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Master of Wine Symposium opens with address from Mayor of Florence

The Institute of Masters of Wine's 8th International Symposium, which is the largest event in the 60 year history of the Institute, was declared open in Florence yesterday afternoon by Dario Nardella, Mayor of Florence. [testo news qui](#)



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450 delegates from 32 countries are in Tuscany for the premium wine event of 2014. Nine panel sessions with leading figures from every aspect of the wine world, and some bringing an expert perspective from other fields, are being balanced with four special tastings. Well over 200 wines will be on pour during the course of the Symposium.

Dario Nardella, Mayor of Florence, said in his opening address:

"The City of Florence and I are really honoured and proud that the Institute of Masters of Wine has chosen to host this extraordinary event for the first time in Italy. Our wine is one of the major factors that makes our country a beloved destination for people from all over the world. I hope that these four days in Florence can be a source of continuous inspiration for everyone present, and become the birthplace for new ideas."

Jean-Michel Valette MW, Chairman of the Institute of Masters of Wine, said:

"The Institute of Masters of Wine is 313 wine professionals united by a common mission – to promote excellence, interaction and learning. The Symposium is our largest event, and one that we only hold every four years. We are inviting our delegates to join in that mission with us during this, which is not only our first public event in Italy, but also the largest Symposium in the Institute's history."

The Symposium, which is held every four years, has previously been held in France (Bordeaux), the United States (Napa), Austria (Vienna) and

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The Institute of Masters of Wine

Master of Wine (MW) is the most prestigious title in the world of wine. What started sixty years ago as a qualification for the UK wine trade is now held by a global family of 313 Masters of Wine. The Membership encompasses winemakers, buyers, shippers, business owners, academics, wine educators, writers and journalists.

The Institute of Masters of Wine, which is a non-profit organisation, stands for excellence, interaction, and learning. The Institute, which has its headquarters in London, runs courses, events and examinations on four continents.

In addition to passing the Institute's exams, Masters of Wine are required to sign the Code of Conduct and join the Institute before they are entitled to the initials 'MW'. The Code of Conduct insists that Masters of Wine should act with honesty and integrity, and use every opportunity to share their understanding and love of wine with others.

In 1953 the first six successful candidates, all male and all British, earned the right to be called Masters of Wine. Today almost one third of the 313 Masters of Wine are female, and there are MWs in 24 countries. There are 296 students, from 36 countries, in the current Master of Wine study programme.

The 92 students who took the Master of Wine exam in June 2013 in Adelaide, London, and Napa were evenly split by gender. This statistic means that we can expect to reach parity in numbers between male and female MWs in the next decade.

In 2014 a record-breaking 104 students will be taking the MW examination.

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