



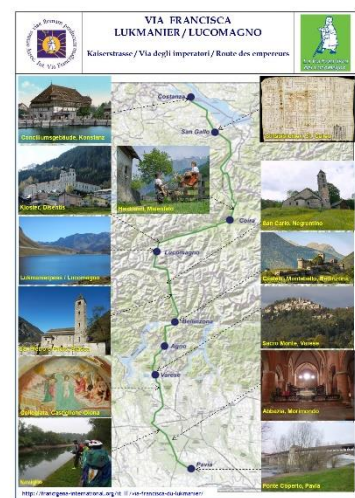
A timeline of the most important events in the history of the Association

2020

1. **29.2. AIVF** gives way to **CIVIF** (Comité International VF)

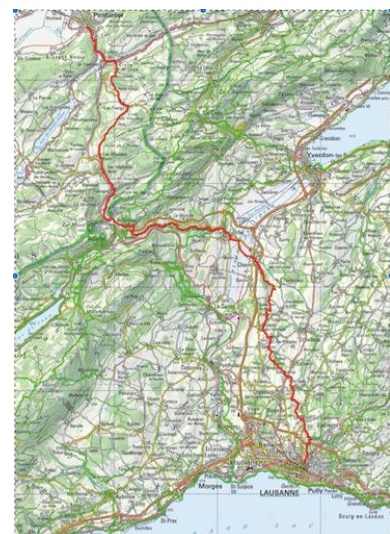
2019

1. **10.10. Bari:** AEVF + AIVF
2. **14- 15 + 21-22.9.** Walking days **"I love Via Francigena-Vaud-CH"**: Festival VF 2019
3. **May 1st** at the **Cisa Pass**: hike with families on the historic VF!
1. **5-7.4 Paris:** **Forum des pèlerinages** with the first participation by AIVF
2. **21.3. Project submitted** for the **"Percorso storico-Variante dei Laghi"** (sole sponsor: AIVF) for the big parks of Bracciano-Martignano and de Veio!



2018

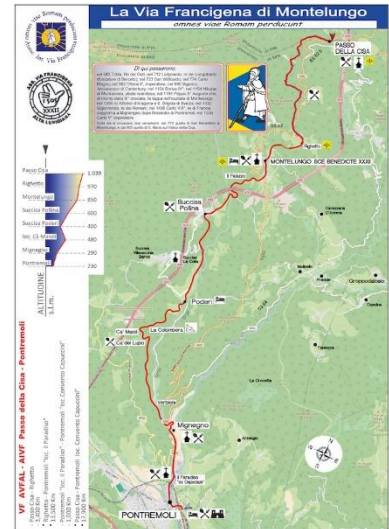
1. **6.4.** Founding of the **Italian-Swiss association Friends of the Via Francisca del Lucomagno** (VFL) associazionevfl@gmail.com
2. **6.5.** Conclusion to **AIVF 20-year Jubilee** with last stage of the VFL and arrival in **Pavia** with 100 people, unthinkable 3 years ago!
3. **20.5.** new **App Dormi Topo Francigena** GSB-Rome by Innovation Engineering
4. **9-10.6** Event AEVF-AIVF Via storica **Jougne-Orbe** after 10 years recognized
5. **20.7. Sigeric's VF:** 3 days between Pontarlier and Lausanne (70 km) by AIVF
6. **31.12.** AMIS number **2,687** from 29 countries Letter 2018 to the AMIS





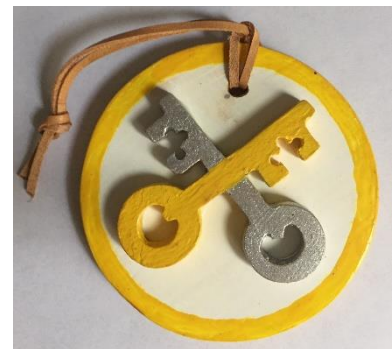
2017

1. **22.2.** General Assembly AIVF: **Statutes 9.1997 updated** with new Constitution
2. **24.3.** Constance-D cathedral: inauguration “*Via Francisca del Lucomagno (AVL)*” to Disentis in 4 weekends
3. **29.3.** Search and clean the **Via Francigena of Leonardo** in Montelungo-Pontremoli
4. **14.3.** Varese: city **signposting** Via Francisca Lucomagno (VFL)
5. **2.5.** Roma Fondazione Besso: **Journée d’Etude** “*La Via Francigena attraverso l’ Agro Veientano – Archeologia, Arte e Paesaggio tra Valorizzazione e Sviluppo*”
6. 10.5. New Shop online
7. **31.12.** AMIS number **2504** from 28 countries Letter 2017 to the AMIS



