



RILEM SPRING CONVENTION  
and CONFERENCE

**SUSTAINABLE MATERIALS,  
SYSTEMS AND STRUCTURES**

**SMSS 2019**

Lone Hotel, Rovinj, Croatia  
18 – 22 March 2019



## WELCOME

SMSS2019 conference is organised as a supporting event of RILEM Spring Convention. The scope of the conference is to gather scientists, practitioners, members of technical committees and users of technical recommendations, to jointly at the same place discuss and envision the future sustainable development of materials, systems and structures in a holistic, global way.

## CONFERENCE ORGANISERS

The conference is organized by University of Zagreb Faculty of Civil Engineering, which is celebrating its 100th Anniversary in 2019! By participating in RILEM Spring Convention and International Conference on Sustainable Materials, Systems and Structures 2019 you will contribute to the jubilee of our Faculty.

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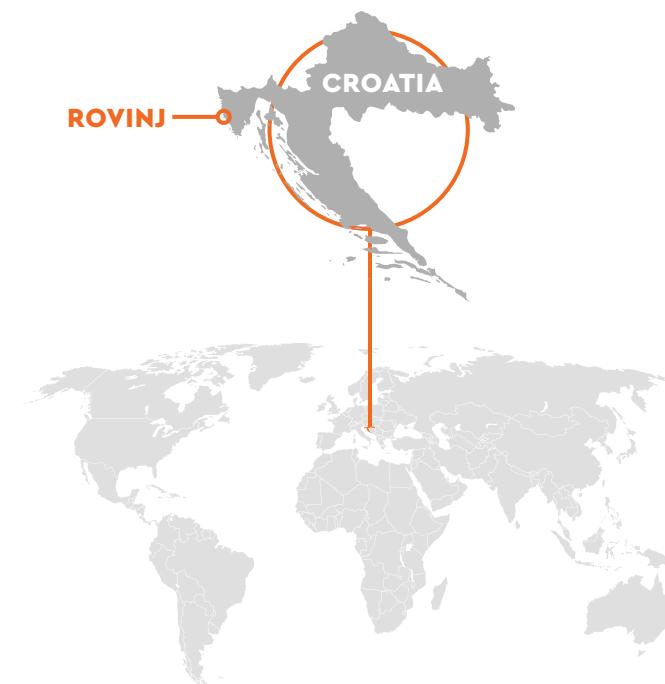
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Hotel Lone is a unique design hotel in Croatia which represents a design-focused synergy of functionality, harmony and elegance. Featuring an impeccable blend of luxury, beauty, style and cultural heritage, the 5 star boutique hotel is a year-round leisure and business destination.

## VENUE

### ROVINJ, ISTRIA

Rovinj is a small city situated on the beautiful west coast of Istria, just underneath the Lim canal, today considered as the most romantic place in the Mediterranean! Due to the lack of space, houses are closely built, streets are narrow and squares are small, still untouched by modern urbanism. One of the most 'photogenic' towns in the Mediterranean, once a fishing town, today is a tourist resort. Owing to the sea and what it has to offer, ranging from sailing to discovering the underwater world, its therapeutic properties, today Rovinj is the destination for tourists from all over the world. Not to mention, that there are 134 sunny days in a year, which makes Rovinj the third sunniest spot in the Adriatic.



### CROATIA

Croatia is a land of rich cultural heritage, numerous museums, galleries and churches, many of which today, as zero category monuments, are included in a part of the UNESCO World Heritage List. In that magical place on the Mediterranean, even the shortest stroll becomes a journey down a staircase thousands of years old which take one through a history that is at the same time turbulent, exciting and glorious. With 8 national parks and 11 Parks of nature, Croatia is one of the ecologically best preserved parts of Europe. The mainland covers an area of 56 594 km<sup>2</sup> and coastal waters cover a surface area of 31 479 km<sup>2</sup> where Croatia's shoreline and its 1 244 islands enjoy the majority of the Adriatic coastline.

