGISTRATION

##### REGISTRATION DESK LOCATION AND HOURS

The conference registration desk will be located on the Ground Floor in the 'Corte Mazzariol'.

##### *Hours*

Wednesday, 17 November: 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Thursday, 18 November: 8:30 AM-6:00 PM

Friday, 19 November: 8:30 AM-5:00 PM

We request all presenters pick up their badges at least half an hour before the commencement of the day's program on the day their presentation has been scheduled.

##### CONFERENCE VENUE

Fondazione Querini Stampalia

Campo Santa Maria Formosa, 5252

30122 Venice, Italy

041 2711411

Map available at:

<http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?gl=us&hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&msid=108641819019953624578.0004930e7f9751cd82e2b&ll=45.435262,12.341766&spn=0.01054,0.018239&z=15&source=embed>

Walking map of Venice available at:

<http://mappery.com/map-of/Venice-Street-Map>

## PRESENTATION AND JOURNAL INFORMATION

### PRESENTATION EQUIPMENT

Data projectors will be provided in all of the parallel session rooms. However, you must supply your own laptop for your presentation. In addition, if you are a Mac user, you will need to bring a VGA Mac connector.

Should you require speakers, an overhead projector, or any special equipment for your presentation, please notify the conference staff during registration at the conference. We will do our best to meet any special requests.

### PROGRAM

The conference Draft Program may be found online at <http://constructedenvironment.com/conference-2010/program/>. There may be slight changes to the draft program found online, but all registrants will receive the final, printed version of the conference program at registration.

### ONLINE PRESENTATIONS

All participants of the 2010 Constructed Environment Conference, both in-person and virtual, have the opportunity to upload their presentation to our Constructed Environment Conference YouTube Channel at <http://www.youtube.com/group/ConstructedEnviron>.

We encourage all participants to present on our YouTube Channel. For more information and instructions on how to create and upload these presentations, please visit the conference website at <http://constructedenvironment.com/conference-2010/online-presentations/>.

### JOURNAL INFORMATION

For information on where and how to submit a paper to *The International Journal of the Constructed Environment*, please see 'Publish Your Paper' on the journal website at <http://constructedenvironment.com/journal/publish-your-paper/>.

The final deadline for submission of papers is one month after the close of the conference, **Monday, 20 December 2010**.

Please direct publication enquiries to the journal administrators at [journals@constructedenvironment.com](mailto:journals@constructedenvironment.com).

## ACTIVITIES AND EXTRAS

For more information on all of the following activities, please see the conference website at <http://constructedenvironment.com/conference-2010/activities-and-extras/>.

### CONFERENCE DINNER

#### **Thursday, 18 November 2010 - 8:00-10:00 PM (20:00-22:00)**

The conference dinner will be held at Restaurant Corte Sconta. The Corte Sconta is now an important point of reference on the Venetian restaurant scene. Quality and freshness are ensured by using strictly seasonal products, attentively served in a space more geared to function than to form. Join us for an evening to enjoy dinner, drinks, and conversation amidst the rustic elegance and refined palette at Corte Sconta.

Your conference dinner will include a multi-course meal, with their acclaimed antipasta, main dish and dessert, as well as a special blend of Prosecco, and all taxes and gratuity. There is a vegetarian/vegan meal option and a non-vegetarian meal option available. Fresh vegetables and local seafood are delivered daily, and handmade pasta is made fresh each day.

### CONFERENCE TOURS

#### **Guided Tour of Fondazione Querini Stampalia**

##### **Wednesday, 17 November 2010 – 10:30-11:30AM (10:30-11:30)**

Palazzo Querini Stampalia, home of the Foundation of the same name, was established in 1868 by Count Giovanni Querini, who died the following year without direct heirs. The Foundation was established as a space for academic research, encompassing a library, archive, museum and exhibition space.

During the 1960s, the Foundation aimed to become a centre for new cultural events and the rooms on the ground floor, unused at that time due to frequent flooding, were needed to host exhibitions, meetings and other initiatives. Carlo Scarpa, an influential Italian architect, took on the restoration project which can be divided in four essential parts: the new bridge giving access to the building, the entrance, the portego and the garden - four places joined by a connecting path, which can be seen from the square next to the canal where glimpses of the inside the palace can be seen.

The museum houses 18th century and Neoclassical furniture, porcelain, bisque, sculpture, globes, mirrors and lamps of Murano glass and fabrics woven in historical designs and paintings from the 14th to the 20th century, most of which are from the Venetian school. Amongst the works on display are paintings by Giovanni Bellini, Lorenzo di Credi, Jacopo Palma il Vecchio, Bernardo Strozzi, Marco and Sebastiano Ricci, Giambattista Tiepolo, Pietro Longhi, Gabriel Bella, and a sketch by Antonio Canova.

#### **Guided Biennale Tour of the Arsenale and Giardini**

##### **Wednesday, 17 November 2010 – 12:00-6:00 PM (12:00-18:00)**

The tour will begin at 12:00 noon at the Fondazione Querini Stampalia and will conclude at 6:00 PM. After arriving at the Arsenale, the outing will begin with a guided tour of the Arsenale, followed by time for exploration of the other exhibits within the Arsenale. The tour will then proceed to the Giardini della Biennale, where participants will be given a one hour guided tour of the special exhibit, and then have time to visit the remaining exhibits in the Giardini.