

Project Management Report from Milan



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INTRODUCTION

The beginning of the new year has been full of initiatives and events. The grand opening of Expo is approaching, less than three months to the start of the world most attractive event of 2015. In February it took place the meeting **Idee per Expo**, an initiative that has raised more than 500 experts around the world, who have participated in 42 working tables about the main themes related to the international exhibition.

If Expo is now the present, the future will see once again the possibility to have Italy as protagonist of another major event. Luca Cordero di Montezemolo will be the Chairman of the Organizing Committee for the candidature of **Rome to the Olympic Games of 2024**. This is a new challenge for the Italian manager who has always been involved in sport initiatives.

Within the main news we also report about the **renewal of the national board of IPMA Italy**. The election saw the appointment of new figures from real excellence of industry and academia that will surely give new luster to the association. Definitely a big thanks to the outgoing President Roberto Mori for the excellent work done over the years both nationally and internationally.

Inside you'll find these and other news. Have a good time!!!

“Le idee di Expo” the event towards the Charter of Milan Expo: between interventions Pope Francis, Premier Renzi and the new President Mattarella

More than 500 experts met in the event "Idee di Expo", in which they were drafting the foundations of the **Charter of Milan**, the protocol on food security that will be the first major legacy of Expo Milano 2015. The document will be officially handed in his visit to Milan to UN Secretary General **Ban-ki Moon**.



The event held in early February at the Hangar Bicocca, was attended by many prominent personalities: **Pope Francis** sent a video message, the new President of the Republic **Sergio Mattarella**, sent a letter addressed to all the personalities involved in the work. In closing day of the intervention of the Prime Minister **Matteo Renzi**.

The event “Le idee di Expo” was the occasion when more than 500 experts met together coming from various countries, in representation of non-governmental organizations, companies, associations.

During the summit were held **42 round tables**: the participants had the chance to dialogue on issues related to **sustainability, food culture and health, the future development of smart city**.

In his video message the Pope recalled in the first place as it is necessary to focus on the person: the lack of food is still a scourge in many countries, for which survival is the first goal of their life, remembering the paradox that often those who live in abundance of food has led to wasteful or excessive consumption as many others do not even have the chance to eat.

In his message, the first as new President, Sergio Mattarella states that "the increase in inequality between rich and poor, in a constant struggle to survive malnutrition, makes it essential to adopt a new model of development that changes this unacceptable trend."

The exchange of knowledge and experience developed here must be the starting point for future signing of the Charter of Milan, representing a valuable opportunity to

promote the development of a genuine culture of respect and protection of planet, founded on proper environmental education and food.



The Prime Minister Matteo Renzi has closed the event with the slogan "Long live Expo".

In his speech Renzi praised those who have managed to turn the Universal Exhibition in a great opportunity for the country, pointing out the importance of young people for growth and future development.

He stressed that Italy is a leader in the food industry but also in innovation, technology and machinery: these are all the conditions for a competitive return and be protagonists for the future.

IPMA Italy appointed new national board

The elections for the renewal of the new IPMA Italy board were held in February. The new committee will remain in charge in the period 2015-2017 starting from March.

The electronic procedure for all the entitled votants was closed on February 20th and later on the 26th the election commission met for the ratification of the results.

As an outcome of the vote 8 candidates were elected:

- Laura Agostini GE Oil & Gas
- Antonio Calabrese MIP Politecnico
- Franco Concari Technip Italy
- Aldo Gebbia Saipem
- Giancarlo Montanari Ansaldo Energia
- Giancarlo Scotti Tecnimont
- Sandro Severoni Telespazio
- Luca Tonello Bonatti

In the coming weeks the outgoing president Roberto Mori will proceed to convene the first meeting of the new board. The next step will be the appointment of the new president

Tecnimont awarded as winner of Das Island work from ADNOC

Maire Tecnimont has received a Letter of Award for an EPC contract with Abu Dhabi Gas Liquefaction Company Ltd. for the execution of the **Package 1 of the IGD Expansion Project (IGD-E)** on Das Island, Abu Dhabi, UAE.

Tecnimont will be leading the team built in partnership with Archirodon. According to the company the overall project value is about \$500 million, of which about 46% (\$225 million) relates to the Maire Tecnimont Group.

The overall schedule is 40 month.

The scope of the project will consist in the execution of the EPC activities up to Performance Tests for the expansion of the existing facility on Das island.



The project is part of ADNOC's Integrated Gas Development Expansion Project program that will transfer additional gas from Umm Shaif gas field to Habshan through Das Island, in order to increase the onshore sales gas supply.

Tecnimont will be mainly in charge of the expansion of the existing Gas Dehydration Plant with one additional unit and the related facilities
Archirodon will be in charge of the civil and marine works along the coast of the island.

Rome 2024 Olympic Games: Montezemolo appointed as President of the organizing committee

In recent days, came the official confirmation of the news that Luca di Montezemolo will be president of the organizing committee of Rome in 2024, the Summer Olympic Games in 2020 after Tokyo.

Montezemolo is a sports person who in addition to sporting merit achieved, managing the Ferrari team in Formula 1 and has been General Director of the Soccer World Cup in Italy in 1990.

These are his first words after the assignment: "I put myself at the disposal with great enthusiasm, this is a challenge that we need to win with innovation and creativity."



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The program requires that Montezemolo will start to work immediately with the government, the mayor of Rome and the world of sport, starting collaborations with many partners, for an event that will also involve other Italian cities.

There is great enthusiasm and determination to contribute and bring to Italy the biggest and most important sporting event in the world, after the 1960 edition.

Montezemolo has already shared some ideas about the guidelines he wants to apply: "The project will have to put the center on improving the quality of life of citizens with works and activities aimed at this goal. The guidelines will be based on the latest technology, maximum transparency, cost control, innovation 360, improving the environment, and creativity to exploit an unrepeatability opportunity to promote our country."

Wonderline, the sculpture symbol of Italian design and fashion

Due to the imminent opening of Expo 2015, Milan is rapidly undergoing a transformation process, including infrastructure that will facilitate the many foreign visitors and works that will give even more prestige to the city.

In this context was presented Wonderline, a vertical totem of 16 meters high weighing 12 tons with its leaf shape recalling the nature and concept of Expo 2015.

This project, which will become one of the symbols of the city, wants to send a strong signal to the international world to strengthen even more the image of Milan as the avant-garde art city.

The structure also wants to remember the great strength of manual skills and craftsmanship of our Italian Masters, one of the artistic Excellences of our country.



Castle Park.

It 'been studied for eight months a new secret bronze alloy specially created for this sculpture that will give the appearance of attractive polished steel. Internally is designed a spine structure, which will allow Wonderline to hover vertically, touching the ground only in a small point of 30 centimeters.

Several proposals are being considered for the location where to place the sculpture, between these the Central Station or the

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