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# Turin Islamic Economic Forum

## Islamic Finance for Social Inclusion & Economic Development

MONDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH

8:00 - 9:00

*Registration*

9:00 - 9:30

### INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

**Chiara Appendino**, Mayor, City of Torino

**Vincenzo Ilotte**, President, Torino Chamber of Commerce

**Gianmaria Ajani**, Rector, University of Torino

9:30 - 9:45

### KEYNOTE SPEECHES

**Abdulla Mohammed Al Awar**, CEO, Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC)

*Unleashing the Islamic economy potential*

*Signature of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC), the City of Torino and ASSAIF*

**Yanguo Liu**, Director, International training Centre of the International Labour Organization

*Capacity building for decent work and sustainable development*

9:45 - 11:00

### SESSION 1: MANAGING DIVERSITY

Session chair

**Marco Giusta**, Deputy Mayor for Youth, Social Inclusion, Equal Opportunities, City of Torino

Discussant

**Alberto Brugnoli**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF

**Valentino Cattelan**, Researcher, Saudi-Spanish Center for Islamic Economics and Finance (Madrid)

*Islamic finance, conventional capitalism and the sharing economy: translating the identities of a diverse market*

**Elena Toselli**, Halal and kosher Expert, Italian Ministry for Economic Development

*Converging diversities: kosher, halal and bio food certifications*

**Riccardo Palumbo**, Professor, University of Chieti/Pescara

*The behavioral approach to Islamic finance*

**Abid Masood**, Technical Director, Halal Food Council of Europe (HFCE)

*Connecting dots: zakat and R&D job creation*

11:00 - 11:30

*Coffee/tea break*

11:30 - 12:00

**GIES ROUNDTABLE SERIES:  
GLOBALISATION OF THE ISLAMIC ECONOMY  
NEW MARKETS FOR EUROPEAN COMPANIES:  
GLOBALISATION AND THE ISLAMIC ECONOMY**

**Presentation**

**Saeed Mubarak Kharbash Al Marri**, Head of Strategy & Planning, Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC)

*The DIEDC Strategy 2017-2021*

**Panelists**

**Rafi-uddin Shikoh**, Founder and CEO, DinarStandard

**Abid Masood**, Technical Director, Halal Food Council of Europe (HFCE)

**Alberto Brugnani**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF

12:00 - 13:00

**SESSION 2: PERSONAL SERVICES FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION**

**Session chair**

**Sonia Schellino**, Deputy Mayor for Social Policies, City of Torino

**Discussant**

**Alberto Brugnani**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF

**Margarita Lalayan**, Senior Programme Officer (Microfinance), ITC-ILO  
*ITC ILO approach to capacity building in Islamic micro finance*

**Zakaria Abouabid**, Lawyer Associate, Latham & Watkins, Milano  
*Housing. First home home buyers financing*  
*Finance. Equity crowd-funding: a grassroots solution*

**Mario Caserta**, Supervisor Public Relations Offices, Città della Salute Torino  
*Health. Healing the soul: nursing Muslim patients*

**Paolo Biancone**, Professor, Islamic Finance Observatory, University of Torino  
*Torino and the halal friendly market: hotels, restaurants, pharmacies, courthouses*

13:00 - 14:30

*Lunch (halal) and prayer break*

14:30 - 16:00

## SESSION 3: ISLAMIC FINANCE FOR INFRASTRUCTURES

**Moderator**

**Simone Filippetti**, Journalist, Il Sole 24 ore

**Discussant**

**Alberto Brugnoli**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF

**Reuben Buttigieg**, Managing Director and Founder, Erremme Business Advisors

*Using Islamic finance for infrastructure projects in non-Muslim countries: the UK, LUX and Malta experience*

**Stefano Padovani**, Partner, NCTM Milano

*Issuance of an Italian sovereign sukuk*

**Stefano Loconte**, Founder and Managing Partner, Loconte&Partners

*Fiscal hindrances and the Italian way out*

**Diego Biasi**, Co-Founder and CEO, Quercus Investment Partners Limited

*Investing in renewable energy plants*

**Giovanni Currado**, CEO, Infratrasporti.To Srl

*Turin Metro Line 2: new transport infrastructure for continuous improvement*

16:00 - 16:30

*Coffee/tea break*

16:30 - 17:30

## SESSION 4: THE SCIENTIFIC ENVIRONMENT IN TORINO

**Session chair**

**Paolo Biancone**, Professor, Islamic Finance Observatory, University of Torino

**Discussant**

**Mohammad Barakat**, Founder, Consilium Advisory LLC

**Silvio Aime**, Vice Rector, University of Torino

*Internationalisation and knowledge transfer process of the University of Torino*

**Romano Borchiellini**, Vice Rector, Politecnico of Torino

*Large investment projects in infrastructure and research of the Politecnico of Torino*

**Fabrizio Gatti**, President, Finpiemonte

*Finpiemonte: a vehicle for socio-economic development in Piedmont area*

**Fabrizio Conicella**, General Manager, Bioindustry Park

*The value of science: business opportunities from the life-science clusters*



TUESDAY, 7<sup>th</sup> MARCH

8:00 - 9:00

*Registration*

9:00 - 10:00

**KEYNOTE SPEECHES**

**Chiara Appendino**, Mayor, City of Torino

*The Open for Business Strategic Plan*

**Shaikha Mai bint Mohammed Al Khalifa**,

President of the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities

10:00 - 11:00

**SPECIAL SESSION: MUSEUM ECOSYSTEM FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

**Session chair**

**Patrizia Sandretto Re Rebaudengo**, President, Sandretto Re Rebaudengo Foundation

**Antimo Cesaro**, Undersecretary, Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities & Tourism

*Italian policies for cultural heritage valorisation*

**Francesca Leon**, Deputy Mayor for Culture, City of Torino

*The Museums in Torino*

**Marco Biscione**, Director, Torino Oriental Art Museum

*Museums, integration, and intercultural communication*

**Elisa Rosso**, Director, Centro per la Conservazione e

il Restauro dei Beni Culturali "La Venaria Reale" Foundation

*Cultural heritage conservation: a proposal for risk management, intervention and training*

**Enrica Pagella**, Director, Torino Royal Museums

*Where cultures meet*

**Patrizia Sandretto Re Rebaudengo**, President, Sandretto Re Rebaudengo Foundation

*Themes, dreams and Contemporary Art*

11:00 - 11:30

*Coffee/tea break*

11:30 - 13:00

## SESSION 5: SMEs / START UP SERVICES

### Session chair

**Alberto Sacco**, Deputy Mayor for Commerce and Active Employment Policies, City of Torino

### Discussant

**Alberto Brugnani**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF

**Rafi-uddin Shikoh**, Founder and CEO, DinarStandard  
*Start-ups and sharing economy*

**Giovanni Luppi**, Partner, R&P Legal, Milano  
*Raising capital for the SMEs: the issuance of participatory mini-bonds*

