PRESS RELEASE INTENSIVE SUMMER COURSE OF ARMENIAN LANGUAGE AND CULTURE August 2025

The Association Padus-Araxes is pleased to announce that the 39th edition of the Intensive Summer Course of Armenian Language and Culture, promoted in collaboration with the "Studium Generale Marcianum" of Venice, will take place from 1st August to 18th August (18 August exam day).

ARRIVALS: 31st, July (check-in); DEPARTURES: 19th, August (check-out).

Application DEADLINE: 30th April.

To apply, fill out the application form: <u>APPLICATION FORM</u>

AGE LIMIT: at least 18 years old (exceptions should be submitted to the Director of the Course).

LESSON SCHEDULE: Four basic levels from absolute beginners to proficient ones; 65 hours of classroom lessons spanned from Monday to Saturday in the mornings. **ATTENDANCE IS COMPULSORY**.

LESSONS LOCATION: Lessons will be held at Seminario Patriarcale di Venezia, <u>https://www.seminariovenezia.it/cms/galleria/il-seminario/.</u>

FREE AFTER-CLASS cultural and leisure activities will be offered in the afternoons and evenings.

Attendance is not compulsory. Extra-curricular activities include guided tours to the Mechitarist monastery of San Lazzaro, participation in the Armenian Divine Liturgy in the Armenian church of the Holy Cross, and in occasion of the feast of the Assumption at the Monastery of San Lazzaro with the traditional blessing of the grapes, scholarly lectures on Armenian studies (the program will be available in Spring). A free class in ARMENIAN DANCE and a « master class » in DUDUK will also be offered in the afternoons (the duduk class requires participants to have their own instrument).

<u>TUITION FEE</u>: € 875,00 (including 65 hours of lessons spanned on 13 days; cultural and leisure activities, tutorship; educational material; examination certificate).

LODGING FEE (from 31st July to 18th August included, 19 nights):

- ✓ € 1072,00 per person, in double room.
- ✓ € 1530,00 in single room.

Services included: AC, WI-FI, en-suite bathroom, bed sheets and towels, kitchenette, room cleaning once a week with linen change, city tax. There is no hairdryer in the room. The city tax in Venice is mandatory since 2011 and applied to all guests. Lodgings facilities cash it on behalf of the municipality.

LODGING LOCATION: rooms are located at Camplus Santa Marta <u>https://www.camplus.it/citta/venezia/camplus-santa-marta</u>

Those who have attended the course for at least two summers with a positive result in the final exam, have a 10% reduction on the tuition fee, which is also applied to their close relatives (parents, siblings, husband, wife) as well.

THE ASSOCIATION PROVIDES ACCOMMODATION, AT ABOVE MENTIONED CONDITIONS FROM 31st JULY TO 18th AUGUST (19 nights). WITHIN THIS PERIOD ANY PER DIEM CALCULATION IS NOT PERMITTED FOR ANY REASON. THE STUDENTS HAVE TO ARRANGE ANY OVERNIGHT STAYS OUTSIDE THIS PERIOD ON THEIR OWN. IF YOU DO NOT NEED ACCOMMODATION, PLEASE LET US KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

The applicant is required to send

- a deposit of € 950,00 BY 30th APRIL by bank transfer.
- a deposit of € 600,00 BY 06 June by bank transfer.
- The settlement is due by wire transfer by the 10 of July at the latest. You have the option to pay the settlement in cash on THE DAY OF ARRIVAL (31 July) in one of the main Western currencies. THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL CONDITION FOR THE ACCESS TO THE LODGING AND THE ATTENDANCE OF THE COURSE.

The amounts paid, WILL NOT BE REFUNDED, EXCEPT FOR ASCERTAINED ILLNESS.

Please, contact the secretariat (info@padus-araxes.com) to get the Association's BANK DETAILS for the transfer. ALL BANK EXPENSES MUST BE PAID BY THE APPLICANT.

NOT INCLUDED:

- \checkmark MEALS.
- ✓ CARTA VENEZIA UNICA (MONTHLY PASS REQUIRED FOR REDUCED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION FARES - N.B. a one-way ticket costs € 9.50* per person WITHOUT CARTA VENEZIA UNICA).
 - * the price may be subject to increase in the year 2025

For further INFORMATION, send an e-mail to <u>info@padus-araxes.com</u>, and in cc to <u>benedettacon@gmail.com</u> and to <u>zkybhs@gmail.com</u>.

For urgent information, call on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10.30am to 13.00 (1pm) (ITALIAN TIME - BE SURE to consider time difference from your own country) at the mobile phone +39.3791330687. In case of no reply, send a message with your NAME and PHONE NUMBER possibly reachable by WhatsApp. You will be called back.

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