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# FEDERALISM IN EUROPE AND THE WORLD

International Seminar on Federalism  
August 29 – September 3, 2021

The Altiero Spinelli Institute of Federalist Studies has been organizing an international seminar on the island of Ventotene for 37 years. This island off the Italian coast is the place where Altiero Spinelli, author of the Federalist Ventotene Manifesto, was imprisoned during the Second World War. Each year, young federalists gather here to discuss federalist ideas on European and global issues with leading experts from the European and World Federalist Movement. The seminar is a unique and intensive experience on Federalist studies.

Every year. 150 participants.  
60 hours of training and debates. 30 speakers.



# IN VENTOTENE WE SHAPE EUROPE!

- An international seminar with 50 participants from Europe and the World •
- A national seminar with 100 participants from Italy •
- Conferences and debates with more than 30 speakers •

## SOME OF THE SPEAKERS THAT PARTICIPATED TO THE VENTOTENE SEMINARS:

- **Romano Prodi** – former President of the European Commission and President of the Council of Ministers
- **Mario Monti** – former European Commissioner for competition and President of the Council of Ministers
- **Pier Virgilio Dastoli** – European Commission Representation in Italy
- **Andrea Enria** – President of the European Banking Authority
- **Jo Leinen** – MEP and President of the European Movement International
- **Tommaso Padoa Schioppa** – Board of ECB and Italian Minister of Economic Affairs
- **Bill Pace** - Executive Director of the World Federalist Movement
- **Gianni Pittella** – Vice President of the European Parliament
- **Jean Quatremer** - Journalist at "Libération" and author of the blog "Coulisses de Bruxelles"
- **Ferdinando Riccardi** - Director of "Agence Europe", Bruxelles
- **Michael Braun** – Director Friedrich Ebert Stiftung – Italy
- **Ignazio Visco** – Governor of the Bank of Italy
- **Fabrizio Saccomanni** – Italian Minister of Economy and Finances
- **Josep Borrell** – President of the European Parliament



## President of Italian Republic Giorgio Napolitano in Ventotene

*"We have to think much more than has been done so far about Spinelli's ideas and battles. It is perhaps the richest legacy on which to rely to form morally our younger generations and operate looking to the future".*

Giorgio Napolitano



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From the Monetary Union to the United States of Europe  
Ventotene, Italy • August 29 – September 3, 2021

## PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

- 17.00 **Opening of XXXVII Ventotene International Seminar**  
17.30 **THE MOVEMENT FOR THE EUROPEAN UNITY IN THE 80<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE VENTOTENE MANIFESTO**

### MONDAY, AUGUST 30

- 09.30 – 10.30 **FEDERALISM PRINCIPLES AND INSTITUTIONS**  
10.30 – 11.30 Working groups  
11.45 – 13.00 Debate  
17.30 – 18.30 **DEMOCRACY & INTEGRATION IN EUROPE**  
18.30 – 19.30 Debate

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

- 09.30 – 10.30 **FEDERALISM AS A RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS OF NATIONAL DEMOCRACY**  
10.30 – 11.30 Working groups  
11.45 – 13.15 Debate  
17.30 – 18.30 **NEXT GENERATION EU AND THE OUTLOOK FOR A FISCAL UNION**  
18.30 – 19.30 Debate

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- 09.30 – 10.30 **FEDERALISM TO GOVERN GLOBALIZATION: FROM INTERNATIONAL ANARCHY TO COMMON INSTITUTIONS AND COOPERATION**  
10.30 – 11.30 Working groups  
11.45 – 13.00 Debate  
17.30 – 18.30 **A EUROPEAN FOREIGN AND SECURITY POLICY AND THE ROLE OF EUROPE IN THE WORLD**  
18.30 – 19.30 Debate

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- 09.30 – 10.30 **THE DIGITAL AND ECOLOGICAL TRANSFORMATION**  
10.30 – 11.30 Working groups  
11.45 – 13.00 Debate  
17.30 – 18.30 **FEDERALIST ORGANIZATIONS AND THE CAMPAIGN FOR A FEDERAL EUROPE AND A WORLD FEDERATION [HYBRID SESSION]**  
18.30 – 19.30 Debate

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- 09.30 – 10.30: **THE CONFERENCE ON THE FUTURE OF EUROPE**  
10.30 – 11.30 Working groups  
11.45 – 13.00 Debate





# APPLICATIONS AND SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS

## APPLICATIONS

Application forms must be submitted online by **June 10, 2021**. The form is accessible through the Altiero Spinelli Institute (ASI)'s website [www.istitutospinelli.org](http://www.istitutospinelli.org). Applications submitted by candidates older than 35 years will not be taken into consideration.

