



MINISTERS' MEETING ON JUSTICE G7

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Venezia

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ABOUT THE G7

The Group of Seven (G7) is an informal forum that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The European Union also participates in the Group and is represented at the summits by the President of the European Council and the President of the European Commission.

The Group was established as a platform for economic and financial cooperation in response to the 1973 energy crisis. The first Summit of Heads of State and Government was held in 1975 in Rambouillet, France.

Over the years G7 has progressively expanded its focus. From an *ad-hoc* gathering to discuss financial challenges, it has become a more formal, prominent venue to address major global issues. This evolution became even more evident at the beginning of the new millennium, as the G7 recognized the need for more technical and detailed discussions on these complex issues. Consequently, it initiated the first thematic Ministerial Meetings, to delve deeper into specific topics and bring more nuanced insights into the G7's deliberations.

Compared to an international organization, the G7 does not have a permanent administrative structure. Each year, starting from the 1st of January, one of the Member States takes over the leadership of the Group on a rotating basis. The Nation holding the Presidency serves as a temporary secretariat and hosts the Group work and the Leaders' Summit. Most importantly, the Presidency plays a key role in setting the agenda and identifying key priorities.

The Summit, the G7 Presidency's centerpiece, is attended by the Heads of State and Government of the seven Member States, representatives of the European Union, as well as States and International Organizations invited by the Presidency.

ITALIAN G7 PRESIDENCY 2024

On the 1st of January 2024, Italy assumed, for the seventh time, the Presidency of the G7: the group that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The G7, in which the European Union also participates, is united by common values and principles and plays an invaluable role in defending freedom and democracy and addressing global challenges.

The Italian Presidency will last until 31 December 2024, and will feature a dense programme of technical meetings and institutional events throughout the country.

A key focus of the Italian Presidency will be the defence of the rules-based international system. Russia's war of aggression on Ukraine has undermined its principles and triggered growing instability, with multiple crises unfolding worldwide. The G7 will give equal importance to the conflict in the Middle East, with its consequences for the global agenda.

The relationship with developing Nations and emerging economies will be central. The engagement with Africa will be a key priority. We will work to build a cooperation model based on mutually beneficial partnerships, away from paternalistic or predatory logics. Particular attention will also be paid to the Indo-Pacific region.

Italy will ensure great attention to migration, together with some of the greatest challenges of our time, including the climate-energy nexus and food security. The G7 has the responsibility and duty to identify, together with its global partners, innovative solutions.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) will also feature in the Italian programme. This technology can generate great opportunities but also enormous risks, affecting geopolitical balances. It is necessary to develop governance mechanisms and ensure that AI remains human-centered and human-controlled, giving concrete applications to the concept of algoethics

The Apulia Summit

The Summit of G7 Heads of State and Government under the Italian Presidency will be held in Borgo Egnazia, in Apulia, on June 13-15, 2024.

With its natural and artistic beauties and an innate vocation for hospitality, Apulia is a highly representative place of Italian culture and attractiveness. Moreover, it historically plays a bridging role between the East and the West of the world and over the centuries has welcomed different peoples, cultures and religions, which have left a profound legacy, still visible today on its territory and in the habits of its people.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS

In addition to the Apulia Summit, during 2024 Italy will host 21 Ministerial Meetings. The meetings will take place in various Italian cities, as part of a logistical effort that includes a leading role of the local institutions.

Dates and details of the events may be subject to possible changes.

THEME	DATE	CITY
INDUSTRY, TECH AND DIGITAL	13-14-15 March	Verona e Trento
TRANSPORT	11-12-13 April	Milano
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	17-18-19 April	Capri
CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT	28-29-30 April	Torino
JUSTICE	9-10 May	Venezia
FINANCE	23-24-25 May	Stresa
EDUCATION	27-28-29 June	Trieste
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	9-10-11 July	Bologna e Forlì
TRADE	16-17 July	Villa S. Giovanni e Reggio Calabria
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT	11-12-13 September	Cagliari
CULTURE	19-20-21 September	Napoli
AGRICULTURE	26-27-28 September	Siracusa
INTERIOR	2-3-4 October (tbc)	Avellino
GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT	4-5-6 October	Matera
HEALTH	9-10-11 October	Ancona
INCLUSION AND DISABILITY	14-15-16 October	Assisi e Perugia
DEFENCE	18-19-20 October	Napoli
DEVELOPMENT	24-25 October	Pescara
TOURISM	13-14-15 November	Firenze
URBAN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	17-18-19 November	Genova
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	(date tbc)	Fiuggi