2016

1. **10.2.** Creation of medal with St Peter's keys for Rome pilgrim's backpack commissioned to prison Don Bosco-Pisa by AIVF
2. **30.3.** Ass. VF Alta Lunigiana-Montelungo begins the clearing of the historic VF from the Cisa Pass to Pontremoli
3. **18.4.** Creation of Rome pilgrim's badge
4. **20.4.** Lavena-Ponte Tresa: Presentation to press: Via del Lucomagno
5. **30.4.** Ganna-Varese: 1st event *La Via Francisca del Lucomagno-Lukmanier* (forge de Ghirla, conference S. Gemolo, polenta)
6. **31.12.** AMIS number **2318** from 27 countries Letter 2016 to the FRIENDS



2015

1. **2014-2015** Historic alternatives with GPS in the Aosta Valley, Piemonte, Emilia-Romagna, Liguria, Tuscany, Latium
2. **28.04.** Rome Besso Foundation Conference *Origins and development of VF network* by A.T.
3. **25.05.** APP for *DorMi ToPo Francigena Grand St. Bernard (GSB)-Rome*



4. **25.06.** Yverdon-les-Bains Table Ronde VF *Echanges entre partenaires touristiques suisses + italiens*: D. Faesch-Tourisme Vaud-Nord
5. **27.06.** *General Assembly (GA) of the Associazione Europea Vie Francigene (AEVF) in St-Maurice-CH for the 1500th anniversary of the Abbey d'Agaune*: AIVF invited
6. **14-19.07.** 1st spiritual pilgrimage in canton Vaud-CH from Romainmôtier, AIVF + Crêt-Berard Foundation
7. **07.09** Creation of **reflective band Omnes viae Romam perducunt**
8. **14.10. 2,000th pilgrim-FRIEND**
9. **30.11.** 4th AIVF website Letter 2015 to AMIS



2014

1. **25.01.** Lugano-CH USI (Université de la Suisse Italienne), AIVF + Rivellino-Locarno organize conference: *The Director Vatican museums A. Paolucci speaks about the Sistine Chapel*
2. **10.02.** *Death of Bernard Couchepin, member and founder of AIVF*
3. **20.02.** Publication of *DORMIFRANCIGENA GSB-Roma* 4th Ed.
4. **06.04** Lugano-CH USI, AIVF + Rivellino-Locarno organise conference *The Genius of Borromini* by **Paolo Portoghesi** **30.04.** Cooperation VF with the university (UNI) of La Sapienza-Rome (Department of Antiquities, Gilda Bartoloni) + XVth-Rome (ex. XXth) for the archeological area of Veio
5. **21.6-07.10.** Inauguration of the **Via Francisca of Lukmanier pass** from Feldkirch-Austria to Pavia
6. **23.10.** Resignation of *Mrs Virginie Brouillard* **11.10.** GA of AIVF-Paris *Michel Bonnenfant coordinator for French-speaking pilgrims*
7. **31.12.** AMIS number 1,845 from 27 countries Letter 2014 to AMIS



2013

1. **05.01.** Radio-TV Svizzera Italiana (RSI) documentary *S. Pellegrino di Giornico* (Werner Weick + Adelaide Trezzini-A.T.)
2. **20.01.** AIVF Publication leaflet *VF Ivrea-Santhià south of Lake Viverone*

