



# Reggio Emilia International Study Tour

## 7<sup>th</sup> – 11 April 2025

Reggio Emilia Provocations NZ

It is with pleasure that the Reggio Emilia Provocations Committee invites you to join us on the 2025 Study Tour to Reggio Emilia, Italy. As a member of the International Network of Reggio Children, we are organising a delegation from New Zealand to travel to Italy and experience firsthand the Reggio Philosophy and Educational Approach to teaching and learning within their Preschools and Infant-Toddler Centres.

The Study Tour week in Reggio Emilia is a truly wonderful professional learning experience. Participants arrive from all over the world with a host of questions and often leave with many more. Reggio Emilia Provocations New Zealand has been organising these yearly study tours since 1995. While the general outline of the tour is known, many elements remain variable and present delightful surprises.

You will attend plenary session presentations from Reggio Children representatives, local political leaders, and daily presentations from pedagogisti, atelieristi, and teachers who work at the Loris Malaguzzi International Centre, as well as in Reggio Emilia's Infant-Toddler Centres and Preschools. There will also be opportunities to engage in Atelier workshops that are sure to provoke your thinking and challenge your pedagogical practice.

During the Study Tour, you will have the chance to visit an Infant and Toddler Centre (0-3 years) and a Preschool (3-6 years) within the municipality of Reggio Emilia, as well as the Primary School and Preschool classrooms at the Loris Malaguzzi International Centre. Additionally, you will be offered the opportunity to explore the REMIDA Creative Recycling Centre located in the city of Reggio Emilia.

It is inspiring to be part of a worldwide delegation of teachers, pedagogical leaders, principals, and academics on the Reggio Emilia Study Tour. Participants come from as many as 50 countries, bringing a rich diversity of experiences and perspectives. Hands down, the Reggio Emilia Study Tour is the best professional learning opportunity any teacher or leader can undertake. Reggio Children are very open and willing to share their journey. Throughout the week, there will be countless opportunities to discover something new, encounter challenges that provoke your thinking, and find moments that evoke deep emotions as you navigate through encounters, reflections, challenges, and dialogues.



### What We Offer

- ▶ **Very competitive rates**
- ▶ **Experienced Study Tour Leader**
- ▶ **Small Group size:** A small group of participants to enhance interaction and personalised attention.
- ▶ **Planned Reflective Discussions:** Regularly organised sessions for reflection and discussion throughout the week of the Study Tour.
- ▶ **Support with Dinner Reservations**
- ▶ **Guided City Tour:** Exploration of Reggio Emilia's key landmarks and attractions as a group (Sunday)

### Our Study Tour package includes:

- ▶ Accommodation for 7 nights (5 – 12 April) at Hotel Europa
- ▶ Daily buffet breakfast at Hotel Europa
- ▶ Gym access within the hotel
- ▶ Conference registration cost
- ▶ Buffet lunch and light refreshments during full conference days (Monday-Friday) at the International Centre
- ▶ Reggio Emilia City tax

### **Cost of the April 2025 Study Tour (excluding airfares, insurance and airport transfers)**

- ▶ Shared Twin Room - \$4,350.00 per person
  - ▶ Single Room - \$4,800.00 per person
  - ▶ The cost for one accompanying person not attending the course is \$1,000.00 per individual.
- All prices are in New Zealand dollars.*

### **Payment requirements:**

- ▶ A deposit of \$1,000 per participant is required with initial registration and \$250 for any accompanying individual.
  - ▶ Full payment of the tour is required by 31 January 2025.
- Receipts will be issued upon receipt of payments.*

### **Cancellation Terms**

The following cancellation criteria stands so please make yourself fully aware of this:

- ▶ Full refund minus the \$200 Administration Fee for cancellation before 31 January 2025.
- ▶ No refund for cancellation from the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2025.

### **Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is a **mandatory requirement** for participation in this study tour. Proof of insurance must be submitted along with your final payment. *The cost of the insurance is no included in the Study Tour cost.*

### **Exchange rate**

All costs are based on the exchange rate as of the 25 July 2024 and are subject to change until Study Tour is paid in full.

### **Accommodation**

We have arranged accommodation at Hotel Europa, a modern, four-star establishment located centrally in Reggio Emilia, just minutes from the historic centre and a short 10 to 15-minute walk from the Loris Malaguzzi International Centre. Room options include either shared twin or single configurations. A full breakfast, featuring both sweet and savoury items, hot and cold, is included. Guests also have access to the hotel gym.

### **Flights**

If you wish to travel with the group, the Tour Leader can assist you in arranging your flights through our travel agent. *Please note that airfares are not included in the Study Tour cost.*

### **Tour Dates**

The international conference is scheduled from 7th to 11th April 2025. If you are travelling with the group, we plan to arrive in Reggio Emilia on Saturday, 5th April. This will necessitate departing New Zealand on Friday, 4th April. The group will commence the journey back to New Zealand on 12th April 2025.

A quote from a participant from a past tour:

*"I loved my tour to Reggio Emilia. The course was without a doubt a truly inspiring experience and I'm hoping to do the next level next year. The tour organiser always listened and responded to anyone's wants and needs (and there were a few), had good local knowledge and found us some lovely authentic dining experiences in the evenings so it was fun to compare notes about the course and chat about how little Italian we could speak. We had a few laughs and met some great people. I was traveling alone from Christchurch so it was extremely comforting to be introduced to some other New Zealanders during my tour. I'd thoroughly recommend everything about the whole trip."*

## **Ready to Register?**

To register, or to find out more information - please email:

**repauckland@gmail.com**