



**19th International Hydrographic Organization Hydrographic
Commission on Antarctica (IHO HCA) Conference**

Hydrographic Priorities Working Group (HPWG) Conference

15th – 18th April 2024

Army Club - Venice (Italy)

Hybrid Format



IMPORTANT

REGISTRATION - use [IHO on-line](#) registration system

REGISTRATION DATE

Face to face participants: **1 MAR 2024**

VTC participants: **25 MAR 2024**

Link will be sent in due course. Please provide e-mail address during registration from which you will be access meeting

Room booking Military Clubs (booking form): **12 FEB 2024**

DOCUMENTS FOR THE CONFERENCE

[HCA19 \(2024\) | IHO](#)

The 19th International Hydrographic Organization Hydrographic Commission on Antarctica (IHO HCA) and Hydrographic Priorities Working Group (HPWG) will be hosted by the Italian Hydrographic Institute, in the Army Club - Venice, Italy.

As the organizer of the meeting, the IIM is pleased to welcome you in Venice and provide the following logistical information. Please contact us if you require any additional information or support.

VENICE

Venice is the capital of the Veneto region. It is built on a group of 126 islands that are separated by expanses of open water and by canals; portions of the city are linked by 472 bridges. The islands are in the shallow Venetian Lagoon, an enclosed bay lying between the mouths of the Brenta and the Sile rivers.

The name is derived from the ancient Veneti people who inhabited the region by the 10th century BC. The city was historically the capital of the Republic of Venice for almost a millennium. It was a major financial and maritime power during the Middle Ages and Renaissance, and a staging area for the Crusades and the Battle of Lepanto, as well as an important center of commerce. The city-state of Venice is considered to have been the first real international financial center, emerging in the 9th century and reaching its greatest prominence in the 14th century.

The Venetian Arsenal is considered by several historians to be the first factory in history, and was the base of Venice's naval power.

In the 21st century, Venice remains a very popular tourist destination, a major cultural center, and has been ranked many times the most beautiful city in the world. It has been described by The Times as one of Europe's most romantic cities and by The New York Times as "undoubtedly the most beautiful city built by man".



ITALIAN ARMY CLUB (Foresteria dell'Esercito - Levi)

Close to the heart of the city, this location puts you in easy within reach of the most iconic tourist destinations.

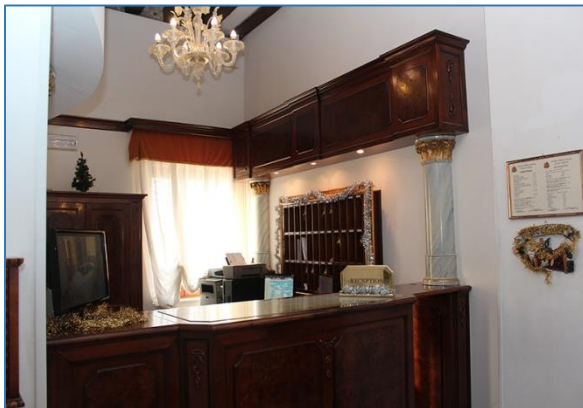
The Venice Army Club, located at Riva degli Schiavoni Castello 4142 inside "*Palazzo Cornoldi*" (headquarters of the Venice Army Military Presidium) is situated in the historic center about 300 meters from St. Mark's Square and 900 meters from the Venice Arsenal. Telephone numbers 0418476014 – 0412601311



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the Levi guesthouse is based in the historic 14th-century *Palazzo Giustiniani Lolin*, located on the Grand Canal in an excellent location in the heart of Venice. The 17th-century renovation is the work of *Baldassarre Longhena* (1598 - 1682), a Venetian sculptor and architect, celebrated author of the *Basilica of Santa Maria della Salute*.





The facility offers bar, restaurant/pizzeria and guesthouse services and has numerous recreational facilities (card game room, library, reading room, TV room) and a conference center (equipped with large, luxurious and functional rooms suitable for hosting meetings, reunions, conferences and events that put in system with the guesthouse and restaurant represents a pole of excellence in terms of use, functionality and professionalism).



A **light lunch and coffee break** will be provided by IIM for each day of the conference. For all dietary requirements please inform us to e-mail address IIM Contact point.



ACCOMMODATION & RATES

Given the period coinciding with the vernissage of the Venice exhibition and the unavailability of numerous hotels in the area, there is the possibility of lodging at the military clubs.

A maximum of 30 military club rooms will be made available. Military clubs will be assigned by the Italian Navy Hydrographic Institute, giving priority to heads of delegations from each participating member State.

Rooms will be available at the army club and at the navy clubs, which are about 300m away from the event site.

In order to stay at the military clubs, it is necessary to **fill out the booking form by February 12, 2024**, and email it to the addresses indicated in the form.

IIM will proceed to assign the room based on the above priority and on a first-come, first-serve basis for the room request.

A confirmation email will be sent by the Italian Hydrographic Institute **by Feb. 20**.

