

WELCOME TO MENDRISIO!

The Tourist Office of the Mendrisiotto and Lower Ceresio Region is pleased to welcome the participants to the presentation conference of the 2009 World Cycling Championships.

With great pride we like to remember that there have been several cycling events of considerable importance in the past which have shown just how much popular favour and support this sport has in our Region. The characteristic morphology and natural layout of the land are especially appreciated by many assiduous fans and by some professionals who practice here regularly.

For those who still do not know the Mendrisiotto and Lower Ceresio Region the great event of the 2009 World Cycling Championships could therefore be a good chance to discover this corner of Ticino, which among other things can boast the presence of a university seat and a wide range of cultural activities, a UNESCO site and a Geo-park, the most popular sales outlet in Europe and also a well-known Casino.

Wines of great prestige are also produced in this small, luxuriant area, 10 km north of Como and flanked by an arm of Lake Lugano, lying between the slopes of Monte San Giorgio and Monte Generoso, with hilly countryside which makes one think of the Tuscany landscape; the gastronomy offers both the most sophisticated settings as well as traditional "Grotti", satisfying the most refined international palates.

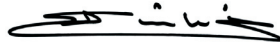
Our Region and its main town, Mendrisio, certainly cannot boast the international visibility of other Swiss cities, but we maintain that they can be a surprisingly intriguing destination, and this is our wish as we prepare the arrival of the great sporting event of 2009.

So Mendrisiotto Tourism greets the arrival of this important international event, in the hope that those who will attend the World Cycling Championships can fully enjoy and appreciate the beauty of the area and the local special features; we invite those who require information about the Region to get in touch with our offices.

Looking forward to meeting the press and guests of the 2009 World Championships in Mendrisio with kind regards

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Mendrisio is easy to reach on the A2 motorway between Zurich and Milan; it is 70 km from Milan-Malpensa airport and 20 km from Lugano Airport. The railway station in Mendrisio offers frequent connections both to the main Swiss cities such as Zurich, Basle and Geneva as well as to the main European and North Italian cities.

Mendrisio and Canton Ticino offer the visitor a wide choice of hotel and similar products.

For a first glance at our Canton and Region visit: www.ticino.ch or www.mendrisiottotourism.ch.

