



GSE with D 9455 (Perth)

provisional programm for visit of Canton Ticino (02 – 08 June 2013)

Sunday, 02 June (RC Bellinzona)

- 12:23 Arrival in Bellinzona (railway station)
- 12:30 Transfer to Hotel Unione, Bellinzona – the team will stay at this hotel for the whole week
- 13:00 Lunch, Hotel Unione Bellinzona
- 14:00-18:00 Discovery tour Verzasca Valley with members of the Rotary Club Bellinzona
- 19:00-22:00 Dinner in restaurant in the surroundings of Bellinzona

Monday, 03 June (RC Lugano)

- 08:25 Departure from Bellinzona to Lugano (railway station)
- 08:47 Arrival in Lugano
- 09:00-11:30 Visit of the city of Lugano
- 12:00-13:30 Lunch in Cadro ("Cadro Panoramica")
- 14:00-16:00 Boat Tour on the lake of Lugano and visit of the local culture museum
- 16:30-17:00 Return to hotel (by car)
- 18:30-19:00 Transfer to Lugano, Hotel "Principe Leopoldo"
- 19:00-21:30 Dinner with Rotary Club Lugano; conference with Dr. Rolf Maibach regarding his activities in the Albert Schweitzer Hospital in Haiti
- 21:30-22:00 Return to Hotel Unione, Bellinzona (by train)

Tuesday, 04 June (RC Locarno)

- 08:30 Departure from Bellinzona to Locarno (railway station)
- 08:57 Arrival in Locarno
- 09:00-09:15 Welcome and Coffee break
- 09.30-09.50 Trip Locarno-Ascona (boat)
- 10.00-10.15 Trip Ascona-Brissago Islands (boat)
- 10.15-11.45 Visit of the Brissago Islands
- 11.45-12.00 Trip back to Ascona (boat)
- 12.15-14.00 Lunch in Ascona and small visit of Ascona old town
- 14.15-14.30 Trip to Locarno (Bus)
- 14.45-19.30 City Visit of Locarno
- 19.45 – 21.30 Dinner with Rotary Club Locarno in Locarno
- 21.30 – 22.00 Walk to SBB railway station of Locarno
- 22:00 – 22:30 Return to Hotel Unione, Bellinzona (by train)



Wednesday, 05 June (RC Bellinzona)

- 09:00-09:30 Transfer to AlpTransit Visitor Centre in Polleggio.
09:30-11:30 Visit of AlpTransit in the Polleggio Visitor Centre (The Gotthard Base Tunnel consists of two 57-kilometres-long single-track tubes. These are connected together every 325 metres by cross passages. Including all cross-passages, access tunnels and shafts, the total length of the tunnel system is over 152 km. It joins the north portal at Erstfeld to the south portal at Bodio. With a rock overburden of up to 2300 metres, the Gotthard Base Tunnel is also the world's deepest railway tunnel constructed to date.
12:00-14:00 Lunch with Rotary Club of Bellinzona; Hotel Unione, Bellinzona
14:00-16:00 Visit of IRB – Institute for Research in Biomedicine, Bellinzona
16:00-18:00 Possibility to visit Bellinzona
19:00-22:00 Dinner in Grotto in the surroundings of Bellinzona

Thursday, 06 June (RC Mendrisiotto)

- 08:27-09:17 Transfer from Bellinzona to Mendrisio (by train)
09:20-11:30 Visit of Baumgartner Art Gallery and of Fossil Museum in Meride
12:00-13:30 Lunch in the surroundings of Mendrisio
13:30-16:00 Visit of the Academy of Architecture in Mendrisio
16:30-17:30 Shopping tour in the Foxtown shopping mall, Mendrisio
18:00-20:30 Dinner with Rotary Club Mendrisiotto, Mendrisio
20:42-21:30 Return to Bellinzona by train

Friday, 07 June (RC Lugano-Lago)

- 08:25 Departure from Bellinzona
08:47 Arrival in Lugano
09:00-12:00 Visit of Lugano
12:00-13:30 Transfer to Castelrotto – lunch in „Tenuta Vallombrosa“-vineyards
13:30-16:00 Visit of „Tenuta Vallombrosa“ and conference with the owner of the winery
16:00-16:30 Transfer to the Monte Generoso
16:30-21:30 Conference of the area manager of Monte Generoso; dinner and Salsa night
22:00-22:30 Transfer to Bellinzona (by train)

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