



Tocatì Festival Internazionale dei Giochi in Strada

RE-THINK TOCATÌ FOR EUROPE

TOCATÌ. A SHARED HERITAGE



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On the occasion of the European Year of Cultural Heritage 2018, the experience of the Ancient Games Association (AGA - Associazione Giochi Antichi) and the Tocatì - programme of activities for the safeguarding of traditional games and sports - International Festival of games in the streets - is a big opportunity to re-think the evolution of cultures and cultural policies in contemporary society. Tocatì is a living network connecting communities, places and people, a project of transmission of **ludic cultures, and community-based experiences**, between local belonging and intercultural dialogue. It is also an instrument of urban regeneration, a local initiative able to open the doors of the city of Verona to a wide international community and audience.

The seminar is divided into three themes and moments: the first is devoted to think over the **impact of traditional games and sports** as tool for social cohesion, intercultural dialogue, health and wellbeing. The second is dedicated to share **research and participatory identification experiences** of ludic heritage as an intangible cultural heritage. A dialogue between the western and eastern regions of Europe and between Institutions, scientific community, civil society and communities of practice. Finally, the third opens and defines, through the sharing of the **Protocol of Verona (2017)**, the **international cooperation perspectives** of the European Partnership.

The key words of 2018 are: Traditional Games and Sports; Social Impact; Ludic Communities and Heritage Communities; Sustainability; Participatory Inventories of Intangible Cultural Heritage; Good Safeguarding Practices of ICH; Territory/Comparison/Heritage.

MEETING 1

Traditional Games and Sports as tools for personal wellbeing and social cohesion: what is the role and the impact on contemporary European society? Open questions

Thursday 13 September 2018

9.00 am - 12.00 pm

Moderator: Pier Luigi Sacco

The Traditional Games and Sports (TSGs) are an open and evolving laboratory of social relationships. Based on memory, creativity and community values, TSGs facilitate conflict mediation, social cohesion and the well-being of the “groups, communities and individuals” that compose society. Social and ritual behaviours constantly redefine relationships and bonds. Since 2003, Tocati, a community of communities, has been inviting ludic communities from different parts of Italy, Europe and the World to reach Verona, to play, build relationships, think together. Among the host countries of the Festival we have Spain (2006) Croatia (2007), Greece (2009), Switzerland (2010) and Hungary (2013). Tocati offers its experience to the project of Europe as an open laboratory of peaceful coexistence, intercultural dialogue, memory and social creativity. Some experts help us, from an interdisciplinary scientific perspective, to think of the role of TSGs in contemporary society. What effect do ludic practices have on cognitive processes and health? Which criteria and indicators allow us to evaluate the impact of TSGs on individual and social wellbeing, on the local economy, also in reference to the objectives of sustainable development (SDGs of the 2030 agenda) and to the challenges/objectives identified by the European Commission’s policies? How can Tocati strengthen its vocation contributing to the process of recognition of the role of TSGs for social cohesion, intercultural dialogue and personal wellbeing on a European scale?

09.00 am Welcome by the authorities:

Giuseppe Riello, President “Camera di commercio” of Verona

Federico Sboarina, Mayor of Verona

Cristiano Corazzari, Councilor for territory, culture and security of the Region of Veneto

Lorenzo Fontana, Minister of Family and Disability

9.30 - Tibor Navracsics, European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth

10.00 am and Sport. European policies and the Europe strategy 2020. *Traditional games and sports as a tool for social cohesion, creative education participation.*

10.00 - Pier Luigi Sacco, FBK- Bruno Kessler Foundation, Trento. IULM University

10.30 am of Milan. *Traditional Sports and Games as tools for social cohesion. Perspectives of the interdisciplinary research.*

