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#### INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

## The Arab Spring one year later Italy and the Countries of the Mediterranean Southern shore

A MULTIPARTY DISCUSSION ON CULTURE,  
SOCIETY AND POLICY-MAKING

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*“...and seas  
but join the regions  
they divide ...”*

(A. Pope, La foresta di Windsor, 1713)

# Programme

## 9.00 ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS AND WELCOME

## 9.30 GREETINGS AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

### Massimo Marrelli

Chancellor, University Federico II of Naples

### Marco Musella

Dean of the Faculty of Political Science, University Federico II of Naples

### Umberto Ranieri

President, Fondazione Mezzogiorno Europa

### Pierfrancesco Sacco

Head of the Unit for Analysis, Planning and Historic Diplomatic Documentation, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

## 10.15-11.30 INTRODUCTORY SESSION

### THE RISE, FOSTERING AND ORGANIZATION OF AN OPEN SOCIETY: REFLECTIONS ON THE “ARAB SPRING” ONE YEAR LATER

#### Chairperson

### Hassan Abouyoub

Ambassador of the Kingdom of Morocco to Rome

#### Participants

### Ahmed Abdulhadi

Representative of the Association of Libyan graduates in Italy

### Essam Elhaddad

Head of Foreign Relations, Egyptian Freedom and Justice Party

### Maurizio Massari

Italian Foreign Minister's Special Envoy for the Countries of the Mediterranean and the Middle East

### Massimo De Leonardis

Head of the Department of Political Sciences, Sacro Cuore Catholic University, Milan

### Renzo Guolo

Professor, University of Padua

### Merdjana Abdelouahab

Secretary General, Algerian National Advisory Commission for the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights (CNCPPDH)

### Taïeb Zahar

Director of the Tunisian weekly magazine Réalités

## 11.45-13.00 SECOND SESSION INTRODUCTION TO AFTERNOON PANELS

### EXPANDING THE PROCESS OF AWARE PARTICIPATION: POLITICAL MOVEMENTS, RULING CLASS TRAINING, MOBILITY AND SOCIAL INCLUSION

#### Chairperson

### Alfredo Mazzei

Vice-President, Fondazione Mezzogiorno Europa

#### Participants

### Nadia Ait Zai

Head of the Algerian Information and Documentation Center for the Rights of Women and Children

### Osama Al Saghir

Member of the Tunisian National Constituent Assembly, Ennahdha Party

### Elisabetta Belloni

Director General for Development Cooperation, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

### Nicola Formichella

Italian MP and National Officer for Education and Training, PDL Party

### Emad Gad

Member of the Egyptian People's Assembly, Social Democratic Party

### Maurizio Melani

Director General for Country Promotion, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

### Caterina Miraglia

Councillor for Culture, Campania Region

### Annamaria Parente

National Officer for Education and Training, PD Party, Italy

### Franco Rizzi

Secretary General, UniMed

### Saad Tazi

Editor-in-Chief of the Moroccan newspaper Le Soir

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## 13.00 LUNCH BUFFET

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## 13.45 GUIDED TOUR OF THE EXHIBITION “CULTURE AND TRAINING IN THE MEDITERRANEAN: ROOTS AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE ITALIAN ENGAGEMENT” (optional)

## AFTERNOON SESSION 14.15-17.00 PANEL SESSIONS

PANEL 1: Current status and prospects of cooperation between Italy and the countries of the Mediterranean Southern shore in the fields of education, research and training (roll-out of the Mediterranean chapter of Erasmus and Erasmus Mundus programs; SSPA, UNIMED, FEDERICA projects; programs of vocational training for local personnel in arts and crafts – leather, goldsmith, textiles etc. – involving relevant Italian SMEs, to be implemented also through our regional Institutes of Culture).

#### Chairperson

### Matteo Pizzigallo

Fondazione Mezzogiorno Europa

#### Participants

### Ahmed Abdulhadi

Representative of the Association of Libyan graduates in Italy

### Latifa Akherbach

University lecturer and former Secretary of State of the Moroccan Ministry of Foreign Affairs

### Hmaid Ben Aziza

Chancellor, University of Tunis

### Mauro Calise and Rosanna De Rosa

Coordinators of e-learning project “Federica”, University of Naples Federico II

### Arnaldo Dante Marianacci

Head of the Italian Cultural Institute in Cairo

### Abderrezzak Dourari

Professor of Language sciences, University of Algiers

### Jelal Ezzine

Director General for International Cooperation, Tunisian Ministry of Higher Education

### Gaetano Manfredi

Acting Chancellor, University of Naples Federico II

### Luigi Merolla

Head of the Italian Cultural Institute of Tunis

### Mohamed Moktary

Deputy Dean and Full Professor of Italian and comparative literature, Mohammed V University of Rabat

### Benedetta Papisogli

Full Professor of French Literature, University Maria SS. Assunta - LUMSA, Rome

### Massimo Riccardo

Deputy Director for Country Promotion, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

### Giovanni Tria

President, Italian National School of Government (SSPA)

PANEL 2: Current status and prospects of cooperation between Italy and the countries of the Mediterranean Southern shore for the training of political cadres and to foster an open, democratic and inclusive society (the role of schools of political education on both shores).

#### Chairperson

### Osama Al Saghir

Member of the Tunisian National Constituent Assembly, Ennahdha Party

#### Participants

### Essam Elhaddad

Head of Foreign Relations, Egyptian Freedom and Justice Party

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Member of the Morocco Parliament, PJD party

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### Annamaria Parente

National Officer for Education and Training, PD Party, Italy

### Hocine Khaldoun

National Liberation Front Whip, Algerian National Popular Assembly

## 17.00 CONCLUSIONS

### Matteo Pizzigallo

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