



## ***OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FOR ITALY – US COOPERATION ON ENERGY AND CIRCULARITY First bilateral dialogue***

**26 OCTOBER 2023 - EMBASSY OF ITALY IN WASHINGTON - USA**  
**10.00 am - 3.30 pm**

The energy transition is a complex process that cannot find univocal answers but requires sharing of policies and solutions and an inclusive approach towards available technologies, taking into consideration differences that exist between the different geographical areas of the world.

In the complex economic and social context we are experiencing, there is the awareness and collective will to achieve the energy transition goals aimed at the sustainability and decarbonisation of energy supplies. Energy transition is therefore confirmed as a priority on the global political agenda and Italy-US cooperation can offer wide opportunities in energy and circularity policies, technologies and solutions.

In this context WEC Italy – the Italian National Committee of the World Energy Council - WEC US – the United State Member Committee of the World Energy Council - and Globe Italy - National Association for Climate – organize the First bilateral dialogue on opportunities and challenges for Italy-US cooperation on energy and circularity, that will be held in Washington D.C., on 26 October 2023, at the Embassy of Italy, The Conference aims to foster the dialogue between Italian industrial energy and circularity excellences and US institutional and industrial stakeholders and plumb opportunities for collaboration between the two Countries towards the energy transition.

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## AGENDA

10.00 am - 3.30 pm, Embassy of Italy in Washington  
3000 Whitehaven Street NW, Washington, DC 20008 - USA

- 10 am** **Welcome Address**  
ALESSANDRO GONZALES, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Italy to the US
- 10.10 am** **Opening Remarks**  
NEIL WILMSHURST, Chairman, WEC USA  
MARCO MARGHERI, Chairman, WECItaly  
PIERO PELIZZARO, Scientific Director, Globe Italy
- 10.30 am** **Keynote Speech**  
GEOFF PYATT, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Energy Resources, Department of State
- 10.45 am** **The US perspective on new transatlantic energy relations**  
JOSHUA VOLZ, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Africa, Middle East, Europe & Eurasia, Department of Energy
- 11.00 am** **An Italian energy excellence: regulation as a backbone of a secure competitor and sustainable energy market**  
STEFANO BESSEGHINI, Chairman Italian Regulatory Authority for Energy, Networks and Environment, ARERA
- 11.15 am** **Coffee Break**
- 11.30 am** **Industrial energy expertise fostering transition**  
RONAN GULSTONE, Chief of Staff, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
JENNIFER GORDON, Director Nuclear Energy Policy Initiative, Atlantic Council Global Energy Center  
KATIE JEREZA, Corporate Vice President, Corporate Affairs, EPRI  
SIMONE NISI, Institutional Affairs Director, Edison  
BERARDO GUZZI, Head Of International Relations, Terna  
KATRIEN VERLINDEN, President & CEO Saipem America Inc. & Saipem Regional Manager Americas  
SALVO VITALE, General Counsel, US Wind  
MEGAN BEAUREGARD, Head of Legal Corporate Affairs, Institutional and Regulatory Affairs USA&CANADA, Enel North America
- American energy transition and the future for energy jobs**  
SAMANTHA GROSS, Director, Energy Security and Climate Initiative at The Brookings Institution  
MELANIE A. KENDERDINE, Principal, Executive Vice President, Energy Futures Initiative
- Chairman:* MARCO MARGHERI, Chairman WEC Italy
- 1.00 pm** **Lunch**
- 2.00 pm** **Bracing for (less) impact: powering a circular energy transition**  
**Institutional Address**  
DAVID LIVINGSTON, Office of the Special Presidential Envoy for Climate
- Industrial Panel**  
CLARA ANDREOLETTI, CEO, EniNext  
TRENT BAUSERMAN, Head of Federal Affairs at Commonwealth Fusion Systems  
BRENDAN WILLIAMS, Head of Government Relations at PBF Energy  
JORDAN HAVERLY, Federal Public Affairs Manager, Neste US  
SETH LEVEY, Head of U.S. Government Relations and Corporate Affairs, Glencore  
WILLIAM TOBIN, Assistant Director, Global Energy Center at Atlantic Council
- Chairman:* PAOLO D'ERMO, Secretary General WEC Italy
- 3.30 pm** **Conclusions**