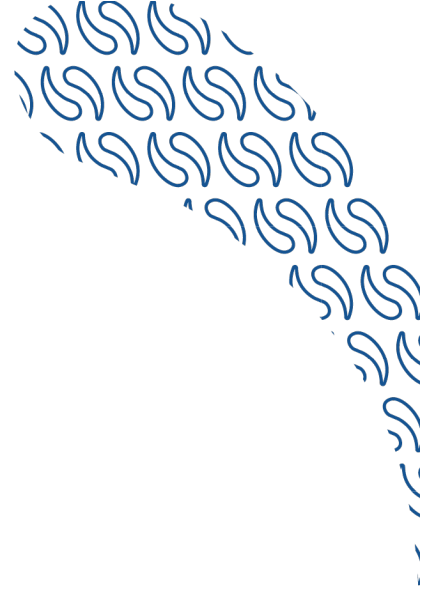




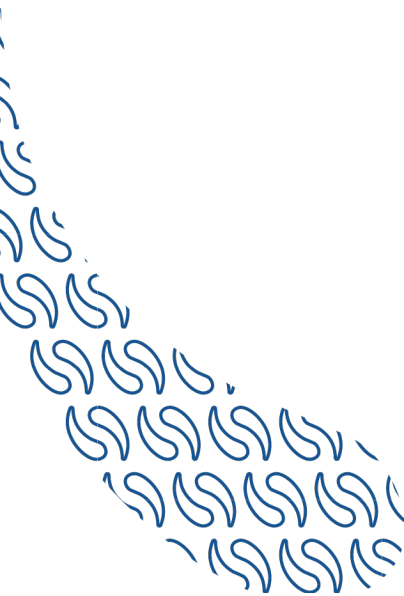
35th European
Cetacean
Society conference
10-12 April 2024



USEFUL INFORMATION

for the attendees of the 35th Annual Conference of the European
Cetacean Society “Marine mammals and human activities: how to reach
a sustainable development of coastal areas?”

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THE VENUE

The 35th ECS Conference will be held at the multifunctional complex “**Le Ciminiere di Catania**” Exhibition and Congress Center (10th -12th April).

Workshops will be hosted by the Department of Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences of the **University of Catania** in its classrooms located in Catania city center (8th -9th April).

Conference registration desks will be set up both at Le Ciminiere (10th -12th April) and at the University (8th -9th April).

Le Ciminiere

“Le Ciminiere di Catania” is a center born from the recovery of some parts of the now abandoned buildings that made up the large industrial complex for refining the sulfur extracted from the mines of the Sicilian hinterland.

The Center is now the venue for significant national and international conferences, events, concerts, shows, and expo attracting over 500 thousand visitors annually. It covers 27,000 m² multilevel area of which 16,000 with buildings, 8,300 of free spaces, and 2,700 of green zones, for 46,120 m² of total usable area. Inside there are also some museums and permanent exhibitions.

The 35th ECS Conference will take place in the premises of Pavilion C of Le Ciminiere which covers 2,330 m² including halls, exhibition spaces, and services. Plenary sessions will take place in the main Auditorium, while the info & registration area, poster sessions, coffee breaks and exhibitors will be distributed throughout the pavilion.

Le Ciminiere di Catania is situated in a convenient and easily accessible position:



4 km from the “Vincenzo Bellini” Airport



100 m from the “Giovanni XXIII” Metro Station



450 m from the Central Station of Catania



600 m from the Bus Station



1.4 km from the Harbor of Catania, one of the most important in the Mediterranean



Adjacent parking and access to major highways in 3 km (A18 CT-ME, A19 CT-PA)



1.6 km from the historical center of Catania

The congress center is also just a 4-minute walk from the venue designated for the icebreaker evening (9th April) and 15 minutes from the locations of the gala and dancing evenings (12th April). More information on social events is at the bottom of this page.



Piazzale Asia / Rocco Chinnici s.n., Viale Africa 12, 95129, Catania, Italy



University of Catania

With an average enrolment of 38,000 students, the University of Catania has been since 1434 and is the oldest one in Sicily. The educational system is run and overseen by 17 departments located in the city of Catania, as well as two other units in Ragusa and Syracuse. The workshops will take place at the three main sections of the **Department of Biological, Geological and Environmental Sciences** of the University of Catania, located in the historic center of the city: the Botanical Garden, a former Convent, and the ancient headquarters of Animal Biology.

