

Programme

General Assembly | 12–13 October 2026

Scientific Campus, Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Edificio Alfa

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The General Assembly (GA) is conceived as a series of focused sessions addressing key “Moonshots” identified by the European Commission in view of the upcoming FP10 – Horizon Europe programme. The primary objective is to foster the creation of dedicated working groups that will initiate and support future collaborative activities in these areas. Contributions of new ideas and proposals will be strongly encouraged throughout the meeting.

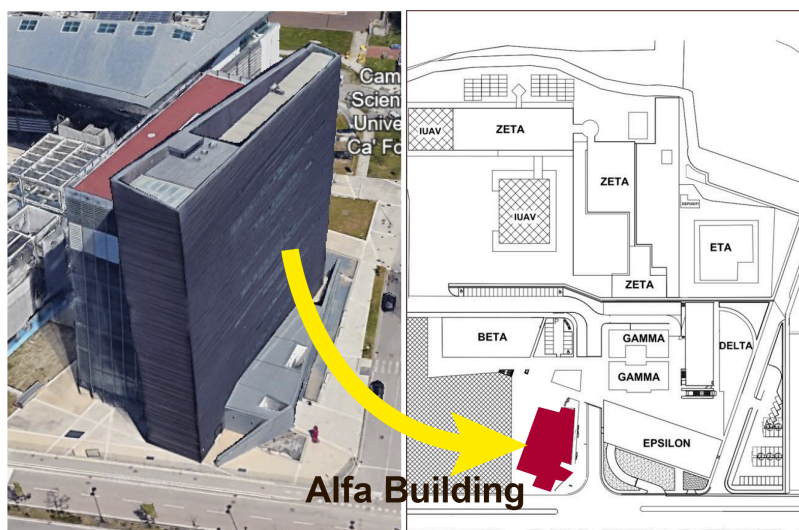
Five main thematic areas have been identified:

- Quantum Computing
- Synthetic Biology, Artificial Life, and Living Technologies
- Intelligent Soft Matter
- Biomedical Applications of Artificial Intelligence
- Complex Networks

After an initial plenary meeting, each group will gather into different rooms chaired by a working group leader.

Campus - Alfa Building | Rooms location

- **BAS Learning Center** – Lower ground floor
- **Aula Orio-Zanetto** – Lower ground floor
- **Acquario 4.1** – 4° Floor
- **Acquario 5.1** – 5° Floor
- **Sala Riunioni 7** – 7° Floor





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Monday, 12 October

Morning Welcome Session (Sala Conferenze Orio Zanetto) 9:00-10:30

- Vice-Provost for Research Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Prof. Pietro Dindo
- ECLT Directors, Prof. Achille Giacometti, Prof. Marco Nobile
- NICHE Director, Prof. Francesca Tarocco
- Ing. Dr. Hélène Molinari
- Ca' Foscari Research Office Dr. Laura Fagarazzi

10.30-11.00 Coffee Break

Morning Parallel Sessions 11:00-12:30

- Quantum Computing (Leader Prof. Ruedi Fuchslin) [BAS Learning Center](#)
- Intelligent Soft Matter (Leader Prof. John McCaskill) [Sala Riunioni 7 floor](#)
- Synthetic Biology, Artificial Life, and Living Technologies (Leader Dr. Norman Packard) [Acquario 4.1](#)
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- Complex Networks (Leader Prof. Guido Caldarelli) [Sala Orio Zanetto](#)

Lunch 12.30-14.00

Afternoon Parallel Sessions 14:00-15:30

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Coffee Break 15:30-16:30

Afternoon Parallel Sessions 16:30-18:00

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Plenary Session 18:00-18:30 (Sala Conferenze Orio Zanetto)

Short report from the Group Leaders.

Dinner 18:45-20:15



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Coffee Break 10:30-11:30

Final Plenary Session 11:30-13:00 - Sala Conferenze Orio Zanetto

- Quantum Computing, Group Leader
- Intelligent Soft Matter, Group Leader
- Synthetic Biology, Artificial Life, and Living Technologies, Group Leader
- Biomedical Applications of Artificial Intelligence, Group Leader
- Complex Networks, Group Leader
- ECLT Directors

Lunch 13:00-14:30
