

## PRESS RELEASE

Beginning on Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> (at 8:45 am sharp) at Villa d'Este, Cernobbio, and concluding on Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup> (at approx. 2:00 pm), will be our **45<sup>th</sup>** annual Forum:

### ***"INTELLIGENCE ON THE WORLD, EUROPE AND ITALY"***

The mission and intent of the Forum is to offer international and Italian decision-makers from the world of business, government, science and technology, the opportunity for serious, high-level examination—with the support of analyses, studies and statistics—of geopolitical, economic, technological and social scenarios and their implications for business and the nations of the world.

For the sixth consecutive year The European House – Ambrosetti has been named the no. 1 private think tank in Italy, ranking in the European top ten and in the World top twenty, and ranking in the World top one-hundred most-esteemed and independent out of 8,100 Think Tanks globally, in the University of Pennsylvania 2018 Global Go To Think Tanks Report, after conducting a survey among 70,000 leaders of government and institutions, business and the media, in more than 100 countries worldwide. Consistent with this recognition, numerous analyses, reports and strategic studies we have prepared will be presented during the Forum.

During the Forum, taking part will be representatives of sixteen countries and nine governments from around the world. The over 200 attendees represent an aggregate turnover of €1.3 trillion, 15.5% of the turnover of the European manufacturing sector, and €47.6 trillion in assets, 2.9 times the GDP of the European Union.

**In light of the very recent formation of the new Italian government, we are working hard to ensure the presence of a good part of the current Cabinet as is customary. The program may undergo further changes, which we will promptly communicate.**

The Forum program:

#### **Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

- Future global challenges and impacts on business; moderator: Enrico Letta
  - Taking part will be representatives of the Russian, Turkish and Singapore governments, as well as the former head of the CIA, David Petraeus
  - Speech by the outgoing Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Enzo Moavero Milanesi
- The economic outlook; with a number of the world's leading economists
- The world of tomorrow today – Scientific and technological developments
  - Inflight video call with Luca Parmitano from the International Space Station
- The good news – the positive narrative the world needs
  - Third edition of the Peres Heritage Initiative: an initiative of The European House – Ambrosetti in memory of Shimon Peres, a great statesman of our era and assiduous contributor to our Forum (he attended 24 editions). This year's recipients are Enas Abo-Hamed, Lucrezia Bisignani and Dhruv Ghulati.

#### **Saturday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

- The Agenda to change Europe; moderator: Enrico Letta
  - Speech by the Italian President of the Republic Sergio Mattarella
  - More or less Europe in our future? Lessons learned and key priorities for the new European Commission
    - Debate between Romano Prodi, Geert Wilders, Mario Monti and Alexis Tsipras
    - Speech by the French Minister of Economy and Finance, Bruno Le Maire
  - Growth and competitiveness – Attractiveness and Investments
    - Speech by the Portuguese Minister of Finance and President of the Eurogroup, Mário Centeno, German Vice Minister of Finance Jörg Kukies and Vice President of the European Central Bank, Luis de Guindos

- Today's Social Challenges
  - Debate between Marcus Kerber, German Vice Minister of the Interior, Building and Community, and Cindy McCain, wife of the late Senator John McCain
- Enabling Sustainable Evolution
  - Speech by the Polish State Secretary, Ministry of Environment and President of COP24, Michael Kurtyka
- An Update on Brexit
  - Speech by the English Secretary of State for exiting the European Union, Steve Barclay
- Country Focus USA
  - Speech by Hillary Rodham Clinton, Former Secretary of State of the United States of America
  - Speech by Lindsey Graham, Senator of the United States of America
    - We are honored to be hosting an official delegation of five members of the US Senate and House of Representatives