Orto Botanico - Botanical Garden - Sezione di Biologia Vegetale, Università di Catania

 [via A. Longo 19, Catania, Italy](#)

The Botanical Garden of Catania was established in 1843 by a Benedictine monk who also served as a botany professor. Encompassing around 16,000 m², it serves as a hub for research, study, and training. The garden boasts diverse collections from the Mediterranean and beyond, including prominent ones dedicated to succulents, palms, and native Sicilian flora. With its rich botanical heritage and serene atmosphere, the garden offers a peaceful retreat for nature enthusiasts and researchers alike.

The botanical garden is easily reachable via various bus lines belonging to the [Catania Metropolitan Transport Company AMT](#) (BRT1, BRT5, 421, 433, 442, 431, 448, 429, 744, Alibus). It is also a 10-minute walk from both the "Borgo" Metro stop and the Circumetnea railway stop ([FCE Company](#)).

Conservatorio Vergini al Borgo - Conservatory - Sezione di Biologia Vegetale, Università di Catania

 [via Empedocle 58, Catania, Italy](#)

The former Conservatory of the Virgins in Borgo, also known as "La Badiella," was founded in 1776 by the priest Giuseppe Giuffrida. After the renovation works, it has been the headquarters of the Section of Plant Biology of the Department of Biological, Geological, and Environmental Sciences of the University of Catania since 2003.

This place is easily reachable via various bus lines belonging to the [Catania Metropolitan Transport Company AMT](#) (BRT1, BRT5, 442, 929, 927, 556, 744, 433, Alibus). It is also a 4-minute walk from both the "Borgo" Metro stop and the Circumetnea railway stop ([FCE Company](#)).

Sezione di Biologia Animale, Università di Catania

 [via Androne 81, Catania, Italy](#)

The Section of Animal Biology of the University of Catania, former department of Biology "Marcello la Greca" later merged with others, aims to promote and conduct research, educational, and cultural activities in the fields of animal biology and phylogenetics, ecology, and genetics. The facility houses a small Zoology Museum, the oldest in Sicily, founded in 1853 by Prof Andrea Aradas, that exposes over 400 taxidermied vertebrates and thousands of invertebrates.

Biologia Animale is located in Catania city center, not far from the central Via Etnea and Piazza Stesicoro, and from the famous Bellini Garden. It can be reached on foot in 20 minutes from the “Stesicoro” or “Milo” Metro station or with the AMT bus lines 421, 433, 702, and 901 getting off at the “Piazza Santa Maria di Gesù” stop.

For more information on transports, visit the page [Travel & Accommodation](#).



SOCIAL EVENTS

During the 35th ECS Conference, we are delighted to propose a curated series of events aimed at acquainting participants with the splendors of the Sicilian region — its natural wonders, cultural heritage, and typical gastronomic emblematic in and around Catania. Congress attendees will partake in authentic and unforgettable experiences, all conducted with utmost regard for nature and environmental preservation, and fostering both enjoyment and intellectual enrichment.

Take note of the following events scheduled during the conference. Remember that **you can access only with your Conference badge**.

Please note that seats are limited. **Secure your spot for the Student party, Banquet and Dancing** by logging in and getting your ticket online [here](#) now!



Icebreaker evening

Tuesday, April 9th, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

SAL | Borgo Creativo  [Via Indaco, 23, 95129 Catania CT](#)

Entrance permitted with [Conference Badge](#) only.

As every year, the icebreaking event is offered by the Conference organizers and it will be the occasion to encounter old and new friends, make networking, discover local typical finger food and music, and cheer the conference opening! Over 500 people will attend the Conference, while the SAL can accommodate up to 350. Therefore, entrance will be on first come first served basis.



Student party

Wednesday, April 10th, from 10 p.m.

LAND - La Nuova Dogana (Rooftop)  [Via Cardinale Dusmet, 2, 95121 Catania](#).

Entrance location [here](#).

Entrance permitted with [Conference Badge and Ticket](#) only.



