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**Z**adar, an ancient city located within Dalmatia region has 3000 years old history and some of it can still be seen by walking through it's old town. It's **city walls**, often called *Muraj* by the locals, are an impenetrable shield that defended the city for centuries and are now part of UNESCO World Heritage Site. The main entrance to the city (**Land Gate**) is located on the south side of the town in a **Foša harbour**. Land Gate features winged lion and a St. Chrysogonus. Another famous monument is **The Church of St. Donat** which dates back to the 9<sup>th</sup> century. This beautiful church which is a symbol of an early Roman architecture today serves as a venue for various music festivals. Near The Church of St. Donat is another beautiful building, **Church and Monastery of St Mary** which is a permanent "home" to the exhibition called Gold and Silver of Zadar. In between these two buildings is **Forum**, the biggest Roman forum on the east coast of the Adriatic sea. There is also **Cathedral od St. Anastasia** or often called **Stošija** (built in the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> century), most wanted wedding church in the city. Although it has many churches, Zadar is also famous for it's palaces. Out of 5 palaces, two stands out; **Rector's** and **Proveditor's palace**. Not far from these palaces is a **Petar Zoranić Square** and a Renaissance **Five Wells Square** which is encircled by the city wall, **Captain's tower** and **Queen Jelena Park**.



The most popular city street is **Kalelarga**, also known as *Via Magna* or officialy *Široka ulica* (eng. wide street). Kalelarga is not just a street, it's a symbol of the city and it has been sung in numerous songs. Kalelarga starts at the **People's Square**, Zadar urban center famous for it's clock tower, coffee shops and local singer. There is also an old city district **Varoš**, the main place for socializing and everyday rituals such as drinking your morning coffee. When it comes to modern architecture and attractions, Zadar has a unique blend of architecture and music, the world-famous **Sea Organ**, which is located right next to another modern installation, the **Greeting to the Sun**. These two installations are easily accessed by the **Riva**, Zadar famous seafront which connects them to the **University of Zadar** and the **Chapel of St Demetrius**. Today, University of Zadar has many buildings due to it's 27 departments but none of them can match this beautiful work of art.





**The University of Zadar** boasts a rich history that dates back to its establishment in 1396. Also known as *Universitas Iadertina*, this University is the oldest higher education institution in Croatia, and one of the oldest in Europe. Originally focused on philosophy and theology, it has evolved significantly over the centuries, **adapting** to an ever-changing educational landscape of Europe.

The University of Zadar has **multiple departments** and centers and offers a diverse range of undergraduate and graduate programs across humanities, social sciences, natural sciences, and engineering. This **interdisciplinary approach** fosters a dynamic learning environment, encouraging collaboration among students and faculty. In front of this University building is the **Statue of Spiridon Brusina**, often called Špiro. Špiro is probably the most famous marine biologist born in Zadar who has made a significant contribution to the Croatian scientific research and is considered to be the first Croatian marine biologist.



Today, the University of Zadar is committed to **academic excellence** and **research innovation**. It emphasizes the importance of international collaboration, engaging in numerous partnerships with institutions worldwide.

Students benefit from modern facilities, a vibrant campus life, and a strong focus on **practical experience** through internships and research projects. Its blend of historical significance and contemporary relevance makes it an **attractive choice** for students seeking a comprehensive and enriching academic experience in one of Croatia's most beautiful cities.



# Conference venue

Conference will take place in the Old town located in the Zadar peninsula. All of the venues listed below are in the old town except for the conference dinner location (which is placed outside the city, near Murvica village). Venues inside the peninsula are all in a walking distance from one another.

## UNIVERSITY OF ZADAR

• Obala kralja Petra Krešimira IV 2

## BARBAKAN RESTAURANT

• Ruđera Boškovića 5

## INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGY (ICUA)

• Božidara Petranovića 3

## BUS STATION

• Liburnska obala 4

**SCAN FOR GOOGLE MAPS**

**CONFERENCE VENUE LOCATIONS**





Sorted by colors, venue locations are pin-pointed on the map below.