### **Sunday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

- Italy in the global outlook
  - The voices of the Regions
    - Speech by the President of the Lombardy Regional Government, Attilio Fontana
    - Speech by the President of the Emilia-Romagna Regional Government, Stefano Bonaccini
    - Speech by the President of the Liguria Regional Government, Giovanni Toti
    - Speech by the President of the Campania Regional Government, Vincenzo De Luca
  - Justice and Public Administration
    - Speech by the Former President of Lombardia Regional Government, Roberto Maroni
    - Speech by the Chairman of Italian Anticorruption National Authority, Raffaele Cantone
    - Speech by the Deputy Dean of University Luiss Guido Carli and Italian former Minister of Justice, Paola Severino
  - Investments for Growth
    - Speech by the Director of the Italian Public Finance Monitor at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Carlo Cottarelli
    - Speech by the outgoing Italian Minister the Economy and Finance, Giovanni Tria
    - Speech by the Italian Minister of Infrastructure and Transport, Paola De Micheli
  - Competitiveness and growth
    - Speech by the Founder and Spokesperson of Italian Alliance for Sustainable Development, Enrico Giovannini
    - Speech by the Confindustria Chairman, Vincenzo Boccia
    - Speech by the Italian Minister of Education, University and Research, Lorenzo Fioramonti

As always, during the sessions, many constructive comments and the findings of ten research reports prepared by us will be presented. These include:

- A comparative analysis of the main economic indicators of the principal economies, re-elaborated by The European House – Ambrosetti on estimates of 20 financial institutions;
- Ambrosetti Club Economic Indicator – third update of 2019 on economic perspectives, employment and corporate investment in Italy;
- Just E-volution 2030. The socio-economic impacts of energy transition in Europe – study prepared in collaboration with Enel;
- Investing in regional Rail Transport. An Opportunity for Italy and its Territorial Systems – study prepared in collaboration with Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane;
- 4<sup>th</sup> edition of the Global Attractiveness Index: the true barometer of a Country's attractiveness – study prepared in collaboration with Aviva Italia and Toyota Material Handling Europe;

- Public Administration in Italy: from burden to potential aid for country's growth - study prepared as part of the community of Ambrosetti Club;
- Project 11.7: the relationship between allocated strategic investment and initiatives in progress. Are we aware of this?" - study prepared as part of the Ambrosetti Club community;
- From default risk to international success in less than a decade: the crisis as a trigger for positive turnaround of the Portuguese economy;
- EU attractiveness and challenges ahead: what priorities for the new European Commission?;
- Towards a No-deal Brexit. Impact analysis to guide business leaders in the transition ahead.

As in other years, the event will take place behind closed doors. We would also be happy to arrange, at your request, interviews or other services with Forum speakers, if they are available.

We wish to remind you that the Forum is a private initiative and, as such, will necessitate respect of rules of behavior intended to ensure that the Forum proceeds fruitfully in a tranquil atmosphere. The accredited press is therefore invited to review and comply with the guidelines that will be distributed at the time of registration and that are already available for download from our website: <http://www.ambrosetti.eu/en/media-relations/press-kit>.

We ask that you please communicate **the list of the journalists assigned to this event no later than 1:00 pm, Wednesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**, together with any requests for conducting interviews, to:

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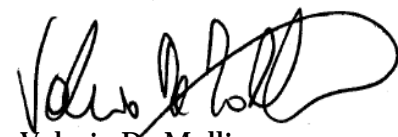
We regret that, due to the limited space available at the site of the workshop, we will not be able to accept all the requests for accreditation.

For additional information:

<http://www.ambrosetti.eu>

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Yours sincerely,



Valerio De Molli  
*Managing Partner and CEO*

**THE EUROPEAN HOUSE – AMBROSETTI**

## CONFIRMED SPEAKERS



### **Enass Abo-Hamed**

*Co-founder and CEO at H2GO power, an award winning spin-out company from the University of Cambridge (UK) developing energy storage technologies, she is passionate about entrepreneurship and clean energy technology policy. She has 10 years of research and business experience in hydrogen production, nanotechnology, catalysis, renewable energy and energy storage.*



### **Gerard Baker**

*With more than thirty years of experience as a reporter, writer and editor at some of the world's leading news organizations, he is Editor at Large of The Wall Street Journal. He writes columns and commentary on global economics and geopolitics for the Journal and conducts major interviews with leading business and political figures, thought leaders and decision makers. He is also the host of "WSJ at Large with Gerard Baker," a weekly news and current affairs interview show on the Fox Business Channel that launched in November 2018. He was Editor in Chief of the Journal and Dow Jones from 2015 to 2018.*



