



-Media Advisory/Press Invite

2021 G20 High-Level Conference on Local Infrastructure Investment

27 September 2021 – Genoa, Italy

On **Monday 27 September**, the **Italian G20 Presidency**, in collaboration with the **Municipality of Genoa** and **Istituto Affari Internazionali**, will organise a G20 High-Level Conference on Local Infrastructure Investment. The event will be followed by a roundtable with the key protagonists of the reconstruction of the Genoa Saint George Bridge.

The event will be held at Cotton Warehouses Conference Centre in **Genoa**, from 12.30 to 18.30 CEST.

The conference will feature high-level representatives of the Italian government, including **Daniele Franco**, Minister of Economy and Finance, **Enrico Giovannini**, Minister of Sustainable Infrastructure and Mobility (*virtual mode*), and **Roberto Cingolani**, Minister for Ecological Transition.

Participants will be welcomed by the Mayor of Genoa, **Marco Bucci** and the President of Liguria, **Giovanni Toti**.

The conference will gather representatives of local administrative authorities from G20 countries, International Organizations, Multilateral Development Banks and C-level private sector representatives, to actively exchange views on how to build more sustainable and inclusive local infrastructure.

A full programme is available [here](#).

The 2021 G20 High-Level Conference on Local Infrastructure Investment is organised on the eve of the 6th meeting of the G20 Infrastructure Working Group (IWG), taking place on 28-29 September

2021 in Genoa. G20 IWG members will progress on [their work](#), aiming to foster investments in quality infrastructures, as the international community recognize this is crucial to spur economic recovery and set the ground for a sustainable and inclusive growth. The COVID-19 crisis has shown to what extent reliable and high-quality infrastructure systems are critical to respond to unexpected external shocks and to deliver quality services to the entire population. In this context, local authorities play a significant role in both infrastructure asset management as well as in the provision of services, also due to their closer connection to citizens' needs and preferences. For this reason, integrating the local perspective into the G20 works on infrastructure could provide an alternative, bottom-up point of view, shedding a light on issues and opportunities that may not be adequately considered at national level.

Genoa, the Italian city with the major seaport of Italy, and recently jumped to the news as an example of effective private-public cooperation in infrastructure investments, for the reconstruction of the Genoa Saint George Bridge, represents the ideal venue for a debate on this matters. In fact, besides the conference sessions, the city will organize a roundtable (17.00-18.30) with the key protagonists of the reconstruction of the Genoa Saint George Bridge, who will discuss its success and why this model might work elsewhere.

All journalists interested in covering the event **in person** must apply for **accreditation** via

www.g20.org/accreditation.html

Accreditation is open from Wednesday 15 September 2021 to Thursday 23 September 2021 at 18h00 CEST.

Please be aware that it will not be possible to obtain accreditation on site. Only accredited journalists will be able to access the Conference Venue located at the Cotton Warehouses Conference Centre, Magazzini del Cotone, 16128 **Genoa**.

Should you have any question, please write to g20italyfinance.media@mef.gov.it

A detailed logistic note with details on **COVID-19 procedures** (Health and Safety Protocol), confirmed media opportunities and logistical details will be provided to all accredited journalists.

Due to the COVID-19 protocol and security measures the Organizers might have to limit the number of accredited journalists coming to the Conference venue.