10.30 - Pere Lavega, President of European Association of Traditional Sports

11.00 am and Games (ETSGA). Member of the Ad hoc Advisory Committee on TSG in UNESCO; Chairman Ad hoc working group: Policy Guidelines on TSG in UNESCO. *Policy Guidelines for the promotion of Traditional Games and Sports (TSG): Social and cultural meanings of TSG in 21st Century Society. A bridge of wellbeing and sociocultural relations.*

Coffee break

11.00 - Vittorio Gallese, University of Parma and University of London. *Empathy and intersubjectivity. The contribution of neurosciences.*

11.30 - Pierre Parlebas, State Doctor - Emeritus Professor of Social Sciences / Sorbonne University Paris / Descartes. Honorary President of CEMEA - UNESCO Expert
Games, Sport and Culture in the evolution of contemporary society. A critical overview.

12.00 - 12.30 am Debate

1.00 pm Lunch

MEETING 2

Heritage communities between research practices and institutions: European inventories of traditional games and sports

Thursday 13 September 2018

2.00 - 6.00 pm

Moderator: Valentina Lapicciarella Zingari

The **inventories of ludic heritage** of Europe as intangible cultural heritage provide a unique opportunity for a participatory research and documentation. In the spirit of the 2013 UNESCO Convention, inventories are at the same time tools for the identification, recognition and design of safeguard measures. To open an inventory means to build the foundations of a project of research, interpretation and sharing of knowledge and experiences, but also conscious experimentation of activities of transmission of ludic cultures, between local and over national.

In Europe, pioneering experiences have opened the way to inventories since the 1990s. Other experiences are emerging. In France, the **Brittany Region**, with the cultural Confederation Falsab - jeux et sports bretons, played an important role in this process by coordinating the inventory process at the regional level, in a context rich of ludodiversity. The articulation between civil society and the academic world is an important point of interest for the European partnership.

In Belgium, the **Sportimonium's ludodiversity programme** is born as a research programme on the ludic heritage of the Flemish region, combining the perspectives of scientific research with those of museographic communication. Other countries, including Italy, are opening new inventorying process, in dialogue with national and regional Institutions. **Associazione Giochi Antichi** has experienced, since 2003 with the birth of Tocati, a **journey through Italy of the ludic communities**. This trip, nowadays, got the value of a **network of communities** that, in a participatory spirit, contribute to the knowledge of the different traditional games and sports practiced by Italian communities. **Community of communities**, Tocati opens its doors to the reflection on the inventory as a large and exciting laboratory of experiences, with a first comparison of methodologies and cases study at the European level. Together with researchers and Institutional, some associations and practitioners are invited to share their experiences.

2.00 - 2.30 pm: opening session

Welcome by the authorities:

Fabio Gamba, General Direction - UNESCO Office - Municipality of Verona

Maria Teresa de Gregorio, Director Heritage, cultural activity and sport - Region of Veneto

Leandro Ventura, Director of Service VI - Protection of the demoethnoanthropological and intangible heritage of the Directorate - General for Archeology, Fine Arts and Landscape. Director of the Central Institute for Demoethnoanthropology. Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities (MiBAC).

2.30 - 2.50 pm **Isabelle Chave**, Chief heritage curator. Assistant to the head of department for research and scientific policy. Ethnological Heritage – Intangible Cultural Heritage. Directorate General for Heritage / French Ministry of Culture. *Traditional games and sports in the national inventory of intangible cultural heritage in France.*

2.50 - 3.10 pm **Laurent Fournier**, Professor of anthropology, IDEMEC-UMR CNRS 7307, University Aix-Marseille (France). *Supporting communities by academic researchers in the activities of inventoring traditional games and sports in France.*

3.10 - 3.30 pm **Peggy Liaigre**, Director Falsab Confederation (Brittany, France). *Games and sports in Brittany, The experience of inventoring traditional games and sports in Brittany.*

3.30 - 3.45 pm **Manolo Alcayaga Goikoetxea**, Co-president Traditional games and sport Federation in the Basque country (New Aquitaine, France). *Field experiences in the Inventoring of traditional games and sports in the Nord Basque.*

