



REPORT OF ACTIONS 2025

European Network of Holy Week and Easter Celebrations



Activities carried out

January – March

- **January 28. Meeting of the Scientific Committee (online).**
Progress was made on the development of the program for the 3rd Congress of the European Network of Holy Week and Easter Celebrations.
- **March 3. Presentation of the Erasmus Project.**
 - Call: KA210 – Small Scale
 - Requested budget: €60,000
 - Title: *ROOTS: Responsible Opportunities for Outdoor Tourism & Sustainability*
 - Planned duration: 14 months
 - Partners: Korčula (Croatia), Birgu (Malta) and the European Network (Spain)
 - Result: In September it was rejected due to lack of budget.
- **March 12. Presentation of the Congress. Santa Maria da Feira (Portugal).**
Official presentation of the program and opening of registrations for the 3rd Congress of the European Network of Holy Week and Easter Celebrations.
More information at: www.holyweekeurope.com



- **Communication and dissemination of Lent events.**
Digital and promotional campaigns around the celebrations associated with Lent in different Network territories.



EUROPEAN NETWORK OF HOLY WEEK
AND EASTER CELEBRATIONS
RED EUROPEA DE CELEBRACIONES
DE SEMANA SANTA Y PASCUA

LENT 2025

From March 5
to April 17

HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

Óbidos (Portugal)

March 9	Procession of the Third Order It is one of the most significant religious traditions of Lent in this historic town. The procession departs from the Church of the Third Order – Our Lady of Monserrate and winds through the medieval streets of Óbidos. After the Mass, the procession returns to its starting point. It's accompanied by a band and choir, which enhances the solemn nature of the event. Additionally, members of the Third Order and devotees dressed in Franciscan habits take part in the procession.
April 12	Procession of the Transfer of the Images It is one of the most solemn Holy Week ceremonies in Óbidos, Portugal, held on the Saturday before Palm Sunday. It marks the start of the Passion celebrations and symbolizes the preparation for Holy Week and Christ's encounter with His Mother. The event features devotees, religious brotherhoods, and sacred music, fostering reflection and devotion.

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April

- **April 1. General Assembly of the Network.**
Ordinary meeting held with the participation of the members.
- **Holy Week Photography Contest on Instagram.**
Digital initiative aimed at encouraging participation and increasing the Network's visibility through social media.

III Instagram
PHOTO CONTEST
HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2025

- Upload and identify the picture with the hashtag #PhotoContestHolyWeekandEaster2025
- Include a title for the picture, specify the location
- Send the photo by DM, follow and tag in the picture @holyweekeurope

CHECK THE RULES

Entry Deadline:
From April 13th to April 30th 2025

Winning photograph:



October

- **October 1–30. European Network Days of Holy Week and Easter Celebrations.**



Program of cultural and promotional activities in different member countries.
<https://www.holyweekeurope.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/09/Program-of-activities-Days-of-the-Network.pdf>

- **October 8. General Assembly of the Network.**
- **October 8–10. 3rd Congress of the European Network of Holy Week and Easter Celebrations.**

Held within the framework of the Network Days.

More information at: www.holyweekconference.eu



- ✓ **Other actions**

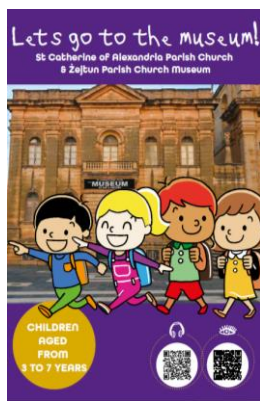
Application for European Cultural Route

- Contact with embassies and Ministries of Culture of Poland and Greece to explore possible collaborations.

- Invitation to participate in the Congress: attendance confirmed by Poland.
- Continued contact with the Spanish Ministry of Culture.
- Preparation of visits to key countries to attract new members.
 - Pending: presentation in Luxembourg, with support from Braga partners.
- For scheduling reasons, it was not possible to attend the Forum of European Cultural Routes of the Council of Europe in Turkey.

New materials and resources

- New institutional brochure of the Network.
- Educational guides: development of a guide linked to Żejtun (Malta).



- **Documentary about the Network.**
 - FITUR 2026 (Madrid): meeting with the production company Colours https://www.colourscg.com/old/home_eng.html
 - September: contacts with production companies and distributors. <https://www.lafavoritaproduce.com/quienes-somos-productora-audiovisual/>