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Programme

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- 8:30 - 9.15 Registration**
- 9:15 - 9:30 **Welcome address by the European Commission**
ÿ Mr Pier Virgilio Dastoli, *Head of Commission Representation in Italy (tbc)*
ÿ Mr Per-Ove Engelbrecht, *Head of Unit, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*
- 9:30 - 9:45 **Welcome address by the Italian Government and ABI**
ÿ Mr. Antonello Lapalorcia, *Head of the office for EU and international industrial policies, Ministry for Economic Development*
ÿ Mr Alessandro Azzi, *Vice-President of the Italian Banking Association*
- 9:45 - 10:15 **European Union SME policies**
ÿ Mr Angelo Wille, *Financing Innovation and SMEs, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 10:15 - 11:00 **Competitiveness and Innovation Programme – financial instruments**
ÿ Mr Alessandro Tappi, *Head of Guarantees, European Investment Fund*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 11:00 - 11:45 **Experience of EU financial instruments in Italy**
ÿ Mr Giampaolo Molon, *CEO & General Manager, Banca Popolare di Garanzia, coordinator of ALL.GAR*
ÿ Mr Giorgio Guarena, *General Manager, Unionfidi Piemonte*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 11:45 - 12:15 Coffee break (and Commission video clip)**
- 11:45 - 12:15 Press meeting**
- 12:15 - 12:30 **Role of the new Enterprise Europe Network in Italy**
ÿ Ms Antonella Marras, *Mondimpresa, Enterprise Europe Network in Italy*
- 12:30 - 13:00 **Guarantee mechanisms of SMEs' external finance**
ÿ Mr Francesco Bellotti, *President, Federconfidi, AECM member in Italy*
- 13:00 - 13:30 **Equity sources of SMEs' external finance**
ÿ Ms Alessandra Bechi, *AIFI - Italian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association*
ÿ Mr Carlo Paris, *Board Member of the Italian Business Angels Network*
- 13:30 - 15:00 Networking lunch offered**
- 15:00 - 15:20 **Joint European Resources for Micro to Medium Enterprises initiative (JEREMIE)**
ÿ Mr Bruno Robino, *Head of Region, Regional Business Development, European Investment Fund*
ÿ *Questions and answers*
- 15:20 - 16:45 **Panel discussion - sharing experience and challenges ahead:**
ÿ Mr Vesa Vanhanen, *Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission (moderator)*
ÿ Mr Sergio Scicchitano, *Ministry for Economic Development*
ÿ Mr Gioacchino Catanzaro, *Ministry for Economic Development*
ÿ Ms Francesca Brunori, *Secretary General, Federconfidi*
ÿ Mr Gennaro Ramazio, *European Investment Bank, Italian Office*
ÿ Mr Sandro Pettinato, *Head of the financial services, infrastructure and internationalisation Dept, Unioncamere*
ÿ Ms Alessandra Perrazzelli, *Head of Intesa San Paolo Eurodesk*
- 16:45 - 17:00 **Closing address**
ÿ Mr Per-Ove Engelbrecht, *Head of Unit, DG Enterprise and Industry, European Commission*
ÿ Mr Giuseppe Zadra, *CEO of the Italian Banking Association; Chairman of the Executive Committee of the European Banking Federation*