**Giovanni Delle Donne**, Head of Promotion and Internationalisation, Federalimentare  
*Certification, a tool for commercial policy*

**Amina Ahmed Mohammed**, Executive Director, Emirates International Accreditation Centre  
*Role of Accreditation in Halal Food Industry*

**Mario Calderini**, Professor Politecnico of Milano and President Social Entrepreneurship Committee of the Torino Chamber of Commerce  
*Impact Investing and the new generation of social entrepreneurship*

13:00-14:30

*Lunch (halal) and prayer break*

14:30-16:30

## SESSION 6: AEROSPACE, AUTOMOTIVE, BIOMEDICAL & REAL ESTATE

### Session chair

**Paolo Biancone**, Professor, Islamic Finance Observatory, University of Torino

### Discussants

**Murat Taşçı**, Private Equity Executive, AVP Investcorp Bank

**Mohamed Ali Ismail Turki**, Chairman/CEO, Mohamed Turki Mott MacDonald Engineering Consultancy (MTMM)

**Paola Virano**, Director of the Land and Environment Directorate, City of Torino  
*The new development strategy for Turin*

**Carlo Rosa**, CEO, DiaSorin  
*An Italian biotech Sharia-compliant success story*

**Fabio Massimo Grimaldi**, President, Altec  
*Turin the City of Space and Altec, the hub of the space economy*

**Pietro Perlo**, President, Torino E-District  
*The electric vehicles turnkey and low-cost micro-factory*



**Carlo De Vito**, CEO, FS Sistemi Urbani (FSSU)

*Some proposals for a new urban design*

**Leonello Sambugaro**, Director, Parco della Salute Torino,  
Regione Piemonte

*One of the largest European real estate investment opportunities:  
the 'Parco della Salute, della Ricerca e dell'Innovazione'*

*Ongoing coffee/tea break*

16:30-17:15

## **SESSION 7: ENTREPRENEURSHIP AND ISLAMIC FINANCE**

**Session chair**

**Dario Gallina**, President, Unione Industriale Torino

**Paolo Costanzo**, Senior Partner, Costanzo e Associati

*Venturing into the halal eco-system: an Italian perspective*

**Alberto Canclini**, Sole Director, HFL srl (Halal Finance & Lifestyle)

*The Blockchain & Islamic finance - A perfect match?*

**Fabrizio Badariotti**, Founding Partner and Director, Patrimon srl

*Active management of Islamic investment funds*

**Alberto Gastaldo**, CEO, Energia Positiva S.c.p.a.

**Claudio Gastaldo**, Business Development Manager, Energia Positiva S.c.p.a.

*Pushing the boundaries: from consumers to 'prosumers' of energy*

17:15-18:00

## **THE FINAL ROUNDTABLE: CONNECTING PEOPLE THROUGH SPORT**

**Moderator**

**Roberto Finardi**, Deputy Mayor for Sport, City of Torino

**Speakers**

**Chiara Appendino**, Mayor, City of Torino

**Andrea Agnelli**, President, JUVENTUS F.C.

**Abdulla Mohammed Al Awar**, CEO, Dubai Islamic Economy  
Development Centre (DIEDC)

18:00-18:15

## **WRAPPING UP AND ARRIVEDERCI**

**Chiara Appendino**, Mayor, City of Torino

**Paolo Biancone**, Professor, Islamic Finance Observatory,  
University of Torino

**Vincenzo Ilotte**, President, Torino Chamber of Commerce

**Alberto Brugnoli**, Managing Partner, ASSAIF







# Speakers



**CHIARA APPENDINO**

Mayor of Torino since June 2016, she has served as a Member of the City Council and as Vice Chairman of the Budget Committee of the City of Torino during the last 5 years. Graduated in International Management and Economics, she also holds a Master in Management Audit and Planning, both earned at the University "Luigi Bocconi" in Milano. Born in 1984, she has been working for six years in her family's firm as Financial Manager and previously she has been Controller in Juventus Football Club S.p.A.



**GIANMARIA AJANI**

Rector of the University of Torino since October 2013. Professor of Law at the University of Torino, he holds the chairs of Comparative Legal Systems, International Law & Contracts and Chinese Law. He served as Director of the Department of Law from 1998 to 2004, Dean of the Faculty of Law from 2009 to 2013, Member of the Academic Senate, and Director of the Law Department from 2012 to 2013. He worked as a Visiting Scholar in Moscow and Leiden and as a Visiting Professor in Berkeley, Fribourg, Zhongnan and Georgetown. He served as a legal expert for the Sacharov Foundation Initiative to advise the USSR Government on legal reforms, as a consultant to the IMF - International Monetary Fund - and the Council of Europe on the project of recodification of civil law in Albania. He was member of the OSCE - Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe to facilitate dialogue between the Ukrainian Central Government and the Crimean Authorities, as a participant in a EC/TACIS project and as an expert for a UNDP project on the training of National Assembly officials in Hanoi, Vietnam.





**VINCENZO ILOTTE**

President of the Chamber of Commerce of Torino. Since 1992, he has joined the family group, 2A SPA, which operates in the field of production of zippers and die-casting aluminium and zamac alloys. He has been a member of the Torino Chamber of Commerce Council since 2009 and, still in the Chamber system, he is Vice President of the Regional Association of Chambers of Commerce, Vice President of Italy Unioncamere, member of the Governing Council and of the Presidency Committee of ICC Italy (International Chamber of Commerce), member of the Assocamerestero General Council (Association of Italian Chamber Abroad) and member of the World Chambers Federation Council Board. He is also a member of the Unione Industriale of Torino General Council, of which he was Vice President from 2008 to 2016. He held in time numerous significant positions within others associations: from 1999 to 2001 he was President of the Young Entrepreneurs Group of Unione Industriale of Torino; from 2000 he was Vice President of AMMA (Aziende Meccaniche Meccatroniche Associate), of which he became President in September 2008. Since June 2015 he has been President of the Unicredit North West Territory Council. In the past he was member of the Board of Directors of several companies, including Sagat, Italconsult, CMSP, Agenzia Torino srl. In the financial sector he founded Strategia Italia SGR, Ventura Finance spa and YUCO srl.



