

Recommendation 366 (1963)¹

Implementation of a pilot project for the preservation and development of a historic quarter of Venice, sponsored and financially assisted by the Council of Europe

Parliamentary Assembly

The Assembly,

Having regard to [Resolution 232](#) on the Italia Nostra difende Venesia Exhibition, in which its Cultural and Scientific Committee was instructed to study ways and means whereby the Council of Europe might assist Italia Nostra in its efforts to preserve the integrity of Venice;

Having examined the report of the Cultural Committee on the preservation and development of ancient buildings and historic or artistic sites ([Doc. 1570](#));

Reaffirming that Venice is one of the birthplaces of European culture and that its safeguarding claims the support of the whole of Europe;

Considering that an architectural complex in Venice which is in particular danger should be restored, as a pilot project for restoration and development of a historic quarter, as proposed by the Italia Nostra Association with the support of the Italian Government;

Noting that such a pilot programme will involve a publication which will make the technical details of the undertaking available to interested circles in all member countries,

Recommends that the Committee of Ministers :

1. Extend the patronage of the Council of Europe to the pilot project for the development of a historic quarter of Venice proposed by the Italia Nostra Association and to be carried out under the responsibility of the Italian Government;
2. Make a financial contribution towards the realisation of the project, as a token of the united support of all European countries for safeguarding Venice.

1. Assembly debate on 10th May 1963 (8th Sitting) (see [Doc. 1570](#), [Doc. 1570](#), Report of the Cultural and Scientific Committee). Text adopted by the Assembly on 10th May 1963 (8th Sitting).

