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**LABIRINTO  
D'ACQUE  
2018**

**21st-24th March 2018**  
on the occasion of the  
World Water Day

*Meetings, Seminars, Events  
on the Theme of Water  
and Climate Change,  
in Franco Maria Ricci's  
Labirinto della Masone*

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# Programme

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## **Wednesday 21/03/2018**

*from 9,00 to 17,30*

*International conference*

### **“The Virtuous Path: from Water Scarcity to Water Efficiency”**

*Curated by the University of Parma, UNESCO WWAP, ISPRA Environment Institute, CHy-WMO, EEA and Po River basin Authority.*

Speeches and lectures by Paolo Andrei (University of Parma), Renzo Valloni (University of Parma), Stefano Laporta (ISPRA), Meuccio Berselli (Po River basin Authority), Bruno Mioni (Po River Interregional Agency), Alessandro Bratti (ISPRA), Patrizio Bianchi (Regione Emilia-Romagna), Monique Barbut (UNCCD), Silvano Pecora (CHy-WMO), Michela Miletto (UNESCO WWAP). Scholars from the principal universities and research centres world-wide have been invited to participate.

The lectures given during the conference will be selected by the Scientific Committee.

*from 18,00 to 20,00*

### **Salotti d’acqua: Aperitif with Special Guests**

Speeches by Monique Barbut (UNCCD), Romano Prodi, Karl Burkart (Leonardo DiCaprio Foundation), Alessandra Sensi (UFM).

*from 20,00 to 24,00*

### **Gala Dinner**

*With international guests, relators, representatives of the principals authorities and institutions and sponsors.*

Speeches by Franco Maria Ricci, Grammenos Mastrojeni (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Donatella Bianchi (WWF Italia).

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## **Thursday 22/03/2018**

*from 9,30 to 17,30*

### **World Water Day**

*Lectures and seminars by world-class scientists and science celebrities, coordinated by Prof. Luca Mercalli.*

Lectures by Michela Miletto (UNESCO WWAP), Enrico Giovannini (ASVIS), Alok Jha, Fabio Trincardi (CNR – National Research Council), Renzo Rosso (Milan Polytechnic), Ferdinando Boero (CNR), Gianfranco Bologna (WWF Italia), Grammenos Mastrojeni (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Francesco Vincenzi (ANBI), Hindou Oumarou Ibrahim.

*from 18,00 to 20,00*

### **Salotti d’acqua: Water in Space**

Samantha Cristoforetti and Gennadij Padalka interviewed by Piero Bianucci and Tommaso Ghidini.

## **Friday 23/03/2018**

*from 9,15 to 17,30*

*International conference*

### **“The Blue Challenges and Opportunities: from Strategies to Action”**

*Curated by the Regione Emilia-Romagna.*

Welcome speeches by: Stefano Bonaccini (President of Regione Emilia-Romagna), Paola Gazzolo (Regional secretary for the Environment) and Federico Pizzarotti (Mayor of Parma). With lectures by: Brian Richter (University of Virginia), Gian Luca Galletti (Minister of the Environment), Debbie Franco (delegate of the governments of California), Olga Slepner (delegate of Israel), delegate of South Africa, Simona Caselli (GACSA), Pietro Laureano (UNESCO), Meuccio Berselli (Po River basin Authority), Yossi Yaacob (Mekorot), Paolo Mannini (C.E.R.), Piero Pelizzaro (Chief Resilience Officer – Milan Municipality), Dai Guowen (China Eco City Academy), Ugo Peruch (Mutti), Alessandro Piva (CIO), Donatella Davoli (IREN).

*from 17,30 to 19,30*

### **Salotti d’acqua: Water, Art and Architecture**

Lectio Magistralis by Thierry Huau introduced by the Architect Pier Carlo Bontempi and Michael Harris (Prince of Wales Foundation).

*from 20,00 to 21,30*

### **Peter Greenaway making a Splash**

A conversation with the famous director, rich in suggestion about Water between Cinema and Philosophy.

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## **Saturday 24/03/2018**

*from 9,00 to 13,30*

*International conference*

### **“Research, Development and Innovation in Thermal Medicine”**

Speeches and lectures by Umberto Solimene (FEMTEC World Federation of Hydrotherapy and Climatotherapy), Marco Vitale (University of Parma), Christian Roques (University of Toulouse-Jean Jaurès), Zeki Karagulle (University of Istanbul), Plinio Richelmi (University of Pavia), Stefano Masiero (University of Padova).

*from 14,30 to 16,30*

*International conference*

### **“Water, primary Nutrient”**

Speeches and lectures by Paolo Pinton (University of Ferrara), Marta Antonelli (BCFN Foundation), Claudio Macca (Spedali Civili Brescia), Marco Carini (Inacqua Dolce).

*from 16,30 to 18,00*

### **Salotti d’acqua: Water and Sport**

Conversation with Federica Pellegrini interviewed by Davide Cassani.

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# The Place: Labirinto della Masone

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Labirinto della Masone is a cultural park created by Franco Maria Ricci near Fontanellato, Parma.

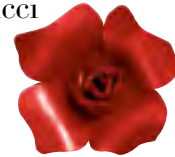
The labyrinth, the largest in the world, is formed of bamboo plants of various species, and cultural spaces which house temporary exhibitions and Franco Maria Ricci's art collection.

It also includes a cafeteria, restaurant and delicatessen area curated by Massimo Spigaroli.

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*“I first envisaged building a labyrinth twenty years ago, at a period in time when I frequently had one guest in particular staying at my house in the countryside near Parma –a friend, not to mention a hugely important contributor to the publishing house I had recently founded: the Argentinian writer Jorge Luis Borges. It is widely known that the labyrinth has always been one of his favourite topics; the trajectories traced by his hesitant blind man's steps reminded me of the uncertainties faced by those who, during their life's journey, negotiate enigmas and forks in the road. I believe that it was watching him and talking to him about the strange routes men follow that sparked the initial idea for my project, that finally opened to the public in June 2015”.*

Franco Maria Ricci







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