



Federico Maria Bega – Curriculum Vitae

Federico Maria Bega is currently Head of the Strategic Areas of Promos - Special Agency for International Activities of the Milan Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Handcrafts and Agriculture, previously being, from 2008 to 2012, Head of the Mediterranean and Middle East.

Since June 2013, he is also Managing Director of the “Euro-Mediterranean Development Center for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises” (EMDC) Foundation, established by the Milan Chamber of Commerce and the two Italian Ministries of Foreign Affairs and Economic Development, respectively, with the participation of IntesaSanpaolo.

From 2008 to 2013 he was Board member of the Italian-Arab Chamber of Commerce.

From 2002 to 2008, he was Coordinator for the Economic Development Sector at the Special Unit for the Reconstruction, Stabilization and Development of the Balkan Region at the Presidency of the Council of the Ministers, where he was also Advisor to the Special Representative for the Balkans of the Prime Minister.

On 2006 and 2007, he was Advisor and Board member of the Commission for Internationalization and “Made in Italy” of Confcommercio - Italian General Confederation of Commerce, Tourism, Services, Professions and SMEs.

On 2000 and 2001, he was Expert at the Office of the Minister for European Affairs and later at the Office of the Minister for the Relations with the Parliament, at the Presidency of the Council of the Ministers.

On 2000 and 2001, he was Program Manager for East Europe, Community of Independent States (CSI) and Asia at the International Marketing Department of Promos - Special Agency for International Activities of the Milan Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Handcrafts and Agriculture.

From 2002 to 2005, he was Head of International Marketing at Aries - Special Agency for International Activities of Trieste Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Handcrafts and Agriculture and also Advisor for International Activities for the President.

From 1993 to 1999, during the wars and conflicts in the Balkans, he was expert and project manager for relevant International Organizations in emergency, humanitarian and civil protection interventions and programs, in particular for refugees and internal displaced persons, in former Yugoslavia and Albania.

From 2002 and 2008, he was also Professor of Project Management and Political and Economic Geography of South East Europe at the Faculty of Political Science “Cesare Alfieri” - University of Florence, as well as at Eurosapienza - Research Center on European and International Studies at the University of Rome “La Sapienza” and other Universities in Italy and abroad (Macerata, Milano, Pisa, Siena and Trieste).

Nowadays, he cooperates with relevant Italian and international Universities and Research Centers in post-degree and master programs. He is author of several articles, studies, researches, reports and handbooks, among which the volume 'Islam Balcanico', UTET, Torino (2008).

He studied Management at the Faculty of Engineering - Politecnico University of Milan and Political and Economic Geography at the Sacred Heart Catholic University of Milan. He holds, also, a PhD on Geo-history and Geo-economy on Borders' Regions at the University of Trieste.

Besides Italian, as mother tongue, working languages are English, French, Spanish, Russian, Slovenian, Bulgarian, Serbo-Croatian (Bosnian), Macedonian.

He was born in Milan, Italy, on 1971.

More than 20 years of experience in working in the international institutional and business environment, with a specialization in the internationalization of Small and Medium sized Enterprises (SMEs) in the global market, as well as in international public and institutional relations con Foreign Governments, Public Administration at Central, Decentralized and Local Level.

Strong background, expertise, experience and management skills in dealing with economic, entrepreneurial development as well as technical assistance, institution and capacity building programs in foreign Countries, in particular Western Balkans, North Africa and Middle East – MENA region, with the involvement of the Public Administration, Regions and Local Authorities, Agencies for SMEs, investment attraction and foreign trade, Agencies for Privatization, Chambers of Commerce and Industry, Industrial Clusters, Associations of Entrepreneurs, businessmen.

Extensive working experience with European Union Institutions such as European Commission General Directorates (mainly DG Development Cooperation EuropeAid, DG Enterprise), EEAS, European Economic and Social Committee; with UN bodies (mainly UN General Secretariat, UNDP, UNCTAD, UNIDO, ILO); with European bilateral cooperation Agencies (mainly GIZ, AFD, SIDA, DANIDA, CTB), as well as Italian Government, and Local Administrations.

Extensive working experience with the financial sector, main International Financial Institutions and Organizations, in particular World Bank Group, European Investment Bank (EIB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), as well as private sector financial institutions and banks.

Strong ability to promote and implement partnership arrangements and very good negotiation and mediation skills.

Strong experience in managing human resources (leadership skills and management of team colleagues as well as external advisers and service providers).

Strong ability in planning and coordinating communication and information activities.

Strong experience in the organization and dealing with Executive Committees and governing boards in order to ensure smooth approval process and information flow, as well as in the organization of international events, in particular in the business and economic and financial sectors (technical seminars, stakeholders' conferences, public-private dialogue events).

Managerial, administrative and budgetary skills.

Ability to co-ordinate, control, monitor, supervise and report programme activities.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with people of different national and cultural backgrounds, different gender and diverse political views while maintaining impartially and objectivity. Cultural sensitivity and judgment. Flexibility and ability to work under pressure and with limited time frames.

Certified excellent physical condition, with no chronic health problems that limit physical activity.
Ability to drive and possession of a valid driver's license.

Autorizzo il trattamento dei miei dati personale ai sensi della legge 196/2003

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