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WITH THE SUPPORT OF	EUROPEAN COMMISSION EUROPEAN INVESTMENT BANK (EIB) SECRETARIAT OF THE UNION FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN (UPM)		
DATE	12 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> November 2012		
VENUES	Palazzo Mezzanotte piazza Affari, 6 (Website: <u>www.palazzomezzanotte.it</u> ) Palazzo Turati via Meravigli, 9/b (Website: <u>www.palazzoturati.it</u> )		
TARGET OF PARTICIPANTS	<ul> <li>Heads and Members of Government of Euro-Mediterranean Region</li> <li>European Commission</li> <li>European Investment Bank (EIB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Banks and International Financial Institutions</li> <li>Entrepreneurial and Industrial Associations</li> <li>Public and Private Agencies and Organizations for Economic Development and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Support</li> <li>Chambers of Commerce and Industry</li> <li>Business Schools, Start-Ups and Business Incubators, Technology Parks</li> <li>Regulatory Authorities, Law Firms, Arbitration Chambers</li> <li>Port Authorities</li> <li>Fair and Exhibition Centers</li> <li>Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)</li> <li>Businessmen and Managers</li> </ul>		



# **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Monday, 1	2 November 201	.2			
Venue	Location	Timing	Sessions		Format
		09.00 am	Registration Opening		
Palazzo Mezzanotte	PARTERRE CONVEGNI + SCAVI ROMANI	10.00 am – 01.30 pm	OPENING PLENARY SESSION		Open to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	BALCONATA	01.30 pm	Buffet Lunch		
Palazzo Turati	CONSIGLIO		BOOSTING	WORKSHOP 1 – Finance and Investment for Euro-Med MSMEs development and integration	Close to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	PARTERRE	03.00 pm – 06.30 pm	MSMES: THE EURO-MED DEVELOPMENT CENTER FOR MSMES (EMDC)	WORKSHOP 2 – MSMEs Internationalization: Cross-Regional Alliances towards the Global Marketplace	
Palazzo Mezzanotte	BLU 60			<b>WORKSHOP 3</b> – The Challenging Way to the Future: Human Capital and Job Creation	
Palazzo Turati	CONFERENZE	02.30 pm – 06.30 pm	ENERGY: THE REDEPLOYMENT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN		Open to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	BLU 70	03.00 pm – 06.30 pm	MARITIME ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT: THE DRIVING FORCES AND GROWTH ENGINES FOR EURO-MED MSMES		Open to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	GIALLA	03.00 pm – 05.30 pm	EXECUTIVE BRIEFING A TOOLBOX FOR EURO-MED MANAGERS		Open to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	SCAVI ROMANI + CORRIDORS	02.30 pm – 06.30 pm	MATCHING EURO-MED MSMEs: B2B MEETINGS Business Opportunities for Building and Engineering, Metal Working and Machinery, Agroindustry and Food, Health, Energy and Renewable Energy, Cosmetics		Scheduled Meetings
Palazzo Mezzanotte	PARTERRE	08.45 pm	Social Dinner		
Tuesday, 1	3 November 201	2			
		09.00 am	Registration open	ing	
Palazzo Mezzanotte	PARTERRE	09.30 am - 11.30 am	EURO-MED START-UP: NEW BUSINESS FOR YOUNG GENERATIONS		Open to the Public
Palazzo Turati	CONSIGLIO	09.30 pm - 11.30 pm	BOOSTING MSMES: THE EURO-MED DEVELOPMENT CENTER FOR MSMES (EMDC) – NETWORKING AND CONCLUSIONS		Close to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	EXCHANGE	10.00 am - 11.30 am			Close to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	CONVEGNI (BLU 60+ BLU 70)	09.30 am - 11.30 am	THE ROLE OF ARBITRATION FOR A TRUSTWORTHY MEDITERRANEAN AREA		Open to the Public
Palazzo Mezzanotte	PARTERRE	12.00 am - 01.30 pm	CLOSING PLENARY SESSION		Open to the Public



## 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 10.00 am – 01.30 pm OPENING PLENARY SESSION

#### Chairman Carlo SANGALLI, President of Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

## Welcome Address

## **Opening Speeches**

Giuliano PISAPIA, Mayor of Milan, Italy Guido PODESTÀ, President of Province of Milan, Italy Roberto FORMIGONI, President of Lombardy Region, Italy