3.45 - 4.00 pm **Alain Bovo**, President of the “Foyers Ruraux du Gers” (Occitanie, France). *Field experiences in the Inventoring of traditional games and sports in the Gers country.*

Coffee break

4.15 - 4.30 pm **Bregt Brosens**, Sportimonium (Flanders, Belgium). *The inventories of Intangible Cultural Heritage in the light of Sportimonium experience. A case study.*

4.30 - 5.00 pm **Tamara Nicolich**, Istria Museum and **Milivoj Pacenti**, Iстрия pljočkarski Savez. (Istria, Croatia). *The inventory of intangible cultural heritage in Croatia and the position of the ludic heritage. The question of community participation.*

5.00 - 5.30 pm **Antigoni Polyniki**, National Commission for UNESCO and **Dimitra Christodoulou** Association “Laografikos Omilos Ktima Pafou” (Cyprus). *The inventory of Traditional Games of Easter in Cyprus. An evolving experience.*

5.30 - 5.45 pm **Nikolai Vukov**, Institute of Ethnology and Folklore Studies with Ethnographic Museum (IEFSEM) Bulgarian Academy of Sciences. *Inventoring Traditional Games and Sports as ICH in Bulgaria.*

5.45 - 6.15 pm **Paolo Avigo and Giuseppe Giacon** with **Valentina Lapicciarella Zingari**, AGA-SiMBDEA, **Renata Meazza**, Lombardy Region and **Stefania Baldinotti**, ICDE-MiBAC (Italy). *Heritage awareness of civil society. The inventory of ludic heritage as a process of recognition and research based on community participation. The experience of the Italian network of Tocati for the safeguarding of the Traditional Games and Sports.*

MEETING 3

Round Table. Tocati and the Protocol of Verona as a European cooperation programme

6.15 - 7.30 pm

Moderator: Benedetta Ubertazzi

To strengthen the capacity of Tocati by sharing a **work programme with the European partnership** in the spirit of the Tocati project, a shared heritage, launched in 2016 with the Manifesto of Tocati, developed in 2017 with the **Verona Protocol**. This is the objective of the round table. A call **to define the contribution of each partner**.

6.15 - 6.30 pm **Luca Perego**, Cabinet of European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport. *The Europe of cooperation.*

6.30 - 7.30 pm **Interventions by the delegates of Belgium, France, Cyprus, Croatia and Bulgaria and debate:**

Belgium: Bregt Brosen, Sportimonium

Croatia: Rut Carek, National Commission for Unesco

Cyprus: Antigoni Polyniki, National Commission for Unesco

Bulgaria: Nikolai Vukov, Expert ICH - Bulgarian Academy of Sciences

Participants in the day and in the round table:

Mariarosa Barazza, network of little municipalities, National Association of Italian Municipalities – ANCI

Domenico Zugliani, UNESCO Office municipality of Verona, National Association UNESCO World Heritage Sites

Anna Paini, University of Study of Verona

Marta Ugolini, University of Study of Verona

Giovanna Del Gobbo, University of Florence

Vita Santoro, UNESCO chair “Mediterranean cultural landscapes and communities of knowledge”,

Matera Alessandra Broccolini, Italian Society for Museum and Heritage Anthropology, SiMBDEA

Vincenzo Padiglione, La Sapienza University of Rome

Agostina Lavagnino, Archive of Ethnography and Social History. Lombardy Region

Laura Donà, MIUR, Ministry for Education, University and Research, Office for the Veneto Region

Lorenza Pizzinelli, International relations Festival Tocati

Vincenzo Capuano, Cultural Association Battuglie di Pastellessa

Francesca Berti, University of Tübingen, directory of AGA

Marco Tamaro, Foundation Benetton, studies researches

Daniela Závěská, Department of Ethnography, National Museum, Prague

End of works and dinner