

Copernicus and Italy

“Corona Magnorum Virorum et Artificum”: A Revolutionary Astronomer in the Cradle of Humanism

Dates: 28–30 September 2023

Location: Rome, Italy

Dear Colleagues,

We are glad to announce an international workshop to celebrate the 550th anniversary of the birth of Nicolaus Copernicus and the reopening of the INAF - Astronomical and Copernican Museum of Rome.

The meeting, in collaboration with the Istituto Polacco, the Universities of Rome Sapienza, Bologna, Ferrara and Padua, the patronage of Accademia dei Lincei and of the Società Astronomica Italiana (SAIt), will be held in Rome on 28–30 September 2023. The conference will focus on the multi-faceted relations between Copernicus and Italy, that is, considered in their wide and inter-related biographical, historical, cultural and scientific aspects. Thus, we welcome paper addressing topics such as the first reception of Copernicus’s works and ideas, the constant dialogue between with Italian technical astronomy and astrology, the interdisciplinary cultural impact on the humanistic and popular milieus of the time and the National Copernican Celebrations along the centuries.

The Workshop will also take into account the extraordinary role of Artur Wołyński, the founder of our collection, and of Bronisław Biliński, the other crucial Polish historian that worked in Rome and published important contributions about Copernicus.

Participants are invited to submit abstracts and/or interest in attending the meeting.

The online registration and abstract submission will open the 1st of March 2023 with the following deadlines:

April 30th, 2023 : abstract submission deadline

June 10th, 2023 : program announced

early bird registration fee deadline (Euros 120)

July 31st 2023: late registration fee deadline (Euros 240)

Program and selected talks and posters will be announced by early June 2023. At that point accommodation options will also become available, as well as instructions for reservations of the social events.

Topics for discussion will include:

- Between Cracow and Italy
- Copernicus among Italian Humanists
- Copernicus and the Italian Astronomers and Astrologers: Observations, instruments and mathematical techniques
- Copernican Iconography
- Copernicus in Rome

- First Italian Reception (XVI century)
- Copernican Research between Poland and Italy: Wołyński, Biliński and others
- Historical Copernican Celebrations in Italy.

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With best regards,

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