## Round Table : <u>Warming Up: Opening the Euro-Med Marketplace to MSMEs :</u> <u>from Public Policies to Large Enterprises Commitment</u>

#### Chairman and Moderator

Michele VALENSISE, Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Italy

**H.R.H. Prince Abdullah BIN FAISAL BIN TURKI AL SAUD**, Chairman of Saudi-Italian Development Company L.t.d. (SIDCO), Saudi Arabia

**Enzo QUATTROCIOCCHE**, Secretary General of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

Fatih METIN, Deputy Minister of Customs and Trade, Turkey

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Fouad MAKHZOUMI, President of Future Pipe Industries S.A.L., Lebanon

**Tatjana MATIĆ**, Vice Minister of Foreign and Domestic Trade, Telecommunications and Information Society, Serbia



## **Opening Session**

#### Introductory Speech

Bruno ERMOLLI, President of Promos – Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

## Speech by the Italian Prime Minister Mario MONTI

Antonio TAJANI, Vice President of the European Commission Responsible for Industry and Entrepreneurship

Werner HOYER, President of the European Investment Bank (EIB)

Simos KEDIKOGLOU, Deputy Minister to the Prime Minister and Government Spokesman, Greece

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Nicolas NAHAS, Minister of Economy and Trade, Lebanon

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Mohamed Lamine CHAKHARI, Minister of Industry, Tunisia

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## 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 03.00 pm - 06.30 pm BOOSTING MSMEs – THE EURO-MED DEVELOPMENT CENTER FOR MSMES (EMDC)

## WORKSHOP 1 - Finance and Investment for Euro-Med MSMEs Development and Integration

#### <u>Chairman</u>

Claudia BUGNO, President, Guarantee Found Committee, Ministry of Economic Development, Italy

#### **Rapporteur and Conclusions**

**Gianni DE MICHELIS,** President, Istituto per le Relazioni tra l'Italia e i Paesi dell'Africa, America Latina, Medio ed Estremo Oriente (IPALMO), Italy

#### **Moderator**

Giancarlo ARAGONA, President, Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI), Italy

## Panel 1a - <u>The Financial Dimension for Euro-Med MSMEs Competitiveness</u> <u>in the Global Economy</u>

- Access to finance for MSMEs: sources of external finance, legal and regulatory framework
- MSMEs and financial institutions: towards an easier and closer relation, how far we are?
- Financial factors and solutions for a larger MSMEs integration
- Covering the financial gap between North and South Mediterranean Countries
- Engineering the financial mechanisms between public, private sectors and IFIs
- Capital to start, capital to growth, capital to be integrated
- Capital source evolution: families ownership, private and public equity, stock exchange
- From debt exposure and financial risk coverage to bankruptcy: the need for a new legal and regulatory framework
- Bankruptcy and "second chance": streamlining MSMEs market access, exit and re-entry to business
- The role of financial intermediaries for MSMEs: lack of collaterals and credit history
- Improving MSMEs bankability, transparency, accountability and information flux
- Improving the MSMEs equity base: investment funds, risk capital, microfinance, guarantee funds and funds for MSMEs. The consortia for credit guaranties experience
- Public and private equity partnerships for accelerating MSMEs development
- Raising capital through private and public equity: still an oxymoron?
- New development instruments across a public-private alliance: venture capital in Med Countries, taking advantage of the current opportunity



#### **Opening Speeches**

Giovanni CASTELLANETA, President, SACE S.p.A., Italy Antonio MARZANO, President, Consiglio Nazionale dell'Economia e del Lavoro (CNEL), Italy Claudio CORTESE, Director Europe's Neighbor and Partner Countries, European Investment Bank (EIB) Enzo QUATTROCIOCCHE, Secretary General, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)

## **Discussion**

## Panel 1b - Betting on the Future: Investing in Transition

- Investing in transition the transition risk
- Turning uncertainty and insecurity in business opportunities: a new space for investment
- Accelerating the transition towards more sustainable investing, business practices and value creation
- The determinants of FDIs in transition economies
- Refocusing the Euro-Med Region capital attractiveness
- Finance for development: towards a new model for PPPs , legal and financial readiness in the Med Region
- Enhancing competitiveness, increasing size, fostering business combinations, attracting investments
- Which conditions for a better investment environment?
- An attractive investment climate: a magnet for export oriented FDIs
- Trade integration and FDI: engines and drivers for growth
- Supporting and revitalizing investment during the initial stages of business creation
- Legal framework, regulatory and quality issues and securitization policies
- Free zones, fiscal policies and incentives system
- The role of long-term investors for growth and employment: the long view must prevail
- From Sovereign Funds to Islamic finance