Movie night

Thursday, April 11th, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Ciminiere di Catania (Conference Venue)  [Piazzale Asia/Rocco Chinnici, Viale Africa 12, 95129, Catania](#).

Entrance permitted with [Conference Badge](#).

The movie night is also open to the participation of external audience. To join this event it is required to fill out [this form](#) (who is already registered for the conference do not need to compile the form and can access directly by showing the conference badge)

Banquet

Friday, April 12th, from 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

Nü Levante  [Via Cardinale Dusmet, 2, 95121 Catania.](#)

Entrance location [here](#).

Entrance permitted with Conference Badge and Ticket only.

Those who have purchased a ticket for the banquet and requested the **vegetarian/vegan menu** are kindly asked to fill out [this form](#) to specify which of the two options they choose.

Dancing night

Friday, April 12th, from 11 p.m.

Nü Levante  [Via Cardinale Dusmet, 2, 95121 Catania.](#)

Entrance location [here](#).

Entrance permitted with Conference Badge and Ticket only.

More information on the venues and social events are [here](#).

For further activities you can do in your free time, visit the [Leisure page](#).

To better discover Catania, visit the page [Enjoy Catania](#).



WHERE TO EAT

Recommended places to have lunch or dinner in the city center

Trattoria da Peppino <https://trattoriadapeppino.it/>

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/EGzjcDbGMYG6y43aA>



La catanese <https://lcatanese.wixsite.com/lcatanese> (take away)

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/DncQeVUn4ArvAmEr7>



Catania Ruffiana <https://www.cataniaruffiana.it/home.html>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/5bBeZx5qLvsQ4KJQ9>





La cucina dei colori <https://www.lacucinadeicolori.it/> 
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/suyyCjRSDBf6q7ev8>



Curtigghiu <https://curtigghiu.com/it/> 
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/rBqP5F8C4u6MgxaE8>

Sazi e sani <https://saziesani.it/>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/wqvcasmTM1TXttt18>

Bottega sicula FUD <https://www.fud.it/> - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sB1FsmG71C7snmh3A>   

Me cumpari Turiddu <https://www.mecumparituriddu.it/> 
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/BfV6FRleAsMn8hFi7>

Piazza Scammacca <https://www.piazzascammacca.com/>    
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/ierdp3kGmpDXEroj9>



Don Turiddu da Alfio <https://donturiddudaalfio.business.site/>   
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/PDVqtXGbojU4NVt5>

Trattoria da Mario <https://maps.app.goo.gl/HQXxAqpV5S3qfViY6>  



Trattoria da Achille e Davide <https://maps.app.goo.gl/L5U1CLwLowTN2zRZ7>  

EAT <https://www.eatpizzeria.it/>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/DuRCMSPY2KpK3Ugt7>

Rasoterra <https://rasoterrapizzeria.it/> - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/SccohQ69wjQ33zhB7>  

Pizzeria Coppola <https://pizzeriacoppola.com/?lang=it>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/3xH1fyB4LyggBHtR6>

Osteria antica marina <https://www.anticamarina.it/>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/HyFTTrCKThFRNvhqf6>

Giardino di Bacco <https://www.giardinodibacco.com/>  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/wYemisfXm86JDLw18>

Savia <https://lnx.savvia.it/> - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/QjRD9CTRT9wZEnQ4A>

Prestipino <https://prestipino.shop/> - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kzBu1G8Tnipa76nB8>   

Collage boutique bar <https://www.collageboutiquebar.it/> 
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/HggS3prNiziam6rG6>

Near “Le Ciminiere” for a fast lunch

Dal Tenerissimo (2 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/WMeXAYWuTNeALKsP6>  

Caffè Le Ciminiere (2 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/CkWrKbaobrvQ1off7>   

Na Za Rosa Panineria dal 1980 (2 min on foot)

– <https://maps.app.goo.gl/bW9dGCEfmq1PMyDk6>



Edan bar (3 min on foot)- <https://maps.app.goo.gl/vBQati4qwmCR754b7>



Il Braciere del viale D&D (6 min on foot)- <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sA4qxLquL57xDtJR6>



