



Boao Forum for Asia Rome Conference

December 4-5, 2018
The Westin Excelsior Rome, Italy

Asia-Europe Leaders' Cooperation Dialogue

Tuesday, December 4th

14:00 - 18:00 Registration

15:30 - 17:30 [Asia-Europe CEO Roundtable](#)
(invitation only)

Trianon, Lower Level, The Westin Excelsior Rome

Leading Technology Industry Trends

- The expanding frontiers of science have been constantly capturing our imagination about the origin of the world and ourselves. The Fourth Industrial Revolution, together with the Internet of Everything and 5G, calls for coordinated development on a global scale.
- What frontier technologies and business models will become the next super powerhouses of growth that will transform human society and business development?
- How can companies leverage the opportunities of global innovation to strengthen their innovation capabilities in core technologies in this new era?
- How can Asia and Europe achieve win-win cooperation in major scientific and technological breakthroughs in strategic emerging industries, technology transfer and IPR protection?
- What role should the government play in technology development? What success stories can we learn from developed countries in this regard?

Moderator

- LI Zengxin, Global News Editor and Editorial Member, Caixin Media

Address

- LI Baodong, Secretary General, Boao Forum for Asia
- Ambrosetti

Participants

- Esko AHO, Former Prime Minister of Finland and Innovation Expert
- AN Li, Vice President, Airbnb China
- Alexei CHEKUNKOV, CEO, Far East Development Fund



- DAI Wenyuan, Founder&CEO, 4 Paradigma
- Hazem Ben-GACEM, Co-Chief Executive Officer of Investcorp
- Luigi GAMBARDELLA, President, ChinaEU
- LIN Yanjun, CFO, gfgroup.com
- LIU Bing, Co-President, Hengchang Litong Investment Management (Beijing) Co.,Ltd
- LIU Jiong, Founder, Lanting Capital
- Giulio DE METRIO, Chief Operating Officer, SEA Group
- WANG Jun, Founder, iCarbonX
- WU Zuoyi, President, SK China
- XIE Yun, Chief Scientist, HNA Technology Co.,Ltd
- YING Shuling, CEO, Versus Programming Network (VSPN)
- ZHANG Lu, Founder & Managing Partner, Fusion Fund

19:30 - 21:30

Welcome Dinner

Pinacoteca del Tesoriere

Piazza di San Luigi De' Francesi 37 | Palazzo Patrizi, 00186 Rome, Italy

(Invitation only)

Welcome Remarks

- Valerio DE MOLLI, Managing Partner and CEO, The European House - Ambrosetti
- ZHOU Xiaochuan, Vice Chairman, Boao Forum for Asia; Vice Chairman of the 12th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference; Former Governor of the People's Bank of China
- LI Ruiyu, Chinese Ambassador to Italy
- Ettore SEQUI, Italian Ambassador to China

Music Performance

Wednesday, December 5th

08:00 - 12:00 **Registration**

09:00 - 10:30 **Opening Ceremony and Plenary Session**

A Dialogue with Asia-Europe Leaders: Facing up to De-Globalisation

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Moderator

- Mariangela PIRA, Anchor, SKY Italy

Welcome Remarks

- LI Baodong, Secretary-General, Boao Forum for Asia
- Valerio De MOLLI, Managing Partner, The European House - Ambrosetti

Speakers



- ZHOU Xiaochuan, Vice Chairman, Boao Forum for Asia; Vice Chairman of the 12th National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference; Former Governor of the People's Bank of China
- Jeroem DIJSSELBLOEM, Former Chairman of Eurogroup and Minister of Finance of The Netherlands
- Lorenzo FIORAMONTI, Italian Deputy Minister for Education, Research and Innovation
- Peter MANDELSON, President, Policy Network; Former European Commissioner for Trade
- Surakiart SATHIRATHAI, Chairman of APRC, Former Deputy Prime Minister of Thailand

10:30 - 10:45 **Coffee Break**

10:45 - 12:15 **Session 1**
5 Years on: Retrospect and Prospect of Belt and Road Initiative

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- Given the scope of its geographic landscape, member countries of the Belt& Road Initiative are at different phases of economic development. As far as economic diversity and gaps between nations are concerned, what are the challenges that may arise in practice?
- What success stories can be learned from the initiative? What are the issues that remain to be seen and addressed?

Moderator

- MA Jun, Director of the Center for Finance and Development, Tsinghua National Institute of Financial Research

Panelists

- CHEN Feng, Co-founder, Chairman of the Board of Directors, HNA Group
- Enrico LETTA, Italian former Prime Minister
- LI Bo, Vice Chairman, All-China Federation of Returned Overseas Chinese, ACFROC
- Giulio De METRIO, Chief Operating Officer, SEA Group

12:15 - 13:30 **Buffet Lunch**

14:00 - 15:30 **Session 2**
The Future of Digital Economy

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- How will digital technology reshape the future of economy?
- Amid the bewildering array of emerging technologies ranging from Artificial Intelligence to big data, cloud computing, the Internet of



Things and blockchain, which are the technologies that really merit our attention?

- What are the strengths and weaknesses of the digital economy of Asia and Europe?
- What success stories can be shared between Asia and Europe in terms of technological collaboration in the age of open innovation?

Moderator

- Valerio De MOLLI, Managing Partner, The European House – Ambrosetti

Panelists

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- Alexei CHEKUNKOV, CEO, Far East Development Fund
- LIU Bing, Co-President, Hengchang Litong Investment Management (Beijing) Co.,Ltd

15:30 - 16:00 *Coffee Break*

16:00 - 17:30 Session 3
Sustainability as a Driver for Growth

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- What does sustainability mean and what measures can track sustainable progress-or lack of it? In 2012, the UN Conference on Sustainable Development in Rio took a broad view that sustainable progress must cover all three dimensions that affect people's life chances: social, economic and environmental.
- Does growth really have to come at the cost of environmental protection? And vice versa?
- The European Union is building "sustainability" as a new growth engine and competitive driver for the future. Asia, on the other hand, is home to a large number of developing countries. Despite their rapid economic progress, growth remains their priority in view of their wide gap with the developed world. In this context, how can Asia achieve "sustainable growth" to solve the either-or dilemma and harmonize environmental protection with growth?
- What successful experiments have we conducted in leveraging finance to support sustainable growth?
- When it comes to urban sustainability, key areas are mobility, housing, clean energy, waste management and ICT. What are the challenges that different cities around the world, with different backgrounds have to face in the next few years?
- The most recent evidence on climate change emphasizes the fact that the traditional energy model, based on the production of energy exclusively from fossil sources, is no longer attainable. As sustainable energy policies are a priority both from political and economic



standpoints, how electricity can lead the current energy transition and simultaneously represent a significant industrial opportunity?

Moderator

- ZHANG Yansheng, Senior Researcher Fellow, Academic Committee of National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC); Chief Research Fellow, China Center for International Economic Exchanges (CCIEE)

Panelists

- Enrico GIOVANNINI, Economist and Founder of ASviS
- Chris MARLIN, Founder and President, Lennar International
- ZHANG Guohou, Executive Vice President, CHN Energy

17:30 - 17:45

Closing

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Moderator

- Mariangela PIRA, Anchor, SKY Italy

Remarks

- Giovanni TRIA, Italian Minister of Economy and Finance
- LI Baodong, Secretary-General, Boao Forum for Asia
- Romano PRODI, Former Prime Minister of Italy
- Paolo BORZATTA, Senior Partner, The European House – Ambrosetti

*Conference speakers in alphabetical order

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