# INVITED SPEAKERS



Professor  
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Construction Materials Laboratory LMC,  
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Topic:  
**Roadmap of development and application  
of sustainable materials**



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Topic:  
**Alkali-activated technology – from  
laboratory to structural application**



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Testing and modelling for civil and urban en-  
gineering (EMGCU), Materials and Structures  
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Topic:  
**Designing and managing structures in a  
life-cycle perspective**



Professor  
**John Dalsgaard  
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Topic:  
**Probabilistic design of wind turbine  
concrete components subject to fatigue**



Professor  
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Topic:  
**Concrete Industry 4.0 – Construction  
paradigm shift also impacting current  
durability concepts**



Professor  
**Kei-ichi Imamoto**

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Topic:  
**Field survey on re-bar corrosion of  
carbonated existing concrete buildings in  
Japan**



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Topic:  
**Ultrasonic monitoring of structural  
concrete elements**



**Jens Laustsen**  
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Topic:  
**Shaping the future of buildings through  
energy efficiency legal framework - CA  
EPBD experience**

# MINI SYMPOSIUMS

To ensure that sustainability in civil engineering is tackled in a holistic way, conference is divided into several mini symposiums / segments, with each symposium targeting a specific field within SMSS. Having segmented efforts, with their specific chairs, topics, scientific committee and allocated time during the event, will enable a platform for a detailed and focussed discussion among interested parties on a specific segment of SMSS. Having all these segments discussed during the same week at the same (beautiful) location, will ensure their interconnection, knowledge exchange and will hopefully strengthen existing and create new networks for future collaboration.

## SEGMENTS (MINI SYMPOSIUMS)

**NEW GENERATION OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS**

**ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDING DESIGN AND LEGISLATION**

**DURABILITY, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF STRUCTURES**

**CHALLENGES IN DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT OF STRUCTURES**

**NOVEL METHODS FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES**

**PHD SYMPOSIUM**

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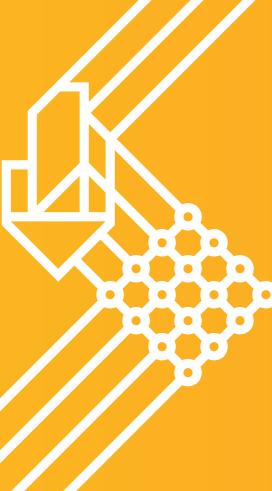
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# NEW GENERATION OF CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

Organising committee:  
**Marijana Serdar, Nina Štirmer, John Provis**

Conference segment covers innovation, advances and improvement of construction materials, towards sustainable, intelligent and tailored made solutions.

Contributions to the conference segment may be within the following topics:

- ◆ Chemical and microstructural characterisation

- ◆ Nano/micro/macro-characterisation
- ◆ Reactivity of waste products and natural resources
- ◆ Mechanisms of deterioration of novel materials
- ◆ Durability of novel materials
- ◆ Performance based requirements
- ◆ Modelling behaviour of novel materials

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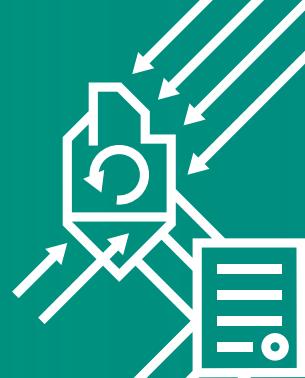
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Contributions to the conference segment may be within – but are not limited to – the following topics:

- ◆ Heat, air and moisture transfer – Assessment of the hygrothermal performance of materials, systems and whole buildings
- ◆ Thermal energy storage capacity inclusion for building energy optimisation
- ◆ The next generation of high efficiency materials and components
- ◆ Advanced building envelope systems and construction technologies
- ◆ Low energy-, Nearly zero-, Plus-, and Clean-energy buildings
- ◆ Smart buildings: Interactive and adaptive built environment (intelligent monitoring and management systems)
- ◆ High energy performing renovation and conservation of buildings
- ◆ Indoor climate – Thermal comfort, Indoor air quality, Lightening concepts, Acoustics, Visual comfort, Mould growth risk, Human health
- ◆ Ventilation strategies, air movement, air-tightness of buildings
- ◆ Occupants behaviour and impact on building performance
- ◆ Calculated vs. real energy consumption - Causes of discrepancies, Bridging the gap
- ◆ Renewable energy sources and management of innovative energy and power generation
- ◆ Building Information Modelling (BIM) for enhancing energy performance of buildings
- ◆ Building Resilience: Adapting to urban climate and climate change
- ◆ Legal framework and policy instruments for implementation of energy directives

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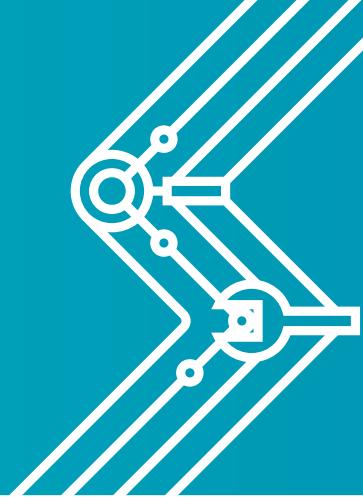
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# DURABILITY, MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF STRUCTURES

Organising committee:

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Conference segment covers durability aspects of maintenance and management of civil infrastructure and sustainable repair, rehabilitation and retrofitting.

Contributions may be within – but are not limited to – the following topics:

- ♦ Durability issues in a variety of environments
- ♦ Prediction and modelling of long-term durability
- ♦ Service life assessment and Life cycle cost
- ♦ Sustainable construction
- ♦ Novel smart sensors and systems
- ♦ System identification and damage detection
- ♦ Practical applications and case studies
- ♦ Repair methods, materials and systems

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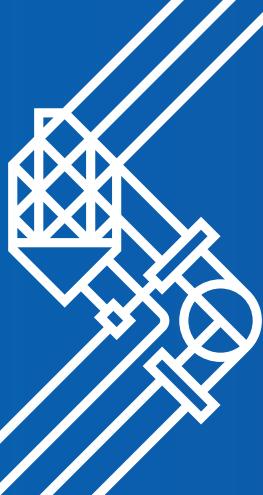
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# CHALLENGES IN DESIGN AND MANAGEMENT OF STRUCTURES

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Conference segment provides a forum for discussion on problems related to structural performance for the whole life cycle of the civil engineering structures.

Contributions to segment may be within – but are not limited to – the following topics:

- ♦ Application of monitoring data in structural modelling
- ♦ Performance indicators through component, system and network levels
- ♦ Advanced linear and nonlinear analysis, probabilistic based methods
- ♦ Numerical modelling and simulation of environmental and accidental actions
- ♦ Treatment of uncertainties in resistance and load modelling
- ♦ Optimization of life cycle management decisions
- ♦ Forensic structural engineering
- ♦ Service life modelling
- ♦ Design adaptation to climate change

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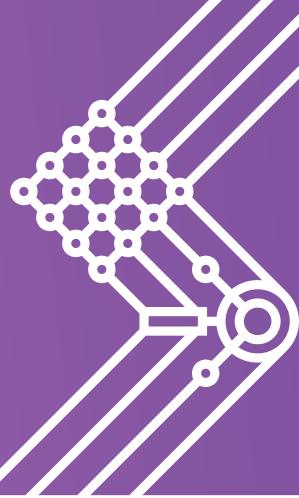
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# NOVEL METHODS FOR CHARACTERIZATION OF MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES

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Conference segment covers innovation and improvement in methods for characterization at material and structural scale. It includes laboratory testing methods and methods for on-site assessment of concrete and masonry civil engineering structures (buildings, bridges, dams, roads, tunnels, reservoirs and other). The segment is dedicated to the following construction materials: concrete, mortar, grouts, cement paste, stone, brick and aggregates.