It is not necessary to advance any fees, and payment will be made directly at the clubs according to the terms indicated on the form.

DAILY PRICE ROOMS OF MILITARY CLUBS				
CLUBS	SINGLE	DOUBLE SINGLE USE	DUBLE	TRIPLE
IT ARMY CLUB ¹	50 €	75 €	75 €	85 €
IT Navy Officers' CLUB ²	/	69 €	76 €	86 €
IT Navy Petty officers' CLUB ²	/	69 €	76 €	86 €
1 The cost of the room includes, for each occupant of the accommodation, breakfast, small bottle of water and daily linen change.				
2 The cost of the room includes, for each occupant of the accommodation, breakfast, small bottle of water.				
Payment Method		Master Card, Visa and Bank transfer		



ITALIAN NAVY Officer CLUB “Adriano FOSCARI”

The Italian Navy Officers' Club, located at Sestiere Castello 2168 and also named “Adriano Foscari”, is located in the historic center about 300 meters from Army Club.

Telephone number 041-5239739

Cell phone H/24: 3297082969



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The facility offers bar, restaurant services and has 7 rooms available to HCA.

Club Opening

Monday to Saturday: from 08:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Sundays and Holidays: from 08:00 a.m. to 18:00 p.m.

check in from 2:00 pm

check out by 11:00 am





ITALIAN NAVY Petty Officers' Club

The Italian Navy Officers' Club, located at Riva Cà di Dio Castello 2179 is located in the historic center about 200 meters from the Venice Arsenal.



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Telephone number 041-5234508

The facility offers bar, restaurant and guest quarters services with 5 rooms available to HCA.

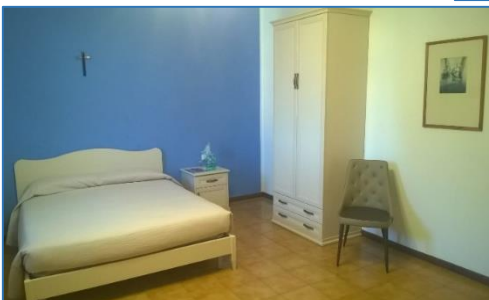
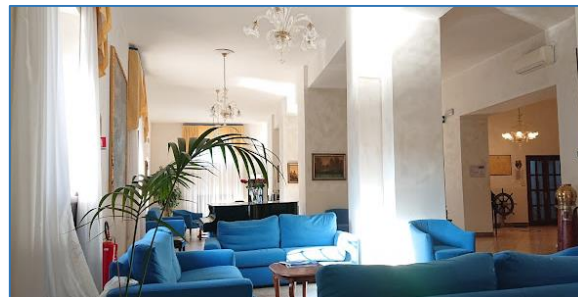
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TRANSPORTATION

The Following services are available:

- Alilaguna: a direct shuttle service/water bus from Venice Marco Polo Airport to the City Centre (Blue line – linea blu), the fare, for the one way, is approximately 15,00 € (each ticket includes the carriage of 1 suitcase and 1 hand baggage, you will be required to pay a charge of 3,00 € for each additional baggage you may carry). Journey time - approx. 70 minutes. Time table available online.
- ACTV Bus: is available a bus service from the Venice Marco Polo Airport to the Piazzale Roma Bus Station. The fare, for the one-way ticket (75 minutes), is approximately 1,50 €.
- City WaterBus: (web site [ACTV | Muoversi a Venezia \(avmspa.it\)](http://ACTV | Muoversi a Venezia (avmspa.it))) from Venezia S. Lucia (railway station – Ferrovia) or any other stop to Arsenale is available. The waterborne routes map is available at this [link](#). The fare is approximately 10 € for a one-way ticket (75 minutes) or 25 € for the daily pass.
- Train: trains to Venezia Santa Lucia Railway station from Milano (travel time 2,5 hours) and from Roma (travel time 4,5 hours) are available during the day both Trenitalia or Italo Company.
- Water Taxi: There are available a lot of water taxi services. The most important services are: [Venice Water Taxi](#); [Booking Water Taxi in Venice is Now Easy - Consorzio Motoscafi Venezia](#); [Venice Water Taxi | Venice Airport Transfers | Venice Airport Water Taxi \(bookwatertaxivenice.com\)](#).
- Car: follow “Venezia Tronchetto” directions. The biggest car parks are located in front of Tronchetto or Piazzale Roma waterbus stops. The daily fare is approximately 25€ and they almost have inside the Electric Vehicles Charging Service.

VISA

Any visa requirement needs to be checked well in advance. To check if you need an Italian visa, visit <https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en>.

PLUGS AND VOLTAGE

In Italy, the power sockets are of type F and L. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.



SOCIAL EVENTS DURING CONFERENCE

The following social events are under consideration:

- **15. April, 06.00 pm** Antarctic informal gathering and **Ice-breaker** in “Sala Forni” at the Venice petty officers' club.
- Visit at Venice Arsenal.

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