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Program**



AMCHAM MISSION TO WASHINGTON D.C.

October 11-15, 2018

Discover the U.S. capital in the most beautiful time of the year and join AmCham in the occasion of the 43rd Anniversary Gala of the National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)



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DAY 1 - Thursday, October 11th

Fly transatlantic to Washington D.C. with American Airlines.

AA199 leaving from Malpensa airport at 10.20am to JFK
AA 2773 from JFK to Washington Reagan Airport arriving at 4:26pm



Welcome to the capital of the United States!

Transfer to the **W Hotel Washington**, an iconic hotel just steps from the White House (www.washingtondc.com 515 15th Street NW)



At 8:00pm **Welcome reception** at the **Old Ebbitt Grill** introduced by **Roberta Marcenaro**, CEO of IMARK and Local Representative of AmCham Italy in Washington D.C. and Texas. A mix and mingle occasion to get to know your travel buddies, don't miss it!

Established in 1856, **The Old Ebbitt Grill is Washington's oldest saloon.**

It was a favorite of Presidents Grant, Cleveland, Harding, and Theodore Roosevelt and is still a popular meeting spot for political insiders, journalists, celebrities.

(www.ebbitt.com 675 15th Street NW)



DAY 2 - Friday, October 12th - morning

At 8:00am the group will meet at the hotel lobby.

From 8:30am to 11:00am at the **Council on Foreign Relations** the group will attend the **Italian Market Momentum Conference** promoted by Equita & AmCham Italy.

A look at Italy from a different perspective to identify world-class Italian companies generating value at the pace of the best international peers.

Among the distinguished speakers there will be the Italian Ambassador **Armando Varricchio, Jay Clayton, Chairman of the Security Exchange Commission** and **Corrado Passera**.

Check out the [program](#) of the conference!

(www.cfr.org 1777 F Street, NW - 2nd Floor, Rockefeller-Peterson Room)



At 11.30am our delegation will meet **Marjorie Chorlins, Vice President for European Affairs** at the **U.S. Chamber of Commerce**.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business organization representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions to whom all the AmChams around the world are affiliated.

(www.uschamber.com 1615 H Street, NW Washington, DC)

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Networking Lunch hosted by **K&L Gates LLP**.

K&L Gates is a fully integrated global law firm with lawyers located across five continents that represents leading global corporations in every major industry, capital markets participants and ambitious middle-market and emerging growth companies.

(www.klgates.com 1601 K St NW # 1)

After the lunch we will meet with **Patrick Costello, Director, Washington External Affairs** of the **Council on Foreign Relations**, one of the most influential, independent, nonpartisan membership organization and think tank.

Patrick will share with our group some insights regarding the actual Administration.



The logo for the Council on Foreign Relations, featuring the text "COUNCIL on FOREIGN RELATIONS" in a white, bold, sans-serif font, with "on" in a smaller font size, set against a dark background.



DAY 2 - Friday, October 12th - afternoon and evening

In the afternoon, meeting at **Capitol Hill** with the **Honorable Bill Pascrell**, Co-Chairman of the **Italian-American Congressional Delegation**. (TBC)

The IACD works in a bipartisan way to honor the common heritage as well as draw attention to every Italian American who has contributed to the greatness of the Italy.

Bill Pascrell is a **member** of the **Democratic Party** and he represents the **9th District of New Jersey**.

Rep. Pascrell will share with our delegation his thoughts regarding **the current political climate and the importance of commercial and trade ties between the United States and Italy**.



In the late afternoon the group will head back to the hotel.



In the evening the group will attend an **exclusive reception** hosted by the **Italian Ambassador Armando Varricchio** at his residence **Villa Firenze**, organized in honor of the most preminent members of NIAF.



DAY 3 - Saturday, October 13th

Get ready for a fancy party!

In 1975, the National Italian American Foundation was formed for the promotion of Italian culture and to ensure people of Italian heritage had a voice in this nation. For over 40 years, NIAF has recognized Italian and Italian American achievements in business, art, science, finance, music and medicine.



The Honorees of this year's Gala are:

Giovanni Caforio, M.D. Chairman & CEO Bristol-Myers Squibb

Vincenzo Boccia, President of Confindustria

Antonio De Matteis, CEO of Kiton Group

Vito Pertosa, Founder of Angel Group

Carl J. Schramm, American Economist & Entrepreneur

Lidia Bastianich, Emmy award winning television chef, cookbook author, restaurateur



Make sure to wear **black tie** or an **evening dress** and meet the group at 5:00pm at the lobby.

Destination the **Marriott Wardman Park Hotel** to attend the **43rd NIAF Anniversary Gala!**

(Washington Marriott Wardman Park, 2660 Woodley Rd NW)



Click below to download the full [43rd Anniversary Gala Weekend Schedule](#)



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DAY 4 - Sunday, October 14th

In the late morning a private transfer service will take the participants to the airport.