**ALBERTO BRUGNONI**

Founding and Managing Partner of the Associazione per lo Sviluppo di Strumenti Alternativi e di Innovazione Finanziaria (ASSAIF) the oldest Islamic finance consultancy in Europe that provides worldwide strategic institutional advisory and product development to governments, central banks, multilateral development banks, public and semi-public institutions, regional and local authorities. Former director of the Italian desk with Merrill Lynch Bank, he is a consultant for the World Bank on micro-takaful, chaired the Advisory Council of the World Congress of Muslim Philanthropists, and chairs the International Takaful Summit in London since its 2007 inception. He regularly speaks at the major Islamic finance forums worldwide and gives

presentations in Arabic, English, French and Italian. He manages NuoviStilidiVita, a consultancy on sustainability, financial and social inclusion, complementary currencies, and added territorial value. He is the Founder and President of Dulcarnon, a publishing house that aims to make accessible to the Western public important texts on Islamic tradition.



**PAOLO PIETRO BIANCONE**

Full Professor of Financial Management and Islamic Finance at the University of Torino. He acts as the director of the European Research Centre for Islamic Finance and Coordinator of the PhD in Business Management at the University of Torino. He has been teaching at the University of Lanzhou (China) and at the National Chengchi University in Taipei (Taiwan) for several years. He is a speaker at national and international conferences and also the author of numerous publications in the field of Accounting and Islamic Finance. He is the Editor in Chief for the European Journal of Islamic Finance as well as the Scientific Journal of Management Science.



**SHAIKHA MAI BINT MOHAMMED AL KHALIFA**

President of the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities. She previously served as Minister of Culture from 2010 to 2014, Minister of Culture and Information from 2008 to 2010 and Assistant Undersecretary for Culture and National Heritage at the Ministry of Information. MA in Political History from Sheffield University, UK, she was listed as one of the 50 most influential women in the Arab world by Forbes Magazine in 2005. She received the legion d'honneur insignia in Arts and Literature from the Government of France in 2008 and the "Distinguished Arab Woman in the field of Administrative Leadership" prize from the Center of Woman Studies, Paris, in 2004, being among the 10 Arab women awarded the Arab League prize for Administrative Competence and Excellence. She also received the "Order of Merit" first class medal from His Majesty, the King of the Kingdom of Bahrain in 2008. In 2010 she was awarded the Noble Honor for being a distinguished international personality in the field of Ideology and Culture by a

royal decree from His Majesty Muhammad Al Sadis, King of Morocco, and she was acknowledged by the Committee Colbert the Prize for Creativity and Heritage in Paris for playing a leading role in the fields of historical documentation, heritage preservation and cultural innovation. She was named Gulf Media Personality for 2010 by both the Gulf Society for the Press and Freedom of Information and the Arab Society for the Press and Freedom of Information (Araprs) in recognition of her efforts to promote the region's media sector and defend freedom of speech and expression. In 2010 she received the Social Creativity Award from the Arab Thought Foundation of Beirut, Lebanon, and the knight of the legion of honour from the French government in 2011.



**ABDULLA MOHAMMED AL AWAR**

CEO of Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC). In this capacity, he oversees the Centre's work and collaborates closely with DIEDC's multiple stakeholders to implement the 'Dubai: Capital of Islamic Economy' strategy through enabling private and public sector organisations to innovate and promote sharia-compliant economic products and services. Prior to his current role, he was the CEO of Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) from 2009 to 2012. During his eight-year tenure he leveraged his exceptional skills in strategic planning, operational management and financial control to help develop DIFC into a global financial hub. Under his strategic leadership, DIFC was ranked as the leading financial centre in the region for the years 2009-2012, demonstrating an average 13% client growth year-on-year. He has served as member of several committees and boards in Dubai including the Economic Committee of the Executive Council of Dubai, Dubai Free Zones Council, Bourse Dubai and the Investment Committee of the Emirates NBD Real Estate Fund. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from the University of Colorado at Boulder, US. He is also a graduate of the Mohammed Bin Rashid Program for Leadership Development, an executive education program conducted in affiliation with Cranfield University, UK, IMD and INSEAD.





## ANDREA AGNELLI

Chairman Juventus Football Club S.p.A. and of Lamse S.p.A.. Born in Torino in 1975, he studied at Oxford (St Clare's International College) and Milan (Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi). While at university, he gained professional experience both in Italy and abroad, including positions at Iveco-Ford in London, Piaggio in Milan, Auchan Hypermarché in Lille, Schroder Salomon Smith Barney in London and, finally, Juventus Football Club S.p.A. in Turin. He began his professional career in 1999 at Ferrari Idea di Lugano, where he was responsible for promoting and developing the Ferrari brand in non-automotive areas. In November 2000, he moved to Paris and assumed responsibility for marketing at Uni Invest SA, a Banque San Paolo company specialising in managed investment products. From 2001 to 2004, he worked at Philip Morris International in Lausanne, where he initially had responsibility for marketing and sponsorships and corporate communication. In 2005, he returned to Torino to work in strategic development for IFIL Investments S.p.A. (now EXOR S.p.A.). He joined the board of directors of IFI S.p.A. (now EXOR S.p.A.) on May 2006. He is a general partner of Giovanni Agnelli e C. S.a.p.a.z., a member of the board of directors of FIAT S.p.A. (now Fiat Chrysler Automobiles N.V.) and a member of the advisory board of BlueGem Capital Partners LLP. He has been a member of the European Club Association Executive Board since 2012. Since July 2014 he has served as a board member of the Serie A National League of Professionals and also became a board member of The Foundation for General Mutuality in Professional Team Sports. In 2015 he was appointed to the UEFA Executive Committee as an ECA representative.



## ZAKARIA ABOUABID

Lawyer Associate at Latham & Watkins in the Milan office. His practice focuses primarily on corporate, private equity, debt restructuring and Islamic Finance. He assists Italian and international clients in connection with Italian and cross-border investments, mergers and acquisitions, debt restructurings and Islamic Finance. Prior to joining Latham & Watkins in 2015, he was an associate at Jones Day in Milan.



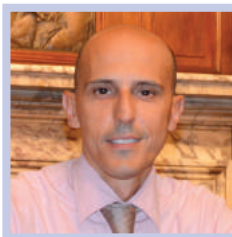
**SILVIO AIME**

Professor of Chemistry at the Department of Molecular Biotechnologies and Health Sciences and Head of the Center of Excellence on Molecular Imaging of the University of Torino. He is vice-rector for research and technology transfer and President of the Incubator (2I3T) of the University of Torino.



