

THE BORDERS OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM

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The sixth edition of the Festival of Economics marks another step forward for Trentino, which responded to the crisis by strengthening the traditional activities that continue to make it a competitive and strategic territory. The anti-crisis package adopted by the Autonomous Province contains several strong points recognized as innovative both within Italy and abroad. On the social policy front, we have introduced an income safety-net programme to combat processes of impoverishment and urban decay, while our probusiness investment strategy is designed to support and promote the utilization of human resources and new technology for relaunching competitiveness across the province. One issue that is particularly close to our heart is knowledge; indeed, it should surprise no-one that the Autonomy Statute makes provision for a new provincial law on universities. In our vision for the future, even more than it already is today, Trentino will be a European region of knowledge, which aspires to achieve a virtuous equilibrium between the various engines on which the region's development depends: research, training, universities, businesses, politics and institutions. Only if these engines work at full speed can this "systemic architecture" be built and strengthened to enable it to fulfil its enormous potential. Once again, it is the dual global and local track that helps us to think in terms of development and international openness. Indeed, only in a perspective that values local specificities while simultaneously aiming to attract high-quality investors from the rest of the world, can Trentino successfully navigate the choppy waters of globalization. The province's industrial pole recognizes in the University of Trento, the Bruno Kessler Foundation and the Mach Foundation, the key partners for this enterprise: an important step towards becoming a fully paid-up member of the global economy. The challenge is to aim even higher, and in this sense the Festival provides a special vantage point for viewing the world, a 360-degree panorama that enables us to identify and redraw the horizons of the future. Humanity and communities cannot live without dreaming of the future and of everything that helps realize these dreams in good politics and good administration. The same dream that for six years now, the Festival of Economics has embraced.

Lorenzo Dellai

President of the Autonomous Province of Trento



After five increasingly popular editions, given extensive coverage by the media and followed by an attentive and informed public, this year's Festival of Economics has set itself a new challenge. Not that of making do with the prestige and popularity it has gained to date, but of raising its game once again in order to identify better ways of dealing with the intrinsically challenging theme of the "Borders of Economic Freedom".

Flexibility and versatility are surely two of the strong points of a Festival which, in the past five years, has played an invaluable role as compass, or better still thermometer, capable of describing and measuring various, at times momentous, transformations. There is no better explanation for the success of this event that began in 2006, when the second Prodi government was formed (the same year that Giorgio Napolitano was elected President of the Republic and Italy was victorious at the world cup). An event that grew up with the subprime crisis and reached maturity with the explosion of a crisis whose aftermath continues to be felt today.

The new five-year period inaugurated by this Festival began with the revolts in North Africa, a region where the absence of democracy has existed alongside an anything but liberal economy. I believe that this year's Festival will help us once again to find the right key for interpreting the troubled and largely unforeseen times we live in. I believe that our meetings will yield some responses and perhaps some questions, novel ideas, and food for thought. What is certain is that both for our city and for visitors, the Festival is a not-to-be-missed occasion.

Alessandro Andreatta Mayor of Trento



The five editions of the Festival of Economics, which since 2006 has enlivened the streets of Trento, have demonstrated the extent to which the debate on economic issues can capture the public imagination. To continue this experience, which has proved so rewarding for those who have participated, there is to my mind no better theme this year than that of *freedom*. A term that has burst back onto centre stage in this phase of the economic crisis and of major political, social, cultural and international transformation.

Speaking of freedom and economics, my thoughts are drawn to the discussions we all heard up to a few years ago when many politicians and illustrious economists wanted to convince us that development could only be achieved at the cost of removing every constraint on the freedom of individuals and businesses. According to this vision, the market with its own mechanisms and efficiency would correct eventual systemic distortions, guaranteeing us a radiant future of increasing prosperity. The economic crisis has taught us that in reality things are much more complicated and that freedom without rules can produce substantial damage. Damage that often affects the quality of life of persons who are entirely extraneous to the decision-making processes that led to disaster in the first place. In other words, the rule that "if you break, you pay" no longer seems to apply.

Any reflection on the issue of freedom and the definition of rules, including at supranational level, and on the new role that public decision makers are called on to fulfil with respect to the markets, necessarily implies opening a debate on the role of each one of us and on the concepts of autonomy and responsibility.

In this complex situation we must never forget that what can make the difference is the ability to stimulate personal initiative, courage and entrepreneurial flexibility. This vitality can only arise from the proper promotion – in a context of clear and precise rules – of talent and merit. It is from this standpoint that schools and universities are called on to play a leading role in guaranteeing a solid and modern educational system.

It is my hope that the ideas which will emerge from the high-level debates conducted during the Festival can act as a catalyst for the best energies and as a stimulus for a renewed commitment to the future, in every sphere of activity.

Davide Bassi

Chancellor of the University of Trento

THE BORDERS OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM

In the early 1990s, from the privileged vantage point of the OECD, I witnessed the countries of the former soviet bloc make the transition to a market economy. On one of my missions to Eastern Europe I was sent to Bratislava, via Vienna. Seeing as how the plane was delayed and I risked being responsible for the cancellation of an important meeting, a Viennese colleague offered to give me a lift to Slovakia, driving through the corridor reserved for Austrian citizens. According to his calculations, this would save me at least one hour. In the circumstances, I happily accepted his offer. The only problem was that although I had a diplomatic passport, I am not, nor was I then, an Austrian citizen. The Austrian and Slovakian checkpoints in that corridor stand a few kilometres apart. There was no problem on the Austrian side where our passports were not even requested. The Viennese licence plate sufficed. But on arriving at the Slovak border the zealous officials who asked for our documents, on discovering my true nationality, refused to let us pass. We were forced to turn tail. This time round the Austrian officials, surprised at seeing us back so soon, asked for our passports, and on establishing that I was neither Slovakian, nor Austrian, also refused to let us through. Long telephone calls to the Austrian embassy and a fax clarifying the objective of our visit were required before we were finally allowed back into Austria and from there, into Slovakia, through a border point that was also accessible to non-Austrians. Obviously the meeting was rescheduled. But during that hour spent in "middle earth" I imagined what it would have been like to live in those five kilometres that separated the two borders, between a mostly planned economy and a market economy with a strong public sector presence.

