



THIRD ANNUAL ROME CONFERENCE ON AI, ETHICS, AND GOVERNANCE

June 18-20, 2026

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[NOTE: speakers, panelists, and times are subject to change]

Location and Dates

Rome, June 18-19-20, 2026

Conference Location:

1. June 18, Palazzo Altemps, Piazza di Sant'Apollinare, 46 5:00pm-8:00pm
2. June 19, Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy, via Veneto, 33 (Palazzo Piacentini) 9:30am-5:30pm
3. June 20, Casina Pio IV, Vatican City State 9:30am-4:00pm

Conference Schedule

The conference schedule is as follows:

Day 1: Thursday, 18 June 2026

5:00 pm: Registration & Tea Break

5:30 pm: Keynote Address and European AI Rising Stars Awards Ceremony

Introductions and Opening Address from *Paola Severino, President of School of Law, LUISS and Former Minister of Justice.*

6:00 pm: Opening Remarks

David J. Berger (Partner at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati and President of the American College of Governance Counsel)
Pierluigi Matera (Professor of Law, LCU, Visiting Professor of Law, BU, and Founding Partner, Libra Legal Partners)

6:15 pm: Fireside Chat:



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Giovanni Marini (Professor of Law, University of Perugia)

Roberto Pardolessi (Professor of Law, LUISS)

Dario Villani (CEO, Qognitive)

[Matera/Berger moderate]

7:15 - 8:15 pm: Panel 1: AI, Health and the Future of Life

Moderator: *Nate Persily (McClatchy Professor of Law, Stanford Law School & Co-director Stanford Cyber Policy Center)*

Panelists:

- *Simon Kohl (Founder & CEO, Latent Labs)*
- *Anna Koivuniemi (Head of Google DeepMind Accelerator)*
- *Edward Kliphuis (Head of Digital Medicine, Sofinnova Partners)*
- *Jean-Philippe Vert (Founder & CEO, BioOptimus)*
- *Anne Wojcicki (Founder & CEO, 23andMe)*
- *Alessio Gizzi (Dean of the Departmental Faculty of Engineering, Università Campus Bio-Medico di Roma)*
- *Virginia Zambrano (Professor of Law, UNISA)*

8:30 pm: Cocktail Party and Buffet Dinner

Day 2: Friday, 19 June 2026

9:30 am: Registration and Continental Breakfast

10:00-10:30 am: Keynote address

Introductions and Opening Address from *Adolfo Urso, Minister of Enterprises, Innovation and Made in Italy*

10:30 – 11:30 am: Panel 1: AI across Industries

Moderator: *Ferruccio M. Sbarbaro (Founding Partner, Libra Legal Partners & Professor of Law, LCU)*



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Panelists:

- Luciano Buonfiglio (President, Italian National Olympic Committee)
- Emanuele Calà (Senior VP & CTO, ADR)
- Francesco Di Ciommo (Founder, Di Ciommo & Partners; Board Member, Cassa Depositi e Prestiti; Professor of Private Law, LUISS)
- Ori Goshen (Co-Founder & Co-CEO, AI21 Labs)
- Lodovico Mazzolin (Former Special Commissioner, Banca Progetto S.p.A in A.S.; Senior Advisor, BIP)
- Bethany Mayer (Chair of the Board, Box, Director of HPE, director at HPE, Lam Research, Astera Labs)

11:45 – 12:00 am: Break

12:00 – 1:00 pm: Panel 2: The Benefits and Challenges of AI

Moderator: *Andrew Hall (Davies Family Professor of Political Economy, Stanford University School of Business and Senior Fellow, Hoover Institute)*

Panelists:

- Campbell Brown (Founder & CEO of ForumAI; former VP of Media Partnerships at Meta and CNN Anchor)
- Paolo Boccardelli (Rector, LUISS; Board Member, MPS)
- Yoram Elkaim (VP & Head of Legal – International, Google)
- Elizabeth Kelly (Head of Beneficial Deployments, Anthropic)
- Penny Herscher (Chair of the Board, Lumentum; Chair of the Board, Penguin Solutions; Board Director of Forvia)
- Lila Tretikov (Head of AI, NEA & former CEO, Wikipedia)

1:00 – 2:00 pm: Lunch

2:00 – 3:00 pm: Panel 3: Investing in our AI Future

Moderator: *Alisa B. Hall (Principal, Jackson Hall Strategies; former Assistant GC for AI, Meta)*

Panelists:



