



NEWSLETTER No.4

Rovinj-Rovigno, 18th September 2023

**DOUZELAGE GENERAL MEETING IN ROVINJ-ROVIGNO
SEPTEMBER 28TH - OCTOBER 1ST 2023**

Dear Douzelage friends,

We will all meet in Rovinj-Rovigno in ten days, so now it's the right time to give you the last detailed instructions regarding your arrival and stay.

1. Transfers

Based on the data you've sent us in the registration forms regarding your arrival/departure time, we have booked the following transfers:

Thursday, September 28th 2023
9:00 Pula Airport – Resort „Amarin“ in Rovinj-Rovigno /passengers from flight FR2042 from Brussels Charleroi and flight FR9770 from Vienna (Beč), both landing at 8:40/
15:40 Pula Airport – Resort „Amarin“ in Rovinj-Rovigno /passengers from flight OU675 from Zagreb arriving at 14:50 and flight HV5997 from Rotterdam arriving at 15:20/
16:40 bus station „Valdibora“ /passengers (Sherbone) already staying in Rovinj-Rovigno/
23:20 Pula Airport – Resort „Amarin“ in Rovinj-Rovigno /passengers from flight OU632 from Zagreb arriving at 23:00/
Sunday, October 1st 2023
04:00 Resort „Amarin“ to Pula Airport /passengers flying to Zagreb, flight OU631 at 6:00, and passengers flying to München, flight LH1723 at 10:05/

06:00 Resort „Amarin“ to „Valdibora“ dock

/transfer of passengers catching the boat for Venice at 7:00/

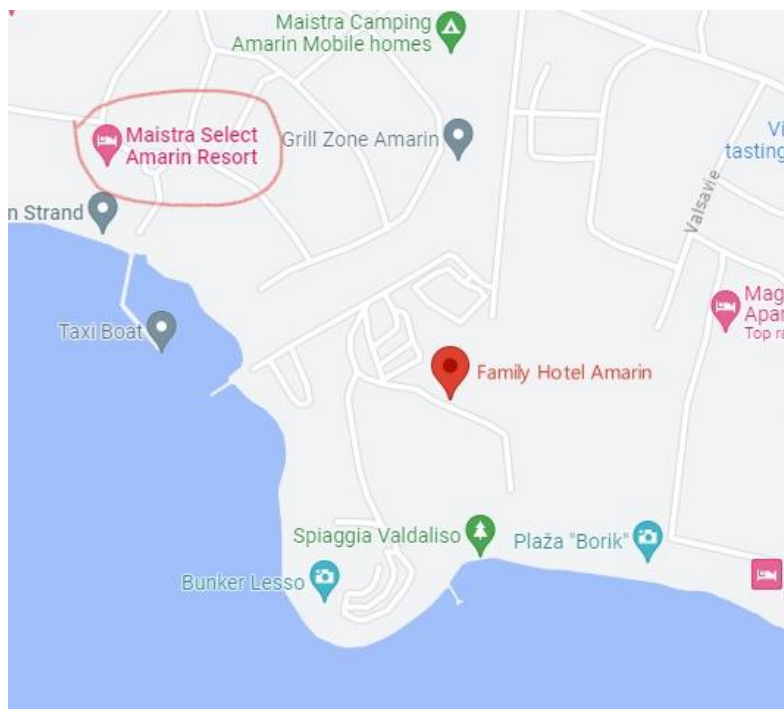
13:00 Resort „Amarin“ to Pula Airport

/passengers flying to Rotterdam, flight HV5998 at 15:40; to Frankfurt, flight LH1479 at 18:25 and to Vienna, flight FR9771 at 19:20/

2. For those arriving by car

For those of you travelling by car, the address of the Resort “Amarin” is Monsena 2, 52210 Rovinj-Rovigno.

PLEASE NOTE: there is a Family hotel “Amarin” located approximately 400 meters before the Resort “Amarin”. Do not turn left towards the Family hotel, but go straight forward until the round-about which is the entrance to the Resort “Amarin”. There you have a parking, leave your car and go the villas reception to get your accommodation assigned.

**3. Registration on Thursday 28th September**

You will all kindly be asked to approach a registration desk that will be located on the area of the Resort “Amarin” front office from 18:30 hours to 20:00 hours on Thursday 28th September. There you will receive a bag with all the maps and instructions for our General Meeting. For few of you arriving later that night, the bags will be waiting for you on the Resort front office.

4. Transfers during the General Meeting

Transfers during the event will be provided from the entrance of the Resort to the venue where all our different meetings and activities will take place. In the attachment to this newsletter you have the programme of our General Meeting divided per group of participants (GM, EM and YM) with the time-table of the transfers (Appendix 1)

We are asking you already now to respect the transfers time-table. Organising the transfers was a true challenge since we are suffering a huge lack of bus drivers, so they won't be able to adapt to any change in their time-table.

For those of you that for any reason will skip the set transfers time-table there are various possibilities to reach the city centre or go back to the Resort "Amarin". You can rent a bike in the Resort, take a taxi, or use a boat-taxi and a bus connection with the Resort. I am sending you attached the time-table for these last ones (Appendix 2).