Contributions to the conference segment may be within – but are not limited to – the following topics:

- ♦ Quantitative characterisation at microstructural level
- ♦ Experimental and numerical methods for characterisation of fresh concrete/mortar/paste/grout
- ♦ Monitoring techniques for quality control during production
- ♦ Monitoring techniques for existing structures

- ♦ Monitoring of age-dependant processes in cement based materials
- ♦ Innovations in experimental techniques for macroscopic characterisation of material properties and performance
- ♦ On-site estimation of material properties in concrete and masonry structures
- ♦ Volumetric visualization techniques for on-site inspection
- ♦ Automated NDT systems
- ♦ Verification of existing laboratory and on-site standard test methods
- ♦ Examples of modern application of NDT methods

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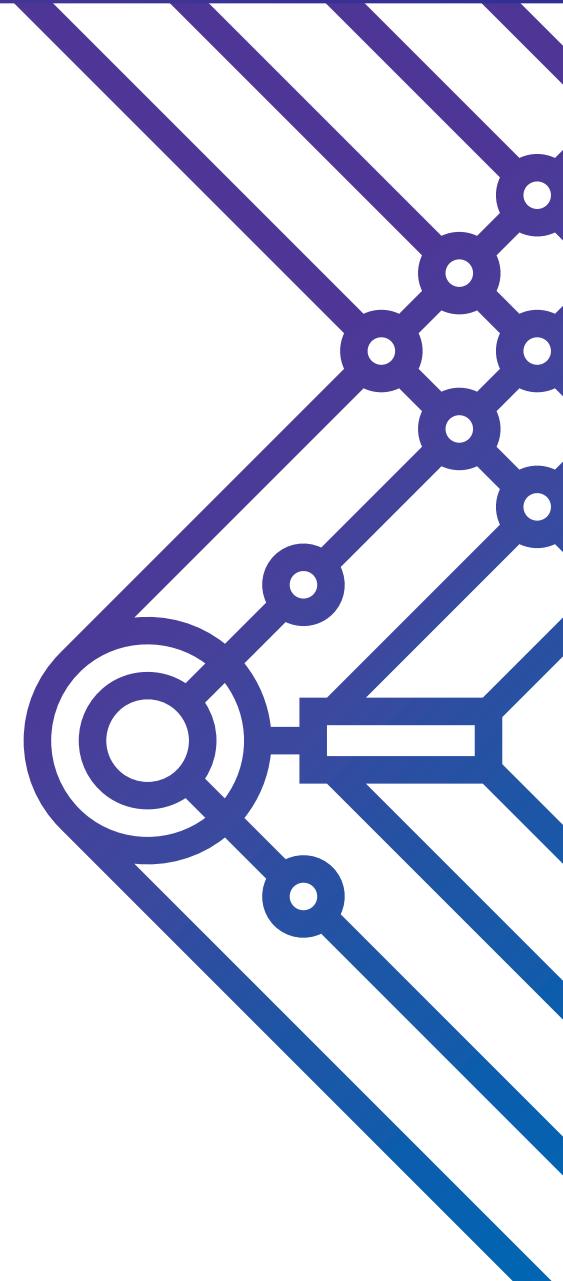
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The PhD symposium of SMSS 2019 creates a professional platform for excellent PhD students to discuss their scientific developments with established experts and to found a network of young scientists of various countries in order to exchange knowledge and promote scientific goals.

This PhD symposium will be organized in a specifically dedicated conference segment whereby the scope of this segment is deliberately wide to enable a comprehensive debate. Contributions from any field of Sustainable Materials, Systems and Structures in this segment are exclusively offered to PhD students whereby the inherent high standards of the scientific contributions were ensured by a review of international experts.

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# TRAVELLING TO ROVINJ

## BY PLANE

**Pula Airport** is located only 40 kilometres from Rovinj. It is connected via Zagreb with almost all major European capitals. The airport is connected to the city of Pula with regular bus lines and taxis. For more information about Pula airport, please visit [www.airport-pula.hr](http://www.airport-pula.hr).

