

VERBAND DER RESTAURATOREN -KONSERVATOREN SÜDTIROLS

ASSOCIAZIONE RESTAURATORI-CONSERVATORI ALTO ADIGE

Annual Report 2013

2013 was the 20th anniversary of VRCS / ARCAA. We commemorated this event in March with a ceremony at the Civic Museum in the presence of many authorities and the press.

This was the text of the press map:

Cultural Heritage confers identity, is part of our lives.

Protecting and preserving it for future generations, also making it accessible to the public, is of great importance to society. Conservator / restorers assume these tasks, so as to ensure the survival of artifacts.

The restoration/conservation is taught in schools of higher education, colleges and universities. Students from the beginning decide to undertake the training in some specific disciplines.

The Association of Conservators / Restorers of South Tyrol (VRCS / ARCAA) was born in April 1993 and together with the Association of Italian Restorers (ARI) these are the only associations of qualified restorers/conservators in Italy.

The goal of VRCS / ARCAA is

- To raise awareness for the conservation and restoration of high quality cultural heritage
- To pass the professional status of the conservator / restorer to the public
- To contribute to the protection of the professionalism of the conservator / restorer.

By organizing training events I 'ARCAA contributes to technical communication and to upgrade training of its members.

Since 2004, VRCS / ARCAA amember of the European associations of restorers ECCO (European Confederation of Conservator-Restorer's Organisations), based in Brussels.

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We organized a workshop with Prof. Eberhard Wendler from the Munich Stone Conservation Laboratories, he is a specialist in the use of silica based stone an wall painting conservation materials. The workshop was attended by a large number of members of our association and was open also for non members. The lessons where simultaneously translated in to Italian.

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