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MINISTER LINARES IN SAN MARINO FOR CULTURAL PARTNERSHIP

The Minister for Culture, the Hon. Steven Linares travelled to San Marino by kind invitation of the Hon. Giuseppe Maria Morganti, Minister for Education and Culture of San Marino. The Government of San Marino treated this visit as Gibraltar's first official encounter with the Republic.

Both Ministers, during a press conference held at the State Secretariat for Education and Culture of the Republic of San Marino, officially inaugurated and presented the new project of the Little Constellation Network: "Listen to the Sirens", a cultural partnership between the Republic of San Marino and Gibraltar.

Listen to the Sirens is a project born from the collaboration between the Ministry of Culture in Gibraltar and Little Constellation, the Network dedicated to contemporary art in small states and micro - geo-cultural areas of Europe, which has its headquarters in the Republic of San Marino.

The project is based on an intensive dialogue between these two entities, through the eyes of artistic practice privileged relationships, which characterises the activities of the Network and its nature as an international network for contemporary art.

In Gibraltar, the project will see the creation of several site-specific works within the ramparts of the historic eighteenth-century Gibraltar at Montagu Bastion, a project space for contemporary art.

In San Marino the project will take shape this summer through the construction of two video media footage by the authors, set and produced entirely in the territory - in collaboration and with the assistance of young artists from San Marino, works by Gibraltarian artist and visual arts teacher at Goldsmiths, University of London Nina Danino and Icelandic artist Ingibjörg Magnadóttir, performer, visiting professor at the Academy of Fine Arts in Reykjavik.

Minister Linares said:

“This first encounter with the Government of San Marino is the result of our networking with the Little Constellation group. It was an honour to have been able to visit San Marino for cultural purposes and I was delighted with the way that everything went. This visit can probably open the doors for greater friendship and cooperation between our two countries in such matters.”