**Zagreb Airport** is located 262 km from Rovinj. For more information, please visit [www.zagreb-airport.hr](http://www.zagreb-airport.hr)

**Ljubljana Airport** is located 205 km from Rovinj. For more information, please visit [www.lju-airport.si](http://www.lju-airport.si)

**Trieste Airport** is located 147 km from Rovinj. For more information, please visit [www.aeroporto.fvg.it](http://www.aeroporto.fvg.it)

**Treviso Airport** is located 253 km from Rovinj. For more information, please visit [www.trevisoairport.it/en/](http://www.trevisoairport.it/en/)

Bus transfer from all major airports (Pula, Zagreb, Trieste, Ljubljana, Venezia) will be organised by our supporting agency A.T.I. For more information, please indicate your interest in this option during registration and you will be contacted directly by the agency.

## BY BUS

Rovinj is connected with a direct bus lines to all major centres in Croatia. For more information, please visit [www.autotrans.hr](http://www.autotrans.hr), [www.brioni.hr](http://www.brioni.hr), and the site of Zagreb Bus Station [www.akz.hr](http://www.akz.hr).

Organized international bus transport:

**from Ljubljana and Kopar**  
for more information, please visit [www.ap-ljubljana.si](http://www.ap-ljubljana.si)

**from Trieste**  
for more information, please visit: [www.autostazionetrieste.it](http://www.autostazionetrieste.it)

**from Belgrade**  
for more information, please visit: [www.fils.hr](http://www.fils.hr)

Useful websites for planning trips by bus:  
[www.getbybus.com](http://www.getbybus.com), [www.vollo.net/hr/](http://www.vollo.net/hr/)

FlixBus offers bus routes to/in Croatia and provides low-cost bus lines also to Rovinj. For further information please see <https://www.flixbus.com/bus/rovinj>

## BY CAR

Road connections between central Europe and destinations on the Croatian coast are improving. To enter and drive in Croatia, you will require a green insurance card and a valid driving license. In Croatia, the toll is charged on motorways, semi-motorways and some bridges and tunnels.

## BY BOAT

During summer months the port of Rovinj is connected by boat (for passenger only) with:

**Venice**  
more information see here: [www.venezialines.it](http://www.venezialines.it)

**Ravenna**

**Pesaro and Cesenatico**  
more information see here: [www.gomoviaggi.com](http://www.gomoviaggi.com)

Rijeka Ferry Port, located 91 km from Rovinj, is connected to the islands of Kvarner and Dalmatia by ferries. For more information, please visit [www.jadrolinija.hr](http://www.jadrolinija.hr).

## ARRIVAL IN ROVINJ

**from Slovenia and Italy:**  
border-crossing Kaštel-Dragonja, highway: toll gate Umag-Kanfanar interchange (motorway exit) – Putini – Rovinj

**from Zagreb:**  
highway Zagreb – Rijeka – Učka Tunnel – Kanfanar interchange (motorway exit) – Putini – Rovinj

**from Dalmatia:**  
highway Split – Bosiljevo – Rijeka – Učka Tunnel – Kanfanar interchange (motorway exit) – Putini – Rovinj.

To plan a trip, visit [www.viamichelin.com](http://www.viamichelin.com).

## ROAD ASSISTANCE

The phone number for Road Assistance is 1987. For more detailed information, foreign tourists can contact the Information Center of the Croatian Automobile Club at ++385/1/464-0800, available 24 hours a day. Information concerning road conditions can be obtained in several languages on the second channel of the Croatian Radio or on the Radio Data System.

[www.hak.hr](http://www.hak.hr)

# CALL FOR PAPERS

The Organizing Committee invites prospective authors to submit abstracts to be considered for presentation at the conference. Abstracts should have a length between 200 - 300 words and must relate to the scope of one of the mini symposium / segment of the conference.

