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2ND FORUM OF POSSIBILITIES
BY SUMUS AQUA

THE INTELLIGENCE OF WATER REGENERATES VENICE

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📍**19TH-20TH NOVEMBER 2024**
AT THE HOME OF THE HUMAN SAFETY NET

VENICE, WITH ITS ICONIC WATERWAYS AND DEEP CONNECTION TO WATER, HOLDS THE POTENTIAL TO ONCE AGAIN BECOME A UNIVERSAL AND PIONEERING EMBLEM OF LIFE, RESILIENCE, AND CONTINUOUS EVOLUTION.

Recognizing Venice's profound relationship with water and its natural surroundings, the city is uniquely positioned to lead a global movement where experts in biomimicry, local lagoon players, visionary entrepreneurs, progressive CEOs, and responsible citizens come together to collaborate on innovation, sustainability, and a regenerative economy.

Biomimicry, a cutting-edge approach to innovation, draws inspiration from nature's time-tested patterns and strategies to solve human challenges. It involves studying ecosystems, organisms, and natural processes, and applying those insights to create sustainable solutions that work in harmony with the environment. By mimicking the resilience of wetlands, the efficiency of aquatic organisms, or the self-sustaining balance of ecosystems, biomimicry offers a blueprint for reinventing industries, urban planning, and ways of living that respect and regenerate life.

SUMUS is committed to transforming Venice into the flagship city of this new societal model, one that thrives in balance with nature and all living systems. Water, as the heart of Venice's legacy and future, plays a central role in this vision now embodied in the **VENICE AQUA VALLEY** venture, aiming at creating Venice's first global hub for Marine Biomimicry. We invite the local players (associations, institutions, corporates) and the residents of Venice to become an integral part of this evolving community. Through collective expertise, we aim **to revitalize Venice's economy, restore the**

health of its waterways, and create a future where the city flourishes in harmony with its natural environment.

Today, Venice stands on the brink of becoming a beacon of hope and a living example of what cities worldwide can aspire to achieve. On **November 19th and 20th, 2024 Venice will host the 2nd Forum of Possibilities** a gathering of renowned local and international experts who will share their research and insights on the visionary future of Venice, its region, and the evolution of humanity, benefiting the planet and future generations.

A major step in this journey will be the **FESTIVAL AQUAMOUR VENICE**, which will take place from **March 22nd to March 25th, 2025**. This international event will be a celebration of water in all its forms, bringing together global experts, innovators, artists, and local lagoon players to explore the vital role of water in Venice and in Life. This festival aims to spark inspiration and action, inviting public participation and positioning Venice as a global leader in water stewardship and sustainable city models.

By positioning Venice as the City of Nature based solutions, we aim to create a place where the wisdom of nature is applied to urban life, industry, and culture—revitalizing the city, its economy and its region, while setting an example for the rest of the world.

BE PART OF IT!

NOVEMBER 19TH

17h30 - 18h

WELCOME REMARKS
by *Alexia Boro* - THSN
and *Hélène Molinari* - SUMUS

PRESENTATION OF VENICE AQUA VALLEY by *Giulio Pasolini* and the Festival Aquamour by *Barbara Albasio*

- *Andrea Rinaldo* - Stockholm Water Nobel Prize
- State-of-the-art of "Venice's Changemakers" and of "AquaPioneers" by CREA

18h - 19h30

THREE PARALLEL SESSIONS
Involving a selected group of Venetian citizens' associations working on 2 water-related projects
Moderated by *Fabio Malfatti* & CREA members

- **AQUATECH**
- **AQUAINSPIRED**
- **AQUACITIZEN**

INTERACTIVE SHARING
of the findings. Activities and proposals to be shared and discussed during panel 5 on Nov20

19h45-21h

DINNER COCKTAIL

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9h15

WELCOME COFFEE BY ILLY

9h45

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10h

1ST PANEL "THE UNEXPECTED SUPERPOWER OF BIOMIMICRY"
moderated by *Giulio Pasolini*

- *Luigi Bubacco* - UniversityChioggia
- *Franck Bouche* - Spuma
- *Marco Poletto* - Ecologicstudio
- *Kalina Raskin* - CEO Ceebios

10h45-10h55

Q&A

AQUA INTERLUDE

11h

2ND PANEL "VENICE & THE LAGOON: A LONG STORY OF RESILIENCE AND INNOVATION"
moderated by *Damiano De Marchi*

- *Alberto Toso Fei* - Venice master of water throughout history
- *Simone Venturini* - Today's challenges and initiatives around water and economy
- *Maria Claudia Pignata* - VENISIA
- *Corrado Fischer* - Gruppo SAVE

11h45-11h55

Q&A

AQUA INTERLUDE

12h

3RD PANEL "BIOMIMICRY AS A SOURCE OF INSPIRATION OF ALL REGENERATIVE PRACTICES"
moderated by *Bénédicte Fumey*

- *Romain Cristofini* - LUMIA – *regenerative economy and humanist leadership*
- *Giovanna Melandri* - Human Foundation
- *Nicolas Hazard* - INCO impact finance
- *Christophe Sachs* - Gaiarta

12h45-13h
Q&A AND AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT/ NETWORKING

LUNCH BREAK

14h-14h15
• Guest speaker: *Mario Sprovieri* - ISMAR/CNR

14h15
4TH PANEL "VENICE & AQUA: WHAT'S COMING UP?"
moderated by *Giulio Pasolini*
• *Jane da Mosto* - *WahV We Are Here Venice ETS*
• *Carlo Federico Dall'Omo* - *Europe's first "Water Campus"*
• *Natasha Yamamura/Fiona McOmish* - Algae Scope
• *Allison Zurfluh* - Barena Association

15h-15h15
Q&A AND AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT/ NETWORKING

AQUA INTERLUDE

15h30-16h
5TH PANEL "WRITING TOGETHER A NEW CHAPTER FOR VENICE AND THE LAGOON"
Sharing of activities and clear proposals identified by Associations'

brainstorming and workshop on Nov19 on the 2 themes: *Venice Aqua Valley* and *Festival Aquamour Venezia*

16h15-16h45
Q&A AND AUDIENCE ENGAGEMENT/ NETWORKING

AQUA INTERLUDE

16h50
6TH PANEL "NEXT STEPS: THE FESTIVAL AQUAMOUR VENEZIA, CELEBRATING THE PRECIOUSNESS, INTELLIGENCE AND POWER OF WATER"
moderated by *Barbara Albasio* and *Giulio Pasolini*
• *Eleonora Vallone*, founder of the Aqua Film Festival
• *Anne de Carbuccia*, film maker and founder of One Planet One Future, screening of One Ocean short documentary
• *Paolo della Corte*, photographer
• *Fabiola Ruggiero*, tea expert
• *Gunter Pauli* and *Gaiarta*

APERITIVO

AMONG THE INVITED ORGANIZATIONS

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