The Great Recession has left us many middle earths, many poorly defined borders between private and public initiatives. The financial crisis was followed by that of sovereign debt and governments have been forced to take emergency measures. Fiscal consolidation plans often make provision for cuts to spending programmes rather than any rise in taxes. The new Stability and Growth Pact does not only look at countries' balances but also calls explicitly for cuts in public spending. In this way fiscal consolidation tends to redraw the boundaries of state intervention, arresting the almost unstoppable advance of the public Leviathan since the second world war, when public expenditure as a share of GDP doubled in many countries. The questions being asked by politicians and economists concern not only what to cut, but how. There are those who, like Chancellor Merkel, have called on the euro-area governments to introduce into their constitutions, therefore into laws that are difficult to change later on, the obligation of achieving a balanced public budget. This would mean depriving them of the possibility of adopting anti-cyclical policies to mitigate the effects of the recession. The English government has proposed reducing the role of the State in social protection, by involving the third sector directly and moving from the "Welfare State" to what they now call "Welfare Society" or "Big Society". The choice is a difficult one because globalization has brought with it an increase in the demand for social protection. In Italy, the State continues to rely on the family as a social shock absorber. Almost everywhere in the advanced countries, an aging population is pushing up pension outlays and demand for health services. Unless we want the State to get even bigger, it is inevitable that there will be a bigger involvement of the private sector in the provision of these services. How can we distinguish between the duties of the public and private in social welfare, health and even education?

Despite the efforts in many countries to reduce debt by cutting public expenditure, it would be a mistake to conclude that the role of the State in economics is in retreat on all fronts. The crisis has led to an increase of regulated areas in which limits are imposed on free private initiative, to the point of provoking outcries against the violation of individual freedoms. The decision, for example, of the Obama administration to impose by law the subscription of obligatory health insurance unleashed a barrage of appeals to the Federal Court. Forms of protectionism are also reappearing, strategic funds are being built up to oppose the acquisition by foreign investors of national businesses and there are proposals to reintroduce previously abolished restrictions on trade. There are those among economists, traditionally hostile to imposing restrictions on free trade, who have now found new reasons to protect national industry. It is no longer

taboo to hear talk of a "new industrial policy" from those who in the past had openly declared their hostility to State aid for specific sectors. There are debates not only on imposing pay limits for superstars, but also on limiting the size of some businesses, especially in the financial sector, to prevent them from becoming "too big to fail". Defences are being put in place against the arrival of foreign capital, by defining as strategic sectors which have little in common with considerations linked to national defence, security or the environment. New barriers are being erected to the free circulation of people, including against those who are fleeing from bloody civil wars or where there is violent repression of domestic opposition, if not actual genocides. In short, the regulation and restriction of free private initiative has been anything but undermined and on the contrary, appears to be on the increase, to the great indignation of liberal thinkers.

In this sixth edition of the Festival, we will try to enable everyone to form an opinion on the complex questions defining the new borders of free private initiative currently being drawn in various parts of the planet. We will attempt to understand the reasons and highlight the consequences, using, as always, the categories and analytical tools of economists, but also by asking for help from other disciplines, such as law and philosophy. Again as in previous years, we will introduce new formats for the debates, beginning with the arguments "for" and "against", in which all the participants will be called on to give their opinions on the issues before and after the debate between the various speakers. This will also allow us to assess the value added of the Festival in changing the perceptions, if not the opinions, of that ever-attentive and well-informed public, which for six years now has flocked between May and June to the extraordinary city of Trento.

Tito Boeri

Scientific Director of the Festival of Economics

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Festival preview

TRENTO

Thursday 26 May 2011

CONTEMPORARY WITNESSES

17.30

Teatro Sociale

AMARTYA SEN



THE BORDERS OF ECONOMIC FREEDOM

organized by the Federation of Cooperation in Trentino

coordinated by STEFANO ZAMAGNI presented by TITO BOERI speakers LORENZO DELLAI, DIEGO SCHELFI

One of the foremost thinkers of our time, winner of the Nobel Prize for economics in 1998, an intellectual who is particularly sensitive to issues around cultural conflict and modern societies, opens the Festival of Economics and addresses the main theme of this sixth edition. In 2011 the Festival is expanding in time and space, with meetings in Naples and Rovereto, while confirming the Trento agora as one of the major centres for economic thinking.

Festival preview

NAPLES

Saturday 28 May 2011

BEYOND BORDERS

Basilica e catacombe di San Gennaro Extra Moenia Rione Sanità

OFF-THE-BOOK EMPLOYMENT AND THE BLACK ECONOMY

The links between the illegal and informal economy and economic development

organized by the Ahref Foundaiton in conjunction with the Foundation for the South

10.00 - 11.30

WITH SOCIAL MEDIA TELL A STORY OF EMANCIPATION

Speakers GIOVANNI ALLUCCI, LUCA DELLO IACOVO, ALEX GIORDANO, don ANTONIO LOFFREDO and a young man of Officina dei talenti

coordinated by LUCA DE BIASE

coffee-break

11.30 - 13.00

EXTORTION IN THE NAPLES AND CASERTA AREA

speakers GIACOMO DI GENNARO, ALESSANDRO PANSA, FRANCO ROBERTI

coordinated by MICHELE POLO

lunch break

15.00 - 16.00

THE FORGERY CYCLE AND THE WORK ETHIC

speakers LUCIANO BRANCACCIO, VINCENZO MORETTI, UMBERTO SIRICO

coordinated by MICHELE POLO

coffee-break

16.30 - 18.00

THE EFFECTS OF THE INFORMAL AND BLACK MARKET ECONOMY ON DEVELOPMENT

Speakers MAGDA BIANCO, IVAN LO BELLO, LUCA MELDOLESI coordinated by MICHELE POLO

with the participation of

TITO BOERI, CARLO BORGOMEO, LORENZO DELLAI, GIUSEPPE LATERZA

This year's Festival of Economics in Trento is devoted to the theme of the borders of economic freedom. But beyond those borders there is also the informal economy, the culture of work without the culture of legality. A culture that may generate some wealth, enable some people to make ends meet, but one which builds no future. Can this economy be forced to emerge? On what conditions? And for what purpose? A series of papers, interventions and speakers will be followed by a concluding debate.

The programme for the day is available at <u>www.ahref.eu</u> and www.festivaleconomia.it.

