Ensuring Attendee Safety
COVID-19 and Updates on your GRC at Renaissance Tuscany Il Ciocco

How GRC is Supporting Your Health

GRC continues to monitor venue and state-wide practices, updating venue pages on a weekly basis. We are currently working with our venues to implement social distancing practices at our conferences in 2022 as needed.

While the policies listed here reflect those of the venue, GRC attendees are expected to follow guidelines as outlined by GRC in their registration email. GRC policies regarding masking and vaccination status will supersede those put in place by the venue when utilizing GRC event spaces.

As always, the health and safety of our communities are GRC’s highest priority, and we are working to ensure you’ll be able to join us safely and comfortably in 2022.

Renaissance Tuscany’s Commitment to You

- The venue has implemented several new cleaning practices, including:
  - Utilizing hospital-grade disinfectants in guest rooms and public spaces
  - Providing hand sanitizer stations are available at hotel entrances, front desks, elevators and in meeting spaces
  - Rolling out enhanced technologies including electrostatic sprayers to sanitize surfaces throughout the hotel

Italy’s Current Regulations
(as of October 12, 2021)

- Italy has extended it’s state of emergency until December 21st.
- Effective August 6th the “Digital Green Certificate/Green Pass” will be necessary to access some locations and participate in certain social activities - this pass will show that you are vaccinated or have a negative COVID test in the past 48 hours.
- Entry to Italy from the United States: permitted when following one of the following guidelines:
  - Fully Vaccinated
  - Recovered from COVID-19 with documentation allowing travel.
  - Negative rapid antigenic or PCR test carried out within 48 hours of departure.
- Italy may restrict travelers from UK at the end of August. CDC COVID Travel Risk to Italy is at a level 3 - High. More information can be found here.
- Masks are now required by law to be worn outdoors.
**ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN**

Pisa Airport G. Galilei (PSA): Located 44 miles south of hotel  
Florence Amerigo Vespucci Airport (FLR): Located 65 miles south of hotel

GRC Chartered Bus: You can reserve a spot on the bus through your MyGRC account and find details about the bus here: [http://www.grc.org/sites.aspx?id=10](http://www.grc.org/sites.aspx?id=10).  
Rental Car: Click here for GRC’s discounted rates with Enterprise or National Rental Car. Enterprise has a Clean Car Pledge to combat the spread of COVID-19.  
Taxi: Reservations can be made by contacting reception@rennessancetuscany.com  
Train: Barga-Gallicano station is approximately three miles from the hotel. Visit [www.Trenitalia.com](http://www.Trenitalia.com) to make reservations.

**GRC Check-in** is from 2:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the hotel lobby.  
- Visit the front desk if you arrive outside of standard check-in hours.  
- GRS check-in is from 2:00pm—5:00pm on Saturday  
The GRC office is located in the Congressi building in the L’Usignolo Suite.

**ACCOMMODATIONS AND HOTEL AMENITIES**

Conferences stay in standard guest rooms with one king or two twin beds.  
- Air-conditioned  
- Non-smoking  
- Private Bathrooms  
- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the hotel  
- Coffee / tea in room, hairdryer and in-room safe  
- Poster printing available – contact info@fotopastrengo.it for information

Il Ciocco’s Commitment to You  
- Hospital-grade disinfectants utilized in all private and public spaces  
- Hand sanitizer stations throughout the hotel  
- Enhanced cleaning technologies like electrostatic sprayers for sanitization

**MEALS**

All meals are served buffet style in La Veranda Restaurant. Vegetarian and gluten free selections are provided at all meals.

**SCIENCE AND POSTER SESSIONS**

GRC Science Sessions and Poster Sessions are held in the Congressi building in Salon Pascoli.  
GRS Science Sessions and Poster Sessions are held in L’Ora di Barga.  
Poster board dimensions are 4 feet X 4 feet.

**DEPARTURES**

Breakfast is available on Friday morning from 7:30 am to 8:30 am.  
Hotel check-out is at 11:00 am.

**PLANNING YOUR VISIT**

**Dress is Casual**  
Bring a relaxed wardrobe and comfortable shoes. Please check the weather forecast and plan to bring a raincoat and or light jacket for outside activities.

**Activities**  
Once you arrive on-site, you can sign up for various afternoon activities. Cooking and fitness classes are available on property. A cheese-making tour, La Grotta del Vento tour and a trip to the walled city of Lucca are just a sampling of the off-site activities.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Renaissance Tuscany is located within 15 minutes of hospital facilities.

**COVID-19 Safety Recommendations**

Cloth face coverings are required by law in public spaces, and highly recommended by health officials.  
Information and updates from the Italian government can be found [here](http://www.grc.org/sites.aspx?id=10).

**ADDITIONAL DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE AT [WWW.GRC.ORG](http://www.grc.org)**