**SAEED MUBARAK KHARBASH AL MARRI**

Head of Strategy & Planning at Dubai Islamic Economy Development Centre (DIEDC). He holds more than 10 years of experience in diverse financial disciplines and strategy gained from working with institutions such as Istithmar World, ENEC & TAQA (Abu Dhabi National Energy Company) as a Finance Manager in the Strategic Planning Department, Economic Specialist in ENEC (Emirates Nuclear Energy Corporation), Associate in Istithmar World, the Investment Arm of Dubai World Group - and focused on Investments in Financial Services. He holds an MBA in Islamic Finance with Distinction from Cass Business School in England, as well as a Master's in International Business from Hertfordshire University in England and a Bachelor degree in Communication Engineering from Khalifa University in the UAE.



**FABRIZIO BADARIOTTI**

Founding partner and director of Patrimon srl, an Italian company active in offering services to professional investors worldwide. Among its activities, the selection and support to the development of innovative Italian start-ups, in particular in the renewable energy sector. He has over 20 years' experience in Fintech sector, acquired in software and asset management companies. He develops quantitative models to be applied in the financial markets with the goal to combine the best performance expectations with risk. In 2016 he realized a project with the University of Torino, for the construction of a dynamic model of investment in shares, able to contain volatility and Shariah-compliant. This project will be presented during the TIEF 2017.



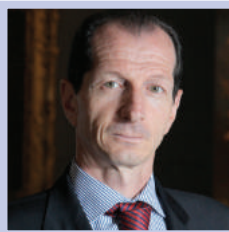
**MOHAMMAD BARAKAT**

Founder of Consilium Advisory LLC, a Management, Education/Professional Development, and SME Development firm that helps cross-regional clients from its hub offices in New York, London, and Kuwait City, as well as a network of 8 other international affiliate offices. He also chairs the advisory board of Gulf Enterprises Co., a nanotechnology industrial products company, and guest-lectures at the Australian College of Kuwait. Education, sociopolitical, and economic research projects are among his pursuits. The US Department of State, UN Peacekeeping Corps, Optimiza and Jordan Telecom Group (Orange) are among his past employers. He also held an advisory capacity to the Chairman of the Board of Al-Imtiaz Islamic Investment as well as several members of the ruling family in Kuwait. He holds advanced degrees in International Business Management (Nixon University), Leadership & Organizational Development (Madison Hills University) and Managerial Science (University of Atlanta).



**DIEGO BIASI**

CEO and Co-Founder of Quercus Investment Partners Limited. He has worked in investment banking and finance for more than 20 years, with a focus on the renewable energy sector, working also for IMI Bank and Commerzbank. In 2010 he successfully co-founded Quercus, building a portfolio of 40 utility scale plants and structuring debt facilities for over EUR 500m. He brought Quercus into ForVEI, a joint venture with Foresight, Adenium, VEI CAPITAL and CDC, which created a substantial portfolio of PV plants in Italy of some 90 MW. He also successfully negotiated for Quercus to participate in a joint venture with government owned UKGIB for the construction of London based TEG Biogas plant, the first commercial-scale anaerobic digestion and composting facility in the capital. He recently conducted the acquisition of Antin's PV platform in Italy, with a JV between Quercus and Swiss Life Asset Managers.



**MARCO BISCIONE**

Director of the Museum of Oriental Art of Torino. Trained as an anthropologist (University of Rome, London School of Economics) after almost 20 years as curator at the Museo Nazionale Preistorico Etnografico in Rome he moved to Brussels as national expert in Culture at the European Commission (DG Education and Culture) and later on to Strasbourg at the Council of Europe (Direction for Culture and Cultural Heritage). Back in Italy, he was for over four years Director of the Civic Museums of Udine.



**ROMANO BORCHIELLINI**

Graduated in Mechanical Engineering in 1983 at the Politecnico of Torino, since February 2001 he has been Full Professor at the Department of Energy. Among his publications more than 150 papers published in journals and international and national conferences. Most of these refer to the analysis and modelling of thermal systems. Since 2009 he has been one of the two Italian delegates appointed by the Ministry of Infrastructures and Transportations (MIT) in the Technical Committee "Road Tunnel Operation" of PIARC. In November 2016 he was appointed as a member of the Supreme Council responsible for overseeing public works by the MIT (2016-2019). Since July 2014 he has been the President of SiTI (Higher Institute on Territorial Systems for Innovation), a non-profit association set up in 2002 between the Politecnico of Torino and the Compagnia di San Paolo (CSP). Since December 2014, he has been chairing the Advisory Board of the Energy Center in Torino, a joint initiative of Piedmont Region, City of Torino, Politecnico and CSP.



### REUBEN BUTTIGIEG

Managing Director and founder of Erremme Business Advisors, a business and management consultancy firm. He is also directly involved in the Corporate Finance and Consultancy Services of Erremme. In addition he has been the pioneer in the discussions on Islamic Finance in Malta and has prepared various papers and articles on the subject.

He is a regular speaker in International Islamic Finance conferences and he acts as consultant on various Islamic Finance transactions in Malta and abroad. He is the first Islamic Finance Advisor in Malta. Amongst others he has advised on the required legislative changes for the launch of Sukuk in Malta. He was a catalyst in the launch of the Sharia Index at the Malta Stock Exchange. He is the author of various articles in Maltese and foreign newspapers. Amongst others he is the local representative of Islamic Finance News.



### MARIO CALDERINI

Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Manchester, he is full Professor at Politecnico di Milano, School of Management, where he teaches Strategy and Social Innovation and chairs the Alta Scuola Politecnica, the honour program jointly managed by Politecnico di Milano and Torino. He is Senior Advisor to the Minister of University Research and Innovation and Government's Sherpa for the G7 Italian Presidency 2017. His numerous publications in highly ranked international journals cover several topics in the field of innovation and social impact finance. He is the Director of Tiresia, the research centre on Social Innovation and Finance at Politecnico di Milano. He was a member of the G8 Task Force for Social Impact Investment, he chaired the Italian Advisory Board on Social Impact Finance and contributed to promote the social innovation agenda in Italy, launching the sector's first public consultation.



### ALBERTO CANCLINI

Senior partner at Costanzo & Associati, consulting firm based in Milan. Certified Public Accountant, Auditor and Financial Analyst (ordinary member of AIAF - Italian Association of Financial Analysts), he is an expert in corporate finance, financial modeling, debt restructuring, international accounting principles, valuation and start-ups. He gained experience on financial modeling, using both vertical software and developing ownership models, tailored to meet customer needs. He often assists companies in preparing economic and financial plans in development or restructuring projects. He deals with valuations in conformity with IAS/IFRS, in particular the definition of the value of intangibles, impairment tests and fair value assessments in the absence of an active market. He is Sole Director of HFL (Halal Fashion & Lifestyle), an Italian start-up focused on Modest fashion and Islamic finance.



