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Migration in Europe Perspectives from Italy and Germany

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9:00 AM– 12:30 PM**

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December 20th of this year marks the 70th anniversary of the German-Italian agreement on labor migration (Anwerbeabkommen), signed in 1955.

At the time, a booming Italian population constituted a crucial demographic push factor for the agreement. 70 years later, the demographic situation has changed, with Italian fertility rates being among the lowest in the world. As a result, labor migration from third countries (especially non-EU) becomes increasingly relevant, and will be explored in an event organized by Bocconi University's Institute for European Policymaking (IEP) and the German Consulate in Milan.

The discussion will focus on cornerstones of migration policies, from Visa and language requirements to recognition of qualifications for skilled workers, on labor-market and social integration of asylum seekers, and on the different factors leading to workers' choice to stay permanently or only temporarily in the host country.

9:00 am

Welcome Addresses

Francesco Billari

Rector and Professor of Demography, Bocconi University

Susanne Welter

Consul General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Milan

9:30 – 11:00 am

Presentations

Yuliya Kosyakova

Professor for Migration Research, University of Bamberg; Head of the Research Department, Institute for Employment Research (IAB)

Pietro Galeone

IEP@BU Labor and social policy Unit Coordinator, Bocconi University

11:30 am – 12:30 pm

Panel discussion

Moderator

Sandro Blanke

Head of the Division for Labour, Health and Social Affairs at the German Embassy in Rome