



VENTOTENE FORUM

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ROME & VENTOTENE

Democracy, Elections and the Future of Europe -
inter-regional European citizens' dialogue



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Program (day 1-2)

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Day of arrival: Friday, 5. April 2024 - Formia

Meet us at the Hotel "Grande Albergo Miramare" (assisted check-in from 6pm)

20.00 - Dinner at Hotel "Grande Albergo Miramare"

21.30 - Ice breaking, logistical information & program overview

Day 1: Saturday, 6. April - Ventotene

09.00 - Ferry to Ventotene

11.30 - Guided tour of Ventotene

13.15 - Lunch

14.15 - Opening ceremony (Sala polifunzionale)

- Giuseppe Caputo (Mayor of Ventotene)
- Saxon State Minister for Justice, Democracy, European Affairs and Equality
- Emely Marie Schäfer (JEF Saxony chairwoman)
- Diletta Alese (JEF/UEF Lazio international officer)
- Maria Gabriella Taboga (JEF Italy treasurer)
- Clara Föllner (JEF Germany president)
- Nikos Chirop (JEF Europe board member)

moderated by Debora Striani (JEF Italy board member)

15.00 - Panel: The Relevance of the Ventotene Manifesto for the Future of the EU (Sala polifunzionale)

- Piero Graglia (Prof. School of Political, Economic and Social Sciences, Milan State University)
- Diletta Alese (JEF/UEF Lazio international officer)

moderated by Davide Mazzone (JEF Italy board member)

16.00 - Working groups

17.00 - General debate with experts from the panel

18.00 - Visit to the Ventotene Cemetery

19.30 - Dinner at Hotel "Lo Smeraldo"

21.00 - Cultural night: get involved!

Day 2: Sunday, 7. April - Ventotene

09.15 - Panel: Federlism as a Response to Nationalism and the Crisis of National Democracy (Sala polifunzionale)

- Andrea De Petris (Scientific Director of the European Policy Center Italy)
- Debora Striani (JEF Italy board member)
- Clara Föllner (JEF Germany board member)

moderated by Emely Marie Schäfer (JEF Saxony chairwoman)

10.30 - Working groups

11.30 - General debate with experts from the panel

12.30 - Lunch

15.30 - Ferry to Formia and then Bus to Rome

19.30 - Dinner at Hotel "Casa La Salle"



Program (day 3-4)

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Day 3: Monday, 8. April - Rome (Link Campus University)

09.15 - Input sessions: EU's Challenges and the Role of Citizens and Regions as Actors of Change

- Loredana Teodorescu (Istituto Affari Internazionali/Istituto Luigi Sturzo)
- Gabriele Casano (JEF Italy board member)
- Giorgia Sorrentino (JEF Italy secretary general)

moderated by Amanda Ribichini (JEF Italy board member)

10.40 - Working groups: choose one topic

12.00 - Presentation of working groups

12.30 - Lunch

14.00 - Panel: The EU during Times of War - Limits and Perspectives

- Sonja Ewerdt-Schlaak (UEF Saxony vice chairwoman)
- Maria Gabriella Taboga (JEF Italy treasurer)
- Federico Castiglioni (Adjunct Professor Link Campus University)

moderated by Emely Marie Schäfer (JEF Saxony chairwoman)

15.15 - General debate with experts from the panel

16.00 - Getting ready for the evening

17.00 - Bus to the German Embassy venue

18.00 - Reception of the Ventotene Forum at Villa Almone, residence of the German Ambassador in Rome

- Hans-Dieter Lucas (German Ambassador to Italy)
- Katja Meier (Saxon State Minister for Justice, Democracy, European Affairs and Equality)
- keynote speeches by representatives of participating EU-regions and partner institutions

19.15 - Dinner

23:00 - Bus to come back to the Hotel

Day 4: Tuesday, 9. April - Rome (Link Campus University)

09.15 - Panel: EurHope

- Alexandros Apostolidis (JEF Europe board member)
- Clara Föllner (President JEF Germany)
- Antonio Argenziano (European Movement International vice president)
- Giorgia Sorrentino (JEF Italy secretary general)

moderated by Debora Striani (JEF Italy board member)

10.15 - Working groups: strategies for sustaining the commitment of the Ventotene Forum upon returning home

11.15 - General presentation of reflections

12.00 - Closing remarks

- Katja Meier (Saxon State Minister for Justice, Democracy, European Affairs and Equality)
- Stefano Castagnoli (UEF Italy president)
- Ugo Ferruta (UEF Lazio board member)
- Stefano Milia (European Movement Italy board member)
- Alexandros Apostolidis (JEF Europe board member)
- Emely Marie Schäfer (JEF Saxony chairwoman)
- Giorgio Grimaldi (Link Campus University)
- Giorgia Sorrentino (JEF Italy secretary general)

13.00 Lunch - End of the event

