

9° Italian-Turkish Forum

Rome, 12-13 November 2012

St. Regis Hotel

12 November 2012

1.45 pm **Registration**

2.00 pm **Welcome Speeches**

Min. Plen. **Giuseppe Scognamiglio**, Head of Public Affairs, UniCredit
Prof. Dr. **Mesut Özcan**, Deputy Chairman of Center for Strategic Studies

2.15 pm **Open door session**

The impact of the Eurozone crisis on Turkey, Italy and the Mediterranean

The Eurozone crisis has impacted deeply upon Italy, southern Europe and the European Union as a whole. Surrounding regions have also not been immune to the crisis. The southern Mediterranean countries, whose economic problems contributed to the Arab spring, now struggle to recover in view of their dependence on Europe. Turkey instead, has maintained high levels of growth, but beneath the surface, its interdependence with the EU also casts shadows over its economic future. What precisely has been the impact of the crisis on Italy, Turkey and the Mediterranean and what are the prospects for turning the interdependence between the three into a force for the recovery of the wider Europe space?

Chair: Mr. **Paolo Magri**, Executive Vice-President and Director of ISPI

Pres. **Giuliano Amato**, President of International Advisory Board, UniCredit

Dr. **Lokman Gündüz**, Member of the Board of Directors of the Central Bank of Turkey

Mrs. **Lucia Annunziata**, Director Huffington Post Italia*Sapienza' *

Dr. **Ömer Bolat**, former Chairman of MUSIAD - Industrialists and Businessmen's Association

The Debate among speakers will be followed by an open discussion with audience

4.15 pm Coffee break

4.30 pm **Ministers' panel: Turkey and EU: Turkish and Italian Perspectives**

Chair: Pres. **Emma Bonino**, Vice President of Senate

Introductory remarks: Mr. **Federico Ghizzoni**, UniCredit CEO

HE Amb. **Giulio Terzi di Sant'Agata**, Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs

HE Assoc. Prof. Dr. **Ahmet Davutoğlu**, Turkish Minister of Foreign Affairs

6.00 pm **Press conference for journalists and audience**

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13 November 2012

8.45 am **Registration**

9.00 am **Closed door roundtable session**

**Italy and Turkey in the Mediterranean:
Exploring joint economic and political projects in the region**

Both Italy and Turkey as Mediterranean powers have an interest in the sustainable development of the region. Both have been active at the bilateral level as well as within a broader European framework. In view of the political and economic complementarities between Italy and Turkey, how could the two partners cooperate in the region? Precisely, what potential joint projects could Italy and Turkey pursue so as to contribute to the political and economic development of their shared neighbourhood?

Italian Chair: **Vittorio Da Rold**, Senior International correspondent at Il Sole 24 ore
Turkish Chair: Prof. Dr. **Mesut Özcan**, Deputy Chairman of Center for Strategic Studies

'Italy and Turkey as Mediterranean Powers: Seeking Joint Partnerships in the Neighbourhood'
- the **Introductory Paper** will be presented by Prof. **Stefano Silvestri**, President of IAI-

1.00 pm Lunch Buffet

- Languages: Italian and Turkish with simultaneous translations -

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