### **Steve Barclay**

*UK Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union since 2018, he was previously Minister of State for the Department of Health and Social Care, and Economic Secretary to the Treasury. He served as a Government Whip (Lord Commissioner of HM Treasury) and was elected Conservative MP in May 2010. He served on the Public Accounts Committee from 2010 to 2014 and is a solicitor.*



### **Lucrezia Bisignani**

*27 years olds, she is Founder and CEO of Kukua, an education entertainment company building a pan-African children's franchise around Sema, Africa's first animated child heroine. Sema is brought to life with an animated TV Series, educational games and toys. She was listed on the Forbes 30 under 30 2019 Social entrepreneurs list, and was selected to speak at WIRED 2016 as one of the women who are changing the world.*



### **Vincenzo Boccia**

*President of Confindustria since May 25, 2016, he was previously Vice President of Confindustria, President of Confindustria Assafrica&Mediterraneo, and national Vice President of Confindustria Young Entrepreneurs. He is the CEO of Arti Grafiche Boccia, a company from Salerno with offices in France, Germany, Denmark, and Lebanon that has been active in the industrial graphics sector for more than 50 years.*



### **Oleg Bocharov**

*Deputy Minister Industry and Trade of the Russian Federation since February 2017. In 1990, he became Deputy Director for Production in a commercial structure, becoming then Deputy Director of the Moscow Rescue Service. Member of the United Russia party, he was elected four times (in 1997, 2001, 2005 and 2009) to the Moscow City Duma. From August 2014 until February 2017, he was at the lead of the Moscow Department of Science, Industrial Policy and Entrepreneurship.*



### **Stefano Bonaccini**

*President of the Emilia-Romagna Regional Government since November 2014 and President of the Conference of the Regions and Autonomous Provinces since December 2015, he is also President of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR) and President of the Italian Association of the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (AICCRE). He began his career as a public servant in 1990, holding various positions in the municipality and province of Modena. He later became Secretary of the Democratic Party of Emilia-Romagna, a position he held until May 2015.*



### **Jason Bordoff**

*Professor of professional practice in International and Public Affairs at the Columbia School of International and Public Affairs, he is also Founding Director of the Center on Global Energy Policy. Until 2013 he served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Energy and Climate Change on the Staff of the National Security Council, and, prior to that, held senior policy positions on the White House's National Economic Council and Council on Environmental Quality. Prior to joining the White House, he was the Policy Director of the Hamilton Project, an economic policy initiative housed at the Brookings Institution.*



### **Raffaele Cantone**

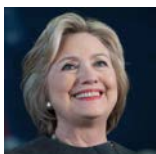
*President of Italy's National Anti-Corruption Authority (A.N.A.C.) since March 2014, he has been a judge since 1991. He was Deputy Prosecutor at the Court of Naples until 1999, when he was assigned to the city's Anti-Mafia Directorate. In 2007 he was transferred to the "Massimario" (the office that identifies and catalogs juridical norms) of the Supreme Court of Cassation, eventually becoming the coordinator of the crime sector. He has held numerous teaching posts at universities and postgraduate schools and has published on justice issues.*





#### **Mário Centeno**

Finance Minister of Portugal and Member of the Portuguese Parliament since 2015, he was elected President of the Eurogroup in 2017 and also serves as Chair of the Board of Governors of the European Stability Mechanism. An experienced economist and university professor, he held several positions in Portugal's Central Bank. He holds a master's degree in Applied Mathematics from the University of Lisbon, and a master's degree and a PhD in Economics from Harvard University.



#### **Hillary Rodham Clinton**

She has spent four decades in public service as an advocate, attorney, first lady, U.S. Senator, U.S. Secretary of State, and presidential candidate. As 67th U.S. Secretary of State, her "smart power" approach to foreign policy repositioned American diplomacy and development for the 21st century. Earlier, as first lady and senator for New York, she traveled to more than 80 countries as a champion of human rights, democracy, and opportunities for women and girls. She also worked to provide health care to millions of children and create jobs and opportunity. In her historic 2016 campaign for President of the United States, she won 66 million votes. She is married to former U.S. President Bill Clinton, has one daughter, Chelsea, and three grandchildren: Charlotte, Aidan, and Jasper.



