MUR at Expo 2025 Osaka

Calendar of events of the Universities and AFAM Institutions at the Italian Pavilion





Partner of Italy at Expo 2025 Osaka

APRIL

19th-21st April: University «Federico II» of Napoli –

INARC Project (Italian National Research Centers)

19th April

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM: INARC Project presentation

3:00 PM - 6:00 PM: RNA & Gene Therapy presentation

20th April

10:30 AM – 2:00 PM: AGRITECH presentation

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM: MOST presentation

21st April

11:00 AM – 2:00 PM: NBFC presentation

3:00 PM – 6:00 PM: ICSC presentation

MAY

6/8th-10th May: **University «Ca' Foscari» of Venice** - MICA Project (Make Italian Culture Alive)

Make Italian Culture Alive (MICA) is a project funded by the Italian Ministry of University and Research that brings together five prestigious Italian universities: Ca' Foscari University of Venice, University of Florence, University of Naples L'Orientale, University of Milan, La Sapienza University of Rome, with the participation of the CHANGES Foundation. Scheduled from May 6 to 10, 2025, at the Multimedia Conference Room of the Italy Pavilion, MICA will offer an opportunity to explore and enhance Italy's artistic and cultural heritage through innovative and interactive approaches, involving the audience in workshops, multimedia installations, and presentations of cutting-edge research projects.

During the opening session, the partners will provide a detailed overview of the project and its associated initiatives: CHANGES, iNEST, RePAIR, NolBrick, OrienTales, Let's play Renaissance togheter!

18th May: Expo Festival Station, **MUR Baroque Orchestra**

28th -29th May: Theatre Italian Pavilion, **MUR Baroque Orchestra**

29th May: The Italian Higher Education System at Expo 2025 Osaka: 1st Italian and Japanese Rectors' Forum

Research, transfer of knowledge, and public engagement: the added value of private-public partnerships, and the relationships between universities and the main stakeholders (at local, national and international level) on global issues.

Bilateral forum of Italian and Japanese rectors for the exchange of experiences on the relationships between universities and the main local and national stakeholders within the framework of public-private partnership. The Italian rectors will share the experience of the Italian Partenariati Estesi (Enlarged Partnerships) model - financed by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan-PNRR - on some topics of interest of both Italian and Japanese universities and with the aim of establishing new academic international partnerships.

30th -31st May: **University of Milano Bicocca** — Project 4UniverCity Futures **The city of the future. Designing and transforming university neighborhoods**

The event 4UniverCity Futures - "Designing and Transforming University Neighborhoods for Regeneration, Sustainability and Urban Quality of Life" will offer an opportunity for dialogue and ideas exchange on how universities and cities can collaborate to address the urban challenges of the future. With the participation of representatives from academia, institutions, and the private sector, the event aims to foster discussion and identify innovative solutions for transforming university neighbourhoods into sustainable and liveable spaces. This initiative will also serve as a platform to introduce the MUSA (Multilayered Urban Sustainability Action) project to the EXPO visitors and guests. The project's main objectives will be presented, with a focus on promoting environmental, economic and social sustainability in the university neighbourhoods of Milan, a sister city to Osaka since 1981.

JUNE

2nd June: **Poliarte between Cinema and Design: the Short Film "Sakura** サクラ – **Land of Symphony" Premiering at Expo 2025 Osaka**

Presentation of the "Raffaello Metaverse" Project by Poliarte – Academy of Fine Arts of Ancona, funded by the Italian Ministry of University and Research (MUR). The initiative aims to promote the artistic and industrial heritage of the Marche Region through the work of the region's AFAM institutions. It is the result of an ongoing collaboration with the Conservatory of Pesaro, the Conservatory of Fermo, the Academy of Fine Arts of Urbino, and the University of Urbino.

The project led to the creation of an auteur short film — a road movie that explores the transformative power of encounters between people and different cultures, intertwining self-discovery with the inspiration drawn from the beauty of the landscape.