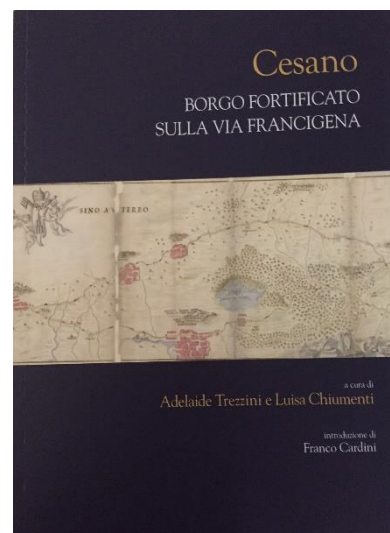


3. **15.02.** Ancient VF in the Paglia valley-Siena gets 607 votes for the election of *Luoghi del Cuore* (Places of Heart)-FAI 2012
4. **03.05** Death of Hubert Moulin member and founder of AIVF
5. **13.03.** Margot Collins-Fäh coordinator for Switzerland
6. **17.04.** State Archives Rome presentation of the book *Cesano ...sulla VF* with **A. Paolucci**, A. Campitelli, D. Tamblé
7. **05.07.** AIVF Publication of guidebook **La VF de Sigeric de Pontarlier au GSB** Ed. Le Village by A.T. + **e-book** Pontarlier-GSB
8. **08.10.** WIPO (World Intellectual Property Organization)-Geneva: Renewal of VF trademark
9. **17.10.** Conference at ACDMAE Group (Ministry of Foreign Affairs-Rome): *La VF Lazio e riscoperta del Borgo di Cesano* by A.T. + L. Chiumenti
10. **30.08.** Publication of leaflet *VF Sarzana-Parco della Magra-Pietrasanta*
11. **09.11.** Bern Balzan Award given to André Vauchez (member of scientific committee), AIVF invited
12. **31.12.** AMIS number 1,845 from 27 countries Letter 2013 to AMIS



2012

1. **10.01.** Publication of **Cesano borgo fortificato sulla Via Francigena** Ed. Gangemi-Roma by A.T. & L. Chiumenti with introduction by Franco Cardini.
2. **10.02.** Publication of *La Via Francigena de Sigeric en Italie* by A.T. and others Ed. Lepère-France
3. **24.03.** Archeological walk Campagnano-Baccano excavations-Cesano AIVF + community of Campagnano
4. **14.04.** Martigny AIVF is invited to the GA of AEFV with presentation of new guide VF-Italie Ed. Lepère
5. **26.4.** National Day VF Walking Etruscan-Roman VF Monterosi to Cesano (25 km) AIVF + CAI (Italian Alpine Club)-Rome + Amici Monte Mario
6. **06.05.** Publication of *DORMIFRANCIGENA dal GSB-Roma* 3rd Ed.
7. **17.06.** VF walk through the parks of Latium *The "Etruscan" VF from Veio to Isola Farnese* AIVF + XVth(district)-Rome + Latium Region

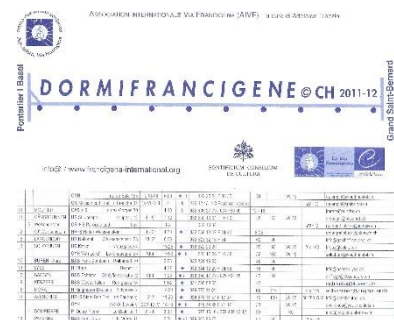




8. **01.07.** Walk *The Roman VF from Ivrea to Santhià* AIVF + Amici VF Santhià
9. **26.09.** VF-Evenings programme *Rediscover the medieval Cesano on the VF* AIVF + Osteria del Borgo
10. **13.10.** Romainmôtier-Foire des Sonnaillies (bells) *Rediscover the historical-Roman VF Jougne-F* (Jura pass) to Romainmôtier-CH (22 km's walk)
11. **20.10.** Speech AIVF at AAA+A Milan-Rho (Fortunato D'Amico) *Architettura e Paesaggio sulle strade francigene*
12. **31.12.** AMIS number 1,410 members from 26 countries Letter 2012 to AMIS

2011

1. **05.02.** Publication of booklet *La Via del Pellegrino-Itinerario della VF di Sigerico Variante dei Laghi* by XVth-Rome + AIVF
2. **11.02.** Speech A.T. at UE-Rome VF convention *La VF + European Cultural Itineraries* by Euro-deputy Silvia Costa
3. **22.02.** Sion-CH VF meeting with delegations from Vaud and Valais: tourism, communities, parishes, trekking assoc. organized by AIVF + patronage of J.F. Copt President Gd Conseil Valais
4. **10.03.** Rome Sovraintendenza: admission of the VF Lakes alternative (Monterosi-Cesano route)
5. **10.07** Publication of DORMIFRANCIGENA B Italy 2nd Ed.
6. **29.10.** AIVF invited to Social Assembly of AEVF in Abbadia S. Salvatore-Siena *Importance of historical VF routes still available for pilgrims in Italy, CH+ France*
7. **31.12.** AMIS number 1,293 members from 24 countries Letter 2011 to AMIS