Programme

Thursday 2 June 2011

INAUGURATION

15.00 Castello del Buonconsiglio Speakers

ALESSANDRO ANDREATTA, TITO BOERI, INNOCENZO CIPOLLETTA, LORENZO DELLAI, GIUSEPPE LATERZA, ALBERTO ORIOLI, CORRADO PASSERA

Followed by IN MEMORIAM

Screening of the late TOMMASO PADOA SCHIOPPA'S address at the first edition of the 2006 Festival of Economics with a tribute by **FABRIZIO SACCOMANNI**.

VISIONS

17.30

Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero

DANI RODRIK



THE FUTURE OF GLOBALIZATION

presented by TITO BOERI

The future of globalization is not assured unless we take history's lessons to heart. A healthy globalization rests on a fine balance between the global reach of markets and the prerogative of nation states. If we push too much in either direction, we get instability and loss of legitimacy. The balance has been upset recently in favour of global markets, and must be re-established.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

18.30

Palazzo Geremia

MONICA D'ASCENZO

FATTI PIÙ IN LÀ. DONNE AL VERTICE DELLE AZIENDE. LE QUOTE ROSA NEI CDA

organised by "Il Sole 24 Ore"

discussed by CORRADO PASSERA, ANNA MARIA TARANTOLA

CONTEMPORARY WITNESSES

21.00

MARCO ONADO

THE PARMALAT AFFAIR

Teatro Sociale presented by MASSIMO MUCCHETTI

For the first time, the person responsible for restructuring a firm plundered by an unscrupulous owner discusses the lessons that can be drawn from the rescue of the company and the challenges associated with its readmission to the stock exchange.

Friday 3 June 2011

KEYWORDS

GIANMARCO OTTAVIANO

10.00

Facoltà di Economia Sala Conferenze

FREE TRADE

presented by ANDREA FRACASSO

People interact to trade information, opinions, sentiments, but also work, goods and services. An isolated person cannot trade with anyone. A person who has been removed from isolation and begins to interact with others, reveals that the exchange has a positive individual value. If he does not begin to interact, he does not reveal the opposite. In short, it is not the "exchange" in itself that has a positive or negative individual value: rather what has a positive individual value is the "free trade", in other words the freedom to decide whether to trade or not. Between State and Market, which protects this freedom best?

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

LUCA DE MEO

10.00

DA 0 A 500

Biblioteca Comunale

organised by Marsilio Editori

discussed by PIERLUIGI FAGAN, MARCO SODANO

DISCUSSIONS

10.00

Palazzo Calepini Sala Fondazione Caritro

THE HUMAN RIGHTS CRISIS IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY



organised by Amnesty International - Italian section

speaker AUDREY GAUGHRAN

The major multinational companies influence the life of millions of people, but they have just begun to reflect on their responsibility in terms of safeguarding human rights. The meeting will focus on the role of multinational companies in the development of poor countries with plentiful resources, such as Nigeria.

PAST AND PRESENT

10.30 Castello del Buonconsiglio

MARISTELLA BOTTICINI

SOCIAL NORMS, RELIGIONS AND ECONOMIC FREEDOM

presented by RICCARDO SORRENTINO

Why do different religions impose or censure different practices?

If a religion prohibits certain foods while another obliges parents to teach their children to read, what are the economic consequences? Why has India decided to abolish an institution – that of the bride's dowry to her husband – which has existed for millennia in various civilizations? Why do so many civilizations from antiquity to today have religious laws or norms to combat usury, and what effects do these restrictions have? History provides us with the answers.

DIALOGUES

11.00

Palazzo Geremia

ENRICO GIOVANNINI MATTEO MOTTERLINI GIUSEPPE MUSSARI MARCO ONADO

FREE IF INFORMED

presented by GIANCARLO SANTALMASSI

Information is the soul of the market and free competition can exist only in a market where all the necessary information actually circulates. Between the borders of economic freedom lies information whose availability can expand or restrict those borders. What do Italians know and understand about economics? How do they inform themselves? And how do they manage information asymmetries, often in the field of finance which had a key role in the last global crisis. This and much more is discussed by the President of ISTAT, who conducted a special survey of economic awareness by Italians, the President of ABI, who represents the banking system, and two economists, one specialized in finance and the other in cognitive theories.

DIALOGUES

11.00 Facoltà di Giurisprudenza Aula Magna FRANCO BASSANINI GIANNI DRAGONI FAUSTO PANUNZI

DEPOSITS AND LOANS FUND: A NEW IRI?

presented by PIERANGELO GIOVANETTI

The Deposits and Loans Fund consists in savings and the Banking foundations participate in its risk capital. According to the government, it should be the white knight of Italian companies and favour their growth. Is this a truly effective way of managing the savings of Italians?

DISCUSSIONS

11.00

Sala Filarmonica

THE DATBASES OF CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE AS A TOOL FOR COMBATING FINANCIAL CRIME

organised by InfoCamere Scpa

coordinated by GIULIANO GIUBILEI speakers FERRUCCIO DARDANELLO, FRANCESCO GRECO, IVAN LO BELLO, SERGIO RIZZO, VALERIO ZAPPALÀ

Illegality cannot be fought through isolated action, but rather using a shared strategy within which everyone has their own role: this is the idea behind the creation of the National Legality Committee, in which Chambers of Commerce participate by providing background information.

DISCUSSIONS

11.00 Ex Convento Agostiniani Sede OCSE

PRODUCTIVITY AND EMPLOYMENT:



THE ROLE OF INSTITUTIONS, TRADE UNIONS AND BUSINESSES IN THE CURRENT ECONOMIC CRISIS

organised by OECD-LEED and the School on Local Development – University of Trento

speakers SERGIO ARZENI, BRUNO DALLAGO, AART DE GEUS, JOACHIM MÖLLER

New development scenarios in OECD countries have seen an emerging demand for collaboration between companies, trade union representatives and institutions. Up to what point can entrepreneurial risk be shared with the workers? How does the role of trade unions change in an economy based on small businesses and the local area? What is the role of politics? In the session it is intended to discuss the need to experiment with new forms of relationships and partnerships between the worlds of politics, business and employment.

