

**Study- and Dialogue Program
for Young Professionals from Politics,
Economics and Administration from
Germany and Italy
14th - 16th November 2013
Berlin, Germany**

The „German-Italian Young Group“, organized by the Italian office of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation fosters the network between German and Italian junior staff from politics, science, administration and economy. Personal contact and a frequent examination of current German-Italian issues – alternately in Germany or Italy – are supposed to strengthen the understanding of each other.

For this purpose the first meeting of the Young Group took place in March 2012 in Milan/Italy, followed by another one in October 2012 in Berlin/Germany and a third in Rome/Italy in March 2013.

Some of the participants of the „Young Group“ are members of national or European parliaments, fractions or political parties, others from economy, administration or associations. They are already established in their working life and have an above-average interest/engagement regarding politics and society.

The current program from 14th to 16th of November 2013 in Berlin deals with the topic “The impact of lobby and special interest groups on political processes”. The program is created to strengthen the participants’ awareness of this impact. Furthermore it is meant to show the legitimacy of lobby and special interest groups but also to deal with problems regarding political processes within democracy.

The content of the program focuses on lobbying and democracy; judicial background in Germany and Italy; legitimacy of political lobbying vs. danger of corruption; the role of the civil society regarding transparency discussions and anti-corruption; main players in the field of lobbying and lobby-criticism in Germany and Italy.

PARTICIPANTS:

1. **Michele Gerace**
President O.S.E.C.O (Observatory for European Strategies for Growth and Occupation)
2. **Lorella Di Giambattista**
Parliamentary Consultant, Italian Senate
3. **Francesca Traldi**
Assistant of Minister for Constitutional Reform,
Gaetano Quagliariello
4. **Inga Werdes**
Office Manager, European Office of MEP Sabine Verheyen
5. **Federica Taddei**
International Business Consultant, Freelancer
6. **Marian Wendt**
Member of the Bundestag
7. **Pia Leson**
Referent for Press and Public Affairs/ Deputy Press-Speaker, Ministry of the Interior and Sport of Saxony-Anhalt
8. **Thomas Bening**
Member of JU-Presidency and Speaker for European Policy affairs of JU, Lawyer
9. **Gianluca Sgueo**
Journalist, Post-doc "Democracy and Globalization" - Center for Social Studies, Associate Laboratory University of Coimbra
10. **Tassilo Wanner**
Executive Consultant, McKinsey
11. **Nina Glonnegger**
Division Substitution,
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PROGRAM

Thursday, 14th November

11:15 h Arrival of participant Inga Werdes on flight
SN 2581 from Brussels at Berlin-Tegel Air-
port

Followed by Transfer to the

Steigenberger Hotel Berlin
Los-Angeles-Platz 1
10789 Berlin
Phone: 030 / 21 27-0

Check-in

11:10 h Arrival of Patricia Liberatore and the par-
ticipants Lorella Di Giambattista, Michele
Gerace and Francesca Traldi on flight
EZY4985 from Rome at Berlin-Schönefeld
Airport

11:25 h Arrival of participant Federica Taddei on
flight FR 4733 from Bergamo at Berlin-
Schönefeld Airport

Followed by Combined transfer to

Steigenberger Hotel Berlin
Los-Angeles-Platz 1
10789 Berlin
Phone: 030 / 21 27-0

13:00 h	Lunch at the hotel
14:30 h	Transfer to Quadriga Hochschule Berlin Werderscher Markt 13 10117 Berlin Phone: 030 / 44 72 94 00
15:00 h	Discussion with N.N. Function <u>Topic:</u> <i>Introduction special interest groups and public relations: Job profile</i>
Followed by	Transfer to Hill & Knowlton Friedrichstraße 148 10117 Berlin Phone: 030 / 288758-43
16:30 h	Discussion with Thomas Wimmer Managing Director <u>Topic:</u> <i>Public Affairs & Lobbying in Germany – From a Consultancy's Point of View</i>
Followed by	Transfer to Konrad Adenauer Foundation Office Building Klingelhöferstraße 23 10785 Berlin Phone: 030 / 26996-0 <i>Room 2/3</i>
18:00 h	Discussion with Prof. Dr. Thomas Leif

Headreporter Televison
Südwestrundfunk (SWR)
Political Scientist and Author

Topic:

The effect of lobbying on parliament and democracy

19:30 h

Transfer to

Ständige Vertretung
Schiffbauerdamm 8
10117 Berlin
Phone: 030 / 282 39 65

20:00 h

Dinner

19:50 h

Arrival of participant Gianluca Sgueo on flight SN 2587 from Brussels at Berlin-Tegel Airport

Followed by

Transfer to

Steigenberger Hotel Berlin
Los-Angeles-Platz 1
10789 Berlin
Phone: 030 / 21 27-0

Check-in

Friday, 15th November

08:30 h

Transfer to

Zentralverband Elektrotechnik- und
Elektronikindustrie e.V. (ZVEI) – Central
association for Electric Technology and
Electric Industry
Charlottenstraße 35/36
10117 Berlin
Phone: 030 / 306960-0

09:00 h

Discussion with

Stephan von Hundelshausen
Director of the ESCO Forum

ZVEI

Justin Just

Departmental director

Department security

ZVEI

Topic:

*Special interest groups in Economy -
Point of view of one of Germany's most
important industrial association*

10:30 h

Transfer to

Bayer Pharma AG

Müllerstraße 178

13353 Berlin

Phone: 030 / 468-0

11:00 h

Discussion with

Dr. Florian Eckert

Capital representation

Bayer HealthCare Germany

Topic:

Special interest groups in the Economy

Followed by

Transfer to

Restaurant ***

Street

Place

Phone:

12:45 h

Lunch

14:15 h

Transfer to

Konrad Adenauer Foundation

Tiergartenstraße 35

10785 Berlin

Phone: 030 / 26996-0

Room 104

14:30 h

Discussion with

Gianluca Sgueo

Lecturer at the Bocconi University in
Milan

Topic:

*The effect of lobbying on parliament and
democracy from the Italian point of view*

Room 104

15:30 h

Round table with / Discussion with

Timo Lange

Campaigner
LobbyControl

Dr. Michael Koß

Head of the work group Policy
Transparency International Germany e.V.

Valentina Rigamonti

Coordinator of the national departments of
Transparency International in Western
Europe

N.N.

Topic:

Transparency and democratic control

19:30 h

Transfer to

Restaurant
Street
Berlin
Phone:

20:00 h

Dinner

Saturday, 16th November

09:10 h	<i>Transfer (by train/airport shuttle from Zoo Station) of participant Federica Taddei to Berlin-Schönefeld Airport</i>
11:55 h	<i>Departure of participant Federica Taddei on flight FR 4732 to Bergamo</i>
09:30 h	Transfer to <u>Meeting point:</u> (to be set)
10:00 h	Guided city-tour (requested)
15:30 h	Transfer of participant Inga Werdes to Berlin-Tegel Airport
17:10 h	Departure of participant Inga Werdes on flight SN 2586 to Brussels
15:00 h	Transfer of Patricia Liberatore as well as participants Gianluco Sgueo, Lorella Di Giambattista, Michele Gerace and Francesca Traldi to Berlin-Schönefeld Airport
17:20 h	Departure of Patricia Liberatore as well as participants Gianluco Sgueo, Lorella Di Giambattista, Michele Gerace and Francesca Traldi on flight EZY4988 to Rome
