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The Sailing Stones

Stone Trade in Waterscapes: The Adriatic Basin in Comparative Perspective

26-27 June 2026
Pula, Archaeological
Museum of Istria

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9.30 **Introduction to the conference**
Darko Komšo (Director of Archaeological
Museum of Istria)
Jasenska Gudelj (Principal Investigator of
AdriContArch FARE Project)
Cristiano Guarneri (Università Ca' Foscari
Venezia)

SESSION ONE

Stone Trade in Early Modern Adriatic Basin

Chair: **Darko Komšo**
10.00 **Cristiano Guarneri** (Università Ca' Foscari
Venezia), *Stone Trade in the Waterscape: The
Adriatic Basin*

10.30 **Gaetano Benčić** (Zavičajni muzej
poreštine/Museo del territorio parentino)
*Smantellare l'antico: spoliazione, riutilizzo e
commercio della pietra da edifici antichi in età
medievale e moderna. L'esempio di Parenzo e del
Parentino*

11.00 **Jasenska Gudelj** (Università Ca' Foscari
Venezia), *Juraj Matejev Dalmatinac (Giorgio da
Sebenico) and the 15th-century Adriatic Stone
Trade*

11.30 **Damir Tulić and Mario Pintarić** (Sveučilište
u Rijeci), *Building with Local Stone: Circulation of
Knowledge and Materials at the Construction Site
of St. Vitus Cathedral in Rijeka*

12.15. Visit to the exhibition **AB ANTIQUO. European Architectural Culture and East Adriatic Antiquities**

SESSION TWO

Stone Trade in Waterscapes: Comparative Cases

Chair: **Cristiano Guarneri**
15.00 **Jennifer Alexander** (University of
Warwick), *Export, Import and Transport: The
Stone Industry's Use of Britain's Waterways*
15.30 **Nele Luttmann** (Trinity College Dublin),
*Maritime Networks and the Northern European
Stone Trade in the Eighteenth Century:
Comparative Perspectives*

16.00 **Armando Antista and Domenica Sutera**
(Università di Palermo), *Le vie del mare: rotte
e approdi dei materiali lapidei tra la Sicilia e la
Penisola Italiana in età Moderna*

16.30 **Jonathan Foote** (Aarhus School of
Architecture), *Copenhagen building stones in the
era of Danish absolutism*

17.15 Visit to antiquities of Pula

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9.00 – 16.00 **Veseljko Bašić** (Brijuni National
Park), *Working visit to the quarries of Istrian
Stone on Brijuni Islands*