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PROGRAMME

SATURDAY 24 OCTOBER

9:00 – 10:00 Registration and Badge Collection
Palazzo Perrone di San Martino

10:00 – 11:00 Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony will feature introductory remarks by:

***Marilena Citelli Francese**, President, Women Economic Forum Italia*
***Michela Favaro**, Deputy Mayor, City of Turin*
***Anna Maria Poggi**, President, Fondazione CRT*
***Laura Mattarella**, Honorary President, WEF Italia*
***Simone Verde**, Director, Uffizi Galleries, Florence*
*Moderated by: **Jole Saggese**, Deputy Director, ADN Kronos*

11:00 – 11:30 Guided Tour of Palazzo Perrone

11:30 – 12:00 Transfer to OGR

12:00 – 14:30 Welcome Reception and Luncheon

14:30 – 14:35 Welcome Remarks

***Host: Carola Salvato**, CEO, KeaConnecta; President, GWPR Italia; Vice President, Diplomatia*

14:35 – 16:30 Education and Truth in the Age of AI
Preparing the Next Generation for a World Yet to Be Imagined

***Chair: Ersilia Vaudo,** Special Advisor on Future Talents, European Space Agency; President, Il Cielo Itinerante Association*

Speakers:
***Juan Carlos De Martin,** Co-director, Nexa Center for Internet & Society, Full Professor, Polytechnic University of Turin*
***Catherine de Vulpillières**, General Manager and Co-founder, EvidenceB*
***Fiona Hunter**, Associate Director at the Centre for Higher Education Internationalisation, Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, Milan*
***Francesco Profumo**, Emeritus Professor of Electrical Machines, Polytechnic University of Turin*
***Andreas Schleicher**, Director for Education and Skills, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)*
***Donatella Sciuto**, Rector, Polytechnic University of Milan*

16:30 –18:00 Governing Trust: The Rules of Artificial Intelligence

Who Governs AI? Power, Ethics, and Democracy

***Chair: Professor Barbara Caputo**, Full Professor, Polytechnic University of Turin; Adviser to the Dean on Artificial Intelligence; Director, Hub AI@PoliTo*

Speakers:
***Ann Aerts, Head**, Novartis Foundation*
***Beatrice Baldaccini**, Group Chief People Officer and Vice President of the Board of Directors, UMBRAGROUP*
***Patrizia Lombardi**, Vice-Rector for Sustainable Campus and Living Lab, Polytechnic University of Turin*
***Manni Nagi**, Champion for Innovation & Human Progress*
***Paksy Plakis-Cheng**, Founder, Co-Chief.io; EU-funded AI High-Risk Systems Researcher*
***Thavi Achharya**, Founder, True North Marketing*

Special Talk
***Manni Nagi**, Champion for Innovation & Human Progress*

Special Talk
***Morgane Kendregan**, Programme and Event Manager, Time Givers*

18:00 – 18:20 Transfer to Hotels

19:30 – 23:00 An Evening of Music and Celebration
Palazzo Perrone di San Martino

9:30 – 10:00 Welcome Breakfast
OGR

10:00–11:30 Society & the Future of Work

AI, Women, Work and the Future of Opportunity

Chair: Chiara Corazza, *President, Women Economic Forum Europe; Representative for France, G20 EMPOWER*

Speakers:
Monica Cerutti, *Secretary General, Co-founder and Board Member, UN Women Italy*
Alberta Di Giuli, *Dean, ESCP Business School Turin Campus; Professor of Finance*
Silvia Merlo, *CEO, Merlo Group*
Carlo Paris, *Non-Executive Board Member of public companies in Italy*
Paola Scarpa, *Chief Digital Transformation Officer, Lavazza Group*
Veronica Sosa, *Founder, SHE – Sociedad para Hispanas Emprendedoras*

11:30 –13:00 Economic Leadership & Financial Power

From Invisible to Investible: Women Rewriting the Rules of Capital

Chair: Datin Hartini Osman, *President and Group Managing Director, Prihatin Ehsan Group of Companies; Global President, G100; President, ASEAN*

Speakers:
Michelle Ferrari, *Founder, CEO and Strategic Partner, Great Culture to Innovate; President, Women Economic Forum Ibero-America*
Monica Lucarelli, *Member of the Board of Directors, Investimenti S.p.A.*
Petra Moog, *Head of the Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship and Professor, ZHAW School of Management and Law, Winterthur, Switzerland*
Patrizia Polliotto, *General Secretary, Fondazione CRT*
Vladislava Magaletska, *President, Women Economic Forum (WEF), Ukraine; Senior Adviser, Global Agricultural Value Chain, Enterra Solutions*
Claudia Segre, *Elected Member of the GREVIO Committee, Council of Europe; Co-President, Women7 Italy (G7); Delegate, Women7/G7 France*
Elisabetta Vignando, *CEO, Auxilia Foundation*
Paksy Plakis-Cheng, *Founder, Co-Chief.io; EU-funded AI High-Risk Systems Researcher*

