

**Saturday 18 January 2025**  
**Come together at 9:00 a.m.**  
**Castelvecchio – Verona, Italy**



MGI Advisor Omar Bortoletti  
Organiser



MGI Advisor Roberto Pincione  
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EPNC Cesare Cardani  
Co-Organiser

**An important Summit to discuss:**  
**The Environment**  
**Peace and Conflict Prevention**  
**Economic and Community**  
**Development**  
**The Eradication of Poliomyelitis**

**Simultaneous translation (Italian-English-Italian) will be available**



Holger Knaack  
PRIP and Chair of Trustees R.F. 2025-2026



Chair Alberto Ganna



Co-Chair Richard Knowlton

During a morning session, in the setting of the Castelvecchio with contributions from Past International President and future President of the Rotary Foundation Holger Knaack, prestigious analysts and Rotarian leaders will discuss some of the most important and urgent issues that beset the human race, seeking through the commitment of our Foundation, possible solutions to a series of complex problems that are strongly interconnected.

# Interventions and Speakers

*The Rotary Foundation and the Focus Fair*

Holger Knaack - Past International President and President of the Rotary Foundation 2025-2026



*War scenarios and hopes for peace*

Roberto Zuccolini - Spokesman of the Sant'Egidio Community



*Positive Peace, a personal testimony*

Simona Pinton - Rotary Peace Centers Committee Chair, Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Cadre Adviser, Former Regional Coordinator for MENA, Europe North Asia



*The campaign to eradicate polio: an update as of 18 January*

Cesare Cardani - Coordinator of the Campaign for the Eradication of Polio (EPN End Polio Now) of Region 15 (Italy, Malta and San Marino)



*Vaccination campaigns, personal testimony*

Giulio Bicciolo - Vaccinator and Past Regional Coordinatore, Rotary Foundation



**“How the development of emerging and traditional economies is achieved through Rotarian projects thanks to the Rotary Foundation”**

***The Ebolowa Community Experience, from Subsistence Economy to Development Economy***

***Climate Change: A Human Problem?***

***The Destiny of Man and the Environment are a single issue. They are linked to each other***

***The Focus Fair: Closing Remarks***

**Roberto Pincione - MGI Advisor Europe Focus Area Economic and Community Development**



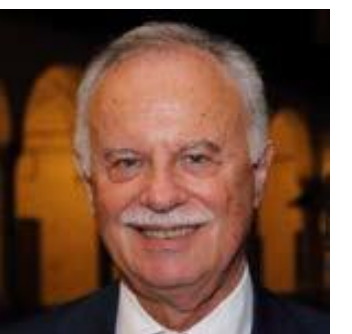
**Padre Jean Jacques Minkande - Director of the Ebolowa Orphanage, Parish Priest of the Sainte Famille Parish, Chaplain of the Ebolowa Prison, Professor of Mariology at Yaoundé**



**Giovanni Baccolo - Assistant Professor at Rome Tre University, lecturer on Physical Geography and Climate Change**



**Omar Bortoletti - MGI Advisor Europe Focus Area, Environment**



**Holger Knaack - Past International President, and President of the Rotary Foundation 2025-2026**



# Detailed Event Programme, information e registration

We recommend that you bring your smartphone and earpieces to follow the simultaneous translation

## Detailed Event Programme

9.00 a.m. Castelveccchio opens for REGISTRATIONS  
*Corso Castelveccchio, 4 - Verona*

9.30 a.m. Summit begins

1.00 p.m. Summit ends

To be followed by a "Light Lunch"

Afternoon free

Activities suggested for the afternoon:

Guided visit to historic Verona with an accredited guide,  
about 2 hours in groups of 10

*Apéritif au Champagne*, from 3,30-7.00 p.m.  
at the Gioielleria Fasoli (Via Mazzini 26b), as  
guests of Rotarian Massimo FASOLI

The shop can accommodate up to 30 guests at the same time  
Click on the Fasoli logo on the right for more details

7.30p.m. Dinner of Rotarian Friendship at Castelveccchio

## Recommended Parking

According to size and closeness to Castelveccchio

### Saba Arsenale Car Park

Via Alfredo Cappellini, 2 - Verona +39 045 8009333  
Distance on foot from Castelveccchio, 550 metres

### Underground Car Park CITTADELLA | APCOA

Piazza Cittadella, 4 - Verona - +39 045 596500  
Distance on foot from Castelveccchio, 650 metres

### SABA Arena Car Park

Via M. Bentegodi, 8 - Verona - +39 045 596500  
Distance on foot from Castelveccchio, 750 metres

## Recommended Hotels close to Castelveccchio

### 5 Star Hotels

#### Due Torri

Piazza Sant'Anastasia, 4 - Verona - +39 045 595044

### 4 Star Hotels

#### Accademia

Via Scala, 12 - Verona - +39 045 596222

#### Colomba d'oro

Via C. Cattaneo, 10 - Verona - +39 045 595300

#### NH Collection Palazzo Verona

Via Adua, 6 - Verona - +39 045 806 2311

### 3 Star Hotels

#### Giulietta e Romeo

Vicolo Tre Marchetti, 3 - Verona - +39 045 4505555

#### Europa

Via Roma, 8 - Verona - +39 045 594744

#### Milano

Vicolo Tre Marchetti, 11 - Verona - +39 045 596011

### B&B

#### Bed & Bra

Via Dietro Listone, 11 - Verona VR - +39 349 3168780

#### Dimore Verona

Corso Castelveccchio, 25 - Verona VR - +39 045 595120

#### Opera Relais de Charme

Via Valerio Catullo, 1 - Verona VR - +39 045 5706614

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