## **Opening Speeches**

Elias FARRAJ, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Jordan Investment Board (JIB), Jordan Noureddine ZEKRI, General Director, Agence de Promotion de l'Investissement Extérieur (FIPA), Tunisia Olivier DE SAINT-LAGER, Head of European and Economic Unit, Interministerial Mission for the Mediterranean, France



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**Discussion** 

**Conclusions** 



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## WORKSHOP 2 - MSMEs INTERNATIONALIZATION: CROSS-REGIONAL ALLIANCES TOWARDS THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE

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#### **Moderator**

Pier Andrea CHEVALLARD, Secretary General, Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

#### **Rapporteur**

Federico Maria BEGA, Head of Strategic Areas Department, Promos – Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

## Panel 2a: <u>A New Way towards MSMEs Development: the Power of Network</u>

- Internationalization policies and strategies for the MSMEs in the new reshaped Euro-Med scenario, between regional alliances and new fault lines
- Targeting and branding Euro-Med MSMEs: from market and economic integration to the challenge of the global market competition
- Creating sustainable ecosystems to unlock the growth potential of MSMEs
- Targeting the Euro-Med Free Trade Area: still a mirage?
- High growth enterprises and gazelles in the Med Region: the "20 : 10" paradigma, thresholds of ≥ 20% of growth and ≥ 10 employees, only a case study?
- Featuring "value innovation": transforming the Med market from "Red Ocean" to "Blue Ocean"
- Enhancing MSMEs access to trade finance and export insurance
- Trade integration as a vehicle for co-shared growth
- Breaking down the wall: removing barriers and obstacles to foster export and trade
- Opening borders for growth and superseding traditional boundaries
- Towards coordinated and systematically monitored export promotion activities by public and private sector
- Assisting MSMEs to access foreign markets and implementing international quality standards
- Strengthening MSMEs international competitiveness: the role of economic associations and the networking potential
- Targeting export-oriented MSMEs
- Policy advocacy function of investment promotion agencies and business associations in the Med Region
- MSMEs alliances: from industrial districts to entrepreneurial networks
- Encouraging synergies between MSMEs to increase collaboration, foster partnerships and drive competitiveness



#### **Opening Speeches**

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#### **Scenario**

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## **Discussion**

## Panel 2b: Euro-Med MSMEs at a Crossroads

- How to develop a long-term strategy for MSMEs inclusive growth and sustainable development
- Stronger public private dialogue to improve the business climate and environment : creating better conditions to start and run a new business
- Labeling a Mediterranean Small Business Act (Med-SBA)?
- Benchmarking Euro-Med MSMEs: flexible movement of labor, transparent capital flows and open exchange of goods and services
- Improving the operational environment for MSMEs: company registration, business start-up process and e-government
- Towards an integrated and coordinated Euro-Med MSMEs business intelligence and support services, public procurement
- Fostering business development services and information: from access to market support to access to business related information
- Providing international market information, finding international partners for R&D
- Factoring innovation and excellence for Euro-Med MSMEs success and economic growth
- Fostering MSMEs productivity and employment, through technology and knowledge intensity
- The "creative destruction", from less and old to new and more innovative firms
- Innovation policy for MSMEs: fostering triple helix partnership, financial schemes and innovation support services for MSMEs
- High-tech, knowledge intensive, innovative MSMEs to reach economic growth
- Benefiting MSMEs from green growth economic opportunities: the fundamentals of eco-innovation and eco-efficiency
- Building regulatory framework for successful PPPs in the Med Region
- Large enterprises and MSMEs: divided we stand?
- Linking large enterprises to high potential service enterprises: the nexus



## **Opening Speeches**

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## **Scenario**

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## **Discussion**

## **Conclusions**

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**Faraj YAHYA,** Member of the Board and Head of the Committee of SMEs Project, Tripoli Chamber of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture, Libya

Shams WALID, Consul, General Consulate of Egypt in Milan, Egypt

Ali ZAHID, Consul General of Pakistan in Milan, Pakistan



## WORKSHOP 3 – THE CHALLENGING WAY TO THE FUTURE: HUMAN CAPITAL AND JOB CREATION

## **Chairman and Moderator**

**Alberto MEOMARTINI**, President of Assolombarda and Vice President of the Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