MINISTERS' MEETING ON JUSTICE G7

The situation in Ukraine and the prevention of international corruption, the fight against drug trafficking and all forms of organised crime, the challenges posed by Artificial Intelligence and the defence of the rule of law are among the main topics to be discussed at the G7 Minister's Meeting on Justice, scheduled to take place in Venice during the Italian presidency.

Minister of Justice Carlo Nordio will welcome his counterparts from the United States, Canada, United Kingdom, Germany, France, Japan and the European Commission at Palazzo Ducale and the Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista. For two days, they will discuss key priorities related to the Ukrainian context, activities already underway – in line with previous G7 presidencies – and new perspectives, in order to consolidate Ukrainian democratic institutions and avoid, with concrete actions, any risk of illegal management of money allocated for post-conflict reconstruction.

The G7 Ministers of Justice will also address the main issues related to the rise of Artificial Intelligence, focusing on potentials and threats.

Another relevant topic to be discussed during the Ministers' Meeting on Justice will be the fight against drug trafficking and all forms of organised crime, which are particularly alarming. Ministers are called upon to share best practices and proposals first and foremost on the fight against international trafficking of synthetic drugs, such as fentanyl, the spread of which represents a growing global emergency. Ministers will also focus on human trafficking, aiming at fully implementing the so-called "Palermo Convention", i.e. the UN Convention against transnational organised crime (UNTOC), and supporting the work of the UNODC on the background of the global fight against money laundering.

The words of Judge Giovanni Falcone, killed by the Mafia in 1992, still represent a relevant warning: "The fight against organised crime does not know national boundaries. A joint international effort is needed to counter this global threat. Cooperation between countries and international agencies is essential to ensure global security and justice."

HOST CITY VENEZIA



Venice rises majestically over its lagoon: a maze of bridges and canals that is a concentration of wonders. Its walls are treasure troves of artistic and architectural gems and every stone has a story to tell.

The Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista, where the G7 Ministers' meeting on Justice takes place, is one of the best representations of Venice's polyhedric beauty. A monumental complex with illustrious examples of art and architecture from Gothic to Renaissance to Baroque. Still the seat of the lay confraternity founded in 1261, the Scuola is embellished with masterpieces by great masters who made the city's history such as Tintoretto and Tiepolo.

For eleven centuries, the Serenissima Republic of Venice, one of the richest and longest-lived powers in European history, experienced an extraordinary period of cultural and artistic flourishing. Even today, this creative soul lives on in the workshops and ateliers where the age-old secrets of Murano glass, Burano lace, textiles, jewellery and glass beads are guarded. The skilful hands of venetian craftsmen tell of the genius of a people who, for generations, have made 'savoir faire' an art form. Venice is the capital of the Veneto region which, with over 420.000 companies, is one of the most economically advanced areas in Europe and where entrepreneurial spirit and innovation blend with a thousand-year history.

A symbol of diplomacy and international openness, Venice still remains a crossroads of cultures and a place of dialogue that open its door to an important event of the Italian G7 Presidency.

AGENDA

9 MAY 2024

DAY 1

02:30 pm -
03:00 pm

Welcome ceremony

Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista – Handshake

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers +
Photographers/Cameramen

03:00 pm

Session I

Salone San Giovanni, Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista –

Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers

4:15 pm

Session II

Salone San Giovanni, Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista –

Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers

06:30 pm -
06:45 pm

Promenade of G7 Ministers in Piazza San Marco

06:45 pm -
07:00 pm

Family Photo

Sala Maggior Consiglio – Palazzo Ducale

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers +
Photographers/Cameramen

AGENDA

10 MAY 2024

DAY 2

10:30 am

Session III

Salone San Giovanni, Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista –

Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers

11:45 am

Session IV

Salone San Giovanni, Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista –

Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers

02:30 pm

Press Conference of Minister Carlo Nordio

Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and videomakers + Journalists +
Photographers/Cameramen

MEDIA PROGRAMME: INFORMATION

Journalists, photographers and TV crews interested in attending the media programme, the Italian final Press Conference, and accessing the Media Centre, may request **accreditation** by **Monday 6 May** at **noon** (local time) via the following link: <https://www.g7-2024.it/> or through the accreditation section of <https://www.g7italy.it/it/>.

