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09:45–10:00 Registration

10:00–10:45 Opening Remarks

- Hon. Simone Billi, Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Republic
- Mr. Vugar Hajiyev, Chargé d'Affaires a.i., Embassy of Azerbaijan
- Dr. Daniele Scalea, President, Fondazione Machiavelli
- Dr. Farid Shafiyev, Chairman, AIR Center

10:45–11:45 Panel I:
The Italy-Azerbaijan Strategic Partnership and European Energy Security

The multidimensional strategic partnership between Italy and Azerbaijan: energy cooperation and security, Italy's role as a privileged gateway to the European market, and the prospects for deepening political and economic dialogue.

- Dr. Vasif Huseynov, Head of the Western Studies Department, AIR Center
- Hon. Azer Karimli, Member of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan
- Hon. Elena Murelli, Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Republic
- Mr. Alexandre D. Rovere, Non-Resident Author, Fondazione Machiavelli
- Sen. Marco Scurria, Chairman, Azerbaijan-Italy Friendship Group

11:45–12:45 Panel II:
Regional Connectivity and Energy Cooperation

Regional connectivity projects. The Middle Corridor and Azerbaijan's role in strengthening logistics and transport links between Europe, Central Asia and China. The current state of Italy/EU-Azerbaijan cooperation in the energy sector. New export project opportunities.

- Mr. Damjan Krnjevic, Professor of Practice, ADA University
- Mr. Marco Mannocchi, Head of Public & Government Relations, Italiana Petroli (SOCAR Group)
- Hon. Tahir Mirkishili, Member of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan
- Mr. Gianclaudio Torlizzi, Senior Fellow, Fondazione Machiavelli
- Representative of Eni (TBC)

12:45–13:15 Concluding Remarks

Please submit the form or email us by 12 noon on Nov. 23 in order to participate ☞
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