

EVENT PROGRAMME

9th Aves Expo of Eastern Venice “without boundaries” – 4th International Ornithological Exhibition
will take place at the PalaExpomar in Caorle from 04 to 10 December 2023

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4 December 2023	9 am – 8.30 pm	Birds' caging
5 December 2023	all day long	Judgment
6 December 2023	all day long	Judgment
8 December 2023	8 am – 5 pm	Opening to the exhibitors
	11 am	Inauguration
9 December 2023	8 am – 5 pm	Opening to the public
10 December 2023	8 am – 2.15 pm	Opening to the public
10 December 2023	10.30 am	Regular and Special award show
	2.15 pm	Closing of the event
	2.30 pm	Birds' uncaging

Each breeder must book the number of subjects they intend to exhibit, indicating, for each breed, the competition category, divided by individual and group (stamm).

Registration forms must be sent to the secretariat of the Associazione Ornitologica Veneto Orientale (Via C. A. Dalla Chiesa, n. 22 - 30023 Concordia Sagittaria, VE), completed in detail in all its parts (in capital letters), **not before 25 November 2023 and by 30 November 2023**.

To avoid the usual misunderstandings, **we only accept reservations sent via email or online, by accessing the website www.aovo.it and clicking on "Prenota 9° Aves Expo", until cages are sold out. Booking forms can also be sent via WhatsApp to the number +39 339 5758339, with a request to verify receipt. Unbooked birds may be accepted depending on cage availability.**

With their reservation, the breeder is considered committed to paying the registration fee, even if, for any reason, they do not intend to participate in the event, provided that they have not communicated the cancellation by December 2, 2023.

The form must be accompanied by the amount or receipt of the balance consisting of: Cage + Exhibition Catalogue.

Payment will be made by bank transfer to the INTESASANPAOLO current account (IBAN: IT51 Q0306936070074000686838 - BIC: INTESA BCITITMM) made out to the ASSOCIAZIONE ORNITOLOGICA VENETO ORIENTALE, or in cash at the time of caging.

The fee for booking a table at the Exhibition Exchange, to be made on the appropriate form, must be paid at the time of caging.

Fee per bird competing for a prize	€ 6,00
Compulsory awards catalogue	€ 7,00
Fee for table reservation	€ 10,00 + VAT (per linear meter for exhibitors)
Fee per table reservation	€ 50,00 + VAT (per linear meter for non-exhibitors)
Fee for Exhibition Exchange booth	€ 150,00 + VAT (3.50 m x 3.50 m)

N.B.: from the fourth caged Stamm, the exhibitor will pay for 3 subjects and will get the fourth one for free.

To all breeders or conveyers who come from at least 200 km away and who will cage at least 100 subjects, the Organizing Committee offers a FREE OVERNIGHT STAY.

To facilitate caging operations, conveyers can contact the Organizing Committee, represented by Furlanis Massimo (tel. +39 338-1043449) and Baldissin Giancarlo (tel. +39 346-9805790), to agree on the arrival time in order to organize a faster caging procedure.

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EVENT RULES

The Associazione Ornitologica Veneto Orientale - A.O.V.O. - of Portogruaro, together with the Associazione Ornitologica Basso Piave of Quarto D'Altino and the Associazione Ornitologica Marca Trevigiana of Treviso, organizes, under the auspices of the WORLD ORNITHOLOGICAL CONFEDERATION - C.O.M., the FEDERAZIONE ITALIANA ORNICOLTORI - F.O.I. ONLUS and with the PATRONAGE of the MUNICIPALITY of CAORLE, the 9th AVES EXPO of EASTERN VENICE "WITHOUT BOUNDARIES" – 4th INTERNATIONAL ORNITHOLOGICAL EXHIBITION, from 4 to 10 December 2023.

Article 1

All exhibitors who are members of an association affiliated with the F.O.I. or to the C.O.M., are up to date with the payment of 2023 membership fees and are not subject to disqualification, can participate in the event.

Exhibitors who participate with subjects ringed with rings of foreign federations must produce a declaration certifying that they are members of the C.O.M. and that the breeder is registered with that federation, including which breeder code has been attributed to them.

Exhibitors in possession of multiple breeder codes must complete a registration form for each breeder code owned; formation of Stamm or groups with different breeder codes **is not possible**.

The rings must be those required by current regulations.

The registration request expresses agreement to the use of personal data by the Associazione Ornitologica Veneto Orientale, for organizational and institutional purposes. In particular, the registration request authorizes the inclusion of the names of the exhibitors, complete with address and breeder code, in the awards catalogue.

Article 2

The sections admitted to the competition are the following: **D-E1-E2-FA-FB-G-H-I1-I2-J-K-L-M-N-O-P**.

For the age of the subjects to be caged, consult the official C.O.M. categories. Other exemptions are granted only if provided for by the C.O.M. or from the C.T.N. and approved by the F.O.I. board of directors.

Article 3

For the exhibition of European fauna birds, both in competition and in Exhibition Exchange, the legislative provisions of the Veneto Region apply. The organization declines all responsibility for any violations committed by exhibitors.

Breeders of European fauna birds will have to possess the necessary keeping and breeding permits. Therefore, at the time of caging, exhibitors must present a copy of the certification from the competent public body for the place of origin, certifying the legitimacy of detention and reproduction.

For all breeds included in the C.I.T.E.S., breeders must provide a copy of the authorization for the keeping of the exposed bird species and certify that these are marked in accordance with legislative provisions.