#### **Vítor Constâncio**

Vice-President of the European Central Bank from 2010 to 2018, he is currently President of the School Board at the Lisbon School of Economics and Management (ISEG) and Professor of the Master's Degree in Banking and Financial Regulation at the School of Economics, University of Navarra, Madrid. He is a former Governor of the Banco de Portugal (2000-2010) and subsequently member of the ECB Governing Council.



#### **Paolo Costa**

Chairman of Spea Engineering, from 2008 to 2017 he was President of the Venice Port Authority. Professor of Economics, Economic Planning and Regional Economics at the Universities of Venice (IUAV and Ca' Foscari) between 1980 and 2003, he was Rector of the University of Venice Ca' Foscari (1992-1996) and Vice President of the University of the United Nations in Tokyo. During his political career, he has been Minister of Public Works and Urban Areas (1996-1998), Mayor of Venice (2000-2005), Member of the European Parliament (1999-2009) and President of the European Parliament Transport Committee (2003-2009).



#### **Carlo Cottarelli**

Director of the Italian Public Finance Monitor at Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore in Milan, he previously headed the International Monetary Fund's Fiscal Affairs Department, then served as Commissioner for Public Spending Reform in Italy and Executive Director on the Board of the IMF representing Italy, Albania, Greece, Malta, Portugal and San Marino.



#### **Luis de Guindos**

Vice-President of the European Central Bank since 2018, he served as Minister of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness (2016-2018), and Minister of Economy and Competitiveness (2011-2016) in the Spanish center-right Government led by Mariano Rajoy. Previously, among other positions, he was Director of IE Business School and its PwC Center for the Finance Sector, Head of Financial Services at PricewaterhouseCoopers, and Chief Executive Officer of Iberia, Lehman Brothers, and Nomura Securities.



#### **Vincenzo De Luca**

President of the Campania Regional Government since June 2015, he was previously the Mayor of Salerno, initially elected in 1993 with 71.3% of the vote, and then re-elected in 1997, 2006, and finally, in 2011 with 75% of the vote. In 2013 he served as undersecretary in the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport in the Letta Government. A member of the Chamber of Deputies from 2001 to 2008, he was a member of the Bicameral Commission for the Waste Disposal Crisis, the Transportation and Telecommunications Commission, and the Agriculture Commission.



#### **Paola De Micheli**

Newly-elected Minister of Infrastructure and Transport in the second Conte Cabinet, she is also Deputy Secretary of the Democratic Party. She previously served as Under-Secretary of State for the Presidency of the Council and the Economy, member of the Budget Committee of the Chamber, and Special Commissioner for the reconstruction of Central Italy after the earthquake. First elected to the Chamber of Deputies in April 2008 for Emilia-Romagna as part of the Parliamentary Group of the Democratic Party, she was then re-elected to the Chamber of Deputies in February 2013 as deputy leader of the Democratic Party in Montecitorio.



#### **Valerio De Molli**

Valerio De Molli has been Managing Partner and Chief Executive Officer of The European House - Ambrosetti since 2000. He led, with other partners, the management buyout of the company in 2008. He is also Director of London's Ambrosetti Group Limited, Chairman of The European House - Ambrosetti Middle East, Senior Advisor of the Venture Capital Fund United Ventures, and Mentor of the Kairos Society, an association of young American entrepreneurs. He has been a member of YPO (Young Presidents' Organization) since 2011. He is a member of the boards of directors of numerous companies. He gives lectures and seminars on strategy and management for top executives, associations and universities.



#### **Mohamed A. El-Erian**

Chief Economic Advisor at Allianz, he was chair of President Obama's Global Development Council. He was Chief Executive and Co-chief Investment Officer of PIMCO. His book, "When Markets Collide," was a New York Times and Wall Street Journal bestseller, won the Financial Times/Goldman Sachs Business Book of the Year and was named a book of the year by The Economist and one of the best business books of all time by the Independent (UK).