5. Accommodation – earlier arrival, later departure

We have followed your accommodation preferences expressed in the pre-registration form when booking the accommodation (for the exception of the Youth, as explained in the Newsletter 3).

For those of you that are arriving earlier or departing later, you'll need to pay the extra night upon your arrival on the Resort reception desk. The amount will vary from 36,00 to 69,00 Euro per person, depending on your accommodation solution. It is not possible for the Resort to send you the invoice earlier, because we really stretched during the price negotiations. They agreed eventually to these very low prices for the extra nights, but it was mandatory to accept you paying on the Resorts' front-office.

6. Non-delegates

There are still few non-delegates that haven't transferred the due amount. Please do so before your arrival and transfer the 450,00 Euro to the following company:

VELA AL TERZO j.d.o.o.

IBAN HR7623600001102344347

SWIFT/BIC Code ZABHR2X

Causal: GM DOUZELAGE Non-delegates

7. Food and drinks

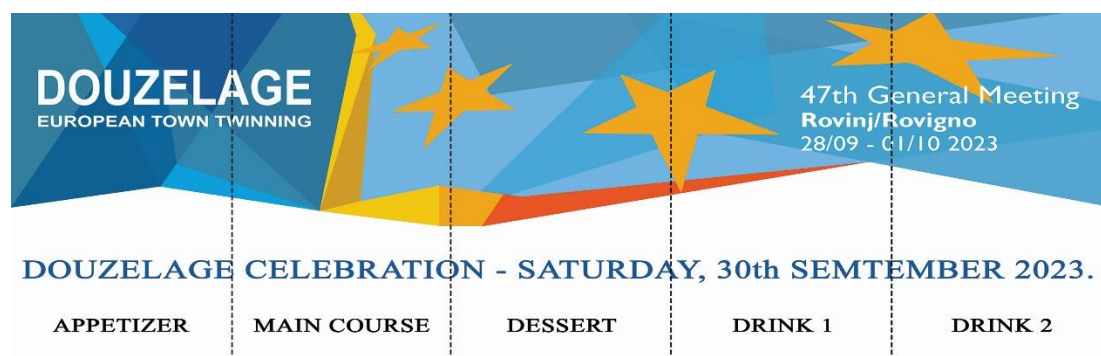
Allergies and other food restrictions: We have sent the information about the allergies and food restrictions we received in the registration forms to all the restaurants we will have our meal. They have the information about the number of persons and the type of food restriction, but do not have the names of each person. So, when a waiter approaches you, please do stress to him/her what your particular food restrictions are.

We have just two meals with buffet food offer: the dinner on Thursday 28th in the Resort "Amarin" and the lunch on Saturday 30th in the MMC. There, you will just avoid the dishes you are allergic to and if you'll have any doubts, please ask to waiters present around the buffet.

Drinks: all the meals include a drink, that consists of 0,5 litre mineral water or 1 soft drink or 0,4 litre of house wine or 0,5 litre of beer (alcohol is meant for the adults). Additional drinks have to be paid on your own. The waiters in the restaurants will take care of counting the consumptions.

Food and drinks during the "Douzelage Celebrations" on the main square: We've organised a "Douzelage Celebration" evening on Saturday with concerts on the main square and a festival

food offer (so that the locals can join, too). After the GM conclusions and before taking the photo, you will receive a block of coupons that will allow you to get your food and drinks.



8. Requested preparatory work

We sincerely thank all of you that have sent your preparatory work. But there are still few presentations missing for the Educational Meeting and almost none of our Youth has sent the paper for the round-table.

So, please check with your EM representatives if they've send a presentation in English with the descriptions of what are you doing and which policies, programmes and activities are you implementing in your towns (school programmes, municipal initiatives, NGO activities, events, examples in situ) regarding the preservation of your cultural and historical heritage.

The YM representatives were asked to prepare a short paperwork where they should describe what does the historic and cultural heritage of their towns represents for them (answer to the questions like: Are they acquainted with it, is it important for them? Is it cherished enough by the municipalities and/or educational institutions or could it be done more? What would they do in order to make the heritage and the traditions of their towns interesting for the youngsters?) These papers represent the starting point for a round table planned in their programme, where they will discuss all together and will try to answer the question does a common European culture/heritage/identity exist? Very few papers have be sent (those few are excellent!), so please check with them and ask them please to send the requested preparatory work before arrival.

9. GM Presentations

While the core of the Educational Meeting is presenting the policies and activities regarding the historical and cultural heritage of each town, the GM has only 1:30 hours available in the programme for the presentation of good practices. So, it has been decided that the presentations will be held upon expression of interest, by sending an e-mail to maria.crnac.rocco@rovinj-rovigno.hr.

Those of you that wish to present how are you preserving your heritage and how are you involving your citizens – especially the youth – in this important process, please give the others the opportunity to learn from you by holding a presentation. We could learn from the presentations you've sent us that several of you are doing some marvellous things, so don't be shy and present them to us.

10. Clothes and various

We kindly advise you to wear comfortable clothes and shoes in which you can move easily and wear them the whole day. We are going to be very active, the EM and the YM will have many activities in the open and we will get back to the Resort only in the evenings.

11. Contacts

We have exchanged various messages, but if you have any further question please do not hesitate to contact us:

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