

## ASSOCIAZIONE CULTURALE NON PROFIT PER LA DIFFUSIONE DEI VALORI SOLIDALI NELL'UNIONE EUROPEA

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# La Nuova Europa renews the Directive Council and nominates a Scientific Committee A network for the formation of convinced pro-Europeans

The components of the Directive Council for the 2020- 2023 triennium are convinced 'europeists' choosen within journalists, teachers, school principals, lawyers and young students that have taken part to the initiatives of the association and have decided to stand up for the European cause. The founder Roberto Sommella is confirmed as the president. Journalist and director of the website <a href="https://www.milanofinanza.it">www.milanofinanza.it</a> and co-director of Milano Finanza, previously head of the external relations of the Italian Antitrust for whom he has curated the relations with the communitarian institutions and informative campaigns. Expert of European issues and public finance, he is the author of the books: 'L'euro è di tutti' (with the preface of Matteo Renzi, Fioriti Eidtore, 2014), 'Sboom' (Fioriti Editore, 2015), 'Euxit. Uscita di sicurezza per l'Europa' translated as 'Euxit, emergency exit for Europe' (Rubbettino, 2016, english traduction Rubbettino, 2017), Gli arrabbiati (La Nuova Europa, 2018). The road-shows of its books around Italy made him realize, being in a strict contact with the public, that a lot of people are hoping for a much more cohesive and solidary. Its pro-Europe effort starting from the Island of Ventotene has earned him the conferment of the honorary citizenship of the Ventotene in August 2017.

Confirmed Raffaella Rizzo in the position of vice-president, PhD in historical geography for the promotion of the patrimony, professional journalist expert in communication and organization of cultural events, with the role of general coordinator for the various initiatives of the association and director of the Ventotene Europa Festival.

Nominated in the new Directive Council are Stefano Polli, vice-director of Ansa, Agostino Romagnoli and Angela Russo, professors of the Italian section of the Balzac Lycee in Paris, that will follow in particular the didactic area and the relations between northern Italy and France. Fabrizio Vasselli, a 20 years old that have taken part at all the initiatives of the association from the beginning in 2017, he will coordinate the group of students and carry on the function as the secretary.

It has been nominated a scientific Committee formed by Renata Colorni, translater, responsible of the series 'I Meridiani' (Mondadori), Anna Foa, historian, professor of modern history at the Sapienza University of Rome, Sergio Fabbrini, economist, professor of political sciences and international relations at Luiss University of Rome, Angelo Bolaffi, germanist and professor of political philosophy at the Sapienza University of Rome and Raffaele Torino, lawyer and professor of European law at Roma Tre University.



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### What have we done within 2017 and 2019

**Ventotene Europa Festival and School of Europe.** We have ideated, organized and delivered three editions of the Ventotene Europa Festival and three editions of the School of Europe at Ventotene. Not one of many European schools, but a school based on active workshops about citizenship where to experiment and know Europe, intended as subject of study, that has brought on the total of the 6 events, more than 300 European students from different countries in the Island. Staying in a campus, the students discussed and wrote the 'Ventotene declaration' and the 'Manifest of young Europeans'.

The first document was delivered firstly the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 2017 to the former President of the Italian chamber of ministers Laura Boldrini in Ventotene and secondly the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2017 to the former European Parliament President Antonio Tajani. The second document was delivered to Nicolas Jégou and Clèment Beaune, councillors for Europe of the French President of Republic Emmanuel Macron on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 at the Eysée togheter with the Italian consul of Paris Emilia Gatto and a delegation of students and professors of the Lycèe Balzac. It was also published in the appendix of the book 'Gli arrabbiati' of Roberto Sommella (La Nuova Europa, 2018). The third document was delivered to the President of the European Parliament David Maria Sassoli the 5<sup>th</sup> of February 2020. The President received in its personal office inside the Parliament a delegation of students together with the mayor of Ventotene and the President of the association.

Abbiamo organizzato la Scuola d'Europa anche a Roma, con la senatrice a vita Liliana Segre ospite d'onore nell'anniversario degli 80 anni dalla promulgazione delle leggi razziali (2018).

The initiatives have had the patronage of the Chamber of Deputes, the Presidency of the Council of Ministers of Community policies, of the 60 years of Rome's treaty, of the Lazio region, of the communality of Ventotene and the contribution of the Italian delegation of the European Commission and of the AICCRE Lazio and obtained a remarkable media attention as it is possible to see in the press review.

http://www.lanuovaeuropa.it/dicono-di-noi/

http://www.lanuovaeuropa.it/rassegna-stampa-ventotene-2018/

We have signed a protocol of understanding of the duration of 5 years with the Municipality of Ventotene, for the management and coordination of the School of Europe. The objective is to make the initiative a stable appointment for several weeks every year in the period from October to May, hosting young men and women from all the EU countries along with the principle of mobility of youth that has become usual in the past thirty years of Erasmus. A project of long-life learning that could transform the Island in a 'new' destination Erasmus that certificates the formation of young European citizens. The *Ventotene Europa Festival* will be the conclusive act of this path and La Nuova Europa propose itself as the head of the coordination of this project.

The schools that have taken part to our projects so far have been: Liceo Mamiani of Rome, Lycée Chateaubriand of Rome, Scuola per l'Europa of Parma, Liceo D'Azeglio of Turin, Liceo Pasteur of Rome, Lycée Balzac of Paris, Liceo Tito Lucrezio Caro of Naples, Liceo Humboldt Gymnasium of

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Berlin, Istituto Caetani of Rome, Istituto Lucio Petronio of Pozzuoli (Naples), Liceo Cutelli of Catania, Mihai Eminescu National College of Oradea (Romania), Liceo De Sanctis di Rome, Scuola Europea of Varese, Rete delle scuole superiori of Molfetta (Bari), Liceo Montale of Rome, Liceo Kennedy of Rome, Liceo Tasso of Rome, Liceo Talete of Rome, Liceo Augusto of Rome, Liceo Socrate of Rome, Liceo Morgagni of Rome.

We have signed protocols of understanding for specific projects with the associations: 'Per l'Europa di Ventotene onlus', 'La parola che non muore', 'Giovani Federalisti Europei' and 'Società Dante Alighieri'.

We have adhered to the network of 'Citizenship workshop' that put together 15 Italian schools and with the convention of the University Roma Tre. It has the aim of formation and update of students and professors on themes of European citizenship, the management of cultural activities, and the realization of project or educational, sports or cultural initiatives of transnational interest and oriented to intercultural dialogue.

We have created the website <u>www.lanuovaeuropa.it</u> (newspaper registered to the Tribunal of Rome) finalised to divulgate a different image of Europe from a positive point of view, and convey informative contents concerning the diffusion of solidarity values of the European Union (along with the statute of the association).

In the website we have reserved the space *Millennials Room* Giovani Cittadini Europei (Young European Citizens), with written, photographic and video contributions (also in English) realized from young people that in this way have a web platform dedicated to them.

For 2020 are scheduled other editions of the School of Europe in Paris and in Ventotene and the fourth edition of the Ventotene Europa Festival and a concluding convention at Roma Tre University on the 25th of May. In each of these initiatives one hundred participants are expected taking part of the workshops on European citizenship of which more than half of the students are from different countries of origin.