FOR & AGAINST

12.00

Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero

SHOULD PROSTITUTION BE LEGALIZED AND TAXED?

organized by lavoce.info in collaboration with "inGenere.it"

coordinated and presented by ROBERTA CARLINI

For: **FRANCESCA BETTIO** Against: **ORIA GARGANO**

In Italian legislation prostitution is contemplated but not regulated, and its exploitation is punished. In Europe there are a series of different models to govern the phenomenon: at one extreme, there is the German model where prostitution (if chosen by the person who practices it) is a job, with rights, safeguards and obligations; at the other extreme there is Sweden, where prostitution is on the same level as violence and the clients of the sex market are punished.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

PAOLO LEGRENZI

12.00 Biblioteca Comunale I SOLDI IN TESTA. PSICOECONOMIA DELLA VITA QUOTIDIANA

organised by Editori Laterza

discussed by MAURIZIO FERRARIS, LUIGI MITTONE

FOCUS

15.00

Castello del Buonconsiglio

JÜRGEN VON HAGEN



THE EUROPEAN PUBLIC DEBT CRISIS: WHAT WILL WORK AND WHAT WON'T

presented by TOBIAS PILLER

The lecture will review the economic foundations of the fiscal policy framework in the euro area. It will then discuss the current debt crisis and

the solutions that have been proposed so far. What is needed is a framework to deal with sovereign debt defaults in the euro area.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

PASCAL SALIN



15.00

Palazzo Geremia

RITORNARE AL CAPITALISMO

organised by Rubbettino Editore

discussed by FRANCESCO FORTE, ALBERTO MINGARDI

IL SOLE 24 ORE

15.00 **Fondazione Bruno Kessler**

Sala Conferenze

MEETINGS WITH FREEDOM OF ENTERPRISE: WHAT IS WRONG WITH ARTICLE 41 **OF THE CONSTITUTION?**

organised by "Il Sole 24 Ore"

coordinated by ALBERTO ORIOLI

speakers ALESSANDRO DE NICOLA, VALERIO ONIDA, SALVATORE

REBECCHINI, NICOLA ROSSI

DISCUSSIONS

15.00 Palazzo Calepini Sala Fondazione Caritro

INCENTIVES, CONTRIBUTIONS AND FREE COMPETITION

organised by ODCEC - Ordine dei Dottori Commercialisti ed Esperti Contabili in

Trento and Rovereto

coordinated by ELIA ZAMBONI

speakers ALESSANDRO OLIVI, CLAUDIO SICILIOTTI, ILARIA VESCOVI

Reflection on the distortion or advantages of policy "to support the economy", the effects on economic freedom and market disturbance: a benefit for the economy or a tool for laying claim to supremacy in political, economic and judicial decisionmaking?

FOCUS 16.00

Teatro Sociale

ROBERTO MARONI GIOVANNI PERI

WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR IMMIGRATION POLICIES?

presented by **DARIO DI VICO**

The emergency landings in Lampedusa has put the government's problem of migratory flows dramatically back at the centre of the agenda. Up to what point can these be administered at national level or must they be coordinated by Europe? Italy's Minister of the Interior and a leading academic in the field discuss the causes and effects of international migration.

FOCUS

LUCREZIA REICHLIN

16.00

Facoltà di Economia Sala Conferenze WHAT BANKERS DO

presented by **ELENA POLIDORI**

How has the role of central bankers changed during the crisis and what must banks do to find a definitive way out?

INTERSECTIONS

16.30 Facoltà di Giurisprudenza Aula Magna MICHELE SALVATI LOREDANA SCIOLLA

CIVIL AND POLITICAL SOCIETY IN ITALY

presented by ENRICO FRANCO

For many years now debate has surrounded the supposedly weak civic spirit of Italians. It is often invoked to explain the poor quality of the political class and has been amply recalled, often irrelevantly, to explain the exceptional factiousness of the current political struggle. A sociologist and an economist with long experience in political matters, discuss these and other related issues.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

DANIEL S. HAMERMESH



16.30 Palazzo Geremia

BEAUTY PAYS

organised by Princeton University Press

discussed by DANIELA VURI

DISCUSSIONS

17.00

Facoltà di Sociologia Aula Kessler IMMIGRATION AND THE FIGHT AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING: RIGHTS, SECURITY AND THE EMPLOYMENT MARKET

organised by FLARE – Freedom Legality And Rights in Europe

coordinated by VITTORIO AGNOLETTO

speakers MICHELE CURTO, OLIVIERO FORTI, MARIA GRAZIA GIAMMARINARO, CLAUDIA MERLINO, PIETRO SOLDINI

According to IOM, there are 230 million migrants around the world. Those fleeing hunger, misery or wars are often the victims of human trafficking. Economic needs, security requirements and different political viewpoints clash, while international crime does not stand by idly.

17.00

THE ECONOMICS CAFÉ

Caffè Duomo 34 Piazza Duomo

in collaboration with young entrepreneurs from Trentino

The public is invited to meet Festival speakers in the café

FOCUS

ANGELO DEL BOCA

17.30 Castello del Buonconsiglio

THE GREAT ARAB REVOLT

presented by PIETRO VERONESE

The first months of 2011 have been defined by the major upheavals in a number of Arab countries, all accompanied by demands for more democracy, less power for oligarchies and greater meritocracy in the selection of the ruling class. This Arab 1948 has caught international opinion completely off guard, forcing us to question the profound meaning of these events but also our very ability to understand the times we live in.

AT THE BORDER

ALBERTO ALESINA

17.30

Sala Filarmonica

IS IT POSSIBLE TO CUT SPENDING AND BE RE-ELECTED?

presented by **DINO PESOLE**

The study of 107 episodes of fiscal consolidation in the OECD countries highlights under what conditions the restructuring of public finances can lead to recession and when the governments responsible are punished by the voters in the next round of elections. It turns out that the famous maxim uttered by Jean Claude Juncker "We all know what to do, but we don't know how to get re-elected once we have done it" is perhaps not so true after all.

FOCUS 18 00

ALAN KRUEGER



Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero

WHAT WILL OBAMACARE (HEALTH CARE REFORM) REALLY DO?

Presented by **FEDERICO PEDROCCHI**

This lecture will discuss the consequences of the historic health care reform bill that President Obama signed into law in March 2010. Special attention will be paid to those who voluntarily chose to be covered under the plan as against those who only joined when it became obligatory. The philosophical and legal arguments underpinning compulsory coverage will also be examined.

