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Ovar
Santa Maria da Feira
(Portugal)



PROGRAM

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OCTOBER 8

- 17:00 h. Welcome and reception at the **School of Arts and Crafts of Ovar**.
- 17:30 h. **Opening Ceremony.**
- 18:15 h. **Recital** by Adufeiras and Botar de Almas from Idanha-a-Nova (Portugal).
- 18:30 h. **Opening Lecture: "Identity and Circumstance – Reflections Based on Certain Religious Festivals"**. Jean-Yves Durand [CRIA - Minho University].

OCTOBER 9

- 10:00 h. **Lecture: "Holy Week: A History of Faith and Culture"**. Roberto Rosmaninho Mariz (Auxiliary Bishop of Porto).
- 10:30 h. Coffee break.
- 11:00 h. **Lecture: "The Procession Is Within: Holy Week and the City – Ávila and Braga"**. María Cátedra Tomás [Complutense University of Madrid]. Rui Ferreira [UNESCO Chair – Évora].
- 12:00 h. **Panel: "Patrimonialization: Protection or Evolution?"**.
Coordinator: César Costa [CITCEM].
Armindo Jacinto. Idanha-a-Nova (Portugal)
Joze Stukl. Škofja Loka (Slovenia)
Mihovil Depolo. Island of Korčula (Croatia).
- 13:00 h. Lunch.
- 15:00 h. **Lecture: "The art of Easter Celebrations. Colorful eggs, palms, contests and fairs in Poland"**. Agata Mucha [National Institute of Cultural Heritage of Poland].
- 16:00 h. Coffee break.
- 16:30-18:00 h. **THEMATIC COMMUNICATIONS.**
- **Panel 1: Passion and identity.**
Moderator: Brian Bonicci (Malta).
 - *From Romantic Neobaroque to Neomedieval Austerity. The Identity Construction of an Eclectic Holy Week: Zamora.* Rubén Sánchez Domínguez (Spain).
 - *Between Tradition and Renewal: The Living Identity of Holy Week in Birgu (Malta).* George Agius (Malta).
 - *Mysteries of Holy Week in Idanha-a-Nova: The Case of Proença-a-Velha.* Maria Helena Geraldés Esteves e Silva (Portugal).
 - *Good Friday in Zejtun (Malta).* Jesmond Aquilina (Malta).
 - **Panel 2: Religion and Culture in the Public Spaces.**
Moderator: Rui Ferreira (Portugal).
 - *Lent, Holy Week Solemnities and Easter Celebrations in Póvoa de Varzim.* José Filipe Silva (Portugal).
 - *In the "Burrinha" Procession in Braga: Revival and Creation of the Popular Religious Songbook.* José Machado (Portugal).
 - *Urban Space, Sacred Stage: The City of Cabra as a Place of Holy Week.* Antonio Ramón Jiménez Montes (Spain).
 - *Not a True Vareiro Unless a Tertiary! The Legacy of the Ash Processions in Portugal The Procession of the Terceiros of Ovar as a Case Study.* Ricardo Pinho (Portugal).
 - **Panel 3: City, Beliefs, and People.**
Moderator: Jože Štukl (Slovenia).
 - *Orihuela: City of Living Faith. Holy Week as a Testimony of Beliefs and People.* Joaquín Marzá Mercé (Spain).
 - *Birth and Evolution of Holy Week in Puente-Genil: A Paradigm of Faith, Art, Tradition and Survival Across the Centuries.* Francisco Javier Reina Jiménez (Spain).
 - *Lenten, Holy Week and Easter Celebrations in the Municipality of Idanha-a-Nova.* António Catana (Portugal).
 - *Passion Revived: Holy Week in Santa Maria da Feira.* César Costa [CITCEM] (Portugal).
- 18:30 h. Guided visit of Ovar.

OCTOBER 10

- 09:30 h. Transfer of all participants by bus to the **Municipal Library of Santa Maria da Feira**.
- 10:00 h. **Panel: "Tourism: Risk or Opportunity?"**.
Coordinator: Juan Ignacio Pulido Fernández [Jaén University]
Varico Pereira. Sanctuary of Bom Jesus do Monte (Portugal)
Luís Lourenço Beja. Holy Week of Óbidos (Portugal)
Santiago Parras. Lorca City Council (Spain).
Gil Ferreira. Santa Maria da Feira City Council (Portugal).
- 11:30 h. **Closing ceremony.**
- 12:00 h. Guided visit of Santa Maria da Feira.
- 13:30 h. Closing lunch.