Applicants must fill in the form providing the required details and upload a copy of the following documents (PDF or JPEG format, max 2MB):

- Valid passport or ID card (mandatory)
- Photo (exclusively JPEG format, max. 2MB)
- Letter of assignment on official letterhead (mandatory also for freelance journalist)
- Press card

Early accreditation of journalists, photographers and interested media operators is mandatory. Media already accredited to previous meetings of G7 Ministers, need specific accreditation for this Ministers' Meeting.

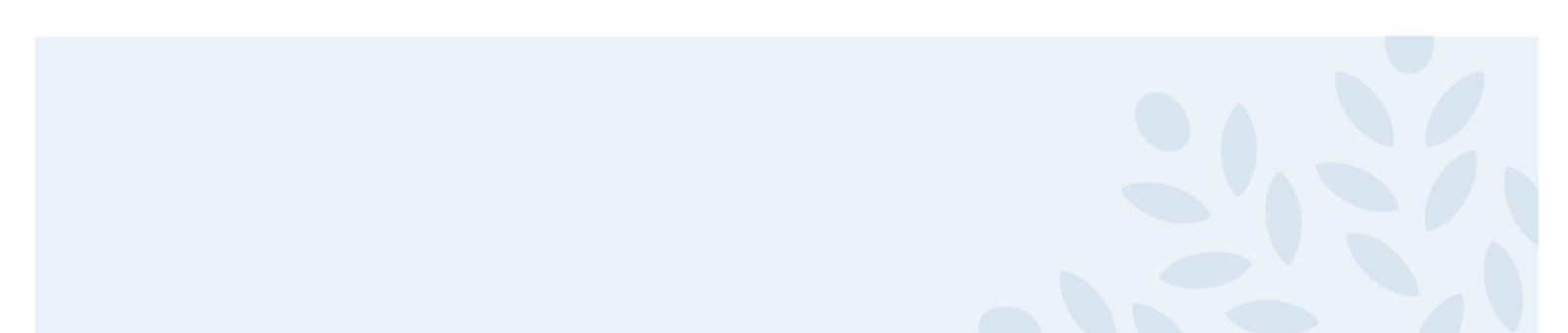
Please note that press representatives from some countries must obtain a visa to enter Italy. Information on visa procedures must be checked in advance by accessing the [II visto per l'Italia \(esteri.it\)](#). The visa requirements must be met before arrival in Italy.

Following approval of the registration, accreditation badges will be provided to media representatives at the **Accreditation Centre**, located at Palazzo Isola Nova, Isola Nova del Tronchetto 34, Blocco H3, 1st floor, Sala Stella Workshop and it will open:

- on 7 May from 09:00 am to 06:00 pm
- on 8 May from 09:00 am to 06:00 pm
- on 9 May from 09:00 am to 06:00 pm
- on 10 May from 09:00 am to 01:00 pm

The **Media Centre** is located at Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista
It will open:

- on 9 May from 01:00 pm to 07:00 pm
 - on 10 May from 10:00 am to 06:00 pm
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The **Press Conference** for the Ministers' Meeting on Justice will take place in Scuola Grande San Giovanni Evangelista, Venezia on **10 May 2024**, at **2:30 pm**.

The press conference will be held in Italian, with simultaneous translation provided in English and it will be broadcasted live in English on the [YouTube channel](#) of the Italian G7 Presidency and in Italian on the YouTube channel of the Ministry [TO BE CONFIRMED].

A selection of the photos and videos produced by the official operators, including the family photo, will be available on the Ministry website and on the Italian G7 Presidency website.

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