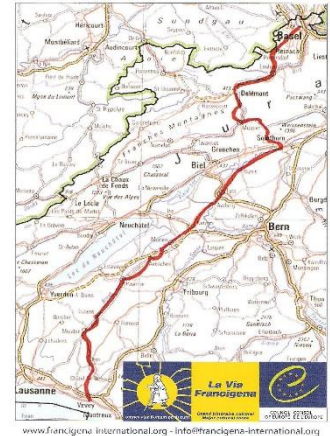
2010

1. **10.02.** AIVF is invited to join the Association Ad Limina Petri (belonging to Italian Episcopal Commission)
2. **16.02.** Presentation at Swiss Embassy-Paris of the book *San Pellegrino tra Mito e Storia...* with A.Vauchez, M. Sot, C. Vincent
3. **30.03.** Publication of *Dormifrancigena-CH Pontarlier-GSB / Basel-Vevey*



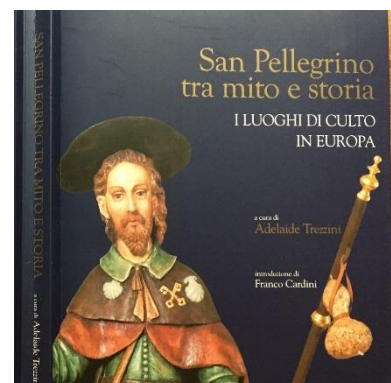
4. **25.04.** Speech at Castel St Angelo for XIIth Week of Culture: Ministerium of Culture (MiBAC) + Jobel Theater for VF show *Sites and itineraries on VF yesterday and today*
5. **31.04.** Presentation of *SP* book at **Gualdo Tadino** (PG) and walk on St-Pilgrim footsteps
6. **02.05.** National VF Day: Ass. Rete dei Cammini proposes 4 inter-regional VF routes (Piemont, Tuscany, Umbria + Latium) and 1 international AIVF route
7. **09.06.** RSI-channel 2 (Swiss Italian Radio) Places of Soul by AT. *Hospice de St-Jacques de St-Maurice sur la VF*
8. **15.06.** RSR (Radio Suisse Romande) Interview with AT. *Comment s'organiser pour entreprendre un pèlerinage sur la VF*
9. **23.06.** Speech in Romainmotier-CH on the VF at *Cluny Sites Official Day-1100 years*
10. **10.07.** Publication of *Topofrancigena Basel-Vevey* (1st section VF of Nikulas de Munkathvera Island-Rome -1154) 16 cartographic maps
11. **31.12.** AMIS number 1,260 members from 16 countries Letter 2010 to AMIS

TOPOFRANCIGENE® CH
 2. Nikulas von Munkathvera 1154 Island Roma
 16 KARTEN – FICHES – MAPS – GEO + KULTUR
 Basel / Bâle - Vevey (190 km env.) AIVF® 2010



2009

1. **04.01.** Jean-Claude Joseph new vice-president
2. **15.01.** **Speech** at Jospfest-ORP (Opera Romana Pellegrinaggi)- Fiera di Roma
3. **30.01.** Publication of volume ***San Pellegrino tra Mito e Storia. Luoghi di culto in Europa*** (St-Pilgrim between Myth and History on the VF in Europe) by A.T. and introduction of F. Cardini, Gangemi ed.
4. **11.02.** Presentation of the book, *San Pellegrino tra Mito e Storia...* at the Swiss Institute-Rome
5. **01.04.** Vatican City-Wednesday audience: book presented to **Pope Benoit the XVI**
5. **13.05.** Presentation of the book, *San Pellegrino tra Mito e Storia...* at BSI (Banca Svizzera italiana)- Lugano
6. **20.07.** Publication of 2nd ed. *Dormifrancigena dal GSB-Roma*
7. **30.08.** Altirolo-Giornico-CH *Festa di S. Pellegrino* mass + pilgrimage from Airolo





8. **07.12.** XVth (ex XX)-Rome political unanimous admission of the VF alternative Lake Monterosi-Cesano route Letter 2009 to AMIS

2008

1. **8.03.** Lugano GA of Friends of the St-James Way (Camino) CH *La VF in Svizzera e in Italia*
2. **10.05** 3rd website www.francigena-international.org
3. **15.07.** AIVF signs up its 1000th member
4. **02.10.** 1st Meeting of The Network of Culture Routes of the Council of Europe (CofE)-Strasbourg
5. **06.10.** Creation of **omnes viae romam perducunt** T-shirt Letter 2008 to AMIS of the VF