#### **Rapporteur**

Roberto MENOTTI, Scientific Coordinator of International Activity, Aspen Institute Italia, Italy

## Panel 3a: The Job Creation "E" factors: Entrepreneurship and Education

- Nurturing a new generation of leaders and entrepreneurs: from myth to real business and sustainable development
- Private sector: the dynamic factor for job creation
- Lifelong entrepreneurial learning: the keystone for growth and job through continued policy improvement, good practice sharing and regional cooperation
- Entrepreneurial learning policy areas: education, training, employment, social inclusion, small business and innovation
- Harnessing the skills to foster development and growth: from policy options to tools and supports
- Knowledge sharing, best practices exchange and circulation between MSMEs supporting organizations
- Reinforcing networks, sharing of good practice and peer learning
- Job creation through small businesses: still a challenge!
- Education and job, firms and universities, business schools and research centers: is there a missing link?
- Forging the Euro-Med managers: the DNA factor
- Policies options for employability and job creation: investing in education and training, developing skills
- Euro-Med partnerships for job creations: connected job agendas in the field of employment and employability
- Unemployment in Med Region: determinants and challenges
- Jobs challenge between demographic transitions, structural change, technological progress and global volatility
- Beyond the trade-off: where business goals meet social needs
- A fair deal for Med Countries on the redeployment of manpower
- The Mediterranean profile of diasporas, a source of economic and social development in origin Countries



#### **Opening Speeches**

Madlen SERBAN, Director, European Training Foundation (ETF) Ali HAROUN, Lawyer and former Minister delegated to Human Rights, Algeria Ghanem AL- SHIBLI, Head of the Arab League Diplomatic Mission in Italy

#### **Scenario**

Abdelmoumen TOUKABRI, General Coordinator, Agence de Promotion des Investissements Agricoles (APIA), Tunisia

## **Discussion**

## Panel 3b: <u>Women and Young Generations:</u> the New Dimension of Labor and Enterprise

- Young and small, the new paradigm: towards a new sustainable and competitive business model?
- From talent factory to talent mobility: removing obstacles and breaking down barriers in the Med Region
- The co-ownership and co-responsibility for the future: sharing the growth with young generations
- Economic, Juridical, regulatory and educational facilities for young entrepreneurship
- Challenging young generations to excel: building a risk taking culture in a risk averse environment
- Developing an entrepreneurial mind-set and behavior between young generations
- Seizing the opportunity and expressing the full job potential: women, youth and the demographic issue
- Tapping into the potential of women and young generations in the economy
- From social and financial inclusion to business: the demographic factor, women and young entrepreneurship
- Women and young in business: policies to support entrepreneurship development in the Euro-Med Region
- Boosting competitiveness, growth and job creation through women and young entrepreneurship: the potential contribution
- Institutional support for businesswomen and young businessmen in Med Region: access to credit and financial services
- Women's and young entrepreneurship development: a global and Mediterranean concern
- Mainstream of issues affecting businesswomen and young businessmen in the public and private policy dialogue
- Bridging the gender gap: equality and rights in work environment, social legislation and social services
- Innovation as a shape of mind: education, training and incentives
- Stimulating entrepreneurship: promotion of development of entrepreneurial attitudes, internship opportunities and support to business start-ups



## **Opening Speeches**

Nayef STETIEH, President and Chief Executive Officer, Tatweer – Business Development Center (BDC), Jordan Mourad ZEMALI, General Director, Agence Nationale de Soutien à l'Emploi des Jeunes (ANSEJ), Ministère du Travail, de l'Emploi et la Sécurité Sociale, Algeria

## **Scenario**

Catherine HENRY, President, Association Belge des Femmes Chefs d'Entreprises (FCE-VVB), Belgium

#### **Intervention**

**Stefania CRAXI,** Honorary President of Fondazione Bettino Craxi and former Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs, Italy

## **Discussion**

**Conclusions** 



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## 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 02.30 pm – 06.30 pm ENERGY: THE REDEPLOYMENT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN

## Welcome Address

Giuseppe CASTELLI, Counsellor in Charge for International Relations, Assolombarda, Italy Massimo GAIANI, Ambassador of Italy in Albania, Italy

## 1<sup>st</sup> Panel: <u>The Energy Challenge for Euro-Med Region</u>

#### **Opening Speech**

**Bruno LESCOEUR,** Chief Executive Officer of Edison S.p.A., Italy, and Vice President of Observatoire Mediterranéen de l'Energie (OME), France