### MARIO CASERTA

Supervisor of the Public Relations Offices in the Regina Margherita, Sant'Anna and CTO hospitals in Torino, he works with the HPH national network for health promotion and in the food and pharmaceutical research sector on the multicultural theme. Since 2005 he has been working at quality and social research, publishing several papers in national and international journals on customer satisfaction. Expert in multicultural and multi-religious topics, in 2006 he developed, together with Doctor Cerri, the religious care project "La cura dello Spirito (Care of the Spirit)", initially for the Molinette Hospital in Torino and then for the Piedmont Region. In 2008 he opened the first Silence Room in a public hospital in Italy. In 2012 he drafted, together with Doctor Azzolina, a Hospital Mortuary Regulation according to the different religions. He holds a degree in Public Administration.



#### VALENTINO CATTELAN

Ph.D., 2009 Associate Researcher at the Saudi-Spanish Center for Islamic Economics and Finance, IE Business School, Madrid. Prior to this, he was Academic Coordinator of the project Integrating Islamic Finance in the EU Market (2010-2013, University of Rome Tor Vergata), and Visiting Fellow at the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies (University of Oxford, 2013-2014). His research covers aspects of comparative law, economics, Islamic commercial law, property rights, Islamic finance regulation. Next to many articles and chapter contributions, he is the editor of the volumes "Islamic Finance in Europe: Towards a Plural Financial System" (Edward Elgar, 2013), and "Islamic Social Finance: Entrepreneurship, Cooperation and the Sharing Economy" (Routledge, forthcoming).



#### FABRIZIO CONICELLA

General Manager of Bioindustry Park, he has more than 20 years of experience managing organizations, R&D and technology transfer projects. Since 2011, he has been contract professor both at the University of Torino and at the Università Piemonte Orientale in business planning, innovation management and technology transfer. Former President of Ephoran-MIS, a company specialized in imaging services, and former member of the managing board of the Council of European Bioregions, he is now member of the managing board of APSTI – Italia Association of Science Parks, member of the "Science-Industry" committee of Genopole (F) and Executive Vice President of bioPmed Cluster Association. In the last years he has been member of the Managing Board of Associazione Italia start-up and of Assobiotech and member of the Eurotransbio Advisory Board. He has also been appointed as member of different boards, working groups, evaluator of initiatives, projects and business plans by private and public national and international organizations.





### PAOLO COSTANZO

Senior Partner of Costanzo & Associati. Certified Public Accountant and Auditor, he is a member of the Committee for the Governance of Publicly Listed Companies at the Association of Certified Accountants in Milan and is a member of the NedCommunity, the association of non-executive and independent directors. He teaches various training courses and participates in seminars. He is also an expert of extraordinary finance transactions, listing processes and governance systems. He is the author of several publications on corporate disclosure, corporate governance, company law and income taxation; he often collaborates with national newspapers and participated in drafting the parliamentary bill to grant Government authorisation to reform the national tax system. He has gained a strong experience on structuring the business model of e-commerce companies.



### GIOVANNI CURRADO

President and sole director since September 2016 of Infratrasporti.To Srl, the transport infrastructure company owned by the Torino City Council. After obtaining a degree in Architecture from the Politecnico of Torino, in 2002 he gained qualification to the profession, and he is registered in the professional association of architects in the province of Asti. As a consultant to several local authorities and private companies, he has been involved in carrying out feasibility studies for both large scale freight and passenger transport systems, traffic and mobility studies and road safety plans, often securing EU funding. He regularly participates as a speaker at conferences on issues regarding transport planning and infrastructure. Since May 2014 he has been selected as a technical-engineering expert for Italy's Transport Regulation Authority. He is also engaged in architectural restoration projects overseeing the sensitive redevelopment of historically significant real estate property portfolios.



**CARLO DE VITO**

Chief Executive Officer of FS Sistemi Urbani (FSSU), wholly owned by Italian FS. FSSU has the task of adding value to the assets of the FS Group that are not functional to railway operations. FSSU is the owner of Metropark, a company specialized in buildings and managing of parking near the railway stations. He has been in FS Group since 1977 where he has covered various roles: planning and direction work of complex railway works, direction of the armament of track and guide of industrial systems. From 2000 to 2008 he was the chief of the passenger and freight terminals of RFI, society of FS Group that manages the railway infrastructure. He has been Chairman of QVQC, an interdisciplinary group of studies formed by many organizations and national associations, professional Orders and Universities since 2008. Since 2016 he has been Chairman of Grandi Stazioni Immobiliare. He is a civil engineer specialized in transportation and he has published many articles for important specialized magazines.



**GIOVANNI DELLE DONNE**

Responsible for Promotion and Internationalization at Federalimentare, the Federation of Industry Food associated with Confindustria. He has a 10-year experience in the fields of Food Promotion and Trade Policy, in order to facilitate the export of Italian food companies. Besides a long experience in organizing events and collective participations in foreign food exhibitions, he is the referent of Federalimentare for CIBUS, the main Italian food show taking place every two years. During EXPO Milan 2015, together with Fiere di Parma, he was in charge of the organization of the corporate pavilion CIBUSèITALIA – which hosted more than 420 companies – and managed the foreign buyer incoming program. He has been involved for several years in the project of the Ministry of Economic Development aimed to promote Organic, Kosher and Halal. Since 2015 he has been deputy member for Federalimentare at the National Council for Cooperation and Development set up within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.



### SIMONE FILIPPETTI

Graduated in Archaeology, he joined the newspaper *Il Sole 24 Ore* as a reporter. In the last 16 years he has covered finance & markets, reporting on the most important Italian business families. In recent times he has started covering business stories about the Arabian Peninsula. In 2014 he published the book “*Serenissimi Affari*”, a controversial history of the Veneto Region businessmen. In 2016 he was awarded the “State Street” prize for the best investigative journalism.



### ROBERTO FINARDI

Deputy Mayor of the City of Torino in charge of Sport, Sport Plant Design and Installations, Sport Events and Leisure. Graduated in Sport Science at the Institute of Physical Education of Torino, he has served as adviser for the Italian Athletics Federation (FIDAL) and as expert, physical trainer and teacher for the School of Sport (SdS) of The Italian National Olympic Committee (CONI). He had previously served as physical trainer for the French Olympic ice hockey and bobsleigh teams, as adviser for the Italian Ice Sports Federation (FISG) and for the Italian Union of Target Shooting (UIITS) and as physical trainer and Director of the Federal Center at the Italian Archery Federation (FITArco).



