

On the occasion of the opening of its Abu Dhabi office, Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners has the pleasure to invite you to a conference

## "Business in the Emirates: a Global Platform?"

Rome, Wednesday 30 March 2011 at 9.00 am Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners Via delle Quattro Fontane, 20

- 9.00 Welcome coffee and registration
- 9.30 Welcome speech

Francesco Gianni Senior Partner, GOGP

**9.40** Introduction:

Giorgio Starace Italian Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates

10.00 Session One

The United Arab Emirates. Culture, economy and geopolitics

Moderator

Francesco Gianni Senior Partner, GOGP

Panelists:

Alessandro Castellano Managing Director, SACE

Pietro Celi General Manager Ministry of Economic Development

Pierfrancesco Gaggi Head of International Relations, ABI

Giancarlo Lanna President, Simest

Ivanhoe Lo Bello President, Confindustria Sicilia

Bashir Siman Advisor to the Board, Al Farida Investments

- 11.15 Coffee Break
- 11.30 Session Two

The Opportunities: attractive business sectors and success stories

Moderator:

Domenico Tulli Partner, GOGP

Panelists

Matteo Codazzi Managing Director, CESI

Massimo D'Aiuto Managing Director and General Manager, Simest

Carlo Persico Deputy General Manager International Network, Intesa Sanpaolo

Paolo Pozzessere Sales Director, Finmeccanica

Vittorio Terzi Office Manager, McKinsey Mediterranean Complex

12.30 Session Three

The Rules: legal system, Islamic finance and taxation of cross-border transactions

Moderator:

Renato Giallombardo Partner, GOGP

Panelists:

Alberto Brugnoni President, Assaif

Fabio Chiarenza Senior Associate, GOGP

Massimo Papa Professor of Islamic Law and Legal Systems,

University of Rome "Tor Vergata"

Omar Sawaf Legal Counsel

13.15 Closing Remarks

Ahmed Ali Al Katheeri Partner and Managing Director, AAA Investment

13.30 Buffet Lunch

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