Should you encounter any problems with the web-based form, send an email to:  
[applications@istitutospinelli.org](mailto:applications@istitutospinelli.org).

## ADMISSION

By **June 30**, the ASI will select the participants and will provide them with detailed information concerning the procedure for confirmation, the program, and how to reach Ventotene.

## PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS

### A) CONDITIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPANTS

#### European Participants (with the exclusion of Italian participants)

Selected participants will receive, **without any cost, full board and accommodation** from the lunch of August, 29 to the lunch of September, 3 (included).

**Travel expenses will NOT be reimbursed.** With advanced booking it will be possible to fly to Rome or Naples (the closest airports) with low-cost flights from many European airports.

#### World Federalist Movement (WFM) Young Members from outside Europe

Unfortunately Covid-19 travel restriction do not allow us to safely foresee the possibility for participants travelling from outside Europe. In-person participation excluded we strongly believe in continuing the exchange of ideas with participants from all over the world.

In this spirit an hybrid session dedicated to World Federalism is included in the program. Virtual participants will be able to apply through an ad-hoc form provided on the international seminar page on ASI's website.

#### Seat Deposit

A seat deposit of **100 €** shall be paid in advance by both European and non-European participants, once they have been selected, in order to confirm their participation. The full amount of 100 € will be returned to each participant at the end of the seminar, provided that s/he will have attended all sessions. Instructions for providing the funds will be given in the notice of acceptance. The deadline for the payment of the deposit is **July, 9**. The deposit might be returned to participants who eventually will not take part in the Seminar but only if they communicate to the ASI their impossibility to participate before **July, 25**.

Participants will be invited to provide the details (Beneficiary, IBAN code, BIC/SWIFT code) of the bank account where the reimbursement will be transferred.





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## **B) CONDITIONS FOR ITALIAN PARTICIPANTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR**

The conditions for Italian participants are the same designed for the participants of the national seminar (150 € participation fee and 70% travel reimbursement up to a maximum reimbursement of 70 €: for more info, see the “Bando” on the ASI website). Participants selected to take part in the seminar shall pay the participation fee of 150 € before **July, 9**. No seat deposit is requested. The fee might be returned to participants who eventually will not take part in the Seminar only if they communicate to the ASI their impossibility to participate before **July, 25**. Participants will be invited to provide the details (Beneficiary, IBAN code) of the bank account where the reimbursement of travel expenses will be credited.

## **C) WORKING LANGUAGE**

English will be the working language for the international seminar.

## **D) COVID-19**

The Seminar will take place only if sanctioned by pandemic management restriction, following any provision by national and local authorities, in strict adherence with health and safety regulations. Social distancing measure will be guaranteed in all activities organized by the Seminar. Selected participants will be provided with detailed guidelines on public health measures to be followed at all times.







# ANTONIO SAGGIO AWARD VII EDIZIONE

The Altiero Spinelli Institute, together with the Saggio Family and the Municipality of Ventotene, promotes the Antonio Saggio Award which is awarded to the best essay on European integration. The topic chosen for the 2021 edition is "Next Generation EU is the primary response to the socio-economic crisis arising from the pandemic. This instrument reflects an institutional cultural change, can it also lead to federal evolution within the EU?"

Antonio Saggio, magistrate born in Naples on February 19, 1934, served as Advocate General at the Court of Justice of the EU in Luxembourg and previously as President of the Court of First Instance in Luxembourg (first and only Italian to serve as President). Starting from the 70s, Antonio Saggio had a strong bond with the Ventotene island where he spent long periods over several summers, together with his family, and where he decided to be buried together with his wife, Silvia.

The opportunity to submit an essay and compete for the Award is reserved to all participants admitted to take part in the Ventotene Seminar. The Award's winner will have to attend the Award Ceremony which will take place during the Ventotene Seminar.

The essays, which can be written either in English or in Italian, will have to comply with the following standard: 2-page A4 maximum length, Times New Roman font, 11 points size, single spaced, 2 cm margins (right and left). Furthermore, the essays must be submitted via email (to [seminario@istituto-spinelli.org](mailto:seminario@istituto-spinelli.org)) by July 15.

The Award's winner will be selected by August 20 by a panel composed by the Altiero Spinelli Institute, the Saggio family, and the Municipality of Ventotene.

The Award's winner will receive 400€ from the Saggio family via bank transfer.







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