



## Agenda

### China's presence in Italy: challenges and opportunities

### La presenza della Cina in Italia: sfide e opportunità

DECEMBER 17TH, 2021, 10.00AM – 1.00PM CET/ 17 DICEMBRE 2021,  
10:00-13:00

#### PROGRAMME/AGENDA

- 10:00 – 10:10** **Welcome remarks/Saluti di benvenuto**  
**RICCARDO ALCARO**, Research coordinator, Head of the Global Actors Programme, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI)
- 10:10 – 10:20** **Introduction/Introduzione**  
**BEATRICE GALLELLI**, Senior Fellow, IAI
- 10:20 – 11:30** **FIRST SESSION/SESSIONE 1: China and Italy two years after the memorandum on the Belt & Road / Cina e Italia due anni dopo il memorandum sulle Nuove Vie della Seta**
- Chair**  
**GIULIA POMPILI**, Journalist, Il Foglio
- Panel**  
**NICOLA BILOTTA**, Researcher, IAI  
**FRANCESCA GHIRETTI**, Researcher, Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS)  
**LORENZO MARIANI**, Researcher, IAI
- Q&A Session**
- The session will be held in Italian / La sessione si svolgerà in italiano*
- 11:30 – 11:50** **Coffee break**

**11:50 – 13:00 SECOND SESSION/SESSIONE 2: Lessons Learned from the Italian Case / La lezione appresa dal caso italiano**

**Chair/Moderatrice**

**FRANCESCA GHIRETTI**, Researcher, Mercator Institute for China Studies (MERICS)

**Panel**

**LISELOTTE ODGAARD**, Senior Fellow (Non-Resident), Hudson Institute

**PLAMEN TONCHEV**, Institute of International Economic Relations (IIER) (online)

**FRANS-PAUL VAN DER PUTTEN**, Senior Research Fellow, Clingendael Institute

**Q&A Session**

*This session will be held in English / la sessione si svolgerà in inglese*

***Working language: English and Italian with simultaneous translation***