BUSINESS ETHICS SUMMIT

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THE HUMILITY OF POWER: IGNORANCE, ERROR, AND RESPONSIBILITY IN HIGH-IMPACT TECHNOLOGY

8:45 AM
WELCOME COFFEE

9:15 AM
MODERATOR WELCOME

- **Cristiana Falcone**
  Co-Founder, Business Ethics Summit

How do we exercise power responsibly
in a world transformed by technology?

Our discussions today are organized around three questions:

Session 1
What becomes uniquely human when intelligence becomes abundant?
Session 2
What are we too certain about?
Session 3
What does responsible power require?

Together these questions form a journey:
From intelligence.
To power.
To responsibility.

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9:20 AM

OPENING LECTURE

Socrates, Ignorance and the Humility of Power

- **Father Philip Larrey**
  Professor of Philosophy, Boston College (USA)

9:30 AM

SESSION 1

What Becomes Uniquely Human When Intelligence Becomes Abundant?

Artificial intelligence is transforming how we create, learn, communicate and make decisions. As intelligence becomes increasingly accessible, this session explores a deeper question: what remains uniquely human? Through discussions on creativity, trust, culture, education and leadership, participants examine the capabilities technology can amplify—and those it cannot replace.

INSTITUTIONAL GREETINGS

Italian AI Regulation

- **Federico Mollicone**
  Member of Parliament of Fratelli d'Italia, Chair of the 7th Committee on Culture, Science and Education, Camera dei deputati
- **Federico Eichberg**
  Head of Cabinet, Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy

FIRE STARTER

- **Jimena Luna**
  Senior Manager, Global AI Policy Lead, Government Relations, Lenovo

DISCUSSION LEADER

- **Nizan Guanes**
  Entrepreneur & Investor on AI and Creativity

Intelligence

- **Enzo Vecciarelli**
  General (Ret.); Former Chief of Defence Staff, Italy; Former Chairman, NATO Military Committee
- **Sameh El-Shahat**
  AI Academy Advisory Board
- **Paolo Cellini**
  Professor of Digital Economics, LUISS; Chief Investment Officer, Deep Ocean Capital
- **Neil Lawrence**
  Professor of Machine Learning, University of Cambridge and Chief Scientist, Trent.AI

Leadership & Human Judgment

- **Richard Attias**
  Chairman of the Executive Committee, FII Institute Founder & Chairman, Richard Attias & Associates
- **Brando Benifei**
  Member of the European Parliament - *remote connection*
- **Elizabeth Churchill**
  Department Chair and Professor of Human Computer Interaction, MBZUAI, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- **Massimo Lapucci**
  Professor of Management of Digital Transformation - LUISS University International Fellow YALE University - Digital Ethics Center
- **Tae Yoo**
  Harvard Advanced Leadership Initiative Senior Fellow, and former head of corporate responsibility and sustainability, Cisco

- **Amanda Rischbieth**
  Amanda Rischbieth Advisory | AI, Governance, Sustainability, Health - Chair, National Blood Authority Australia | Chair, Sailas Technology | Harvard Advanced Leadership Initiative (ALI) Advisory Board President, International Women's Forum Australia

Creativity & Culture

- **Piero Ferrari**
  Vice President, Ferrari
- **Antonio Campo Dall'Orto**
  President, Fondazione Editoriale Domani
- **Donata Meirelles**
  Entrepreneur
- **Ludovica Rossi Purini**
  Artistic Director
- **Chiara Tilesi**
  Founder and CEO of We Do It Together

Truth & Trust

- **Barbara Carfagna**
  Journalist and Anchor, Rai1
- **Michael Maslansky**
  Co Founder of Maslansky & partners and author of the book The Language of Trust
- **Dan Oros**
  COM GOOGLE Central and Eastern Europe

The Next Generation

- **Brian Smith**
  Associate Dean for Research, Lynch School of Education and Human Development, Boston College
- **James Burns**
  President, Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

10:40 AM

SESSION 2

What Are We Too Certain About?

Human progress is often driven by confidence in scientific and technological breakthroughs. Yet history reminds us that certainty can be dangerous. This session explores the assumptions underlying emerging technologies—from quantum computing and nuclear energy to robotics and automation—and asks where humility, caution and intellectual honesty are most needed.

