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## Skills

Documentary, naturalistic and reportage photography.  
Disseminator of the Underwater World and of marine and terrestrial habitats.

## Tongues

### English

Written and spoken

## Francesco Pacienza



Photographer graduated from the European Institute of Design in Rome. Teacher of photography and Author of books on terrestrial and underwater photography techniques. Underwater photographer and Underwater Photo Trainer. Journalist specialized in photo reportage on the sea and on tourism and the marine environment.

### Esperienza

*April 2015 - Current*

#### Contributor

##### SUB Underwater Magazine

Holder of a regular column on underwater photography techniques.

Editor of articles and reports on marine environments from all over the world and of interviews with personalities linked to the world of the sea.

#### Participation

##### SIC CarLit Project

The SIC CARLIT Project is a project aimed at acquiring elements of updated technical-scientific knowledge on the marine SCIs of Calabria in order to protect and enhance the environmental and cultural heritage of the marine SICs within the Calabria Region. The project was carried out in partnership between ARPACAL - CRSM, with ISPRA, CNR IGAG and with the UniCal Departments DIMEG and DIBEST.

*2018 - 2020*

#### Contributor

##### Sport&Turismo

Regional monthly magazine. Fixed column on tourism linked to the sea and on the enhancement of the beauties of the Calabrian seabed.

*October 2010 - December 2016*

#### Participation

##### Musmap Project

Mapping of Poseidonia oceanica meadows along the coasts and seabeds of the Calabria region: project conducted and financed by the Ministry of the Environment and the Protection of the Territory and the Sea, with ISPRA and ArpaCal.

*2002 - 2004*

#### Contributor

##### Dive Photo Guide

Articles on photographic techniques and photographic expeditions in the seas of the world.

*USA*

*Actually*

*Rome*

*Sept. 1991 - Dic. 1995*

#### Photography teacher

##### European Institute of Design

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## International juror

2024

### JUROR SELECTED FOR “HIPA”

The only Italian among the seven jurors selected for the thirteenth edition of HIPA, in Dubai.

2022 - *Actually*

### PRESIDENT OF THE JURY at “OPEN FOTO-SUB MADEIRA”

President of the jury in the international OPEN of impromptu underwater photography and video in Madeira and Island of Porto Santo, Portugal.

2021 - *Actually*

### PROFESSIONAL JUROR at “GOLDEN TURTLE” in Moscow

Among the ten photography experts in the international jury in the Wildlife Contest.

2023

### PRESIDENT OF THE JURY at “MARES UNDERWATER PHOTO MARATHON”

President of the international jury in the eighth “Mares Underwater Photo Marathon” on the island of Rab in Croatia.

2022

### PRESIDENT OF THE JURY at “GOLDEN TURTLE” in Moscow

President of the international jury in the Wildlife Contest.

2022

### PRESIDENT OF THE JURY at “UWArt Photo-contest”

President of the jury in the first edition of UWArt in Egypt organized by the magazine DIVENTURE.

2017-2020

### JUDGE SELECTIVE RACES PORTUGUESE CHAMPIONSHIP OF UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Judge in the selections for the Portuguese National Underwater Photography Championship appointed by FPAS.

2015

### JUDGE BRAZILIAN CHAMPIONSHIP OF UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Judge in the context of the Brazilian National Underwater Photography Championship appointed by AbiSub.

2014

### FEDERAL JUDGE OF UNDERWATER PHOTOGRAPHY

Registration in the national register of underwater photography judges for FIPSAS-CMAS

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## Honors and awards

2023

■ **WINNER OF THE “PORTO CESAREO” FILM FESTIVAL** with the first underwater documentary made with a smartphone.

## Education and training

Castrovillari  
1981

■ **High school diploma “Mattei” Scientific High School**

Rome  
1985

■ **Diploma in Advertising and Fashion Photography European Institute of Design**

Rome  
1988

■ **Seminar on Light as a cinematographic language Vittorio Storaro**

Rome  
1988

■ **Seminar on Light as photographic language Marcello Gatti**

Rome  
1989

■ **Seminar on Light in photography Salvatore Rotunno**

## Certificates and Courses

·2020

APR Pilot Certificate (Drone).

2017

Registration Order of Italian Journalists.

·2012

Fotosub Instructor and Fotosub Trainer for SNSI teaching

·2009

Patent for OWD and Rescue Instructor of FIAS teaching

·2005

PADI scuba diving certification OW

## Publications

·2020

“**Behind the lens, advanced underwater photography techniques**” is published in a digital version and in English to meet the demands of the foreign market. The translation is done by the author himself.

·2019

The new book “**Behind the lens, Advanced underwater photography techniques**” is published by Magenes Editore.

·2018

“**I Maestri della fotosub italiana**”, editorial series directed by Angelo Mojetta, dedicates volume number two of the series of monographic publications to him. Magenes Publisher.

·2011

In March 2011, for the publisher Ananke, he published a manual entitled “**Course of Photography**”. The presentation of the book takes place in Bologna and becomes a bestseller and the main point of reference for the teaching of underwater photography.