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11:00	Accreditamento partecipanti indiani
11:30 - 12:30	**Incontro delegazione imprenditoriale Indiana con le Agenzie del Sistema Italia**
13:00	Accreditamento partecipanti italiani
14:00 - 16:00	***Networking lunch* e incontri B2B tra imprese italiane e indiane**
16:00 - 17:40	**Sessioni tematiche** • Automotive e componentistica per autoveicoli • Macchinari per l'industria e la filiera agroalimentare • Chimico e farmaceutico
16:00 - 17:40	**Forum Innovazione**
16:00 - 17:00	**Incontro: la collaborazione bilaterale sulle energie rinnovabili**
	SESSIONE PLENARIA
17:45	**Presentazione degli esiti delle sessioni tematiche**
18:10	**Interventi istituzionali** **Antonio TAJANI** Vice Presidente del Consiglio e Ministro degli Affari Esteri e della Cooperazione Internazionale della Repubblica Italiana **Piyush GOYAL** Ministro del Commercio e dell'Industria della Repubblica dell'India
18:30	**Il rafforzamento del partenariato economico tra Italia e India** Interventi delle Agenzie del Sistema Italia e di rappresentanti imprenditoriali di Italia e India
19:00	**Conclusione dei lavori e *networking cocktail***

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11:00	Registration of Indian participants
11:30 - 12:30	**Meeting of the indian business delegation with Italian Promotion Agencies**
13:00	Registration of Italian participants
14:00 - 16:00	**Networking lunch and B2B between Indian and Italian companies**
16:00 - 17:40	**Thematic sessions** • Automotive and Automotive Components • Industrial and Agri-food Machinery • Pharmaceuticals & Chemicals
16:00 - 17:40	**Innovation Forum**
16:00 - 17:00	**Meeting: bilateral cooperation on Renewable Energy**
	PLENARY SESSION
17:45	Presentation of the outcomes of the thematic discussions
18:10	**Institutional Addresses** **Antonio TAJANI** Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Italy **Piyush GOYAL** Minister of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of India
18:30	**Strengthening economic partnership between Italy and India** Remarks by Italian Promotion Agencies and Italian and Indian business representatives
19:00	**End of proceedings and networking cocktail**

MEETING WITH ITALIAN PROMOTION AGENCIES

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11:30 **INTERVENTIONS**

Maurizio Forte, Managing Director, Export Promotion Department, Italian Trade Agency
Italy and India: Partnering for Industrial and Technological Growth – The Activity of the Italian Trade Agency

Elia Rossi, Head of Corporate Relations Centre-Italy, CDP
Connecting Italy and India: CDP' tools to support business growth

Riccardo Mariano, Senior Advisor Institutional Relations, SACE
SACE's instruments to support trade between Italy and India

Cristiana di Tommaso, Business promotion and strategic advisory, SIMEST
SIMEST: Financial Instruments to Support Italian Companies' Growth and Partnerships in India

12:15 **Q&A SESSION**

THEMATIC SESSIONS

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16:00-17:40 **THEMATIC SESSION**

AUTOMOTIVE AND COMPONENTS

16:00 **OPENING REMARKS**

Roberto Vavassori, President ANFIA

Overview of the Italian automotive sector and future collaboration with the Indian industry

Saurabh Sanyal, Secretary General, ASSOCHAM

16:20 **INTERVENTIONS**

Gianmarco Giorda, Director General ANFIA

Cecilia Giannini, COO - Internationalization and Incoming, Indian Chamber of Commerce in Italy

Telling the Story of the Italian Automotive Landscape in India. The role of the Indian Chamber of Commerce

16:30 **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

Interventions by Italian and Indian Companies

17:30 **CONCLUSIONS BY THE CO-CHAIRS**

17:40 **END OF SESSION**

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INDUSTRIAL AND AGRI-FOOD MACHINERY

16:00 **OPENING REMARKS**

Bruno Bettelli, President Federmacchine
The Italian capital good industry: market size, industries and offering, challenges. The cooperation between Italy and India

Avantika Saraogi, Executive Director Balrampur Cheeni Mills Ltd and FICCI representative

Luigi Pio Scordamaglia, CEO Filiera Italia
Indian and Italian Agri-Food Supply Chains: Synergies and Complementarities

16:25 **INTERVENTIONS**

Anna Mareschi Danieli, Board Member of AIICP, India-Italy Association for Cooperation and Partnership, and Board Member of Danieli & C.