13:00 –14:30 Networking Luncheon

14:30 –16:00 Natural Resources in a Changing World

Feeding the Future: Rethinking Food, Water, and Planetary Resilience

Chair: Sharon Cittone
CEO, Edible Planet Ventures; CEO, Milan Longevity Summit; Global Chair for Food Systems and Resilience, G100

Speakers:
Simona Caselli, *President, Granlatte; Head of European Affairs, Legacoop Agroalimentare*
Francesca Dangelico, *Vice President of Food Development and Innovation, Lavazza Group*
Claudia Laricchia, *Co-founder and President, SMILY Academy*
Nicola Tagliafierro, *Scientific Director, EIIS; Author*

16:00–17:30 Cracks in the Peace

Women Confronting a Fragmenting World Order

Chair: Giuseppina Zarra, *Former Italian Ambassador to Bulgaria; Head of the PNRR Unit, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)*

Speakers:
Patricia Elias, *Chair, Government & Ministerial Advocacy, G100*
Yevheniia Izmaylova, *Founder, Save Beauty*
Nigara M. Omar, *Afghan Diplomat; International Law Professional; Women's Rights Advocate*
Elena Palloni*, Government Official; Reserve Navy Officer; Italy Country Chair, G100*
Viktoriia Savitska, *Chief Global Affairs Officer, Epicentr Group of Companies*
Ala Talabani, *Adviser to the Prime Minister of Iraq for Women's Affairs*

17:30–19:00 Fashion, Identity and Cultural Transformation

What We Wear, Who We Are

Chair: Gisella Borioli, *Co-founder and President, Gruppo Superstudio*

Speakers:
Daniela Fedi, *Fashion Critic and Columnist, il Giornale*
Michela Gattermayer, *Fashion Creative Director, Donna Moderna*
Simona Segre Reinach, *Cultural Anthropologist and Fashion Scholar; Professor, Alma Mater Studiorum – University of Bologna*
Anastasiya Yahuzhynska, *Founder and International Coordinator, AY Consulting*
Patrizia Luchetta, *Founder, Imagine Tomorrow*

19:00 – 19:30 Transfer from OGR to Ristorante Arcadia

20:00 – 22:30 Dinner

Ristorante Arcadia

Return transfers will be available to the designated meeting points at Torino Porta Nuova and Torino Porta Susa.

PROGRAMME

MONDAY 26 OCTOBER

8:30 – 9:30 Arrival
OGR

9:30 –11:00 From Energy Security to Climate Leadership

From Insight to Action: Closing the Climate Gap

Chair: Milena Lerario, *Head, Leonardo Space Services*

Speakers:
Andrea Marinoni, *Associate Professor of Applied Remote Sensing, UiT The Arctic University of Norway; Affiliated Lecturer, University of Cambridge*
Giuliana Panieri, *Director, Institute of Polar Sciences, National Research Council of Italy (CNR)*
José Romo, *Managing Director and Partner, Carbonless Agency*
Mariana Romo, *Business Development Analyst, Carbonless Agency*
Nana Yaa Serwaa Sarpong, *Founder, Women in Sustainability Africa*
Carlotta Ventura, *Chief Communications, Sustainability and Regional Affairs Officer, A2A Group*

11:00–12:30 The Future of Health and Prevention

Protecting Young Minds: The New Frontier of Prevention

Chair: Alberto Carrara, *Reverend Professor and Dean, Faculty of Philosophy, Pontifical Athenaeum Regina Apostolorum*

Speakers:
Donatella Marazziti*, Full Professor of Psychiatry, University of Pisa*
Giuseppe Maina, *Full Professor of Psychiatry, University of Turin*
Manni Nagi, *Champion for Innovation & Human Progress*
Antonia Rizzuto, *Full Professor of General Surgery, Magna Graecia University of Catanzaro*

12:30 – 14:00 Closing Luncheon and Farewell Ceremony
Looking Ahead to Women Economic Forum Italia 2027 at the Uffizi Galleries in Florence

14:30 – 16:00 Cultural Visit: Museo Egizio
One of the world's most important collections of ancient Egyptian art

16:30 – 18:30 Cultural Visit: Palazzo Reale
Royal Palace of Turin – UNESCO World Heritage Site



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