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## 2019 PROGRAM

October 24, 2019

08:30–09:00	<b>Participant registration</b> Reception
09:00–10:00	<b>Welcome words from the organizers</b> Auditorium <b>Moderator:</b> Marcello FOA, President, RAI (Italy)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federico SBOARINA, Mayor of Verona (Italy)</li> <li>• Igor SECHIN, President and CEO, Rosneft (Russia)</li> <li>• Romano PRODI, President, Foundation for Worldwide Cooperation; Prime Minister of Italy, 1996–1998, 2006–2008</li> <li>• Antonio FALLICO, President, Banca Intesa Russia; President, Association Conoscere Eurasia (Italy)</li> </ul>



10:00–10:15	<b>Coffee break</b> <b>Bouvette</b>
10:15–13:00	<p><i>Special session</i>  <b>Systemic challenges of the global energy</b>  <b>Auditorium</b></p> <p>Global oil markets remain a key determinant in shaping today's political and economic landscape. What challenges and opportunities do global oil market players see in the sector? We will discuss investments, supply side restrictions, exploration prospects and policy-inspired changes such as the growth of renewables and electrification.</p> <p><b><u>Moderators:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Rayr SIMONYAN</b>, well-known financier, Head of Russian business, Morgan Stanley (1998 – 2012); Chairman of the Board of Directors, UBS Bank (2014 – 2016) (Russia)</li> <li>• <b>Alessandro CASSIERI</b>, RAI PARIS – Bureau Chief (Italy)</li> <li>• <b>Igor SECHIN</b>, President and CEO, Rosneft (Russia)</li> <li>• <b>Romano PRODI</b>, President, Foundation for Worldwide Cooperation; Prime Minister of Italy (1996–1998, 2006–2008) (Italy)</li> <li>• <b>Robert DUDLEY</b>, Group Chief Executive, BP (Great Britain)</li> <li>• <b>Michael HARMS</b>, Executive Director, German Committee on Eastern European Economic Relations</li> <li>• <b>Emma MARCEGAGLIA</b>, President, Eni; President and CEO, Marcegaglia Holding S.p.A. (Italy)</li> <li>• <b>Ivan GLASENBERG</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Glencore International AG (Switzerland)</li> <li>• <b>Antonio FALLICO</b>, President, Banca Intesa Russia; President, Association Conoscere Eurasia (Italy)</li> <li>• <b>Andrey KOSTIN</b>, President and Chairman of the Management Board, VTB Bank (Russia)</li> </ul> <p><i>Panel members:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tim DODSON</b>, Executive Vice President, Exploration, Equinor (Norway)</li> </ul>



13:00–14:30	<b>Lunch</b> <b>Bouvette</b>
14:30–15:30	<b>Session 1</b> <b>Can business play a constructive role in the geopolitics of today?</b> <b>Auditorium</b>
<p>With every year, the geopolitical situation in the world is becoming less predictable. International laws rules and multilateralism are being challenged more and more. Uncertainty is rapidly becoming the hallmark of the modern international life, posing new challenges for international business. Under these volatile conditions, business diplomacy can play an important role in improving relations between countries and international cooperation. But how is such diplomacy best conducted?</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Sergey AFONTSEV</b>, Ph.D. in Economics, National Research Institute of World Economy and International Relations (Russia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Sergey KARAGANOV</b>, Dean, Faculty of World Economy and International Affairs, National Research University Higher School of Economics</li> <li>• <b>Alfred VON LIECHTENSTEIN</b>, Chairman of the Advisory Board, International Peace Foundation (Austria)</li> <li>• <b>Bruno MAÇÃES</b>, political scientist, business strategist, and author</li> <li>• <b>Stefano MANSERVISI</b>, Director-General, European Commission’s Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development, 2016-2019</li> <li>• <b>Veronika NIKISHINA</b>, Minister of Trade, Eurasian Economic Commission</li> <li>• <b>Mattia PELLEGRINI</b>, European Commission, Executive Agency for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises, Head of Department</li> <li>• <b>Grigory RAPOTA</b>, State Secretary, Union State of Russia and Belarus</li> <li>• <b>Frank SCHAUFF</b>, Chief Executive Officer, Association of European Businesses</li> <li>• <b>Alexander SHOKHIN</b>, President, Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs</li> </ul>	

15:30–15:45	<b>Coffee break</b> <b>Bouvette</b>
15:45–16:45	<b>Session 2</b> <b>The role of natural gas in helping Europe to achieve its energy security and meet its climate change goals</b> <b>Auditorium</b> <p>At a time when we are only hearing more about the decarbonization of energy supply, the role of natural gas can be of particular importance compared to other hydrocarbons. Considering the “green” properties of natural gas, the hydrocarbon can be paired with renewables in trying to achieve the ultimate long-term goal of a clean and secure energy supply. How does the gas industry see its future prospects in this regard?</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Konstantin SIMONOV, General Director, National Energy Security Fund (Russia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elena BURMISTROVA, Deputy Chairman, Gazprom; Director General, Gazprom Export (Russia)</li> <li>• Fares KILZIE, Chairman, Creon Capital (Luxemburg)</li> <li>• Leonid MIKHELSON, Chairman of the Management Board, Member of the Board of Directors, Novatek (Russia)</li> <li>• Mehmet ÖĞÜTÇÜ, Chairman , Bosphorus Energy Club (Turkey)</li> </ul>
16:45–17:45	<b>Session 3</b> <b>Creating the economy of trust between the Atlantic and the Pacific</b> <b>Auditorium</b> <p>In a world of growing uncertainty and fewer rules, trust is becoming one of the most sought-after values in international business. How do we build stronger relations of trust and how do we improve relations between various industries and businesses? What role can the governmental bodies play in this trust-building exercise?</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Philippe PÉGORIER, President Alstom Russia, Vice President Association of European Businesses, Correspondent in Russia Medef International (France)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chiara APPENDINO, Mayor, Turin (Italy)</li> <li>• Alexander BRAVERMAN, Member of the Board of Directors, General Director - Chairman of the Board, SME Corporation (Russia)</li> <li>• Laziz KUDRATOV, The First Deputy Minister of Investments and Foreign Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan</li> <li>• Mikhail KUSNIROVICH, Chairman of Supervisory Board, Bosco di Ciliegi Group of Companies (Russia)</li> <li>• Alexey ORLOV, First Deputy of the Governor of Sverdlovsk region</li> <li>• Johan VANDERPLAETSE, Chairman of the Board, Association of European Businesses; President for Russia &amp; CIS / Senior Vice President,</li> </ul>