INTERSECTIONS

FEDERICO RAMPINI

18.30

Teatro Sociale

THE FREEDOM OF OTHERS

Presented by ALBERTO FAUSTINI

A debate between the powers of the future and alternative models. China: the freedom from need and authoritarian paternalism. India and Brazil: two experiments in "southern social democracies". Indonesia: the successful transition of an Islamic country. The challenges of the emerging giants to the *American* idea of freedom.

FOCUS

18.30

Fondazione Bruno Kessler Sala Conferenze

MICHAEL BURDA



BEHIND THE GERMAN MIRACLE

Presented by TOBIAS PILLER

Germany has suffered a severe recession and yet, during the crisis, unemployment diminished. What explains this German miracle? Incentives for introducing shorter working hours? Decentralized negotiations? Individual calculations of working hours? Or are there other explanations?

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

18.30

Palazzo Geremia

RAFFAELE CANTONE, GIANLUCA DI FEO

I GATTOPARDI. UOMINI D'ONORE E COLLETTI BIANCHI: LA METAMORFOSI DELLE MAFIE NELL'ITALIA DI OGGI

organised by Mondadori

discussed by INNOCENZO CIPOLLETTA, IVAN LO BELLO

CONTEMPORARY WITNESSES

21.00

GIAN CARLO CASELLI

WHAT FREEDOM WITHOUT LEGALITY?

Teatro Sociale presented by GIULIANO GIUBILEI

In our country we feel free: free to express our opinions, to move from one place to another, to choose what to study or what career path to pursue according to our interests

If you look carefully, this freedom clashes – across broad swathes of Italy – with widespread illegality: not only that of the major criminal organizations but also the less visible but no less dangerous phenomena of corruption, patronage, and the black economy.

A leading magistrate, protagonist in the fight against criminal, political and economic illegality, sheds light on one of the preconditions for economic freedom.

Saturday 4 June 2011

DISCUSSIONS

BUYING A HOUSE SAFELY: ADVICE FROM NOTARIES

9.30

Palazzo Thun Torre Mirana organised by the Consiglio Nazionale del Notariato in collaboration with Il Sole 24 Ore

coordinated by MASSIMO ESPOSTI

speakers GIACOMO CARLINO, MARCO COLLA, PIER LUIGI FAUSTI, GIANNI LAZZARI, GABRIELE NOTO, MARCO PESCARMONA, GIOVANNI RIZZI

Three specific questions regarding housing within a single event open to the public, in order to obtain clear and transparent advance information: 9.30 - 10.15: informed mortgages; 10.30 - 11.15: buying property under construction; 11.30 - 12.15: energy certification of property.

KEYWORDS

10.00

Facoltà di Economia Sala Conferenze

ALESSANDRA FOGLI

SOCIAL NORMS

presented by STEFANI SCHERER

Social norms condition individual choices, they place limits on individual freedoms. These norms, in turn, are shaped by the actions undertaken by each one of us. This interaction is the driver of social change and moves the borders of individual freedoms. But how and where does this change originate? And how does it spread in time and space? Can it emerge in a free market context or does it require public intervention?

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

CHRISTIAN CALIANDRO, PIERLUIGI SACCO

10.00 Fondazione Bruno Kessler Sala Conferenze ITALIA RELOADED. RIPARTIRE CON LA CULTURA

organised by il Mulino

discussed by PAOLO LEGRENZI

DISCUSSIONS

10.00

Palazzo Bassetti Sede Banca di Trento e Bolzano AFTER THE ECONOMIC CRISIS, WHAT ARE THE UP AND COMING PROFESSIONS IN THE FUTURE?

organised by the Banca di Trento e Bolzano Spa

coordinated by ISABELLA BOSSI FEDRIGOTTI

speakers PAOLO COLLINI, FRANCESCO LAMANDA, MARCELLO

MESSORI

In a scenario in which the crisis has redrawn the frontiers of economic freedom, what is demanded of young people in order to deal with the opportunities and

challenges of the employment market?

DISCUSSIONS

10.00 Palazzo Calepini Sala Fondazione Caritro

BODIES AND MONEY. MARKETS AT THE FRONTIER



organised by inGenere.it

coordinated by ROSSELLA PANARESE speakers FRANCESCA BETTIO, MARGARET RADIN

Prostitution, wombs for rent, breeding banks, pornography and sale of organs. What happens when the goods being exchanged on the market are our bodies? Or when science extends the frontiers of trading? What to ban, what to regulate and how to supervise? Ethical choices and prospects for regulation.

INTERSECTIONS

10.30 Castello del Buonconsiglio

NADIA URBINATI

WHAT LIMITS THE POWER OF POLITICIANS?

presented by GIULIANO GIUBILEI

Representative democracies have designed two important instruments for curbing the power of politicians: elections and the party. Today, these two instruments are in crisis or in any event are incapable of working as strategies for limiting power. What weapons do citizens have to make their voice heard and to influence the decisions of politicians?

FOCUS

11.00

Palazzo Geremia

SARAH SMITH



BUILDING THE BIG SOCIETY?

presented by STEFANO FELTRI

In the UK, the government is looking to the voluntary sector to play a greater role in providing public services. What is the potential for not-for-profits in this area? Is the Big Society simply a way to roll back the state and to reduce public spending, or does it really have something to deliver?

DISCUSSIONS 11.00

Sala Filarmonica

DIFFERENT FRONTIERS. THE FEMALE FACTOR IN THE FORTHCOMING ECONOMY – NEW RULES AND NEW RESPONSIBILITIES

organised by the Tavolo per l'Occupazione e l'Occupabilità, promoted and coordinated by the Social Policy and Equal Opportunities Department of the Municipality of Trento

speaker FEDERICO RAMPINI

In phases of uncertainty the rules determining the power of countries and gender

and the generations involved are redefined. The current economic and geopolitical crisis has redrawn the frontiers of economic freedom. What are the new rules and who must take responsibility for avoiding global crises in the future?

DISCUSSIONS

THE ECONOMIC CULTURE AS AN EXERCISE IN FREEDOM

11.30

organised by AEEE-Italia

Facoltà di Sociologia Aula Kessler

speakers ANDREA BOITANI, LUIGI CAMPIGLIO, ENRICO CASTROVILLI, ROBERTO FINI, ARMANDO MASSARENTI, ROBERTO TAMBORINI, IGNAZIO VISCO

The session will discuss the need for young people to reinforce their economic and financial literacy. The economy indeed demands the ability to make choices and interpret the characteristics of society, becoming an essential component in modern citizenship, along with other cultural aspects.