DISCUSSION LEADER

- **Stefano Buono**
  Chief Executive Officer, NewCleo

Energy & The Price of Certainty

- **Rustem Ospanov**
  Founder CEO, Firefly Fusion
- **Giovanni Maria Mazzacani**
  International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs, ENEL
- **Gabriel Andrii**
  EU AntiFraud and Cybercrime specialist within EU Commission

- **Jun Fang**
  Partner, IDG Capital

Video interview

- **Niccolò De Masi**
  Chairman & CEO, IonQ

Quantum & The Limits of Prediction

- **Riccardo Adami**
  Chair Quantum Cryptography, Politecnico di Torino
- **Ugo Boscain**
  Directeur de Recherche CNRS of first class (DR1), equipe INRIA Paris CAGE. Laboratoire Jacques-Louis LionsSorbonne Université (Paris VI)
- **Hugo Shong**
  Chairman, IDG Capital

Technology, Connectivity & World Order

- **Martina Orlea**
  National Defense Advisor, President of Romania
- **Giuseppe Rao**
  Counselor, Director General, Presidency of the Council of Ministers; Professor of Geotechnology, Connectivity and World Order, University of Sassari

Robotics, Automation & Human Agency

- **Bill Russo**
  Founder & CEO, Automobility Limited
- **Marco Santucci**
  Managing Director, Jameel Motors Italia
- **Vishnu Hari**
  Founder and CEO, Ego AI
- **Aleksandar (Sasha) Tomic**
  Associate Dean for Strategy, Innovation and Technology; Director, MS in Applied Economics and MS in Applied Analytics; Associate Professor of the Practice in Economics, Boston College
- **Stefano Mei**
  President, FIDAL

11:40 AM
COFFEE BREAK

11:50 AM

SESSION 3

What Does Responsible Power Require?

As technological capability accelerates, the challenge shifts from innovation itself to governance, responsibility and trust. This session explores how leaders, institutions, businesses and societies can exercise power ethically in a world shaped by artificial intelligence, uncertainty and rapid change.

OPENING REMARKS

- **Gabriele Fava**
  President, INPS

Political & Institutional Power

- **Deborah Bergamini**
  Member of Forza Italia

- **Shama Patari**
  VP & Deputy General Counsel Ethics & Compliance Government Relations, Trade & Privacy Lenovo
- **Alberto Luigi Gusmeroli**
  President, 10th Committee on Productive Activities, Trade and Tourism, Camera dei Deputati
- **Edward Bogan**
  Former CIA and Founder Institute for Study of States of Exception
- **Marco Marzano De Marinis**
  Committee on World Food Security and Nutrition, Senior Advisor

Governance & Corporate Power

- **Andrew Hobbs**
  Partner | Center for Board Matters Leader (EMEIA)
- **Marella Moretti**
  Non Executive Director, Chair of the Audit Committee, Havas NV; Non Executive Director, Banijay NV
- **Charles Kerrigan**
  Partner, CMS; Co-Founder, Dogberry.ai
- **Michelangelo Suigo**
  Chief Public Affairs, Corporate Communication & Sustainability Officer, Engineering Group
- **Anna Puccio**
  Senior Strategy Advisor Trending Peace, E.Y
- **Massimo Redaelli**
  Founder & CEO, PrimaMG
- **Francesco Manzini**
  Managing Director, Grafton

Trust in an Age of Systems

- **Monty C. M. Metzger**
  Partner, Metzger Capital Family Office; CEO, LCX
- **Katarina Metzger**
  Chairwoman, Metzger Capital Family Office
- **Simona Panseri**
  Head of Communications, External Relations, Arts and Culture, CDP
- **Sarah Al Ayed**
  Co-Founder and Boardmember, TRACCS
- **Mariana Massaccesi**
  Private Sector Specialist | Southern Cone Lead, Unstereotype Alliance, UN Women
- **Emanuela Palazzani**
  Founder & CEO Atman Advisory

The Future We Are Building

- **Romina Gingasu**
  Founder, Campaign Institute and Red Women Foundation
- **Alessandra Priante**
  President, Enit SpA
- **Susie Coulter**
  Founder, Arq Botanics, Board Director at Abercrombie & Fitch and Fossil Group
- **Alessandro Picardi**
  President, VL Capital
- **Enrico Giovannini**
  Professor, University of Rome "Tor Vergata" & Scientific Director of the Italian Alliance for Sustainable Development (ASviS)
- **Paolo Glisenti**
  Senior Advisor on Global Events

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From Power to Wisdom

- **Lance Fan Wu**
  Executive Director of Legal, Global Trade, Ethics & Compliance Lenovo
- **Branka Tomic**
  Lecturer, Boston University
- **Cecilia Attias**
  Senior Vice President of Public Affairs, Richard Attias & Associates Founder & President, The Cecilia Attias Foundation for Women
- **Angelo Maria Petroni**
  Secretary General, Aspen Institute Italia
- **Jeremias Schröder**
  Abbot Primate, Benedictine Confederation

2:00 PM
CLOSING REMARKS

NETWORKING LUNCH IN THE OVAL GARDEN

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

• Each participant may speak for 3 minutes.
• Opinion leaders will begin with 5 minutes of opening remarks.
• Moderators will strictly enforce time limits. Anyone exceeding their time will be asked to stop.
• Please note that the speaker lineup is provisional and subject to adjustment.