

PUBLIC LECTURE BY
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Հայերի Վենետիկ Armenian Venice

With the participation of the students of the “Narek” Armenian Sunday School
Kortrijk & Antwerp, Belgium

Concluding Remarks: Dr. **Artak Zhamharyan**
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Ca' Foscari University of Venice once again takes center stage in welcoming the Armenian diaspora schools from Belgium, strengthening a meaningful academic and cultural connection. This initiative was launched during the 11th Armenia–Diaspora Pan-Armenian Educational Summit, organized in August 2024 by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture, and Sports of the Republic of Armenia. On that occasion, Prof. Sona Haroutyunian and Dr. Artak Zhamharyan agreed to organize a joint event in Venice dedicated to celebrating the city's rich Armenian heritage. The students paid their first visit in March 2025. This year's program includes a two-day visit to Venice. On the first day, the

students will be hosted by Ca' Foscari University, where they will participate in a public lecture by Prof. Sona Haroutyunian on Armenian Venice and learn more about the University's long-standing commitment to Armenian language and culture, taught there continuously since 1975. On the second day, the visit will continue to the Island of San Lazzaro degli Armeni, one of the most emblematic pillars of Armenian culture and scholarship, as well as to Santa Croce degli Armeni, the medieval Armenian church in Italy that remains active today.