FOR & AGAINST

IS IT RIGHT TO RAISE UNIVERSITY FEES?

12.00

organized by lavoce.info

Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero

coordinated by **ALBERTO ORIOLI** presented by **DANIELE CHECCHI**

For: **GUSTAVO PIGA**

Against: GIANFRANCO CEREA

The 3+2 reform has led a growing number of young people to enrol in university courses, encouraged by low registration fees and universities close to home. The cuts implemented by the government have led to the virtual paralysis of the university system. From various quarters there are calls to raise the university fees of students by removing the limits imposed by law.

MEETINGS WITH

MARCO REVELLI

AUTHORS 12.00

POVERI, NOI

Fondazione Bruno Kessler

organised by Giulio Einaudi Editore

Bruno Kessler Sala Conferenze

discussed by ANTONELLA RAMPINO, SALVATORE ROSSI

AT THE BORDER

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15.00 Castello del Buonconsiglio

DANIEL HAMERMESH

FREEDOM FROM WORK: WHAT WE DO WHEN WE'RE NOT

WORKING

presented by STEVE SCHERER

What do people do when they're not working? Is it leisure, sleeping/eating, or things you could have paid for? How does this differ between men and women?

How does it differ across countries — is Italy any different? What would people do if they suddenly couldn't work as much? What if they didn't have to work as much?

INTERSECTIONS

GIULIO NAPOLITANO

15.00

Facoltà di Economia Sala Conferenze THE EUROPEAN STATES IN THE CRISIS: FROM BAILOUTS TO "SLIMMING DOWN"?

presented by MARIOLINA SATTANINO

When the financial crisis exploded, all over the world countries were called on to save an economic and banking system on the verge of collapse. Massive intervention succeeded in avoiding the worst. But the cure aggravated sovereign debt exposure, reducing the public resources available for investment in collective projects and threatening the stability of the single currency. Faced with the debt crisis, European states backed each other and pledged to respect stricter public finance parameters. This opened a new phase of slimmer states, at times by virtue of debt thresholds, (Greece, Ireland, Portugal), at others by constitutional obligation (Germany), or even based on a political and ideological programme (the UK). But up to what point can the State retreat and delegate functions and public services to private entities without compromising values and constitutional rights?

FOR & AGAINST

MUST THE MANAGEMENT OF WATER BE COMPLETELY PUBLIC?

15.00

ROVERETO

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Sala Conferenze

presented and coordinated by CARLO SCARPA

For: **UGO MATTEI**

organized by lavoce.info

Against: ANTONIO MASSARUTTO

The law states that water and water works are public property, and that water prices are and must always be defined by public authorities. The law that many now want to annul aims, however, to extend private involvement in the management of this public service, with everything else remaining in the public sphere. This is the origin of the referendum against the so-called privatization of water...but which in reality concerns all local public services.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

RICCARDO CAPPELLO

15.00

Biblioteca comunale

IL CAPPIO. PERCHÉ GLI ORDINI PROFESSIONALI SOFFOCANO L'ECONOMIA ITALIANA

organised by Rubettino Editore

discussed by CARLO LOTTIERI, VALERIA MANIERI

MEETINGS WITH THE YALTA OF THE STOCK EXCHANGES: GLOBAL MARKETS

IL SOLE 24 ORE

15.00 Fondazione Bruno Kessler Sala Conferenze DIVIDED INTO TWO. MORE OR LESS FREEDOM?

organised by "Il Sole 24 Ore"

coordinated by ALESSANDRO PLATEROTI

speakers DONATO MASCIANDARO, MARCO ONADO, LUCA PEYRANO

DISCUSSIONS

15.00

Palazzo Geremia

MEN, WOMEN AND ECONOMICS. WHERE ARE THE FRONTIERS?

organised by Vodafone

coordinated by NUNZIA PENELOPE

speakers ANTONIO BERNARDI, MONICA D'ASCENZO, CIPRIANA DALL'ORTO, LORETTA NAPOLEONI, ALESSANDRA PERRAZZELLI, PAOLO PROFETA

In the last few months there has been more reflection on the role of women in Italian society than there has been for many years. Problems relating to gender differences – from quotas for women on management boards to reconciling home and work – are still largely unresolved, both in the world of employment and in the broader economic context, in both the public and private sector. Starting from the direct testimony of three young women who are the winners of a competition promoted by the Vodafone Foundation entitled 'Imprese e Lavoro', with the objective of supporting new entrepreneurial initiatives by women, the debate will offer the opportunity to contribute towards the discussion on the relationship between women and the economy.

FOCUS

16.00 Teatro Sociale EMMA BONINO TIMOTHY J. HATTON



THE NEW BORDERS OF EUROPE

presented by VLADIMIRO POLCHI

If, at the end of the twentieth century, the borders between East and West in Europe began to crumble, the second decade of the current century announces a revolution on the Southern shores of the Mediterranean, whose outcome remains largely unpredictable. What can be done to really help the countries of North-Africa? And will the policies of asylum be able to cope with the new challenges posed by the humanitarian emergency? Follow the debate between one of Italy's politicians who is most attentive to problems in the Southern hemisphere, a former European commissioner for humanitarian aid, and one of the foremost scholars of asylum policies.

PAST AND PRESENT

16.30 Facoltà di FABRIZIO ZILIBOTTI

FROM IMPERIAL CHINA TO THE FINANCIAL EMPIRE

presented by PIERANGELO GIOVANETTI

Giurisprudenza Aula Magna

From great millennial empire, until 1500 the technologically most advanced region in the world, China appeared to have entered a phase of inexorable decline. A decline that made it one of the poorest countries in the world.

Now China is the second most important country worldwide in terms of total income, and the largest global exporter. Thanks to its apparently unstoppable commercial advance, it has accumulated gold and foreign currency reserves estimated at 2,500 billion dollars. Will this economic and financial empire be the engine of world growth in the twenty-first century? Of will it, on the contrary, give the eco-system a fatal shove? Will the pace of growth in China continue or will it slow under the pressure of demographic change? Finally, will economic progress be sustainable without reforms of the political system?