#### **Niall Ferguson**

Senior Fellow of the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, and the Center for European Studies at Harvard University, he has authored fourteen books. His 2011 feature-length film "Kissinger" won the New York International Film Festival's prize for best documentary. He is the recipient of many prizes and awards and writes a weekly column for The London Sunday Times and The Boston Globe.



#### **Mauro Ferrari**

Former President and CEO of Houston Methodist Research Institute (Texas, USA), one of the top twenty hospitals in the USA, he is President designate of the European Research Council. He is Senior Associate Dean and Professor of Medicine at Weill Cornell Medical School in Manhattan, New York. His laboratory develops new drugs for cancer. An engineer, he studied medicine at The Ohio State University and is recognized as the pioneer of nanomedicine.



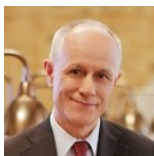
#### **Lorenzo Fioramonti**

Minister of Education, University and Research in the second Conte Cabinet since September 5, 2019, he was previously Deputy Minister in the first Conte Cabinet. He is also Professor of Political Economy at the University of Pretoria (South Africa), where he directs the Centre for the Study of Governance Innovation, and Deputy Project Leader of the Future Africa initiative. He is also Extraordinary Professor at the School of Public Leadership of the University of Stellenbosch, Senior Fellow at the Centre for Social Investment of the University of Heidelberg and at the Hertie School of Governance (Germany), and Associate Fellow at the United Nations University.



#### **Attilio Fontana**

President of the Lombardy region since 2018, he was a member of the Board of Directors and Deputy Vice Chairman of Fiera Milano from 2009 to 2017. His political activity began with the birth of the Northern League: from 1995 to 1999 he was Mayor of Induno Olona. He was elected Mayor of Varese in 2006 and re-elected in 2011. He was regional councilor of Lombardy and President of the regional council (2000-2005) and President of ANCI Lombardia (2009-2014).



#### **Luciano Fontana**

Editor-in-Chief of Corriere della Sera since April 30, 2015, he had previously been the paper's co-editor (from 2009), deputy editor (from 2003), chief managing editor (from 2000), and deputy managing editor (starting in 1997, when he joined Corriere della Sera). He is an expert in Italian and international politics. As co-editor of Corriere della Sera, he oversaw the launch of the paper's web edition.



#### **Jacob A. Frenkel**

Chairman of JPMorgan Chase International and of the Board of Trustees of the Group of Thirty (G-30), he was previously at the helm of AIG and Merrill Lynch International and was Governor of the Bank of Israel. He was a member of the Economic Advisory Panel of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Director of Research at the International Monetary Fund, and Professor of International Economics at the University of Chicago.



#### **Dhruv Ghulati**

CEO of Factmata, a company he founded together with two professors of the universities of Sheffield and UCL, he is also one of the leading developers of Wikipedia. Factmata's goal is to combat online disinformation found on the web by utilizing human-assisted artificial intelligence to identify abusive content, hate messages, spam, propaganda and fake news. The company was founded in 2017 and Dhruv Ghulati has already raised \$1 million in seed funding.



#### **Enrico Giovannini**

Professor of Economic Statistics at the University of Rome "Tor Vergata", he also teaches Sustainable Development at LUISS University, and is Senior Fellow at the LUISS School of European Political Economy. He was Minister of Labor and Social Policies from April 2013 to February 2014. From August 2009 to April 2013, he was President of the Italian Statistical Institute (ISTAT). From January 2001 to July 2009, he was Chief Statistician and Director of the Statistics Directorate of the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).



#### **Lindsey Graham**

United States Senator from South Carolina since 2003, he has earned a reputation as a conservative problem-solver and one of the strongest proponents of a robust national defense. Prior to serving in the Senate, he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1994 as the first Republican from the Third Congressional District of South Carolina since 1877. Before being elected to Congress, he compiled a distinguished record in the United States Air Force as he logged six-and-a-half years of service on active duty as an Air Force lawyer.