13th June: **Music Conservatory "Toscanini" of Ribera** (AG) «Suite of Temples for Osaka 2025»

"La Suite dei Templi for OSAKA 2025" is a new symphonic, contemporary, and jazz opera composed, produced, and published by the State Conservatory of Music "Arturo Toscanini" of Ribera (Agrigento), which in recent years has distinguished itself for its prolific institutional activity under the aegis of the Italian Ministry of University and Research. The Conservatory was recently awarded the prestigious "Italian Excellence 2024" recognition, sponsored by the Presidency of the Council of Ministers and 11 Italian ministries, and was featured in the renowned editorial work 100 Stories of Excellence, which highlights those who have contributed to improving the future of our country and enhancing Italy's reputation worldwide.

This special event will take place at the Festival Station Theater of Expo OSAKA on June 13, 2025, during the week dedicated to the Region of Sicily. It is promoted and funded by the Directorate-General for Internationalization and Communication of the Ministry of University and Research (MUR), with the valuable support of Next Generation EU – PNRR Action M4C1 "MUSIC4D", under the supervision of the General Commissioner's Office for Expo 2025 Osaka of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

19th June: University «Carlo Bo» of Urbino - Biodiversity - Net for Life (Bionet Project)

The **BioNet project** stems from a long-standing collaboration among universities in central Italy, specifically from the regions of **Marche**, **Umbria**, **Abruzzo**, and **Molise**. The initiative is rooted in the unique characteristics of these territories and their strong connection with the research fields promoted by the participating universities. This shared context has inspired a joint effort to take part in EXPO 2025 in Osaka.

Bringing together nine research institutions, the **aim of the project** is to **build a bridge between academic knowledge and practical application**, promoting innovation, knowledge exchange, and sustainable growth. The project seeks to **raise awareness among citizens and consumers about the importance of supporting "biodiversity-preserving"** production models, with a particular focus on the **food sector** as an area of excellence in central Italy and its inland areas. This will be achieved through an integrated approach involving both the public and professionals in an interactive dissemination activity at the EXPO 2025 Osaka.

JULY

17th–18th July: **University of Florence**– T-Power Project

T-POWER is an initiative by **Tuscan universities, advanced education institutions, and the National Research Council**, created to highlight and share Tuscany's excellence in Life Sciences. The project originates from the **Tuscany Health Ecosystem** (THE) — a unique innovation ecosystem in Italy, funded by the PNRR, which connects universities, research institutes, businesses, healthcare, and communities in an integrated model.

Through images, testimonials, and case studies, the project presents the **integrated health ecosystem in Tuscany** — the core of "**Life Sciences Made in Tuscany** — **T-POWER**" — with universities and research centers playing a central role. Research, education, business, and innovation come together in a virtuous model that promotes personalized medicine, robotics, precision diagnostics, and social well-being.

Visitors will have the opportunity to explore innovative prototypes resulting from interdisciplinary research in Tuscany, and to take part in thematic workshops and forums focused on technology transfer, collaboration between research, clinical practice, and industry and global initiatives.

AUGUST

17th -23rd August: Theatre Italian Pavilion, **MUR Bing Band Jazz Orchestra**

SEPTEMBER

16th -19th September: **Music Conservatory « P. I. Tchaikovsky» of Nocera Terinese** (Catanzaro) Theatre and Square of the Italian Pavilion, Duettango e Lirica Project

19th September : **Music Conservatory «B. Marcello» of Venice**Expo Space, OCCA Project (Chamber Opera by Conservatories and Academies)

25th -27th September: **University of Ferrara** – PENTRER Project (Public Engagement for the Ecological Transition of Emilia-Romagna)

OCTOBER

1st-3rd October: **Turin Polytechnic** – AIRONE Project (Planes and drones: the future of sustainable civil aviation mobility)

5th -6th October: **Academy of Fine Arts of Rome** – Project «We one wave» (Art and design for future lives)

11th October : Expo Space, **MUR Symphony Orchestra** «Shining Hat»