



SUNDAY 29TH MAY, 2016

08:00-18:00

MOUNT ATHOS

BOAT TOUR

DURATION: 10 hours

Cost: 70€/person

Includes: *coach bus transportation, professional tour guide, boat tour.*

[minimum participation 20 people]

An Orthodox spiritual centre since 1054, Mount Athos has been an autonomous state since the Byzantine times. It is a monastic state of mountains and monasteries, about 20 of which are presently inhabited by around 1,400 monks. Women and children are not allowed to set foot on the land; a boat tour around the peninsula is the closest they can get to visiting this incredible sight. A renowned Unesco World Heritage Site, Mount Athos has inspired the art scene for hundreds of years. The layout of the monasteries and its school of painting have been a great influence on the history of Orthodox art all over the Orthodox community, all the way to the Russian art scene. Each of these monasteries safeguards Byzantine relics whose religious and historical value is immeasurable.

Sailing off from Ormos Panagias, a fishing village in Halkidiki, the boat will head to the west coast of Mount Athos, sailing along the coastline to allow participants a closer view of some of the most prominent monasteries with magnificent architecture. The boat will make a stop at Ouranoupoli around 13.30 for a tour of the Tower of Ouranoupolis that dates back to the Byzantine times. There will also be some free time for a swim or a stroll in the village.



Please fill in the [online form](#) to indicate your interest in participating and SYMVOLI Conference & Cultural Management will get back to you with more details as soon as possible!