### **Bibop Gabriele Gresta**

*As the CoFounder and Chairman of Hyperloop Transportation Technologies, he leads a team of 800 professionals in 40 countries that span 6 continents. Under his leadership, HTT - the largest firm ever built upon a collaborative business ecosystem - has been revolutionizing both mobility and the outdated business model. It applies its insurable patented levitation technology which disruptively enables the system to produce more energy than it consumes while being profitable and sustainable. He also cofounded the influential startup incubator Digital Magics, which has served as the catalyst for the launching of more than 70 firms.*



### **William A. Haseltine**

*A scientist and businessman, he is Chairman of the William A. Haseltine Foundation for Medical Sciences and the Arts, and Chairman and President of ACCESS Health International, a foundation that supports access to affordable, high quality health services in low-, middle- and high-income countries. He was a Professor at Harvard Medical School and the Harvard School of Public Health. He is well known for his pioneering work on cancer, HIV/AIDS, and genomics. He is the founder of Human Genome Sciences and of several other successful biotechnology companies that account for five drugs currently on the market.*



### **S. Iswaran**

*Minister-in-charge for Trade Relations and Minister of Communications and Information of Singapore, he previously served in the Ministries of Trade and Industry, Home Affairs, and Education. In the private sector he was Director for Strategic Development at Singapore Technologies Pte Ltd. and Managing Director at Temasek Holdings. He has been a Member of Parliament since January 1997. Prior to his Cabinet appointment in 2006, he served on several government parliamentary committees and as the Deputy Speaker of Parliament.*



### **Rula Jebreal**

*Visiting Professor in the School of Communication at the University of Miami, she was the first foreign anchorperson in the history of television news in Italy. Since moving to the United States in 2009, she has been an on-air foreign policy analyst for MSNBC and a contributor to The Daily Beast, Newsweek, and Salon.com, where her articles have reflected a deep knowledge of Islamic extremism, the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, and the new political order in the Arab Muslim world. She sits on the advisory board of President Macron's Women Empowerment Initiative.*



### **Jin Lique**

*A Chinese politician, banker, and professor, he is currently the inaugural President and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB), a multilateral development bank with a mission to improve social and economic outcomes in Asia. He has extensive experience across the private and public sectors, as well as with multilateral development banks. He previously served as Chairman of China International Capital Corporation, Vice President of the Asian Development Bank, Alternate Executive Director for China at the World Bank, and Vice Minister of Finance of the People's Republic of China.*



### **Charles Kenny**

*Senior fellow and director of technology and development at the Center for Global Development, he has published articles, chapters and books on issues including the causes of economic growth, the causes of improvements in global health, and the link between economic growth and happiness. He is the author of the book "Getting Better: Why Global Development is Succeeding, and How We Can Improve the World Even More".*



### **Markus Kerber**

*State Secretary at the German Federal Ministry of the Interior, Public Works and Community since March 2018, he was Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board of Directors of the Federation of German Industries from 2011 to 2017. From 2009 to 2011, he was Director-General for Economic and Fiscal Policy Strategy at the Federal Ministry of Finance and, from 2006 to 2009, Director-General for Basic Policy Issues and International Analyses at the Federal Ministry of the Interior. From 1993 to 2009, he was member of the Supervisory Board at GFT Technologies in Stuttgart, where he was also Chief Financial Officer from 1998 to 2003.*



### **Jörg Kukies**

*State Secretary at the German Federal Ministry of Finance since April 2018, he is responsible for financial market policy and European policy. He had a long career at Goldman Sachs in its London and Frankfurt offices. He studied economic sciences at Pantheon-Sorbonne University in Paris, and obtained a master's degree in public administration from the John F. Kennedy School of Government of Harvard University, and a PhD in Finance from the University of Chicago.*



### **Michał Kurtyka**

*Appointed President of the COP 24 Summit (the international Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change) on April 27, 2018, he has been Secretary of State at the Ministry of Environment of Poland since 2016. He was the initiator of the "Electromobility Development Plan" in Poland and piloted the creation of a law on electro-mobility and alternative fuels, thanks to which these forms of transport will be able to develop dynamically. He began his professional career in the Office of the Committee of European Integration, in the team of Minister Jan Kulakowski, responsible for conducting accession negotiations with the European Union.*



### **Bruno Le Maire**

Minister for the Economy and Finance of France, he was appointed to Prime Minister Edouard Philippe's government by Emmanuel Macron on May 17, 2017. He had previously been Minister of Agriculture and Food (2009-2012), Secretary of State for European Affairs (2008-2009), and Regional Councilor for Haute-Normandie (2010-2016). He has been a member of the National Assembly since 2007.



