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5° ARAB ITALIAN BUSINESS FORUM ANNUAL MEETING

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29 October, 2026

Milan - Assolombarda, Palazzo Gio Ponti

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MORNING SESSION - Main Hall, Auditorium Giorgio Squinzi

❖ 8:15 am **Registration & Welcome Coffee**

❖ 9:00 am **Opening Ceremony**

Welcoming

- **Ms. Veronica Squinzi** Vice President, Assolombarda
- **Mr. Raffaele Cattaneo** Undersecretary, Lombardy Region
- **Sheikh Abdullah Saleh Kamel** President, Union of Arab Chambers & President, Federation of Saudi Chambers
- **Mr. Luca Pietrantoni** Head of UK&MEA Region, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank
- **Mr. Pietro Paolo Rampino** President, Joint Italian Arab Chamber of Commerce

Keynotes

- **Dr. Khaled Hanafy** Secretary General, Union of Arab Chambers
- **Dr. Mohamed Awad Ibrahim** Executive Chairman & CEO, General Authority for Investment & Free Zones (GAFI) - Egypt
- **Oman Representative**
- **Italy Representative**
- **H.E. Nabil Fahmy** Secretary General, League of Arab States (tbc)

❖ 11:00 am **Ceremony - Signing of Memoranda of Understanding**

❖ 11:20 am **Break**

❖ **11:45 am Italy and Egypt: Fostering Mutual Economic Growth Through Strategic Partnerships and Innovative Approaches (Industry Focus: Infrastructure; Logistics, Mattei Plan)**

Keynotes & Country Presentation

- **Mr. Ahmed Al-Wakeel** Chairman, Federation of Egyptian Chambers of Commerce
- **Ahmed Zidan** Head of Corporate & SME Banking Products department GM SC Zone General Manager
- **Dr. Abdel Aziz Elsherif** Minister Plenipotentiary, Head of Egyptian Commercial Service

❖ **12:30 pm Italy and Oman: Fostering Mutual Economic Growth Through Strategic Partnerships and Innovative Approaches (Industry Focus: Infrastructure; Tourism)**

Keynotes & Country Presentation

- **Eng. Said Al Abri** Chairman, Oman Chamber of Commerce – North Batinah
- **Dr. Saeed Al Quraini** Public Authority for Special Economic Zones & Free Zones (OPAZ)
- **Mr. Mohammed Al Lawati** Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion
- **Ms. Balqees Al-Makhmari** Director of Investment Empowerment, Ministry of Health

❖ **1:15 pm Networking Lunch**

AFTERNOON SESSION - Main Hall, Auditorium Giorgio Squinzi

❖ **2:15 pm The Private Sector as a Driving Force for the Development of the MENA Region Finance and Development: Know-How, Institutions, Financial Bodies and Their Role**

Keynotes

- **H.E. Amb. Jean Paul Carteron** Founder & President, Crans Montana Forum
- **Mr. Mohamed Raied** President, Libyan General Union of Chambers of Commerce
- **Dr. Wissam Fattouh** Secretary General, Union of Arab Banks
- **H.E. Shk Ebrahim Khalifa Al Khalifa** Chairman, Board of Trustee AAOIFI & Honorary Chairman, UNIDO ITPO Bahrain

Session 1 - MODERATOR: _____ Journalist Il Sole 24 ore

Panelists

- **Prof. Marco Taish** President, MADE Competence Centre
- **Dr. Hashim Suleiman Hussein** Head, UNIDO Bahrain
- **Mr. Mohammed Saifullah Khan** CEO, Ebdaa Islamic Finance Consulting
- **Ms. Ibtissame Hmimia** Riyadh - Saudi Arabia SIMEST
- **Representative of Intesa Sanpaolo**
- **Ms. Yeliz K Tufekcioglu** BD Lead Turkey, Middle East, Africa, SACE

Session 2 - MODERATOR: Mr. Gianfranco Belgrano Editorial Director Internationalia

Panelists

- **Dr. Majed Garoub** Chairman Advisory Committee, GCC Commercial Arbitration Centre
- **Dr. Riccardo Scarpulla** UMASI – Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy
- **Dr. Pietro Infante** Head of Internationalization, Unioncamere
- **Prof. Sara Elgazzar** Senior Advisor, UAC & Dean College of Intern. Transport & Logistics, AASTMT
- **Mr. Eraldo Minella** Strategic Advisor, Gruppo Sole 24 ORE

❖ **4:15 pm Coffee Break**

❖ **4:30 pm Energy & Water: How the Arab World and Italy Can Build a Strategic Bridge for Energy and Water Security**

MODERATOR: _____ Assolombarda

Panelists

- **Mr. Luca Matrone** Global Head of Energy, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank
- **Mr. Riccardo Dutto** Global Head of Infrastructure, Intesa Sanpaolo Bank
- **Mrs. Silvia Chiaraviglio Simoncini** Honorary President, Pometon Spa
- **Eng. Baya Aissaoui** International Business Development, Idrostudi

❖ **5:15 pm: Artificial Intelligence & Its Application to Agriculture & Healthcare**

MODERATOR: Mr. Federico Bega CAO Institutional Relations & Public Affairs Promos

Panelists

- **Mr. Stefano Spaggiari** Founder Expert.AI
- **Mr. Massimiliano Giansanti** President Confagricoltura
- **Dr. Faith Bradley, PhD** Information Systems at The George Washington University
- **Dr. Stefano Massari** General Manager, Fondazione Tech e Biomedical

❖ **6:00 pm Conclusions and Final Remarks**

- **Mr. Yousef El Maimani** First Vice President JIACC
- **Mr. Pietro Paolo Rampino** President JIACC

The Forum will end with an exclusive Networking Gala Dinner on invitation, at Excelsior Hotel Gallia, for JIACC Members and Institutions, which will be sponsored by the company Sigit Spa.



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