Authors of accepted abstracts will receive instructions on the preparation of full-length papers. All submitted papers will be peer-reviewed by the International Scientific Committee.

## IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract submission	15 April 2018
Acceptance of abstracts	15 May 2018
Full paper submission	31 August 2018
Notification of paper acceptance	31 October 2018
Final paper submission	30 November 2018
Early-bird registration	31 October 2018
Final registration	15 February 2019

## GUIDELINES FOR AUTHORS

We will be using Open Conference System for managing RILEM SMSS 2019 event. In case you have any troubles with signing in on the system or submitting your abstract, please contact at rilem.smss@grad.hr. Prior to submitting an abstract, you should sign in on the conference management system, following the link below. In the registration process, please make sure you check "Author" checkbox in order to be able to submit an abstract. After a successful login, you should proceed with the abstract submission.

# REGISTRATION

Registration type	Early-bird (until 31 October 2018) EUR	Late (until 15 February 2019) EUR
General	600	650
General RILEM member	550	600
Student	300	350
Accompanying person	200	250

The conference registration fee includes (both general and student) conference proceedings, conference welcome reception and banquet, refreshments during coffee breaks and lunch during the conference. For accompanying person it includes the conference welcome reception and banquet, as well as lunches during the conference.

Registration to the conference will be managed by our partner agency A.T.I. They will be there for you for all questions and needs concerning registration, fees, invoices etc. They can also be a great help for planning your trip and stay in Croatia, from visa, flight, accommodation, to your free time for enjoying the beauty of our country.

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## SOCIAL PROGRAMME

### ORGANISED EXCURSIONS

#### Brijuni Islands

The Brijuni island group that lies off the south-west coast of Istria in the vicinity of Pula, was once the meeting place of the European and world jet set. As the only national park in Istria, Brijuni with its 14 islands covering an area of 736 square hectares presents a unique play of nature that brings together remarkable animal species and rare and rich flora all at one place. It ranks as one of the loveliest archipelagos in the Mediterranean.

Pick up in front of the hotel at 7:30. Heading to Fažana, where from the ship takes you to National Park Brijuni. The sightseeing tour includes: a ride by tourist train, visit to the remains of the Roman villa rustica from the I century B.C. in the bay of Verige, and the safari park. The tour also includes visit to the Church of St. Germain with permanent exhibition of copies of frescoes and Glagolitic writings from Istria. Lunch at konoba Feral in Fažana. Return to the hotel around 18:30 h.

**Price per person\*: 54.00 € per person**

\*The prices are subject to change depending on the number of participants



#### Motovun – Svetvinčenat

A very valuable region with respect to natural science, economics (truffles), cultural history (St. Mark's Forest) and tourist. Motovun Forest stretches along the valley of the River Mirna and is the best-known site for finding truffles, subterranean fungi, which are claimed to have aphrodisiac qualities. It is the habitat of the largest and most prized of all truffles – the white truffle the Istrian white truffle is known for its unique taste and exquisite aroma owing to specific local climatic conditions.

Pick up in front of the hotel at 14:00. Departure to Motovun – probably the most beautiful medieval town in Istria. Your next stop is Svetvinčenat, a small village in the central Istria, famous for its magnificent medieval castle Morosini-Grimani. The popular Escape Castle game allows you discover the rich history of this place. Dinner at Konoba Klarići, about 10 minutes drive from Svetvinčenat, is scheduled for 20:00. Return to the hotel around 22:00.

**Price per person\*: 54.00 € per person**

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#### Taste Istria – Gastrotour

Pick up in front of the hotel at 08:00h. Visit to the famous Cattunar family's winery, where you get to taste 4 different types of wine + traditional snacks (smoked ham, cheese, olives). Visit to a dairy farm in Žminj. Cheese tasting. Visit to the oil mill of Chiavalon's family in Vodnjan. Tasting of the award winning Chiavalon olive oil + snacks. Return to the hotel around 18:00 h.

**Price per person\*: 60,00 € per person**

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