



**ORDO EQUESTRIS VINI EUROPÆ - OEVE
NOS SENATUS**

THE EUROPEAN KNIGHTHOOD OF THE VINE – INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

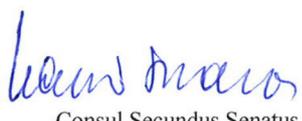
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1. **Wine culture** is a **basic part** of the **European cultural tradition** with all our **fine values**.
2. The OEVE is **guardian** of this noble, pleasure inspiring product.
3. The OEVE is a **historic Knightly Order** of the Casa Austria (from 1333; 1468; 1984)
4. The OEVE is **impartial** to religious beliefs, political attitude, economic standing and social class.
5. The OEVE conducts an **international opus of friendship and peace**.
6. Our main mission is the dedication to **truth**, which, as is well known, lies in wine, ministrating **philosophy** and **Christian-chivalrous values** as well as **celebration** and **enjoyment**.
7. **Cultivated festivals, excellent wine tastings**, rituals in Solemn Form, academies and, for the Knightly Youth, the Gymnasion, are our knightly instruments.
8. Currently, we are ca. **5000 equally standing Knightly Friends** who
9. are organised in **28** country missions = **Knightly Consulates** (as of VII/2013)
10. The **introductory motto** of the Knighthood of the Vine is: „**Only if you conquer envy you will become truly human**. Only a person **free from envy** can be a **friend**.”
11. Our motto is: „**IN HONOREM DEI et IN HONOREM VINI**“.
12. Only if you are **interested and alert** you can walk the **Knightly Path**. According to our principle of **tolerance** each Knightly Friend can liberally decide upon his **closeness** or distance to the Heart of the Order.
13. Each prospect will become a **Knightly Candidate** as soon as he completes and signs his **accreditation form**; together with the signature of his/her bondsman.
14. The „**Siegelgebühr**“ (admission fee for the **1. rank = Hospes/Hospita** is € 250,-; the annual **Senats-Obolus** € 150,-.
15. Date for your admission ceremony = **accreditation** according to Festival Calendar; please pay attention to the **dress code**: dark blue.
16. The literature for **Knightly guidance**, Atlas I (available in English) and II, Regula Benedicti, Brauch lead you along the **Knightly Path** to gain **knowledge, insight** and **perspective in life**.

Die Vorsitzenden des Ritterlichen Senates


Consul Primus Senatus
Alfred R. Tombor Tintera, Magister Generalis




Consul Secundus Senatus
Hofrat Helmut Skala, Praeses Senatus