### DARIO GALLINA

President of the *Unione Industriale di Torino* (the Business Association of Torino). Graduated in Economy at the University of Torino, he is CEO of *Dott. Gallina Group* and CEO/President of a number of its foreign subsidiaries. Former President of *Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Group of Unione Industriale di Torino*. Over the last years he has held a number of top positions in business associations: President of *Plastic Industries Association of Torino*, member of the board of the *Italian Plastics and Rubber Industry Federation*, member of the *General Council of Confindustria* (the Italian Business Association).



**ALBERTO GASTALDO**

Co-founder and board chairman of the innovative cooperative startup Energia Positiva, a company working since 2015 in the Energy Sharing Italian market. Born in Torino, 26 years old and graduated in Industrial Production and Technologic Innovation engineering at the Politecnico of Torino, he started his professional career in the HR and communications field. After some foreign experiences, he decided to come back to Italy to work in the field that moves him the most: renewable energies. The Energia Positiva cooperative's mission is clear: developing and spreading on national territory an innovative, shareholding/participation based and democratic model, which gives to every single person the chance to become producer of his own 100% renewable energy and to reduce his energy bills just sharing the renewable power plants' ownership and production. In this way, consumers can easily become "Energy Citizens" or "Prosumers", that means they can consume goods they directly produce (in this case clean energy).



**CLAUDIO GASTALDO**

Business Development Manager of the innovative cooperative startup Energia Positiva. Big "supporter" of cooperation field, he is one of the main creator of Energia Positiva business model, innovative Italian reality working in energy sharing sector, ready to change many existing economic paradigms. His task is to put his economic-financial experience at the cooperative's young management service, in the market analysis and in the planning and implementation of the offered products and, nonetheless, in the definition of a new national operative structure. Graduated in Economics and Business, entrepreneur for 25 years on funded education field at service of development of companies and people who work in them, he's still willing to take on a challenge in a new business adventure about alternative energies, to show that a renewable, accessible and beneficial future can exist for everyone.



**FABRIZIO GATTI**

President of Finpiemonte S.p.A. since 2013. Graduated in Sociology, he has spent more than 20 years working as an independent consultant on themes related to management and organization of both private and public firms. He has been member of the board of directors of leading firms in Piemonte, especially dealing with issues related to corporate reorganization processes (SMAT S.p.A and EXPO 2000 S.p.A ). At present he is sole director of OKGOL Srl (Gruppo Sitaf SpA) and member of the board of directors of Transenergia Srl (Gruppo Cie SpA) e Defendini Logistica Srl. He is also member of the evaluation group for the Municipality of Collegno.



**MARCO GIUSTA**

Deputy Mayor of the City of Torino in charge of Youth, Equalities, Multicultural Policies, Integration of New Citizens, Family Policies and Policies supporting Torino as Academic City. Graduated in Psychology at the University of Torino, he is a strong defender of human, civil and workers' rights.



**FABIO MASSIMO GRIMALDI**

Chairman of ALTEC S.p.A., he was Managing Director and Attorney General of Impresa Rosso S.p.A from 1987 to 2012, Vice President of I.T.P. from 1998 to 2005 and President of MKTP – Marketing Territoriale S.r.l. from 2001 to 2006. In 2001 he joined the aerospace sector becoming President of ICARUS S.c.p.A. From 2005 to 2009 he was CEO of ALTEC S.p.A., whose shareholders are now Thales Alenia Space and ASI, the Italian Space Agency. He also held the position of Director of the Piemonte Agency for Investments, Export and Tourism C.E.I.P., of SITO S.p.A interporto Torino and of ENVIRONMENT PARK S.p.A. Founder and CEO of FMG Strategy, since July 2012 he has been a member of the Presidential Committee and of the Council of Assimpredil ANCE Lombardia. Member of the Turin Aerospace District since 2014, he is also Provincial Councillor of Federmanager Piemonte. He is graduated in Civil Engineering – Transportation and he holds a master in Business Administration.



**MARGARITA LALAYAN**

Senior Programme Officer at International Training Center of the ILO. She has 15 years of microfinance experience in operations and consulting. She worked with number of training and research projects focused on organizational development and strategic planning, product development, market research and other aspects of microfinance. As a responsible finance and microfinance consultant, she was involved in various practitioners' and associations' initiatives in 20 countries in Europe, Caucasus, Central Asia and MENA regions. Since 2007 she has been actively involved in financial education, client protection and social performance management development in those regions and served as a speaker at number of regional conferences and events, as well as authored and co-authored several training manuals, case-studies and other publications. Prior to regional work, she managed microfinance operations in one of the leading microfinance institutions in Armenia. Margarita is an Accredited Trainer of the ITC ILO in Making Microfinance Work training program. She holds a degree in Economics from State Institute of Economics (Armenia) and speaks English, Russian, and Armenian.



**FRANCESCA LEON**

Deputy Mayor for Culture of the City of Torino. Graduated in Literature and Philosophy from the University of Rome, she is an expert on cultural management and planning and from 2004 to 2016 she was the Director of the Associazione Torino Città Capitale Europea pursuing cultural heritage promotion and developing several projects among which the museum card system "Abbonamento Musei Torino Piemonte". She worked for the Italian national public broadcasting company RAI, for the Emilia Romagna Cultural Agency (AICER), Civita, Elemond and Arethusa. She has carried out a number of surveys, researches and consultancy activities on the management and promotion of cultural heritage and she has published several articles on newspapers and journals of the sector.



**YANGUO LIU**

Director of the International Training Centre of the ILO in Torino. From 2008 to 2016 he was Deputy Administrator of the State Administration of Foreign Experts Affairs, China, and he previously worked as Staff Management Officer in the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS), Project Officer of international co-operation in the Ministry of Personnel, China, Project Officer at UNDP Beijing office, Deputy Division Director for International Training Affairs and Division Director for International Organization Affairs in the Ministry of Personnel, Counsellor at the Chinese Mission to the United Nations in New York, and Director General of the International Cooperation Department in the Ministry of Personnel. He had been the Executive Director of China Society of International Personnel Exchange Researches, Deputy Secretary General and member of the board of China Association of International Exchange of Professionals and Member of the Steering Committee of Metropolis, an international expert's network for international migration. He holds a Master of Public Administration from Renmin University of China.



**STEFANO LOCONTE**

Founder and Managing Partner of Loconte & Partners, he is a lawyer specialised in Corporate, Commercial Law, Tax, Trust, International Law and Business Contracts. He is a law and tax Expert of the Italian Ministry of Labour and Advisor of the President of the Senate Committee on Finance and Treasury. He was also appointed Advisor of the Chairman of the Chamber of Deputies' Finance Committee with the task to coordinate the two Working Groups that are in charge of the financial reform on Trust and of the introduction of the fiscal discipline regarding the Islamic Finance contracts. Moreover, he was appointed Expert during the parliamentary hearing on Parliament's Works on the bill "Voluntary Disclosure" 1 and 2 as well as on the ones concerning the reform on the Tax Process.





