

THE ASTRONOMICAL AND COPERNICAN MUSEUM IN MONTE MARIO (1935-TODAY)

Rome, 1935

COPERNICUS ON THE TOP OF ROME



Villa Mellini- Headquarters of National Institute for Astrophysics (INAF)



2016: THE MODERN EXHIBITION SET-UP IN VILLA MELLINI

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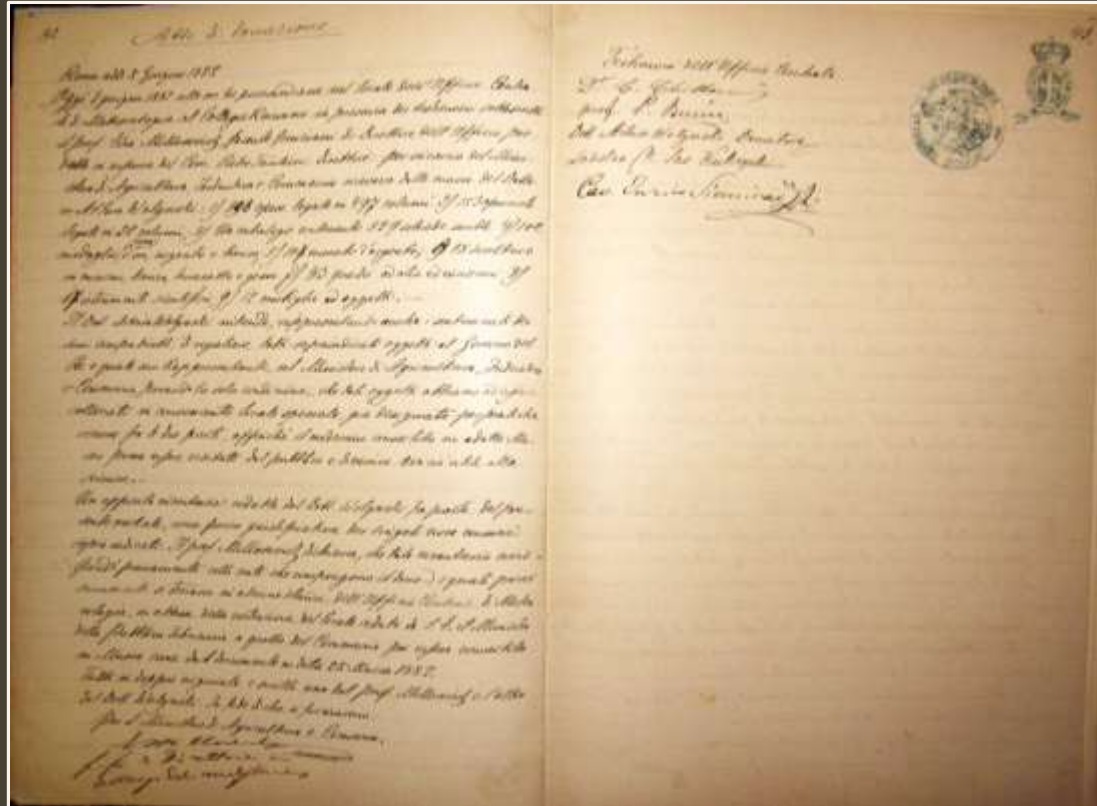
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THE WOLYNSKI DONATION



The Donation document signed by Wolski in 1882

THE MUSEUM IN THE COLLEGIO ROMANO OBSERVATORY



THE INVENTORY OF THE COLLECTIONS



INAUGURATION IN MARCH 2023



Villa Mellini- The Copernican Hall during the inauguration

The Museum was opened with a public ceremony on March 22 in the presence of the Polish Ambassador in Italy.

In May we had a visit of the Polish Minister of Education and the presentation of the new painting «Heliocentricity» donated by the artist Maestro Enrico Benaglia»

STABLE OPENING TO THE PUBLIC IN OCTOBER 2023

Since then the Museum offered public visits to the citizens of Rome (also associated to important local and national events: Spring Days of FAI, Science Festival of Rome, Open House, etc.)





We plan to extend our research activities, but in general we would like to focus on

- 1) transforming the Copernican MAL in a center for historical research and interdisciplinary studies
- 2) becoming an inspirational place for students, scholars and astronomers
- 3) communicating our strong presence to Roman citizens: a new cultural and scientific salon for the Eternal City, dedicated to the quiet determination and intellectual brilliance of Copernicus









