

E. "GIANFRANCO FRANCHINI"

WOODEN ROOM

Entering the Wooden Room is like taking a dive into the centuries-old past of the Berio Library. Located on the second floor of the 19th-century wing of the building, this spacious room is furnished with antique furniture from the reading room of the Palazzo dell'Accademia.

The 19th-century tables and bookcases displaying the volumes belonging to Maria Brignole Sale De Ferrari, Duchess of Galliera, introduce visitors to the atmosphere of another era. Used to host various cultural initiatives, the room is equipped with a projector, an amplification system, mixer, and an induction loop system.

With a surface of 130 square meters, it can accommodate up to 50 people. On 25 November 2010, an official ceremony was held to name the Wooden Room after Gianfranco Franchini, the architect in charge of the set-up of the Berio and other libraries of the Genoa Public Library System.