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**Azienda Speciale Villa Manin, Turismo FVG “Music & Live” and Virus Concerti**  
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# PLACEBO

THE ONLY ITALIAN DATE

**SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 2010**

**VILLA MANIN - Passariano di Codroipo (UD)**

**PLACEBO** have announced a new series of concerts for their tour, which started last year after the release of their latest album “**Battle For The Sun**”. During the summer, the band lead by **Brian Molko** will visit several European countries landing in **Italy** as well. At the moment there has been only one tour date announced for our country: on **Friday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>** in the wonderful setting of **Villa Manin in Passariano di Codroipo (UD)**.

The tickets for this memorable event will be available **Wednesday March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at **09.00 am** through the website **TicketOne** ([www.ticketone.it](http://www.ticketone.it)) and in all authorized box offices.

“**Battle For The Sun**” was recorded in only 3 months at **David Bottrill**’s studio in Toronto and was mixed in London by the great **Alan Moulder**. This is **PLACEBO**’s sixth studio album, an intense work that was able to overcome all barriers thanks to its vitality, while meeting the band’s need for change bringing it in a new era. Following the massive tour which came after the release of “**Meds**”, the relationships within the band started to become strained, with drummer Steve Hewitt (with the band since 1996) deciding to quit. That is when 22-year-old **Steve Forrest** came to the rescue, having formerly played with Evaline, which were **PLACEBO**’s support act during the American tour.

**PLACEBO**’s new line-up sees **Brian Molko** (voice, guitar, keyboards), **Stefan Olsdal** (bass, keyboards) and **Steve Forrest** (drums) and has decided to sever all ties with the past, from the business point of view as well. After ending the business venture with Virgin, the band has self-funded the recording for the new album, bravely letting several independent labels handle the distribution and licensing, area by area, starting with PIAS for Europe. By doing so, **PLACEBO** are the sole owners of their album.

2009 has been an out standing year for **PLACEBO**: **1 new album** (“**Battle For The Sun**”), **3 hit singles at the top of the charts** in 9 countries, **more than 70 concerts in 29 different countries** and **1 MTV Europe Music Award** for “**Best Alternative**”.

2010 seems to be even more promising for the British alternative trio: on February 8<sup>th</sup> their new single "**Bright Lights**" was released, making it the third track from the album "**Battle For The Sun**". The remixed version was conceived by David Bascombe and a re-arranged version of the same song will feature on the band's tracklist in the current winter tour. Moreover, **PLACEBO** were featured on the soundtrack for the science fiction movie "*Daybreakers*", directed by Michael and Peter Spierig, with "**Running Up That Hill**", cover of the famous song by Kate Bush. Originally released on the bonus disc of the 2003 album "*Sleeping With Ghosts*" and re-released on the 2007 album "*Meds*", it has been revamped specifically for the movie.

**Ticket price:**

**GENERAL ADMISSION € 35.00 + pre-sale**

The concert is part of "**Music & Live**", the promotional campaign of the **Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia** and the regional agency **Turismo FVG** (info [www.turismo.fvg.it](http://www.turismo.fvg.it) – tel. 800 016044).

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