Gian Paolo Crasta, Secretary General Federmacchine and Director General Ucima
India and Capital Goods: a market overview with a focus on food packaging

Alessandro Durante, Director External and International Relations, Federazione Anima
Italian tech for farming for the profitability of the agri-food sector and the long-term durability of food production

Claudio Maffioletti, Secretary General, Indo-Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mumbai
From Machines to Value Chains. Italy–India industrial cooperation: anchor investments, agro-industrial modernization and SME market entry

16:45 **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

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PHARMACEUTICALS & CHEMICALS

16:00 **OPENING REMARKS**

THE ITALIAN PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY

Marcello Cattani, President Farmindustria

Michele Uda, Director General Egualia

16:15 **THE ITALIAN CHEMICAL INDUSTRY**

Fulvio Renoldi Bracco, Vice President Federchimica

16:30 **THE INDIAN CHEMICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRY**

Teja Maganti, CEO Medi Mold - Design and Fabrication – Andhra Pradesh Medtech Zone

16:45 **INDUSTRY ROUNDTABLE**

Hints for discussion

- Chemicals: One Health; Sustainability
  Lead Fulvio Renoldi Bracco
- Pharmaceutical: Strengthening the production chain; Technical training
  Lead Marcello Cattani

Lavanya Kumar, Consul General of India, Milan

16:55 **OPEN DISCUSSION**

Interventions by Italian and Indian Companies

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17:40 **END OF SESSION**

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Mauro Battocchi, Director General for Growth and Export Promotion, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation
H.E. Vani Rao, Ambassador of India to Italy

16:10 **PRESENTATION OF THE ITALIAN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**
Emanuele Levi, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Director CDP Venture Capital
Alberto Luigi Sangiovanni-Vincentelli, President Foundation CHIPS IT
Fiorenza Succu, Chief Evangelist AI4I
Claudio Arlandini, AI Enabling Manager CINECA
Sara Marzella, Quantum Computing Coordinator - CINECA
Samuele Morales, Technology Transfer Directorate, Innovation and Development Office – Italian Institute of Technology

16:30 **PRESENTATION OF THE INDIAN INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM**
Cheshta Jain, Manager, Start Up India, DPIIT, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Government of India

16:40 **INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVE:**
Kshitij Khatri, Founder and CEO, Eclipticon Software
Namrata Soni, Founder and CEO, Rayush Naturals
Nitin Purohit, Director, Nimo Labs India Pvt Ltd

16:55 **ROUNDTABLE & DISCUSSION BETWEEN INDIAN AND ITALIAN COMPANIES**

17:20 **END OF SESSION**

PLENARY SESSION

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17:45 **PRESENTATION OF THE OUTCOMES OF THE THEMATIC DISCUSSIONS**

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Ravi Sam, MD, Adwait Lakshmi Industries Pvt Ltd

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Piyush GOYAL, Minister of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of India

18:30 **STRENGTHENING ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN ITALY AND INDIA**
Dario Scannapieco, CEO Cassa Depositi e Prestiti
Matteo Zoppas, President Italian Trade Agency *tbc*
Regina Corradini D'Arienzo, CEO Simest
Alessandro Terzulli, Chief Economist SACE

CLOSING REMARKS
Vijay Mehta, Founder and Chairman MEFCOM Capital Mkt Ltd
Leopoldo Destro, Vice President Confindustria

19:00 **END OF PROCEEDINGS AND NETWORKING COCKTAIL**

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