## Round Table – Mediterranean Energy Outlook: Resources and Networks

- The Energy Scenario in Med Region: electricity demand and consumption VS power generation and production
- The Med Energy Scenario for 2030: from growing energy demand to oil-dominated and CO<sub>2</sub>intensive energy mix
- The transition to a green economy in Med Region
- How to cover the economic gap between energy importers and exporters Countries in the Euro-Med Region?
- Perspectives on dependency, diversification and new development projects
- The prospects and potential outreach of regional large-scale Renewable Energy plans (Mediterranean Solar Plan, Desertec, Medgrid)
- The energy system constraints: supply, transportation, distribution and consumption, security issues
- The development of electricity interconnections and potential integration of Med electricity and Renewable Energy markets: a regional outlook
- Institutional and regulatory frameworks for Renewable Energy in Med Region: the role of stakeholders (Ministries, Energy Regulatory Authorities, Renewable Energy promotion Agencies)
- Euro-Med cooperation and partnership for electricity interconnections and renewable energy development
- A Med regional market for electricity: exchange of power, absence of barriers to trade, positive business climate to private investment how far we are?
- Energetic Networks, connections and grids for a new integrated approach between North and South

## <u>Scenario</u>

Manfred HAFNER, Research Fellow, Fondazione Enrico Mattei (FEEM), Italy



## **Moderator**

Valeria TALBOT, Research Fellow - Mediterranean and Middle East Program, Istituto per gli Studi di Politica Internazionale (ISPI), Italy

#### **Key Note Speeches**

Achraf BENHASSINE, Special Advisor to the Minister of Energy and Mines, Algeria Anthony RIZZO, Chief Executive Officer, Malta Resources Authority (MRA), Malta Jean KOWAL, Chief Executive Officer, Medgrid, France Fabio TAMBONE, General Coordinator, Association of the Mediterranean Regulators for Electricity and Gas (MEDREG) Agha KHAIRY, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Renewable Energy Authority of Libya (REAoL), Libya

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Panel: <u>Setting the context</u>

## **Opening Speech**

Paul VAN SON, Chief Executive Officer, Desertec Industrial Initiative (Dii), Germany Roberto VIGOTTI, Secretary General, Renewable Energy Solutions for the Mediterranean (RES4MED), Italy

## Signature of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Dii (Desertec Industrial Initiative) and RES4MED (Renewable Energy Solutions for the Mediterranean)

Round Table – <u>Getting There, Together: Euro-Med MSMEs between</u> Networks and Business Opportunities in Renewable Energies Sector

- Towards a global green growth strategy: the Med Region potential contribution
- Europe "20-20-20" and which target for the Mediterranean?
- The prospects for the implementation of Renewable Energy and energy efficiency policies in Med Region
- Renewable Energy development, a cornerstone in Med Region efforts to improve security of supply and reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions
- Horizon 2020: Renewable Energy 10% of total electricity generation in Med Region, is it achievable?
- Challenges and opportunities in green growth for SMEs
- Do more with less energy: boosting Renewable Energy sources and energy efficiency in Euro-MED MSMEs
- Energy sector; still out of bounds for MSMEs?
- MSMEs turning to Renewable Energy generation: the entrepreneurs powering change
- MSMEs: the new innovators and generators for implementing Renewable Energy technologies and solutions in private business and at local level
- Renewable Energy in Med Region: a trailblazing opportunity for Euro-Med MSMEs?
- MSMEs between intelligent energy and eco-innovation



## **Moderator**

Laura LA POSTA, Editor-in-Chief, Il Sole 24 Ore Rapporti24, Italy

## Key Note Speeches

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## **History Cases**

Sauro MOSTARDA, Head of Operations & International Development, Solar Ventures S.r.l., Italy Alessandro MARANGONI, Chief Executive Officer, Althesys S.r.l., Italy Paolo GENTILI, Senior Manager, PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), Italy

**Open Discussion** 

**Conclusions** 



## 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 03.00 pm – 06.30 pm MARITIME ECONOMY, INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT: THE DRIVING FORCES AND GROWTH ENGINES FOR EURO-MED MSMEs

## Welcome Address

Chiara FANALI, Board Member of Promos - Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

#### **Scenario**

Radhi MEDDEB, Président, Institut de Prospective Economique du Monde Mediterranéen (IPEMED), France