Bar Sapienza (6 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/949AydsTp8oKGvK58>



Star Kebab (6 min on foot) - https://maps.app.goo.gl/WidV7V5MJNkhHZHs5?g_st=ic



Nafè (6 min on foot) - https://maps.app.goo.gl/tXyXSfp6KPyoXa9k9?g_st=ic



Ali babà chicken spot (6 min on foot) - <https://www.alibabachickenspot.com>

https://maps.app.goo.gl/N9qo3j7RkB3GbRWT8?g_st=ic



Bar della Stazione (6 min on foot) - https://maps.app.goo.gl/kd5NhxQgcC3gqRBR9?g_st=ic



Mangia (7 min on foot) – <https://ristorantemangia.it>

https://maps.app.goo.gl/ZcdYsnSqBossmu3PA?g_st=ic



Hosteria del Panda (7 min on foot)- <https://maps.app.goo.gl/sGSgsHBh4Wf5Xr2c8>



Kiyomi (7 min on foot)- <https://ristorantekiyomi.it> -

https://maps.app.goo.gl/hR12jdKBStZNthtg9?g_st=ic



I Moschettieri (8 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/omnMvyYYurRVfxbV9>



Al Buon Pane (8 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/L3UxW6VzgBXb4V6H7>



Bar Proserpina (8 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/CrtmdZLW4XZNRo4WA>



Bar Galatea (8 min on foot) - <http://www.bargalatea.it/>-

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/m6o9HUbt8fARzejTA>



Trattoria Tumminello (9 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/zwrP2rKqw7cReq8z8>



Dal Mastro (9 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/aUuPj1e72BdJhpmx5>



Gastronomia Bosco – Masterfood (11 min on foot) - <https://maps.app.goo.gl/M4y4RiaePgKhwtSX6>

7Even Fusion Food (12 min on foot) -

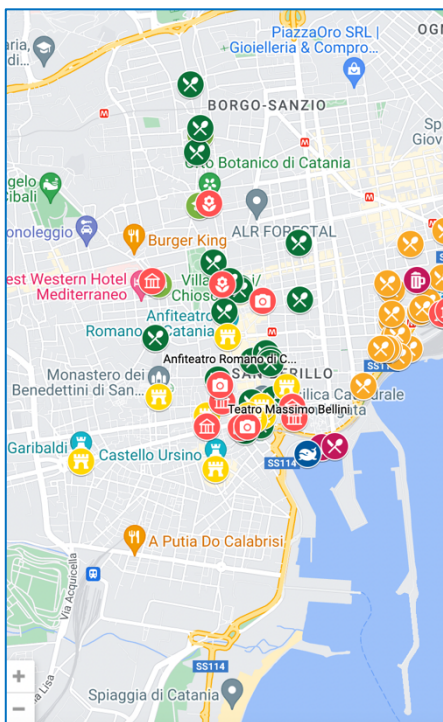
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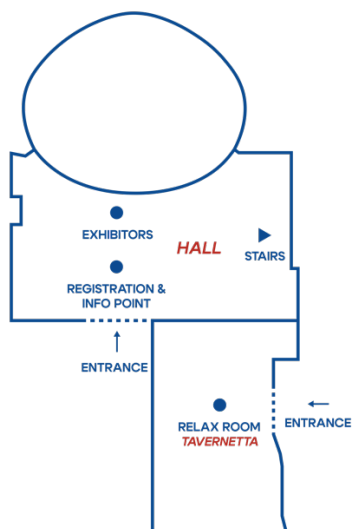


Find here all the points of interest in Catania city!

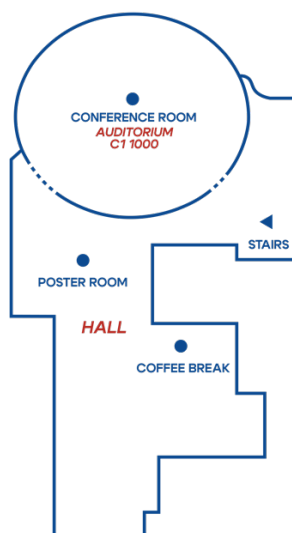
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Le Ciminiere multiplex center (plenary sessions, 10-12th April 2024)

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