### **Enrico Letta**

Prime Minister of the Italian Republic from April 2013 to February 2014, he is currently Dean of the Paris School of International Affairs, Sciences Po, in France. He was a member of the Italian Parliament from 2001 to June 2015, excluding from 2004 to 2006, when he served in the European Parliament.



### **Amory Lovins**

A physicist, he is co-founder and Chief Scientist of Rocky Mountain Institute; energy advisor to major firms and governments in 65+ countries for over 40 years; author of 31 books and more than 600 papers; and an integrative designer of superefficient buildings, factories, and vehicles. Recently, his main efforts include supporting RMI's collaborative synthesis for China's National Development and Reform Commission of an ambitious efficiency-and-renewables trajectory that informed the 13th Five Year Plan, as well as helping the Government of India design transformational mobility.



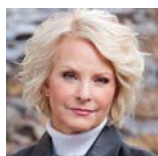
### **Monica Maggioni**

CEO of Rai Com since February 2019, she was President of the Rai (Radiotelevisione Italiana) from August 2015 to July 2018. A professional journalist, she has been a special correspondent, writer, documentary maker and TV news editor. She joined the Rai in 1992. Over the course of her career she has covered the world's main crisis zones through interviews with heads of state, bloggers, pacifists and terrorists.



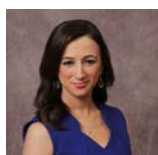
### **Roberto Maroni**

President of the Lombardy Region from 2013 to 2018, he is currently Senior Advisor of Mediobanca. From July 2012 to December 2013 he was party secretary of the political movement "Lega Nord per l'Indipendenza della Padania" (Northern League). He was a member of the Italian Parliament from 1992 to 2013, Minister for Internal Affairs in the first and fourth Berlusconi Cabinets, and Minister of Labor and Welfare in the second and third Berlusconi Cabinets.



### **Cindy McCain**

Chair of the Board of Trustees of the McCain Institute for International Leadership at Arizona State University, she also chairs the Institute's Human Trafficking Advisory Council. Through her work with the McCain Institute, several partnerships have been formed with anti-trafficking organizations working on solving various aspects of the problem. She also serves as co-chair of the Arizona Governor's Council on human trafficking. She is the Chairman of her family's business, Hensley Beverage Company, which is one of the largest Anheuser-Busch distributors in the United States.



### **Michelle Meyer**

Managing Director and head of US economics at BofA Merrill Lynch Global Research, she provides timely analysis of economic data and Federal Reserve policy announcements to the sales force and traders. Prior to joining BofA Merrill Lynch Global Research in May 2010, she was a senior US economist at Barclays Capital and started her career on the US economics team at Lehman Brothers. She was named by Forbes Magazine as one of 30 under-30 in finance in 2011 and a Rising Star by the Women's Forum for Economy and Society in 2012.



### **Enzo Moavero Milanesi**

Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation since June 2018, he was Minister for European Affairs in two different Italian Cabinets from 2011 to 2014. He has over 20 years of experience in important offices in the European Union. He is a renowned expert of the EU legal system and served as Dean of the Law School at LUISS University from 2014 to 2018.



### **Mario Monti**

President of Bocconi University, he is senator for life of the Italian Republic. He served as Chairman of the High-level Group on Own Resources of the European Union (February 2014- January 2017), Prime Minister of Italy (November 2011-April 2013) and Minister of Economy and Finance (November 2011-July 2012). He served for ten years as a member of the European Commission, in charge of the Internal Market, Financial Services and Tax Policy (1995-1999), then of Competition (1999-2004).



