February 15th, 2019 Optional Technical tour

Local Organizer: Marco Pietropaoli (IZSLT)

The technical tour aims to combine moments of training with moments of leisure.

The departure is scheduled in the morning from Hotel Grand Palatino and the transfer will take place by private bus.

The first stop will be at the beekeeping shop **Apiarium**. The company has recently developed new cosmetics derived from beehive products. During the visit it will be possible to buy gifts and souvenirs.

The second stop will be at the Company **Agriapistica Manfredini**. The company with 8'000 colonies located in three regions (Tuscany, Umbria and Latium), is the biggest beekeeping company in Italy. The company employs 13 people on a full-time basis and produces an average of 2000 quintals of honey per year, wax and swarms. 10% of the farm (increasing year after year) follows an organic production. The technical visit will be conducted at the headquarter of the company in order to visit: the honey extraction room, the supers depot, the honey drums storage, the carpentry and the workshop. During the visit a short video will be shown and it will be possible to ask questions and express any curiosity.

The tour will continue with the lunch at Ristorante Nuovo Castello.

The typical cuisine, directly managed by the owners who run it for over forty years, is inspired by the ancient recipes of the Umbrian-Tuscan-Latium gastronomic tradition. All the products served are local and genuine. The menu includes:

Starter of the house

First course: Typical home-made pasta Lombrichelli all'aglione Second course: Meat with mushrooms and roasted potatoes

Dessert: zuppa inglese Water, wine and coffee.

After lunch, the tour will continue with the visit of **The Naturalistic Museum of Lubriano**. The museum rises in the valley facing the famous village of Civita di Bagnoregio and promoted over the years many organic beekeeping courses. The whole area called Valle dei Calanchi is very impressive from the landscape point of view. From the Museum it will be possible to admire the splendid scenery of the Natural Monument "Balza di Seppie", a treasure of biodiversity between Bolsena Lake and the Tiber River.

After the visit, the group will leave in direction of Gran Hotel Palatino.

Program

8.00 Departure from Hotel Palatino

8.45 – 9.45 Visit to beekeeping shop Apiarium

9.45 – 11.45 Trip to Agriapistica Manfredini

11.45 – 12.45 Visit to the different infrastructures of the Company

Video and open discussion and questions with participants

12.45 – 13.00 Trip to Restaurant

13.00 - 14.30 Lunch

14.30 – 15.00 Trip to Apiculture Museum of Lubriano

15.00 - 17.00 Visit of Museum

16.30 - 18.30 Trip back to Hotel Palatino