

Order of Delo Grand Priory Austria

Our promise:

*I promise to note the rules of the Order Delo -
Grand Priory Austria - and thus to maintain -
across all borders - camaraderie, selflessness and
patriotism and
Christian values and commitment to the needy.*

You have questions and requests

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plans and current meetings,
but also reports from our missions and projects.*

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Accademia Delia Ordine di Delo



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History:

The **Accademia d'armi Delia** was founded by City commander **Pietro Duodo** in Padua (Serenissima Republica di San Marco) on March 12th 1608 with the aim to instruct the Venetian nobility: *“To practice in arms and riding, and to perform noble actions.”*

Duodo saw the necessary to be able to encounter the spreading Turks militarily and by scientific means. Thus among others **Galileo Galilei** was appointed by a grant of 150 ducats as a professor to the academy in 1610. He developed a curriculum to educate military personnel and held also classes personally.

Additionally a riding instructor, a fortress builder, a weapons and a fencing master were appointed. Already at that time the order supported humanitarian needs for the population of Padua.

Venician respectively Italian were taught in tradition of the academy about 200 years.

1801 during the French Wars the academy burned down and activities were suspended with an act of law in 1809.

In 1947 the **Accademia Delia** and the Order **Ordine di Delo** was reactivated by the Italian general **Guiseppe Dal Fabbro** to raise awareness of the tradition of 1608:

camaraderie, selflessness, piety, patriotism and commitment to peace and help for the needy.

Present:

1985 **Prof. Dr. Antonio Dal Fabbro** took over the leadership of the academy and order from his father **General Guiseppe Dal Fabbro**, which concentrated on the military-scientific aspects.

In 1986 the original ideals of the Order such as companionship, care and assistance for the needy were revived. Therefore, national orders in Italy, Austria, Germany and Hungary, later Croatia were established. Elected Grandmasters are in charge of these.

These General Manager founded Grand Priorities with national team status. The recorded members of the Order have chosen from among them the Grand Master of the national Grand Priory.

Currently General Manager for Belgium and Russia are appointed, which should build national Grand Priorities of the Order.

Currently further national orders are being set up in other European countries.

The Order “Ordine di Delo” is headed by the General of the Order, who is elected by the “Sovereign Council” every four years by the Assembly of the national Grand Masters.

General of the Order **Prof. Dr. Antonio Dal Fabbro** is currently chairing the Order.

Leadership and execution are managed by the Austrian grandmaster **DI Peter Fodor**.

Grand Priory Austria:

Since its founding in 1986 by **Hans Matkovits** the Austrian Order has grown steadily and was initially limited to national comradeship care. This has been expanded in recent years to international level.

Ernst Oppenauer, Volkmar Weihs and Peter Fodor were the next grandmaster of Austria.

The essential purpose of our doings is regular humanitarian actions to poor and needy persons inside of Austria, and sometimes outside.

Some examples of the actions:

- Boat Trip on the Lake Woerthersee with two nostalgic vessels for approximately 50 children and their carers of the SOS Children Village Moosburg.
- “Nicolaus” Action on the air base Zeltweg in favour of the “Lebenshilfe” Zeltweg.
- Donations and “building block” action, a further “Nicolaus” Action at the air base Zeltweg. The proceeds contributed towards a dolphin therapy for a disabled girl.
- Several aids for clients of “Workshop St. Martin” in Friesach/Carinthia
- Support for the needy

A investiture ceremony is generally carried out once a year. Well-proven postulants will be included men as a knight or women as maids of honor solemnly into the Order.