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

PIERO BEVILACQUA

16.30 **Biblioteca Comunale**

L'ETÀ GRANDE SACCHEGGIO. DEL **CAPITALISMO** \mathbf{IL} **DISTRUTTIVO**

organised by Editori Laterza

ROBERTA CARLINI

L'ECONOMIA DEL NOI. L'ITALIA CHE CONDIVIDE

organised by Editori Laterza

discussed by ALFONSO GIANNI, MARCO MORGANTI, SANDRO TRENTO

DIALOGUES

17.00 Sala Filarmonica **ROGER ABRAVANEL TULLIO JAPPELLI** FIORELLA KOSTORIS

ASSESSMENT AND MERIT IN THE PUBBLIC RESEARCH SYSTEM

introduced by ARMANDO MASSARENTI

Knowledge, research, innovation and education are the key elements of economic development. Italy spends little to finance university and research, and does not even succeed in distributing these few resources well. Let's attempt to formulate concrete proposals to improve public financing practices in universities, promote the quality of research, award and provide incentives for merit.

DISCUSSIONS

17.00

Facoltà di Sociologia Aula Kessler

PUBLIC ICT COMPANIES AT THE SERVICE OF THE NATIONAL ECONOMIC SYSTEM: PROMOTION OF THE INFORMATION SOCIETY IN LOCAL AREAS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF INNOVATION IN THE PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

organised by Assinter Italia - Associazione delle Società per l'Innovazione Tecnologica nelle Regioni - and Informatica Trentina Spa

speakers PIERFRANCESCO CAMUSSONE, ALBERTO DAPRÀ, ROBERTO

DE LAURENTIS, MAURIZIO FRANZINI, CLARA FRESCA FANTONI, ALESSANDRO OLIVI, GIORDANO TAMANINI

The use of ICT is fundamental for the growth and development of the national economic system: regional companies for technological innovation and their contribution to growth and the development of "public demand" for information services for the development of collaboration between the public and private sector.

17.00 Caffè Pasi Piazza Duomo

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PAST AND PRESENT

GEORGE BORJAS



17.30 Castello del Buonconsiglio

THE COLLAPSE OF THE SOVIET UNION AND THE PRODUCTIVITY OF AMERICAN MATHEMATICIANS

presented by UMBERTO BOTTAZZINI

After the collapse of the Soviet Union, several hundred world-class Soviet mathematicians migrated to the United States. This paper examines the impact of this influx on the productivity of American mathematicians. Specifically, it examines the extent to which the new ideas brought into the American mathematics community by the Soviet émigrés affected the number and quality of publications by American mathematicians.

VISIONS

18.00

Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero **ESTHER DUFLO**



RETHINKING THE FIGHT AGAINST POVERTY

Presented by **ERIC JOZSEF**

Why would a man in Morocco who doesn't have enough to eat buy a television? Why is it so hard for children in poor areas to learn, even when they attend school? Does having lots of children actually make you poorer? Answering questions like these is critical if we want private and public initiative to have some chance of making a dent against global poverty.

DIALOGUES

18.00 ROVERETO Facoltà di Scienze Cognitive Aula Magna PIPPO RANCI ORTIGOSA STEFANO SAGLIA CARLO SCARPA

NO NUKES?

presented by LAURA STRADA

The recent earthquake and devastating tsunami that destroyed entire provinces of Japan have revived, with the collapse of the Fukushima nuclear plant, the debate on the risks of nuclear power. How and what to decide for our future energy supply?

INTERSECTIONS

18.30

Palazzo Geremia

RENATA SALECL



DOES MORE CHOICE EQUAL MORE FREEDOM?

presented by ANTONELLA RAMPINO

The range of choices available to us in the most advanced economies has expanded enormously: we have more products to consume than ever before, films to see, sexual norms and religions to follow, we can decide whether to have children or not, we can even change the way we look. Does all of this increase our freedom? The original response of a philosopher and sociologist of the London School of Economics.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

18.30 Biblioteca Comunale

FRANCESCO DAVERI

STRANIERI IN CASA NOSTRA. IMMIGRATI E ITALIANI TRA LAVORO E LEGALITÀ

organised by Egea

discussed by GIOVANNI PERI

Sunday 5 June 2011

KEYWORDS

FABIO RANCHETTI

10.00

Facoltà di Economia Sala Conferenze

FREEDOM

presented by LUCIANO ANDREOZZI

Without freedom, there can be neither a 'good' society nor a 'good' economy. However, economic actors are never completely free, but always bound by the existing laws and institutions, as well as by the wealth (or poverty) at their disposal. Moreover, the market generates interferences and conflicts with other fundamental principles, above all that of equality. Finding the 'best' ways to address and resolve these conflicts between freedom and justice is also one of the main tasks of economics – today more than ever before.

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

INNOCENZO CIPOLLETTA

10.00 Biblioteca Comunale BANCHIERI, POLITICI E MILITARI

organised by Editori Laterza

LUCIO CARACCIOLO

AMERICA VS AMERICA organised by Editori Laterza

discussed by PAOLO GUERRIERI

DISCUSSIONS

10.00 Fondazione Bruno Kessler Sala Conferenze HUMAN SCALE DEVELOPMENT: TRANSDISCIPLINARY ECONOMICS FOR SUSTAINABILITY

organised by Habitech - Distretto Tecnologico Trentino

coordinated by ERIC EZECHIELI, THOMAS MIORIN speaker MANFRED A. MAX-NEEF

The human scale development model drawn up by M.A. Max-Neef has been shown to be one of the most effective for understanding the frontiers of economic freedom and ensuring that the solutions which we apply today will create widespread prosperity, without transforming themselves into tomorrow's problems.

DISCUSSIONS

10.30 Palazzo Calepini Sala Fondazione Caritro THE SOUTHERN MEDITERRANEAN AND THE ITALIAN ECONOMY: WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

organised by Gruppo Economisti di Impresa and the Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale

coordinated by UGO TRAMBALLI introduced by GIAMPAOLO VITALI speakers GREGORIO DE FELICE, GIORGIA GIOVANNETTI, ALESSANDRA LANZA, PAOLO MAGRI

The southern Mediterranean area offers an opportunity for Italy and its businesses. However these countries have not yet embarked on the process of accelerated development experienced by other recently industrialised economies. Where may the events of the last few months take us?