# 1<sup>st</sup> Round Table: <u>Towards an Integrated Euro-Med Platform:</u> <u>Linking Territories through Maritime Economy, Mobility and Transport</u>

- The fate of proximity: mobility, transports and logistics in the Med Region: too close, too far?
- Logistics assets to support economic growth and development of Euro-Med MSMEs: the role of public and private sector
- Maritime economy, offshore and naval industry in the Med Region
- From "black" oil & gas "to" blue": the maritime economy for a sustainable Mediterranean?
- Seaports, airports, roads, railways and land connectivity: bridging the gap
- Upgrading ports, shipping and intermodal system to sustain trade
- Marine Highways: integration, security and development

## **Opening Speech**

Umberto MASUCCI, Vice President, Federazione del Mare, Italy

#### Keynote Speaeches

Luigi MERLO, President, Assoporti, Italy

Abdulmagid EL MANSOURI, Chairman of the Libyan Economic Development Consultancy Corporation and Chairman of the Euro - Afro Al Mutawassit Media Corporation, Libya Claudio ARTUSI, Chief Executive Officer, City Life S.p.A., Italy

Najoua BEL HAJ ABDALLAH, Director General, Ministére du Développement Régional et de la Planification

- Commissariat General au Developpment Regional, Tunisia

Sergio ANGORI, Chief Executive Officer, Pininfarina S.p.A., Italy

Samir Abdul Hamid WARSFALI, Member of the Board and Head of Constructing and Contraction

Sector, Tripoli Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, Libya



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Table – <u>MSMEs and Infrastructure Development:</u> <u>Covering the Gap, with an Inclusive Approach</u>

- Catalyzing MSMEs growth through infrastructure development: meeting the challenge the nexus
- Bridging the gap: towards MSMEs inclusiveness and interconnectedness in infrastructure
- Infrastructuring the Euro-Med Region: is there a playground for MSMEs?
- Spatial planning, urban development, real estate: towards social responsibility and environmental promotion
- The path to the future: E-infrastructure, sustainable and green mobility
- Cross border investment funds and project financing for infrastructure and networks
- The role of material and non-material networks and infrastructures: advantages and opportunities for MSMEs

## **Opening Speech**

Franco APRILE, President, Liguria International, Italy

#### **Keynote Speeches**

 Paolo LOTTI, Director, Director of National Association of Italian Shipbuilders and Shiprepairers (Assonave), Italy
 Jamal MIKOU, Director in charge of Business Development and Public Relations, Tanger MED Special Agency (TMSA), Morocco
 Ramón GÓMEZ-FERRER, General Manager, Port Authority of Valencia, Spain Giovanni TUMBIOLO, President, Distretto Produttivo della Pesca, Italy
 Stefano SENESE, Secretary General, Chamber of Commerce of La Spezia, Italy
 Federica BOSELLO, Head of External Relation, Autorità Portuale di Venezia, Italy

## **Open Discussion**

**Moderator Giuseppe PAPALEO**, President, Istituto Alti Studi Euro Mediterranei (IASEM), Italy

#### **Conclusions**



## 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 03.00 pm – 05.30 pm EXECUTIVE BRIEFING A TOOLBOX FOR EURO-MED MANAGERS

#### **Opening Speech and Moderator**

Paolo PALAMITI, Scientific Director, New International Business Institute (NIBI), Italy

## 1<sup>st</sup> Part: Navigating a Changing Euro-Med Business Environment

- The key variables in the future economic scenario for the Mediterranean Region
- Essential tools and know-how for facing a high potential market
- The importance of the Euro-Med Region in the global value chain for international trade
- Good practice from MSME's operators facing international markets

## **Scenario Presentation**

**Carlo ALTOMONTE,** Associate Professor, Department of Policy Analysis and Public Management at Università Bocconi and Member of Faculty of New International Business Institute (NIBI), Italy

#### **Round Table**

Amany ASFOUR, President, Egyptian Business Women Association (EBWA), Egypt Sophie POUGET, Investment Policy and Promotion Specialist, International Finance Corporation (IFC) -World Bank Group (WBG)

Alexandar WILLIAMS, Director, Strategy and Policy Division, Dubai SME Agency, United Arab Emirates (UAE)

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Part: <u>The Relevance of a Composite Legal Framework</u> in the Future of the Euro-Med Region

