

### WHO WE ARE

The Via Querinissima is an international non-profit association and a **modern cultural route**, which aims at following Pietro Querini's itinerary by **sea** and by **land** ,enhancing the **values** of **solidarity** and **hospitality**, as well as promoting **slow** and **sustainable** cultural tourism.

We are composed by public and private bodies:

Veneto Region (Italy); Nordland Region (Norway); Vastra Goltaland Region (Sweden); Municipality of Cadiz (Spain); North Adriatic Sea Port Authority (Italy); Pro Loco Sandrigo (Italy); Confraternity of Bacalà alla Vicentina (Italy); CERS (Consortium of European Reenactment Societies - Italy); UNPLI Vicenza (Italy), UNPLI Veneto (Italy); Municipality of Røst (Norway); Heraklion Development Agency (Creta / Greece); Municipality of Sandrigo (Italy), Nord University (Norway);

Trondheim Municipality (Norway), Camino De Santiago de la Rìa de Muros Noia Association (Spain), Accademia of Anconitana Stockfish (Italy), Marciana National Library as honorary member (Italy), Municipality of Bodø (Norway), Municipality of Vicenza (Italy), Querini Stampalia Foundation as honorary member (Italy), Nordland County Library (Norway), Vatican Apostolic Library as honorary member (Vatican City).



Via Querinissima Days are approaching!

From 18th to 20th July, Bodø, European Capital of Culture, will host the Via Querinissima Days. With partners from **Sweden, Spain, Italy, Greece and Norway,** we will have the opportunity to celebrate the rich and varied heritage left to us by Pietro Querini.

Through lectures, performances, tastings and much more, we will retrace Querini's journey all surrounded by magnificent Arctic landscapes.

You will experience the enchantment of Nordland's nature under the magical Midnight Sun and experience the rich programme of Bodø 2024, the first European Capital of Culture north of the Arctic Circle.



# → Some events of VQ Days →

## **General Assembly of International Via Querinissima Association**

The General Assembly will take place on Friday, 19th from 9 am to 1 pm at the Cultural Directorate.

This is an important opportunity to bring together partners from different countries, to take stock of activities to date and to give partners the opportunity to present the action plan for the development of the route in their respective countries.

#### **Shows and Concert**

Join us in Bodø on July 19th at 5:30 pm for two exceptional performances and a concert! Enjoy a Spanish ballet dedicated to Querini, presented by the Camino de Santiago de la Ria de Muros Noia Association, followed by a captivating monologue on stockfish by actor Pino Costalunga, proposed by the Confraternita del Bacalà alla Vicentina. The show are offered by VQ Association and Nordland County Council.

Moreover, from 7:00 to 8:30 pm we will attend the wonderful sing-along concert organised by Røst Municipality. Norwegian coastal songs will be performed by musicians and singers from Røst and Bodø. People who love to sing are very welcome to join, there will be beloved songs from a well-known repertoire.

For more details, visit our website!

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#### Discorver Bodø

On Thursday 18th from 2 to 3 pm we offer you a guided walk to discover Bodø, with Prof. Steinar Aas, Professor of Modern History at the Nord Universitet.

# In the footsteps of Via Querinissima

From June 28th until July 21st Paolo Vidotto and Adriano Pellizzon will cycle the Via Querinissima and beyond in the footsteps of Pietro Querini.

The initiative comprises a journey of around 3,300 km from Venice to the Lofoten Islands, divided into 15 stages. This will be followed by five more stages to cover the approximately 1,200 km to the North Cape, followed by a return trip in a motorhome. Some of the stages of the journey are: Innsbruck, Munich, Augsburg, Würzburg, Rostock, Gothenburg, Oslo, Trondheim, Bodø and the Lofoten Islands.

On Friday 19th at 3 pm, we welcome Paolo and Adriano at Querini Corner in the Stormen Library in Bodø!

For more information about the project, click below

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## **Querini Stand**

Røst Municipality participates in the festival **with a stand on Friday and Saturday (19th - 20th)**. The story of Pietro Querini will be at the center, and with music, food and storytelling, it will focus on the cultural exchange and the historical trade in stockfish between Røst and Italy since the Middle Ages.

# **Final Program**

The final programme has been released.

Click here for full details and for further information or questions please write to: info@viaquerinissima.net!

# Other events that you can enjoy before VQ Days

#### The 9th Kjerringøy Land Art Biennale 23/24, K-LAB

Kjerringøy Land Art Biennale is an interdisciplinary and site-specific platform for land art established in 2007. K-LAB creates and conveys art projects. Artists from various art genres are invited to investigate, transform, reflect and communicate with the landscape, while the biennale facilitates meetings for a wide audience. Artists work with natural, local and degradable materials.

The works are integrated into the landscape and are made with biodegradable materials so that they gradually, naturally disappear.

The 8 biennale artists visited Kjerringøy in May 2023 and in June 2024, they will return to create new art along Kjerringøyveien and in Nevelsfjord. Exhibition opening of new works on July 6th & 7th.

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#### **EUROGYM July 13th-19th**

**EUROGYM** brings together young gymnasts from 20 different European countries. The event is organized by European Gymnastics (EG) and is held every two years. Groups consisting of a minimum of 6 gymnasts can participate in this gymnastics festival and have their program evaluated.

The aim is to improve the quality of group performances by giving an evaluation and feedback, including advice on how to improve.

Check the whole program here

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