2007

1. **26.03.** Publication of *Dormifrancigena A Canterbury-GSB* (leaflet with about 200 useful addresses)
2. **02.04.** C of E-Strasbourg: updating of European VF logo
3. **17.06.** Creation of **embroidered VF badge** **25.06.** Publication of *Topofrancigena B dal GSB a Roma* 2nd Ed. (41 cartographic maps): AIVF + Italian provinces
4. **31.12.** AMIS number 850 members from 15 countries Letter 2007 to AMIS



2006

1. **30.04.** Publication of *Dormifrancigena B. GSB-Roma* (leaflet with about 270 useful addresses)
2. **02.10.** Pas-de-Calais Rediscovering of the **historic route of La Leulène** (des Anglois): Guînes (Drap d'Or)-Zudausques-Wisques: AIVF + Parc naturel des Marais de l'Opale + Ass. La Leulène **3**
3. **1.12.** AMIS number 530 members from 14 countries Letter 2006 to AMIS



2005

1. **20.01.** 2nd website www.francigena-international.org in five languages



2. **10.02. Canterbury cathedral:** A.T. + Joe Patterson present the VF Project to the Dean Rev. Robert Willis
3. **08.04.** Conference Strasburg-F (Palais de l'Europe) La VF, itinéraire culturel européen: genèse, développement, fonctionnement... **20.07.** Publication of *Topofrancigena B dal GSB a Roma*
4. **20.07.** Publication of *Manuale di Norme per la Segnaletica VF Europea* (European VF Waymarking Manual) by AIVF + European Institute for Cultural Routes-Luxembourg (EICR), patronages of C of E and Latium Region 1st Ed.
5. **29.07.** Martigny AIVF GA: New name **Association Internationale VF (AIVF)**
6. **31.12.** AIVF has 425 members from 13 countries Letter 2005 to AMIS of the VF



2004

1. **30.03.** Conference at Club Montevecchio-Roma *Viaggio storico-culturale sulla VF da Canterbury a Roma* (Historical cultural journey)
2. **21.05.** Conference at Palatinum-Roma Association *Viaggio storico-culturale sulla VF...*
3. **20.07.** Publication 1st dedicated cartography *Topofrancigena A. Canterbury-GSB* (33 sheets): AVF + VaudRando + CDRP-F (Comités de Randonnée Pédestre)
4. **08.10.** AVF has 5 national sections in the UK (J. Patterson), NL (Klaas van der Poel), France, Switzerland and Italy
5. **04.12.** *Progetto VF interregionale* for Latium Region
6. **09.12. Wroclaw-PI** Celebrations of 50th anniversary of European Cultural Convention of C of E. The AIVF has received the award for the VF as a **Major cultural route**
7. **31.12.** AMIS number 260 members from 13 countries Letter 2004 to AMIS



2003

1. **07.02.** Speech at VF Seminar Arciconfraternità di S.Eligio
2. **05.03.** Conference at ACDMAE (Club of Ministry of Foreign Affairs)-Rome *Un viaggio storico-culturale VF da Canterbury a Roma*



3. **30.03.** Meeting in Paris with the Ass. dei Comuni italiani sulla VF (Ass. of Italian communities on the VF) about future collaboration
4. **10.05.** Cooperation with EICR for VF European Library
5. **06.07.** Creation of Broach with St-Peters' keys **20.07.** Publication of the 2nd issue of *Guide-Vademecum VF from the Gd St Bernard to Rome with spur-road from Arles-F*: AVF + Ass. des Amis de St-Jacques Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur
6. **30.08.** Creation of a network of museums and monuments offering free entry *free-francigena*
7. **14.10.** Gregorian UNI-Rome 1st academic course *Pellegrinaggio cristiano antico e medievale e le sue espressioni artistiche*: P. Jacobone
8. **22.10.** WIPO-Geneva: **International registration of the European VF Logo**
9. **24.11.** Rome Istituto Italiano per il Medioevo 1st Meeting of European scientific committee VF: present Franco Cardini-FI, Massimo Miglio-RM, André Vauchez-F, Michael Matheus-D, P. Jacobone-RM, Anna Benvenuti-FI, Franco Morenzoni-CH, Benedetto Vetere-Lecce, Renato Stopani
10. **31.12.** AMIS number 200 members from 11 countries Letter 2003 to AMIS