- The cultural influence in legal negotiations while doing business in Euro-Med
- Facing different normative and legal environments
- Best options for dealing with Euro-Med business environment: relevant commercial and industrial experiences

#### **Scenario Presentation**

**Renaud SORIEUL**, Director, International Trade Law Division, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations and Secretary of United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) **John SHEHATA**, Coordinator of the Business Focus on Mediterranean and Middle East, New International Business Institute (NIBI), Italy



## **Round Table**

Yasmina SBIHI, Country Director in Italy, Invest in Morocco, Morocco Franco GUIDI, Chief Executive Officer, Lombardini22, Italy

3<sup>rd</sup> Part: Open Discussion

**Conclusions** 



# 12<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 03.00 pm – 06.30 pm MATCHING EURO-MED MSMEs: B2B MEETINGS

## **Business Opportunities for Companies operating in:**

- Building and Engineering
- Metal Working and Machinery
- Agroindustry and Food
- Health
- Energy and Renewable Energy
- Cosmetics
- Others



## 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 09.30 am – 11.30 am BOOSTING MSMES: THE EURO-MED DEVELOPMENT CENTER FOR MSMEs (EMDC) – NETWORKING AND CONCLUSIONS

#### **Chairman and Moderator**

**Mario BOFFO**, Italian Coordinator of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM), Directorate General for Political Affairs, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Italy

## Welcome Address

## **Opening Speeches**

Javier ALBARRACIN, Chief Officer for Socioeconomic Development, Institut Europeu de la Mediterrània (IEMed), Spain Alexandar WILLIAMS, Director, Strategy and Policy Division, Dubai SME Agency, United Arab Emirates (UAE) Hesham Wagdy ABDEL DAYEM, Executive Director, Industrial Modernization Centre (IMC), Egypt

## 1<sup>st</sup> Round Table

Yasmina BENMAYOUF, Director in Charge of the Promotion Department, Agence Nationale de Développement de l'Investissment (ANDI), Algeria
 Ivica EŽDENCI, Director, National Agency for Regional Development (NARR), Serbia
 Carmen GONZÀLEZ COMELLA, Unit Manager Africa and Middle East, ACC1Ó - Generalitat de Catalunya, Spain
 Faraj YAHYA, Member of the Board and Head of the Committee of SMEs Project, Tripoli Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture, Libya
 Nabil ITANI, Chairman and General Manager, Investment Development Authority of Lebanon (IDAL), Lebanon
 Nourredine TAKTAK, Vice General Director, Agence de Promotion de l'Industrie et de l'Innovation (APII), Tunisia

## 2<sup>st</sup> Round Table

 Tajana KESIĆ ŠAPIĆ, Director of CCE's Center for SMEs, Innovation and Technological Development, Croatian Chamber of Economy (HGK), Croatia
 Philomena MELI, Head of Institutional Affairs & Programmes, Malta Enterprise, Malta Boualem MRAKACH, President, Algerian Confederation of Employers (CAP), Algeria
 Rachid MOUSSAOUI, General Director, Agence Nationale de Développement de la PME (ANDPME) -Ministry of Industry, Algeria

Ioannis TSAMICHAS, President, Hellenic-Italian Chamber of Commerce in Athens, Greece Mohamed CHAMI, Directeur General, Chambre Algerienne de Commerce et d'Industrie (CACI), Algeria



## **Conclusions**

**Roger ALBINYANA**, Economic Advisor, Business Development SMEs and Project Funding Coordination, Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)



## 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 09.30 am – 11.30 am EURO- MED START-UP: NEW BUSINESS FOR YOUNG GENERATIONS

#### Welcome Address

Roberto CALUGI, Head of SMEs Development Department, Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy Stefano FIRPO, Chief of Staff of the Minister of Economic Development, Italy

## Where to Start – Where to Go

- Europe and the Mediterranean on a cross-fertilization way
- Business attitude and entrepreneurial spirit across the Euro-Med Region
- The role of new enterprises in job creation
- Start-up: a test bench for talents and innovation processes
- Start and growth: spin off and incubators experiences
- Doing business: difficulties, opportunities and supports
- Assisting new enterprises: collective services and entrepreneurial associations role
- Faster and further businesses: the acceleration of new ideas
- New tools to boost start up: a new juridical, fiscal and incentive contest
- Finance and start up: the role of venture capital, crowdfunding and credit guarantee instruments
- New financial instruments to support start-up, industrial and technological parks and clusters
- Expo 2015 "Feeding the planet, energy for life": a start-up occasion for partnership and business initiatives