**GIOVANNI LUPPI**

Partner at the law firm R&P Legal, where he is the coordinator of the Banking and Finance Department. He is a specialist in financial transactions, particularly structured finance and securities offerings. His structured finance experience includes domestic and cross-border securitization and revolving factoring transactions, long-term issue programs and conduit structures. He also advises issuers and investors in structuring a wide range of debt and equity securities offerings, including the so called “minibond” issued by small and medium Italian enterprises, as well as in connection with listing procedures, securities regulation and other financial regulatory matters.



**ABID MASOOD**

Technical Director of the Halal Food Council of Europe (HFCE), one of the biggest halal certification bodies in Europe, based in Brussels. He also works as a scientific consultant at Aqix Ltd, E-therapeutics and Gene Solutions. He is a scientific reviewer for 6 international scientific journals, in addition to carrying out scientific due diligence to 2 VC funds, and he has over 18 years industrial experience in drug discovery, development and regulation (food and pharma). BSc (Hons) in Chemistry at Reading University and PhD in Natural Product Synthesis at Cardiff University, he won a fellowship at Oxford University where he worked with Professor Stephen G. Davies. Previously he worked as medicinal chemist at Millennium Pharmaceuticals and then joined Pfizer in Sandwich where he worked for 11 years.



**STEFANO PADOVANI**

Equity Partner of Nctm and member of the Executive Committee, is the Head of Banking & Finance Department and he is specialized in Banking, Finance, Capital Markets and Corporate Finance, as well as M&A. He advises several domestic and international banks and financial institutions in extraordinary transactions which include structured finance and debt restructuring agreements, as well as in their ordinary course of business. Furthermore, he is also lead of teams of legal advisors for assistance in relation to issuance of debt securities and other operations on capital markets.



**ENRICA PAGELLA**

Director of the Royal Museums in Torino since 2015, she is an art historian who works in the field of cultural heritage management, curating exhibitions and catalogues. She has been Director of the Civic Art Museum in Modena and Palazzo Madama in Torino, with projects of conservation, restoration, exhibit design and reopening to the public. She taught as adjunct professor in the universities of Bologna and Torino.



**RICCARDO PALUMBO**

Professor of Accounting and Behavioral Finance at the University "G. d'Annunzio" of Chieti-Pescara where he coordinates the Unit of Behavioral Economics and Neuroeconomics (Department of Neuroscience and Imaging), the Laboratory of Behavioral Economics, Human Centered Design & Health Care and the PhD program on Business and Behavioral Sciences. His research specialization includes behavioral economics and finance and capital markets based research in accounting. He has published a large number of monographs and articles in scholarly journals and has presented his work at a number of leading Universities in Europe and Australia.



## PIETRO PERLO

President of Torino e-district and contract professor at the Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology "MIPT" for the development of non-conventional automated vehicles. In 2011 he founded his company "Interactive Fully Electrical Vehicles" I-FEVS. He holds a degree in General Physics from the University of Torino. As senior director at Centro Ricerche Fiat he has originated quite a number of EU projects on advanced systems development for efficient electrical mobility. He is the author of over 150 publications and holder of several patents that led to large-scale productions. He was a member of the founding group of the European Platform EPoSS on Smart Systems integration. He is Member of the H2020 Advisory Group on "Smart, Green and Integrated Transport".



## CARLO ROSA

CEO of DiaSorin. Graduated in Chemistry from the University of Torino summa cum laude, in 1990 he moved to New York to work at the Public Health Research Institute and in 1992 he joined Incstar Corporation, (MN) USA, an American Public Company. In 1998 he moved back to Italy to assume the role of Director of European S&M for DiaSorin Spa. In 2001 he led a management buy out to buy DiaSorin from the previous owner, American Standard Inc. As a result, he became the COO of the Company until 2006 when he was promoted CEO. In 2007 DiaSorin was listed on the Milan Stock exchange and become a Public Company. Since 2001, DiaSorin has moved from about 100 MM euros in revenues to about 500 MM euros employing 1700 people around the world. In March 2016 he was elected Vice President of Assobiotech. In 2016 he became part of the Italian Institute of Technology Foundation as Member of the Council.



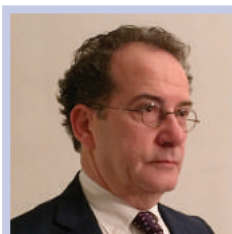
**ELISA ROSSO**

Director of Fondazione Centro per la Conservazione e il Restauro “La Venaria Reale”, a public-private institution founded by the Minister for Cultural Heritage, the Piedmont Region, the City of Torino, the University of Torino and the Compagnia di San Paolo to develop higher education and research in the field of Cultural Heritage. She has an extensive experience in public policies, innovation policy, European projects, institutional relations, as she worked for more than ten years for the public administration in the City of Torino, first leading the Strategic Planning organization and after as Head of the European Funds, Innovation and Economic Development Department of the City of Torino. She owns a degree in communication Science and a Ph.D in Urban and Social Research.



**ALBERTO SACCO**

Deputy Mayor for Labour and Youth Employment Policies, Commerce, Tourism, General Supplies, Contracts and Procurement, Municipal Legal Bar and Legal Affairs of the City of Torino. He holds a degree in Law at the University of Torino (1995) and he is admitted to the Roll of Lawyers. Owner of his own Law Firm since 1999, his activity mainly focuses on business activities, consultancy to foreign companies developing business relationships with and investing in Italy as well as legal consultancy to property companies. In 1999 he was appointed Conciliator by the Mediation Body of the Chamber of Commerce of Torino, and he has been Lawyer in charge of property executions since 2009 and barrister entitled to appear before the Supreme Court of Appeal since 2016.



**LEONELLO SAMBUGARO**

Manager of the Regione Piemonte since 2010. MA in Architecture from Politecnico of Torino, for over twenty years he has worked for Piemonte local administrations in the area of urban development planning and management. He has worked in sectors including procedural and operative

planning and territorial infrastructures, tools and know-how for urban management. Currently he is Manager for city planning of the north-west area and for strategic negotiation planning. In 2015 he was appointed Coordinator of the Technical Office for the Parco della salute, della ricerca e dell'innovazione in Torino.



**PATRIZIA SANDRETTO RE REBAUDENGO**

After graduating in business studies and economics, she first started collecting contemporary art in the early nineties. Her passion for supporting artists by showing and being involved in the production of new works led her to set up the Fondazione Sandretto Re Rebaudengo in 1995, of which she is President.