2002

1. **02.03.** Speech at VF Seminar at Capranica-VT
2. **26.03.** Launch of dedicated cartography Topo-francigena with l'UNIL (Lausanne-CH)
3. **19.04.** Conference at UNIL *L'aventure européenne de la VF* (Realisation of a European cultural itinerary)
4. **23.04.** Creation of a VF pennant **14.06.** Creation of Inventory of VF Sites and Monuments SOS in danger: AIVF + IEIC + Preparation of Universities network-francigena
5. **10.07** Publication of *Guide-Vademecum de Londres au GSB* in cooperation with UK, F, CH associations





6. **31.12.** AMIS number 145 members from 10 countries Letter 2002 to AMIS

2001

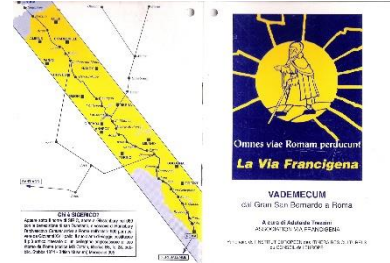
1. **01.02.** Launch of **academic VF scientific committee**
2. **03.02.** Creation in Milan of *Group of the Friends of the VF ancient-walking-cycling* by AVF
3. **05.02.** European Culture Center of **St-Jean d'Angely-F** Conference *L'aventure européenne de la VF* (European Adventure of the VF) **03-06. Patronages for VF Project** by Holy See, Ministry of Cultural Assets and Activities-I, Ministry of Culture and Communication-F and Department of the Interior-CH
4. **06.04.** Exhibition at museum Château d'**Aigle-CH** *La VF en Suisse de Vallorbe au GSB*
5. **28.04. Foundation of the Ass. des Communes sur la VF**, Massimo Tedeschi President (poi **AEVF**-Association Europea Vie Francigene) regroupant les institutions publiques telles communes, provinces, régions italiennes.
6. **16.06** Cesena-I *IX Praemium Sancti Benedicti* of European Rotary Club awarded to the AVF
7. **30.06.** Creation AVF + Vatican City: *Testimonium Peregrinatoris ad Limina Petri* (parchment certifying completion of the pilgrimage), *Litterae Patentes Peregrinatoris* (Pilgrim passport) and the *St-Peter's Basilica Register of VF pilgrims*
8. **10.07.** St-Peter's Basilica-Rome, 1st *Testimonium* given to Hugnette de St-Pierre and Serge Hamelin-CA
9. **27.07. Presentation to and acceptance of the European VF Logo** by J.M. Ballester-C of E
10. **15.08.** Villages with bridge on pilgrim routes – project with Centro Studi Romei-FI LINK
11. **05.10.** Speech at the Public Library in Castelfiorentino
12. **29.11.** CCE **St-Jean d'Angely-F** VF Conference *L'Europe au début du II^e millénaire: échanges commerciaux entre la Suisse, la France et l'Italie* (Europe at the start of the 2nd millennium: commercial exchanges between CH-F and I)
13. **02.12.** Petition to the EIEI to request special protection for the VF-Valdelsa-Siena with Italia Nostra Letter 2001 to the AMIS





2000

1. **21.01. Partnership Convention with EICR:** Avenant (Extention)
2. **21.01.** Creation of a *European VF Mailing List Addresses* UK, F, CH, Italy
3. **03.03.** Speech at Santa Maria della Scala-Siena with EICR
4. **15.03.** Florence Swiss Culture Week Conference *La VF Ponte tra Svizzera e Toscana* (Bridge between Switzerland and Tuscany)
5. **15.06.-15.09.** Exhibition at GSB museum Château d'Aigle-CH *La VF en Suisse de Vallorbe au GSB*
6. **10.07.** Publication of the *Vademecum VF dal GSB a Roma* with all useful information on sale at Touring Club-Rome



1999

1. **30.01.** Coordinator for French-speaking pilgrims: Mrs Virginie Brouillard
2. **10.04** Publication of 6 press articles *La VF de Vallorbe au GSB* by Gérard Delaloye-Le Temps-Geneva
3. **12.10.** Publication of **Vatican Postcards VF** to "announce" the Great Jubileum: AIVF + Philatelic Office of the Vatican City
4. **24.11.** After the VF study day in Viterbo (Pope's Palace), AIVF sends all VF historic informations to **Lord Mayor de Canterbury** and to William Petit (City Council)
5. **16.12.** Publication *Addresses for VF information from Aosta to Rome* as requested by VF pioneers from CA, CH, NL, UK

