



Saudi Arabia

THE RECENT REFORMS OF THE SAUDI LEGAL AND JUDICIAL SYSTEM: trade and investment opportunities for Italian companies

The seminar, organised by AS&T Law Firm in collaboration with the Italian-Arab Chamber of Commerce and the Franco-Arab Chamber of Commerce, provides an overview of the recent reforms introduced to favour foreign trade and investment in Saudi Arabia.

The seminar includes an analysis of the geopolitical situation in the Gulf area and in the Mediterranean, giving a clearer understanding of the political and economic environment where such business relations will develop.

Practical advice will be offered on how to use existing legal tools to make sure that any phase of the business relations comply with new regulations. The recognised expertise of the influential speakers assures authoritative discussion of great interest; this seminar represents a unique opportunity for leading representatives of government, the judiciary, legal practice and business to meet.



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15.00-15.30 Registration of participants.

15.30 **Claudio Perrella**, Senior Partner AS&T Law Firm - Opening address and conference presentation.

15.45 **Dr Abdul Aziz Al-Rajhy**, President of the Court of Appeal of Riyadh

Dr Abdul Aziz Al-Elmtyhy, President of the Civil Court of Riyadh

Personal Counsellors of King Abdullah and responsible for the Strategic Development Plan to reform the legal system
The recent reforms of the Saudi legal and judicial system promoted by King Abdullah and the opportunities for the Italian companies to invest in Saudi Arabia.

16.00 **Sen. Emma Bonino**, Vice President of the Italian Senate and former Minister of Foreign Trade

The role of women in the Arab world: a new entrepreneurial reality.

16.15 **Dr Inigo Lambertini**, Plenipotentiary Minister - Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

The trade agreements between Italy and Saudi Arabia.

16.30 **Prof. Lucio Caracciolo**, Editor in Chief of Limes, Italian leading Review of Geopolitics, Luiss University of Rome

The Arab spring: myth and reality.

16.45 **Dr Saleh Al Tayar**, Secretary General of the Franco-Arab Chamber of Commerce of Paris

The Centre of Conciliation, arbitration and expertise of the Franco-Arab Chamber of Commerce.

17.00 **Prof. Moufid Shehab**, Former Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research and former Egyptian Minister of Legal and Parliamentary Affairs

The political and Economic role of Saudi Arabia in the Mediterranean.

17.15 **Prof. Sergio Maria Carbone**, Professor of the University of Genoa

Recent international trade law trends: positive effects on the relationship between Italy and Saudi Arabia.

17.30 **Sergio Marini**, President of the Italian-Arab Chamber of Commerce

The role of the Chamber in supporting trade between Italy and Saudi Arabia.

17.45 **Davide Tabarelli**, President of Nomisma Energia

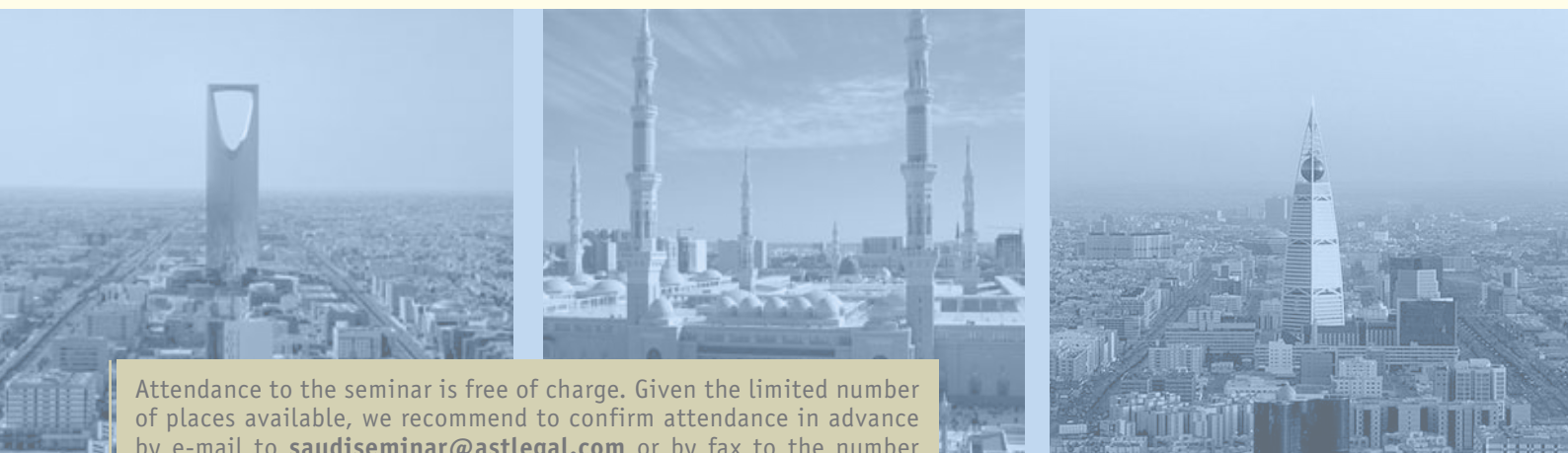
The key role of Saudi Arabia in the world's energy future.

18.00 Saudi Arabia's Ambassador to Italy - Concluding remarks.

18.15 Cocktails

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Attendance to the seminar is free of charge. Given the limited number of places available, we recommend to confirm attendance in advance by e-mail to saudiseminar@astlegal.com or by fax to the number +39 051 23.04.07