She is Member of the International Council at the Museum of Modern Art, New York; Member of the Friends of Contemporary Drawing at the Museum of Modern Art, New York; Member of the International Council, Tate, London; Member of the Leadership Council, New Museum, New York; Member of the Advisory Committee for Modern and Contemporary Art, Philadelphia Museum of Art; Member of the Council of the Advisory, École Nationale Supérieure des Beaux-Arts, Lyon; Member of Jury, Hugo Boss Asia Art Award; Member of the Board of Governors of the Center for Curatorial Studies, Bard College, New York; Member of Art Basel Cities Advisory Board. She is President of the Comitato Fondazioni Arte Contemporanea, Member of the Confindustria Nazionale Cultural Commission, Member of the "Giuria dei Letterati" for the "Premio Campiello". She was awarded the title "Ufficiale della Repubblica Italiana" (2005) and "Chevalier dans l'ordre des Arts et des Lettres" by the French Ministry of Culture in 2009.



**SONIA SCHELLINO**

Deputy Mayor in charge of Social Policies of the City of Torino. Graduated in Economics and Political Sciences, she worked from 1996 to 2016 in the third sector at the Fondazione Agnelli and at the Compagnia di San Paolo. She had previously served as adviser for companies and in the educational field and she had also conducted documentary and empirical researches on foundations and on the third sector, as well as activities of selection, assessment, and monitoring of projects related to research, education,

and social issues. She developed projects aimed at encouraging donations and social responsibility, in particular with reference to planning of community foundations and building of instruments able to direct private capitals towards causes of common public interest.



**RAFI-UDDIN AHMED SHIKOH**

Founder and CEO of DinarStandard, a specialized marketing and investments strategy advisory firm focused on the emerging Islamic markets of Halal/Tayyab food, Muslim travel market, Islamic/Ethical Finance, and OIC member countries. He is passionate about empowering organizations for profitable and responsible global impact. Since 2008, Rafi-uddin has been advising global multi-nationals, Islamic financial institutions, Halal market startups and NGOs on market expansion analysis, business/investment strategy, and innovative marketing strategies. Prior to DinarStandard, Rafi-uddin had been a Vice President with Marsh Inc, a global risk-brokerage firm, where he led and successfully delivered multi-million dollar knowledge management and marketing technology related initiatives. He had previously served as a Senior e-Business Consultant at a Boston-based firm. Rafi-uddin has an MBA from UNC-Charlotte, North Carolina, and a BSc in Marketing from Southwest State, Minnesota, USA.



**ELENA TOSELLI**

She holds a degree in Economics from the LUISS – Guido Carli University of Rome and a Master on small and medium sized enterprises from the SDA Bocconi of Milan. She currently works for the Italian Ministry of Economic Development to support the internationalization processes of the Italian industrial system. Previously, she dealt with EU Structural Funds, corporate social responsibility and national anti-counterfeiting strategies. In 2015 she published “The converging diversities - Guide to kosher, halal and organic certifications” with the aim of spreading awareness on these tools and sustaining the multicultural dialogue. She is governmental inspector for the national cooperative system.



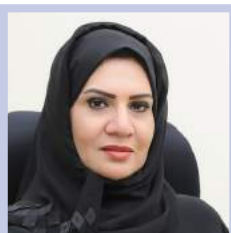
**MOHAMED ALI ISMAIL TURKI**

Chairman/CEO of Mohamed Turki Mott MacDonald Engineering Consultancy MTMM. Chairman of the Board for The Joint German Company for Petroleum, Power and Water Services (Joint-venture partnership between Ingenieurburo R. Großmann of Germany and Mohamed Turki Establishment). Chairman/CEO, Professional Engineering Consultancies, Owner of Factories, Trading and Contracting both local and foreign providing a wide range of services and industrial equipment/materials and factories for different sectors, Residential / Commercial Buildings, Hotels, in Saudi Arabia and other parts of the world. Shareholder in the establishment of NESMA Jeddah Trading Co. Ltd, Al Foudyah Project, Provinces Developing Company, South Jeddah Project, Government Authorities Complex in Makkah Al Mukarramah Region, and South University Project.



**PAOLA VIRANO**

Director of the Land and Environment Directorate of the City of Torino since 2016, she is also a member of the Executive Committee. Graduated in Law from the University of Torino, she received the license to practice as a lawyer. Since 1998 Manager of the City of Torino, she is member of the Board of Trustees of XX March 2006 - Torino Olympic Park, and member of the Board of the Politecnico of Torino.



**AMINA AHMED MOHAMMED**

Executive Director Emirates International Accreditation Center (EIAC). Vice Chair OIC/ SMIIC-Accreditation Committee. Vice President Arab Accreditation Cooperation (ARAC). Has extensive experience in conformity assessment tasks, analytical chemistry and food safety. She has been in several leadership positions, before leading the Emirates International Accreditation Center formerly Dubai Accreditation department in 2008. She steered the modernization of conformity assessment bodies and testing laboratories in Dubai and UAE. She was the head Food lab section of Dubai Central, head of chemical

testing unit of engineering materials, Quality Officer and Technical Assessor. Amina, Established and managing a numerous number of food safety projects in the Gulf region and UAE through her position as vice Chair of Dubai Food Safety Committee. Currently and among the most important achievement, she is participating and sharing the establishment of the International Halal Accreditation system for supporting the Islamic economy development in addition to Dubai capital of Islamic economy.



**MURAT TAŞÇI**

Private Equity Executive, AVP Investcorp Bank. Murat has more than 10 years' private equity experience in Leveraged Buyout, Growth Capital and Venture Capital transactions. He has taken role in c.US\$500M capital deployment into 9 companies in MENA, UK and Turkey since 2006, mainly in Healthcare, TMT, Food and Beverage, Retail, Oil & Gas and Agro Commodities industries. His key competencies include origination, sourcing, structuring, evaluation, negotiation, financing, execution of transactions and financial reporting. He holds several board positions and executive committee representations in different companies. He attended Executive Program in Private Equity at London Business School, holds MSc. in Financial Engineering degree and B.A. in Business Administration degree from Bogazici University.



**ANTIMO CESARO**

Undersecretary at the Italian Ministry of Cultural Heritage and Activities & Tourism (MiBACT). Academic, writer and author of dozens of scientific papers, monographs, he is professor of Political Philosophy and Sciences and of Hermeneutics of Political Languages at the II<sup>o</sup> University of Naples, a position temporarily abandoned to become Member of the Parliament within the XVII Italian Legislature. Graduated with honors in Law at the University in political philosophy Studies of Naples 'Federico II, he has perfected his studies and philosophy of law at the Institute of Political Studies 'S. Pius V 'of Rome and at the University Suor Orsola Benincasa of Naples.









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