### **Christian Odendahl**

Chief Economist at the Centre for European Reform, he is a regular commentator on economic issues in print and broadcast media, including the Financial Times, The New York Times, The Wall Street Journal, Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, Süddeutsche Zeitung, Deutschlandfunk and the BBC. Before joining the CER, he worked as a senior economist at Roubini Global Economics in London on the eurozone, the ECB and Germany, and as a Marjorie Deane financial journalism fellow at The Economist.





#### **Fuat Oktay**

Vice President of Turkey since July 2018. He served as the head of the Management Department and as Deputy Dean at Beykent University. Alongside his academic career, Oktay also served as a consultant and advisor for both state-owned and private businesses. Oktay served as deputy general manager responsible for strategic planning and business development, production planning and information technology as well as sales and marketing at Turkish Airlines between 2008 and 2012. He was responsible for many development projects under the Turkish Airlines brand. Previously head of the Presidency of Disaster and Emergency Management (AFAD), between June 19, 2016 and July 9, 2018, he served as the undersecretary of the Prime Ministry.



#### **Luca Parmitano**

A European Space Agency (ESA) astronaut involved in the Beyond mission on the International Space Station (ISS) since July 2019, he will fulfill the role of International Space Station Commander during the second part of the mission, becoming the third European astronaut and first Italian to do so. During his first mission, Volare, in 2013, he spent 166 days in space, conducted over 20 experiments and took part in two spacewalks. He is a colonel in the Italian Air Force, has logged more than 2000 hours of flying time, is qualified on more than 20 types of military airplanes and helicopters, and has flown over 40 types of aircraft. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from the University of Naples Federico II and a master's degree in experimental flight test engineering from the Institute Supérieure de l'Aéronautique et de l'Espace in Toulouse, France.



#### **Tsvia Peres Walden**

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#### **Romano Prodi**

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#### **Tom Ridge**

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#### **Paola Severino**

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#### **Adnan A. Shihab-Eldin**

*Director General of the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences and Senior Advisor at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies, he served as Secretary General of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) in 2005. From 2001 to 2006, he served as Director of the Research Division at OPEC. He is also a board member of SBC Energy Institute. From 1999 to 2001, he served as Director of the Division for Africa, East Asia and Pacific in the Department of Technical Co-operation at the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) in Vienna.*



#### **Fabio Tamburini**

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#### **Giovanni Toti**

*President of Liguria since June 2015, he has also been Vice President of the Conference of Regions and Autonomous Provinces since July 2015. In 2014, he was elected member of the European Parliament for Forza Italia. A professional journalist, he was Deputy Director of Communications at the Mediaset Group from 2007 to 2009. In 2010, he was nominated Director of Studio Aperto and then also Director of TG4.*



#### **Elisabetta Trenta**

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#### **Giovanni Tria**

*Minister of the Economy and Finance in the Conte Cabinet since June 1, 2018, he is Professor of Economic Policy at the University of Rome "Tor Vergata" where he was elected Dean of the Economics Department in 2017. Over the years he has served as an expert in several ministries (Economy and Finance, Foreign Affairs, Public Administration, and Labor). From 2010 to 2016, he was Chairman of the National School of Administration in the Prime Minister's Office.*



#### **Alexis Tsipras**

*President of the Greek political party SYRIZA (Coalition of the Radical Left), he served as Prime Minister of Greece from 2015 to 2019. During the 4th Congress of the European Left Party (December 2013), he was nominated as a candidate for the Presidency of the European Commission and was also re-elected Vice President of the European Left Party. He was elected to the Greek Parliament in 2009 and has been leader of the Main Opposition in Greece since the 2012 national election, when he was re-elected as a Member of Parliament.*



#### **Adair Turner**

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**Mike Walsh**

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**Geert Wilders**

*A member of the Dutch Parliament since 1998, he is the founder and leader of the Party for Freedom (PVV) in the Netherlands. Geert Wilders’ party PVV gained 33% more seats in the latest national elections in March 2017 and is now the second largest party in the Dutch parliament. In 2008 he attracted international attention because of Fitna, a documentary he filmed that explores Islamic terrorism and the spread of Islam in the Netherlands.*