Schneider Electric (France)

17:45–18:00

**Summary remarks**

**Auditorium**

**Moderator: Angelo TANTAZZI, President, Prometeia (Italy)**

- **Antonio FALLICO, President, Banca Intesa Russia; President, Association Conoscere Eurasia (Italy)**

**October 25, 2019 г.**

08:30–10:00	<b>Participant registration</b>
10:00–11:00	<b>Opening of the second day</b>
	<p><b>Moderator:</b> Valery FADEEV, Secretary, Civic Chamber of the Russian Federation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stefano PATUANELLI, Minister for Economic Development of the Italian Republic</li> <li>• Representative of the Russian Government</li> </ul>
11:00–12:00	<p><i>Session 4</i>  <b>New financing models to meet challenges of tomorrow</b>  <b>Auditorium</b></p> <p>The financial sector, perhaps more so than others, is sensitive to geopolitical oscillations and requires a strict set of rules to operate. Often it is first in line to respond to new regulatory conditions and policy changes. On top of the emerging geopolitical challenges the financial sector is also undergoing a technological revolution opening up enormous opportunities for some while increasing the risks for others. What are the financing models that will be offered to the clients of tomorrow? How exposed is the sector to geopolitical risks? How do we make sure that opportunities offered by innovation do not introduce new risks to the system?</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Vladimir GERASIMOV, First Deputy General Director, Executive Director, Interfax News Agency (Russia)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vladimir CHUBAR, Chairman of the Management Board, Credit Bank of Moscow (Russia)</li> <li>• Alessandro DECIO, CEO and General Manager, SACE (Italy)</li> <li>• Vartan DILANIAN, Country Managing Director, Accenture in Russia (USA)</li> <li>• Mauro MICILLO, Head of Corporate and Investment Banking Division of Intesa Sanpaolo (Italia)</li> <li>• Valery VAISBERG, Chief analyst, «REGION» Investment company (Russia)</li> <li>• Garegin TOSUNYAN, President, Association of Russian Banks</li> </ul>
	12:00–13:00

It is obvious that transport infrastructure will always be a key part of the economic success of the region. Goods must not only be manufactured but also delivered. It is no accident that it is precisely around large infrastructure projects that real political battles are unfolding. Whole percentage points of a country's GDP can depend on a railway line or a port being built in one location or another. How does industry respond to such dilemmas – what role can it play in the space from the Atlantic to the Pacific? Is it about cooperation or competition among the countries when it comes to large complex cross-country infrastructure projects?

**Moderator: Mark ENTIN, Head of the European Law Chair; Professor, MGIMO University; Ambassador of Russia to Luxembourg, 2012–2016**

- **Sergey CHEREMIN, Minister of Moscow Government, Head of the Department for Foreign Economic and International Relations (Russia)**
- **Michele EMILIANO, Governor, Puglia Region (Italy)**
- **Aleksey GROM, President, Transport and logistics company OTLK (Belarus-Kazakhstan-Russia)**
- **Dmitry PANKIN, President, Black Sea Trade and Development Bank**
- **Le Truong Son, Chairman, Association of Vietnamese Businessmen in Russia; Chairman of the Board of Directors, Incenter Investment Company (Vietnam)**

13:00–14:30

**Lunch**  
**Bouvette**

14:30–16:00

*Session 6*

**Industrial revolution 4.0 and the digital economy of the future throughout Eurasia**

**Auditorium**

The pace of technological development has reached unprecedented levels. What seems like innovation today can become obsolete in the space of a few months. An unprecedented technological race is unfolding. Technological wars are being launched and fought – sometimes quietly, sometimes right in the open and with the questionable means. Where do the participants see the industrial revolution 4.0 going? What will be the challenges and opportunities for the business in responding to technological advancements in the economy of tomorrow?

**Moderator: Guido DE VECCHI, General Director, Intesa Sanpaolo Innovation Center (Italy)**

- **Fabrizio DI AMATO, Chairman and Founder, Maire Tecnimont**
- **Ofer SACHS, CEO, Hertoz Strategies (Israel)**
- **Francesco PROFUMO, President, Association of Foundations and Savings Banks (ACRI); President, Compagnia di San Paolo (Italy)**
- **Victor VEKSELBERG, Chairman of the Board, Skolkovo Foundation (Russia)**

16:00–17:00

**Summing up**  
**Auditorium**



**Moderator: Luciano LARIVERA, Economist, Society of Jesus (Italy)**

- Vladimir CHIZHOV, Permanent Representative of Russia to the European Union
- Pasquale TERRACCIANO, Ambassador of Italy to Russia
- Antonio FALLICO, President, Banca Intesa Russia; President, Association Conoscere Eurasia (Italy)