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- *Fabio Corsico (Director of Institutional Affairs & Development, Caltagirone Group & Vice Chairman, Anima Holding)*
- *Natalie Lamarque (Corporate Secretary & Chief Legal Officer, Vanguard)*
- *Domenico Lombardi (CEO, Fondo Italiano D'Investimento)*
- *John Streur (CEO, Boston Common Asset Management)*
- *Jens Foehrenbach (President & CIO, Graham Capital Management)*
- *Suzanne Tavill (Head of Responsible Investment, Stepstone)*
- *Brian Halligan (Partner, Sequoia Capital)*
- *Dan Gallagher (CLO, Robinhood)*

3:00 – 3:15 pm: Coffee break

3:15 – 4:15 pm: Panel 4: AI, Defense and the Future of Peace

Moderator: *Sarah Kreps (John L. Wetherill Professor in the Department of Government, and Director of Tech Policy Institute, Cornell University)*

Panelists:

- *Kendall Collins (President & CEO, Government Cloud, Salesforce)*
- *Mauro D'Ubaldi (Vice Secretary General, Ministry of Defense)*
- *Richard Fontaine (CEO, Center for a New American Security; Trustee, Anthropic Long-Term Benefit Trust)*
- *Greg Kausner (Senior VP & Defense, Anduril)*
- *Florian Koehler (Group General Counsel, Helsing)*
- *Dan Lahav (Founder & CEO, Irregular Labs)*
- *Joseph Larson (VP & Head of Government, OpenAI)*
- *Lorenzo Chessa (Director for Security, Information Systems and Digital Transformation, Italian Space Agency)*

4:30 pm: Fireside Chat – *Can AI Ethics Be Hard-Wired with Corporate Governance: A Look at Anthropic's Long-Term Benefit Trust*

- *Mariano-Florentino (Tino) Cuellar (President of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; Trustee of the Anthropic Long Term Benefit Trust)*
- *John Morley (Augustus E. Lines Professor of Law, Yale Law School; Principal Legal Counsel, Anthropic's Long-Term Benefit Trust)*



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- 5:00 pm: Adjourn
- 7:30 pm: Cocktail Reception
- 8:00 pm: Fireside Chat:
Marc Benioff (Co-founder, Chairman & CEO, Salesforce)
[Matera/Berger moderate]
- 9:00 pm: Gala Dinner

Day 3: Saturday, 20 June 2026

- 9:30 am: Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 10:00 – 10:15 am: Opening Remarks
Cardinal Christophe Pierre (Former Apostolic Nuncio to the United States of America)
- 10:15 – 11:00 am: Fireside Chat: *Arvind Krishna (CEO, IBM)*
[Matera/Berger moderate]
- 11:00 – 12:00 am: Panel 1: AI and the Future of Work

Moderator: *David Oks (Partner, a16z)*

Panelists:
 - *Nick Clegg (Former Meta President, Global Affairs; Former UK Deputy Prime Minister)*
 - *Zoe Hitzig (Anthropic Institute & Junior Fellow, Harvard University)*
 - *Antonio Neri (CEO of HPE)*
 - *Sabastian Niles (President & CLO, Salesforce)*
 - *Anne Robinson (Senior VP & Chief Legal Officer, IBM)*
- 12:15 – 1:00 pm: Fireside Chat: *Archbishop Edgar Peña Parra (Apostolic Nuncio in Italy and San Marino, Holy See) and Aidan Gomez (Co-Founder and CEO, Cohere)*
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1:00 – 2:00 pm: Lunch

2:00 – 3:00 pm: Panel 2: AI, Youth and Relationships

Moderator: Ron Ivey (Founder & CEO, Noesis Collective)

Panelists:

- Dave Baszucki (CEO Roblox)
- Monika Bickert (Head of Global Policy Management, Facebook)
- Reverend Andrea Ciucci (Chancellor Pontifical Academy for Life)
- Lauren Kunze (Founder & CEO, PandoraBots)
- Henry Shevlin (Philosopher, Google DeepMind; Associate Director, Leverhulme Centre for the Future of Intelligence, University of Cambridge)

3:00 – 4:00 pm: Panel 3: The Energy of AI: Infrastructure, Stewardship and the Common Good

Moderator: Nate Persily (McClatchy Professor of Law, Stanford Law School; Director, the Stanford Law AI Initiative)

Panelists Group 1:

- Paolo Clarizia (Professor of Administrative Law, LCU)
- Eugenio de Blasio (Founder & Executive Chairman, Green Arrow Capital)
- Denise Dignam (President and CEO, Chemours)
- Fabrizio Fabbri (CEO, Ansaldo)

Panelists Group 2:

- Michael Hurlston (CEO, Lumentum)
- Oli Pomel (Founder & CEO, Datadog)
- Agostino Scornajenchi (CEO, Snam)

4:00 – 4:15 pm: Fireside Chat: Archbishop Vincenzo Paglia (President Emeritus, Pontifical Academy for Life; President, RenAIssance Foundation)
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4:15 pm:

Closing Remarks

David J. Berger & Pierluigi Matera

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