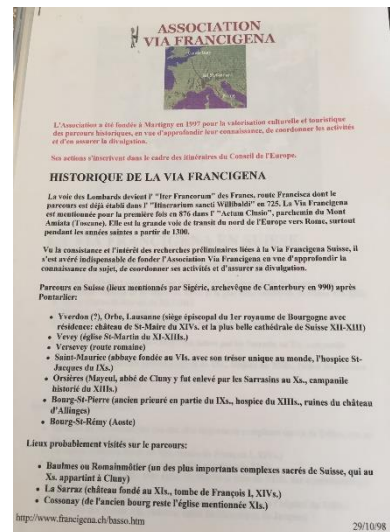


1998

1. **10.02.** Conference at FEG (European Federation Tourist Guides) Congress –London *VF cultural itineraries of the C of E*
2. **26.06.** Creation of **1st website** www.francigena.ch, VF European Information Center and a Library VF Gen UK, F, CH, Italy
3. **20.07.** Involvement in safeguarding important monuments and sites SOS in danger in Switzerland and Italy
4. **04.09.** Proposal of J.M. Ballester, head of the Service of Cultural and Natural Heritage of the C of E-Strasbourg, to form a VF committee and a European VF network



5. **01.10.** 1st training course Tourism and Heritage <http://www.unige.ch/formcont/patrimoine-tourisme/> at the UNI-Geneva launched by A.T.
6. **22.11. Partnership agreement between AVF and EICR 27.11.** Speech at FEG-Naples Meeting Cultural itineraries of the *C of E and VF*
7. **16.12.** Speech at the Swiss Club-Rome *VF itinéraire culturel du C of E*



1997

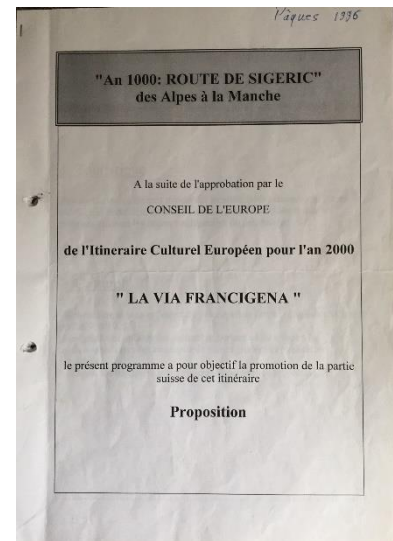
1. **01.05. Bern**, Swiss Federal Office for culture-International affairs: 1st contact
2. **09.04. Martigny-CH**, Town hall 1st meeting VF
3. **11.06.** Martigny-CH, Cinema Casino 2nd meeting VF
4. **05.09. Foundation of the Association Via Francigena (AVF)** as a private and non-profit association) at Martigny with the objective of INFORMING, PROMOTING, PUBLICISING the VF route from Canterbury to Rome, primarily in Switzerland and France where it is completely unknown **Founding members:** A.T., Bernard Couchepin, Hubert Moulin, Marcella Bagnasco-ANGT (Ass. Nazionale Guide Turistiche), Erica Deuber-Pauli (Cultural Affairs Geneva), Charles Bonnet (archeologist and academician-F) and Bernard Ardura (secretary of Pontifical Council of Culture)
5. **02.10.** Publication of **1st flyer Association Via Francigena**
6. **03.12.** Martigny-CH, Hotel Touring 3rd meeting VF





1996

1. **10.06.** Presentation to M. Thomas-Penette C of E-**Strasbourg** of the Project *The Route of Sigeric from the Channel to the Alps* and VF Association: **finally!**
2. **16.10.** AT receives mandate of Association Régionale Martigny to promote the project VF in Valais-CH; mandate not renewed in 1997



1995

1. **06.05.** ANGT (National Association of Tourist Guides-Italy) appoints A.T. to promote the VF in Switzerland and to begin research eventually for a medieval guide of the VF in Valais (GSB to St-Maurice-CH)
2. **10.09. Bern IVS** (Inventory of Historic Routes Switzerland) info VF to H.P. Schneider