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A summary of the available tours during the WCTE 2010 is given.

Read below for more information:

If you are interested in booking a personal pre- and/or post-conference tour, please contact the official travel agency of WCTE 2010:

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**W C T E****WORLD CONFERENCE ON  
TIMBER ENGINEERING****2 0 1 0****Pre-conference tour 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> June 2010**

Venice and Verona

**June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

12:00 Departure by bus from Verona Airport Valerio Catullo to Venice

14:00 Arrival in Venezia Mestre and hotel check-in

15:30 Transfer with the bus to Tronchetto. From there you will catch the ferry to San Marco place where you will meet your "Cicerone" who will guide you to discover the treasures of Venice.

The tour will take around 2 hours after which you will have free time to find a delightful restaurant to have a dinner. You can also opt to have a dinner on return to the hotel.

Return to the hotel at approximately 21:00.

**June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

9:00 After breakfast and check-out you will catch a vaporetto to reach Venice where you can enjoy a Venetian summer day. You will be free to explore the city by yourself and to taste a fresh aperol spritz or a good gelato walking along the canals or just after visiting Palazzo Ducale.

Departure at 16:00 from Venice.

Arrival in Verona around 18:00.

In company of a guide you will enter the Roman times, having the opportunity to watch the opera "Aida" by Giuseppe Verdi in the Arena of Verona.

The performance will start around 21:00 and the end is estimated around 24:00.

Afterwards, a bus will drive you to the hotel you reserved in Riva del Garda.

**Price of pre-conference tour (accommodation included):****290.00 euro****Services include:**

Bus: Verona-Venezia-Verona-Riva del Garda

Ferry from Venezia Mestre and Venezia Centre

English-speaking guide and accompanying hostess

Accommodation in a four-star hotel including breakfast

*Open-Seating* ticket for the opera "Aida"

Additional cost to reserve a seat in the Arena: 84.00 euro

Additional cost for a single room: 30.00 euro

(Reduction for those who do not attend the opera: 35.00 euro)



**Don't miss the chance to participate at the post-conference tour!**

The post-conference tour offers a good mix between technical visit and Italian cultural heritage. The tour will start on 25th and will continue on 26th of June.

Friday **25<sup>th</sup> of June** will be dedicated to technical visits in two different companies

Departure by bus from Riva del Garda around 9:00 in the morning.

10:00 Cortaccia/ Kurtatsch - Visit of the head office of the Company Rothoblaas (production of self-tapping screws for timber connections – [www.rothoblaas.com](http://www.rothoblaas.com) ). A visit of the Rothoblaas building from the architectural and structural point of view is included.

12:00 lunch

13:00 Bolzano/Bozen – Visit of a maintenance centre of the highway authority “Autostrada del Brennero SpA” (glulam building)

14:30 Bressanone/Brixen – Visit of the Company Holzbau SpA (glulam plant) – [www.holzbau.com](http://www.holzbau.com)

Back around 18:00.

In order to end this day; a special dinner will be organised in the Marzadro distillery, located in Nogaredo, very close to Riva del Garda.

The complex building of the distillery, made by Holzbau SpA, has been built in stone, wood and glass and is surrounded by rows of vines.

Departure to Riva del Garda around 23:00.

**26<sup>th</sup> of June.**

Departure by bus from Riva del Garda around 10:00.

You will arrive in Verona at 11:30 and after a tour with a guide that will explain the story and the architecture of the city, you will have time to visit Verona, to go shopping in Piazza delle Erbe or to do a romantic walk to the balcony of Juliette.

At 18:00 you will meet with the guide in order to reach the Arena.

The opera on stage is “Madame Butterfly” by Puccini.

At the end of the show, a bus will drive you back to Riva. If you prefer you can reserve a room directly in Verona so that you can reach the airport more easily the morning after.

**Price of post-conference tour (accommodation excluded):**

**Services include:**

182,00 Euro.

All transfers

Lunch and dinner on 25<sup>th</sup>

English-speaking guide and accompanying hostess

*Open-Seating* ticket for the opera “Madame Butterfly”

Additional cost to reserve a seat in the Arena: 84.00 euro

26<sup>th</sup> June additional cost for those who need to book a room in Verona:

1 double room in a four-star hotel near the airport with breakfast included: 55.00 euro each

1 double room for single use in a four-star hotel near the airport with breakfast included: 99.00 euro each