

Due to COVID-19 emergency, The Trieste - Eastern Europe Investment Forum,
Investment and Finance for the Post-Covid Recovery

will be held
with a webinar on 9th of June.

The Trieste's Forum has been a traditional place of meeting and discussion among policymakers, regulators professionals, academia, and stakeholders of the financial services sector from countries of the South-Eastern Europe (SEE) since 2016. It is a flagship event for our Federation in collaboration with the MIB - Trieste School of Management and a traditional appointment for the financial community, with more than 30 speakers from different countries and is recognized as one of the main economic and financial events in the region, focusing on investment, financial markets, economic integration and development. In these unprecedented times, the Forum will be held in a digital form.

Thank you again for your interest and participation

Trieste's Forum, as a permanent venue and opportunity to strengthening dialogue and cooperation among the financial communities of the area, promotes the development of local, national and regional markets. It aims at relaunching infrastructure and SME financing, integrating capital markets, and above all supporting stability employment and growth in the region and in wider Europe. The program of this year has been reviewed considering the recent events related to health and economic emergency. We are strongly committed to give a positive sign of continuity holding FeBAF's Forum even in this unprecedented season.

Since 2017, the annual reports presented at the Forum - *The Role of Banking, Insurance and Finance in South Eastern Europe* - deliver a complete overview and data about macroeconomic environment, banking and insurance markets and other financial institutions for all the SEE countries, including comparative analysis and relations with the EU and global financial markets. Moreover, our consultant, Prof. Safet Kozarevic from the Faculty of Economics of University of Tuzla, focuses the report on some specific countries. Report's data are collected from institutions' annual reports and some of these institutions are also directly involved in providing data to our report's authors. This year contributions are delivered from Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Greece, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Romania, Serbia, Slovenia, Turkey and Ukraine.

As a best practice, before completing and publishing the report an additional check is made with countries' financial institutions and stakeholders (central banks, supervisory authorities, banking and insurance associations, etc.). Representatives of these institutions regularly attend the final meeting in Trieste.

Agenda includes confirmed speakers as Gabriele Galateri di Genola (Chairman, Assicurazioni Generali), Enzo Quattrocioche (Secretary General EBRD), Rick Watson (Managing Director, Head of Capital Markets AFME), Dario Focarelli (General Manager ANIA), Jim Turnbull (Associate Director Local Currency and Capital Markets Development, EBRD), Anna Gervasoni (General Manager AIFI), and Paolo Garonna (Secretary general, FeBAF). They and many other speakers will discuss about

topics such as the new geo-political context after the pandemic shock, social protection and investment opportunities and funding, the recovery phase - developing local capital markets to finance growth and increase liquidity.

We are waiting for you online on the 9th June 2020, starting at 12:45, and look forward to meeting you again in Trieste in 2021.

The Italian Banking Insurance and Finance Federation (FeBAF) was established in 2008 by the Italian Banking Association (ABI) and the Italian Insurance Association (ANIA). The Federation, which acts as a forum for the investment and financial industry, currently comprises thirteen Italian Associations operating on the financial markets: ABI, ANIA, AIFI, and ADEPP, AIPB, ANFIR, ASSOFIDUCIARIA, ASSOFIN, ASSOGESTIONI, ASSOIMMOBILIARE, ASSOPREVIDENZA, ASSORETI, ASSOSIM. It is based in Rome and Brussels.

The Federation:

- is open to collaboration with other business associations;
- promotes the role of the banking, insurance and financial industry in harmony with Italy's general interests;
- represents the positions of member associations on economic and social policies in relations with political and monetary authorities and trade associations and towards public opinion;
- protects business logic and spreads a culture of competitiveness, by promoting transparency and service to consumers and savers in the banking, insurance and financial industries.

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