DIALOGUES

11.00 Castello del Buonconsiglio

SUSANNA CAMUSSO PIETRO GARIBALDI

STATE, MARKET AND SOCIAL WELFARE

presented by MARCO PANARA

Up to what point can the State delegate social welfare to private organizations? What role can unions play in guaranteeing equal treatment to the new generations of precarious workers and immigrants? And is it possible to imagine safeguards that take into account the strong competitive pressures that exist today, working within rather than against the market? The Secretary General of the CGIL discusses these and other questions with a labour economist.

VISIONS

11.00

Palazzo Geremia

TIMOTHY J. HATTON



DO WE NEED A EUROPEAN MIGRATION POLICY?

presented by ANTONIO PREZIOSI

This lecture examines some of the key questions for immigration policy. They include the goals of policy and its effectiveness over different migration streams. It also includes an evaluation of immigration and asylum polices at the EU versus the national level.

DISCUSSIONS

11.00 Facoltà di Giurisprudenza Aula Magna

WATER: PUBLIC, PRIVATE OR ...? THE THIRD ROUTE FOR WATER

organised by Euricse – European Research Institute on Cooperative and Social Enterprises and the University of Trento, Department of Law

coordinated by ANDREA PRADI speakers CLAUDIO DE VINCENTI, UGO MATTEI, PIER ANGELO MORI

There are goods and services to which the general logic of competition cannot be applied and which pose a limit to free enterprise. The water supply service is one of these. The session will present some experiences of cooperation in the water supply sector.

DISCUSSIONS

CONSUMERS: ARE THEY REALLY FREE TO CHOOSE?

11.30

Facoltà di Sociologia Aula Kessler

organised by Trentino Arcobaleno

speakers LEONARDO BECCHETTI, LUCA DE BIASE

The experiences of "critical" consumers - and data from the Bilanci di Giustizia campaign – show us that the only genuine freedom of the market is freedom "from the market".

FOR & AGAINST

12.00

Palazzo della Provincia Sala Depero

ARE YOU IN FAVOUR OF INHERITANCE TAX?

organized by lavoce.info

coordinated by ALBERTO ORIOLI presented by TULLIO JAPPELLI For: GRAZIELLA BERTOCCHI Against: ALESSANDRO DE NICOLA

The abolition of inheritance tax was one of the first actions of the 2001 Berlusconi government. Reintroduced in 2001, but only for very large fortunes, it is back at the centre of debate today: there are those who emphasize the negative effects of the accumulation of wealth, even to the point of seeing it as a threat to private property; others highlight the inefficiency of this system, given the various possibilities for eluding and evading tax; still others appreciate the redistributive aims of the tax, especially in countries with strong divergences in wealth and limited social mobility, such as Italy.

MEETINGS WITH

AUTHORS

12.00 Sala Filarmonica ELIO ROSSI

I PROFESSIONISTI DEL POTERE

organised by Chiarelettere

discussed by GIOVANNI FLORIS, BRUNO TABACCI

MEETINGS WITH AUTHORS

15.00 **Biblioteca Comunale** ROGER ABRAVANEL, LUCA D'AGNESE

REGOLE. PERCHÉ TUTTI GLI ITALIANI DEVONO SVILUPPARE OUELLE GIUSTE E RISPETTARLE PER RILANCIARE IL PAESE

MAO, CONFUCIUS AND SMITH: INVISIBLE HANDS, IRON FISTS AND

organised by Garzanti

discussed by ANDREA CARANDINI, FRANCESCO DAVERI

MEETINGS WITH IL SOLE 24 ORE

VELVET GLOVES. FREEDOM AND CAPITALISM IN CHINA organised by "Il Sole 24 Ore"

15.00 **Fondazione** Bruno Kessler

speaker FRANCESCO SISCI

Sala Conferenze

AT THE BORDER

15.30 Castello del Buonconsiglio

PHILIPPE AGHION



THE NEW INDUSTRIAL POLICY

presented by FRANK PAUL WEBER

The recent crisis has revealed the pitfalls of excessive deregulation, and has shown that state intervention cannot be dispensed with, e.g when financial institutions are too-big-to-fail. Should government intervention go beyond this minimum regulatory role? Should the State also play the role of investor? The need for liberalized markets does not call for a reduced state, but rather for an "appropriate" state.

AT THE BORDER

16.30

Palazzo Geremia

GIOVANNI PERI

IMMIGRATION AND GROWTH presented by GIORGIO ZANCHINI

Immigration gives countries the option of accessing skills, abilities, ideas and jobs that did not originate within their borders. This creates opportunities for growth but some national factors, those competing with immigrants, may lose out. In this presentation I cover the recent research in economics that analyzes benefits, costs and winners-losers from increased immigration flows with a special focus on Europe and the U.S.

17.00

Caffè Portici Piazza Duomo

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VISIONS

17.30 Auditorium Santa Chiara **ZYGMUNT BAUMAN**



CONSUMED FREEDOM

presented by GIUSEPPE LATERZA

Our society has cancelled old borders: between public and private, goods and individuals, property and consumption...

Has this made us freer?

One of the most original and influential thinkers of our time reflects on the relationship between economic freedom and daily life.

Scientific Director

TITO BOERI

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Speakers

ROGER ABRAVANEL

Born in Tripoli-Libya, he emigrated to Italy in the 1960s. He graduated in Chemical Engineering from Milan's Polytechnic, was a researcher at the Institute of Technical Physics at the same university and completed an MA in Business Administration at the INSEAD. For over thirty years he worked with McKinsey, leader in the management consulting industry, for Italian and multinational firms in Europe, America and the Far East.

He is currently advisor for the Clessidra fund in Italy, the Buyout Markstone fund and the Venture Capital Wanaka in Israel. He sits on the board of directors of Luxottica Group S.p.A., Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd and the Italian Technology Institute (IIT). He is president of the INSEAD Italy Council. Since 2008 he has been a leader writer for *Il Corriere della Sera*. He is the author of numerous articles and essays, including: *Courageous Choices. The McKinsey recipe for re-launching the Italian economy* (with Y. Gutgeld and S. Visalli), Il Sole 24 Ore libri (2006), *Meritocracy. Four concrete proposals to promote talent and make Italy richer and fairer*, Garzanti (2008) and *Rules. Why all Italians must develop the right ones and respect them to revive the country's fortunes* (with L. D'Agnese), Garzanti (2010).

PHILIPPE AGHION

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ALBERTO ALESINA

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