#### **Scenario**

Nayef STETIEH, President and Chief Executive Officer,

Tatweer - Business Development Center (BDC), Jordan

**Ronny BENATOFF**, Chairman, Israel – Italy Chamber of Commerce, Israel

Jaume BARÓ, Director of the Enterprise Department, Barcelona Activa, Spain

Tommaso MARZOTTO CAOTORTA, Secretary General, Italian Business Angels Network (IBAN), Italy

#### **Moderator**

Emil ABIRASCID, Chief Executive Officer, Startup Business, Italy



# 1<sup>st</sup> Round Table – <u>History Cases, Actors and Strategies</u>

#### **Discussants**

Matteo BARTOLOMEO, President, Avanzi, Italy Daniele DELLAFIORE, Co-Founder and Administrator, StartMiUp, Italy Jaques GERARD, Chairman of Board, Medafco Consulting, Algeria Ivana TOMAŠEVIĆ, Director, Business Start Up Centre Bar, Montenegro

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Round Table – <u>International Opportunities, Financial and Legal Conditions</u>

#### **Discussants**

Samer KARAM, Managing Director, Seeqence incubator, Lebanon Pietro FIORUZZI, Lawyer, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Italy Andrea MESSUTI, Lawyer Senior Associate, LCA - Lega Colucci & Associati Law Firm, Italy Abi Habib KHATER, Chairman and General Manager, Kafalat S.A.L. Guarantees for Loans to Small and Medium Enterprises, Lebanon

**Conclusion** 



## 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 09.00 am – 11.30 am THE ROLE OF ARBITRATION FOR A TRUSTWORTHY MEDITERRANEAN AREA

- Why an effective arbitration regime matters for foreign investors and traders?
- What kind of requirements a governments should comply with to guarantee a reliable arbitration system?
- How can arbitration be implemented to meet international standards?

## **Opening Speeches**

Giovanni CASTELLANETA, President, Institute for the Promotion of the Arbitration and Mediation in the Mediterranean (ISPRAMED), Italy

Lino CARDARELLI, Senior Deputy Secretary General, Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM)

## **Speakers**

Stefano AZZALI, Secretary General, Milan Chamber of Arbitration, Italy Ali HAROUN, Lawyer and former Minister delegated to Human Rights, Algeria Sophie POUGET, Investment Policy and Promotion Specialist, International Finance Corporation (IFC) -World Bank Group (WBG)

Renauld SORIEUL, Secretary General, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)



## 13<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2012, 12.00 am – 01.30 pm CLOSING PLENARY SESSION

#### **Chairman** Alberto MEOMARTINI, Vice President of Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

## Welcome Address

## Interventions by the Rapporteurs from <u>Session Boosting MSMEs – The Euro-Med Development</u> <u>Center for MSMEs (EMDC)</u>

WORKSHOP 1 – FINANCE AND INVESTMENT FOR EURO-MED MSMES DEVELOPMENT AND INTEGRATION Gianni DE MICHELIS, President, Istituto per le Relazioni tra l'Italia e i Paesi dell'Africa, America Latina, Medio ed Estremo Oriente (IPALMO), Italy

WORKSHOP 2 - MSMEs INTERNATIONALIZATION: CROSS-REGIONAL ALLIANCES TOWARDS THE GLOBAL MARKETPLACE

**Federico Maria BEGA**, Head of Strategic Areas Department, Promos – Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy

WORKSHOP 3 – THE CHALLENGING WAY TO THE FUTURE: HUMAN CAPITAL AND JOB CREATION Roberto MENOTTI, Scientific Coordinator of International Activity, Aspen Institute Italia, Italy

#### Round Table: Thinking Ahead Expo 2015: the Mediterranean Renaissance

Diana BRACCO, Commissioner General of Section for Italy and President of the Expo 2015 Company, Italy Lino CARDARELLI, Senior Deputy Secretary General, Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean (UfM) Riccardo MONTI, President, Agenzia per la Promozione all'Estero e l'Internazionalizzazione delle Imprese Italiane (ICE), Italy Massimo D'AIUTO, Chief Executive Officer, SIMEST S.p.A., Italy Giuseppe SALA, Chief Executive Officer of Expo 2015 Company, Italy

## **Conclusions**

Pier Andrea CHEVALLARD, Secretary General of the Milan Chamber of Commerce, Italy