Therefore, at the time of caging, exhibitors must deliver to the exhibition manager a copy of the report of birth in captivity, made to the State Forestry Corps, as per Legislative Decree n° 2 of 12/01/93 and subsequent amendments and additions. Please note that the aforementioned document must be presented even for hybrids in which at least one parent appears included in the C.I.T.E.S..

Article 4

For all subjects it is mandatory, at the time of booking, to report the type, variety, category and cage code. **For caging rules and costs, see the event program.**

Article 5

Exhibitors, for caging the subjects at the exhibition and Exhibition Exchange, must be in possession of a compiled declaration of animal origin and destination (Modello 4 - pink sheet), otherwise it will not be allowed to enter the exhibition premises. The declaration of animal origin and destination (Modello 4) must be presented to the staff responsible for entering the premises at the time of caging.

Breeders coming from EU countries must have veterinary certification compliant with the regulations and issued by the official veterinarian.

For all breeds admitted to the competition, the health provisions issued by the local A.S.L. (local health authority) apply.

For the intended species (quails and northern bobwhites) vaccination against Newcastle disease is mandatory.

At the disposal of the Health Authority, the Organizing Committee may carry out, on a sample basis, sampling of litter for appropriate health investigations.

Article 6

All cages will be provided by the Organizing Committee. It will be the exhibitor's responsibility, at the time of caging, to seal the cages, which can be opened, in case of proven necessity, only in the presence of the President of the Organizing Committee and/or Exhibition Director.

Article 7

When caged, the birds must be fed by the breeder. They will then be fed by the Organizing Committee.

Article 8

The subjects in the competition will be judged by a special jury appointed by the F.O.I. Order of Judges. According to C.O.M. regulation, the Jury will assign the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place, specifying it on the judgement card. The decision will be final.

During the judging operations, only people authorized by the Organizing Committee will be admitted to the exhibition premises, which reserves the right to remove anyone who disturbs the smooth running of the event.

Any appeals must be submitted to the Exhibition Secretariat, no later than 12pm on Saturday 9 December 2023, upon payment of a deposit of €50.00. If the complaint is not accepted, the sum will not be refunded.

It is forbidden for anyone, for the entire period of the event, to remove and/or tamper with the cages and judgement cards.

Article 9

Participation in the special awards does not need to be declared at the time of caging. For special awards, the larger prize excludes the smaller one; in case they are tied with others, we will proceed by adding the next subject, until the winner is determined. If the tie persists, a draw will take place.

Article 10

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to check the regularity of the ring for all the subjects awarded the prize. If any irregularities are found, the breeder will be disqualified from the event and the competent authorities will be notified. The ring control operations, although carried out by expert personnel with adequate equipment, are carried out manually. The Organizing Committee will not reimburse any damage caused unintentionally to the birds.

Article 11

By signing the registration form, the exhibitor expressly declares to exempt the Organizing Committee from any liability whatsoever connected to the death, illness, seizure, confiscation or suppression for health reasons, theft and escape of birds throughout the period of stay in the exhibition premises, expressly declaring that they renounce the right to request compensation for any damage suffered.

A security service is provided at night within the exhibition spaces.

Article 12

In the event of irregularities committed in the caging of the subjects, where it is not possible to correct the error (excluding clearly malicious action), the Organizing Committee will exclude the subjects and the exhibitor from the rankings and from all awards ceremonies.

Article 13

As part of the event, on 8, 9 and 10 December 2023, a traditional Exhibition Exchange will be set up. The Exhibition Exchange is open to all breeders regularly registered with F.O.I. and C.O.M. for the current year. The organizing committee provides the tables. **For booking methods and participation fee, see exhibition program. The reservation is nominative; cumulative and/or group reservations are not permitted.** All subjects must be equipped with a non-removable ring. Participants will have to provide their own cages. The subjects must be placed in clean cages suitable for animal welfare, not crowded together and provided with water and food. The subjects must be presented taking into account the provisions of the art. 727 of the Italian Criminal Code (law 22.11.1993 nr. 4737 and subsequent amendments and/or additions - New rules against the mistreatment of animals).

CITES and native avifauna must be accompanied by the relevant legal documentation.

The caging of the Exhibition Exchange will begin at 7.30 am on 08, 09 and 10 December 2023. After 9 am on 10 December 2023, unless prior notice and justified reason is given, the reservation will no longer be valid and the Exhibition Committee will assign spaces not used in the most appropriate way, without making any refund.

Please remember that it is forbidden to exchange, give away or purchase animals in the areas outside the fence of the exhibition pavilion. Breeders are invited to carry out these operations only inside the exhibition pavilion.

Article 14

The uncaging operations will begin at 2.30 pm on 10 December 2023. To protect the interests of breeders, exhibitors are invited to strictly comply with this article.

In case of violations of this regulation, the Organizing Committee may exclude the responsible exhibitor from the subsequent event.

Article 15

Smoking is strictly prohibited in the exhibition premises.

Article 16

The event is also an opportunity for the promotion of orniculture; therefore, with the request to participate in the exhibition and/or Exhibition Exchange, the exhibitor authorizes the Organizing Committee to promote/encourage television and/or photographic filming of subjects, products, equipment, in their context and without manipulation, to be used in any constructive and positive form for the breeder and for the ornithological movement.

Any activity that could cause harm to the animals and exhibitors/breeders is prohibited.

Article 17

For everything not covered in this regulation, the provisions of the F.O.I. Onlus and C.O.M. General Exhibition Regulations apply.