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At Raisina Dialogue, Delhi India - Francesco S. Parisi and Alberto Pasino advocate for Trieste as the European Gateway to IMEC - the New Golden Road

Francesco S. Parisi, President of the "Trieste Summit" Association, and Alberto Pasino, a member of its Board of Directors, participated in the prestigious Raisina Dialogue in New Delhi. The Raisina Dialogue, sponsored by the Ministry of External Affairs is the Indian equivalent of "Munich Security Conference," with representatives from over 125 countries including Ministers, current and former Heads of State and Heads of Government, Military Commanders, Captains of Industry, Technology Leaders, Academics, Journalists, Scholars on Strategic Affairs, Experts from leading Think Tanks, and Youth.

Parisi and Pasino were invited to present the mission of "Trieste Summit": positioning the Port of Trieste as the optimal entry point for the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC) into Central Europe. During the event, Francesco Parisi addressed high level panels and media events - [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPRFgEcNSVg>].

One of the highlights of the event was the Round Table discussion on "IMEC: The Resurrection of the Golden Road", sponsored by the US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF) and the Heritage Foundation. Among the key participants were: Pierroberto Folgiero - CEO Fincantieri, Ambassador Zanardi Landi - Pirelli, Antonio Bartoli - Italian Ambassador to India, Eden Bar Tal DG Min. of Foreign Affairs; Inia Reuven Azar Israel Ambassador to India; Naor Gilon - fmr Israeli Ambassador to Italy and Hungary; plus senior officials from India, U.S. and other IMEC nations. Industry executives from JP Morgan, Cargill, FedEx, Maersk, Dell Technologies, Blackstone were also present. Trieste Association Advisory Board members Dr. Kaush Arha and Dr. James Carafano offered opening remarks and moderated the discussions.

All Italian representatives enthusiastically championed Trieste as the optimal European gateway for IMEC. This position was strongly reiterated in the speeches of Dr. Folgiero, President Francesco Parisi and Ambassador Bartoli.

At the conclusion of the meeting, there was a shared interest in organizing a follow up India-Italy business meeting in Trieste, and many of the distinguished participants expressed their interest to visit the free port to appreciate its logistical and strategic advantages in accessing the heart of Europe.

Following the roundtable, representatives of "Trieste Summit" were invited for a bi-lateral meeting with the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII). During the discussions it was agreed to arrange a future business meeting aimed at facilitating match-making opportunities between Italian and Indian industries including but not limited to logistics and port management, metallurgy and electromechanics, digital technology and service, energy, health services, medical devices and pharmaceuticals, wine and spirits etc.

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