

Ecco Chamber

FORTNIGHTLY ITALIAN NEWS MADE IN
SOUTH AFRICA

GRANDE LAVORO

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Chamber's Note

Grande Lavoro

Last week was a stellar one for the Italian community in Johannesburg. Hard work is made enormously satisfying when one is surrounded by incredible people working towards the same goals and the past week confirmed that our Italian-South African community is both hard at work and having great fun while going about it.

Thursday 14 October saw a fantastic turnout at the Italian Club for the official launch of SMILE. Now with over 400 members SMILE can really deliver on its mandate of providing a platform through which small to medium Italian enterprises can network. Great food and drinks were served by the club as new connections were made and old friends were able to reconnect.

Addressing the crowd of more than 200 people, his excellency Ambassador Paolo Cuculi stated that SMILE is a unique project whose success is even being discussed back in Italy's Foreign Ministry in Rome. He remarked on how SMILE includes an entirely different segment of our Italian community, thus increasing the number of bonds and the impact our Sistema Italia are able to have.

The project for which Italcham is the project manager is one about which we are immensely proud. The work however has just begun, and phase 2 of the project which will take SMILE to the rest of South Africa will begin next year. The fact that our Italian community can provide a template that is being spoken about back in Italy is a testament to the hard work of the last year.

At the launch event, the Chamber distributed its new annual directory for 2021/2022 which contains sector-specific articles about Italian excellence in the sectors of energy, medical applications, and 4IR. It also contains our extended trade overview for Italy and South Africa, an entire listing of our members and plenty more for our stakeholders to sink their teeth into.

The Festa di primavera which happened between Friday and Sunday at the Italian Club was the cherry on last week's cake. It attracted thousands of people, not just Italians, to come to celebrate and partake in Italian merrymaking, during a weekend where South African sunshine met with Italian refreshment. Stands from our members including Vinotria and Campari showcased the quality and excellence for which our members are known. Our only remaining desire now is that the success of last week is repeated over the next months. Buon Lavoro.

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RESIDENCE OF THE
AMBASSADOR TO ITALY,
PRETORIA

AWARDS:
BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE OF THE YEAR
LIFETIME RECOGNITION AWARD

2 DECEMBER 2021

TICKETS

R1 500

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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

WE ARE CALLING ON THE ITALIAN-
SOUTH AFRICAN COMMUNITY
TO SEND IN NOMINATIONS FOR TWO
AWARDS:

BUSINESS PERSON OF THE YEAR
BUSINESS ENTERPRISE OF THE YEAR

DEADLINE:
29 OCTOBER 2021

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NOMINATIONS





The Italian Consulate General, the Italian Trade Agency, and the Italian-South African Chamber of Trade and Industries proudly present «WINES OF ITALY», an exhibition dedicated to Italian wine from November 12th to 14th in Johannesburg

The actual exhibition will be accompanied by a schedule of events which aim to create valuable connections between Italian wineries and local importers and distributors.

The event consists of the following:

- Italian wines **exhibition**, 3 days from Friday to Sunday, with wine tastings for the public
- **B2B meetings** with Italian winemakers
- **Le Cesarine** Cesarine is a **network of local people from over 120 towns and cities all over Italy**. Each Cesarina creates their own unique Taste Experience to reflect its regional cuisine, and to encourage awareness of traditional Italian recipe.

TICKETS are R200 adults with 10 wine vouchers
R150 under 18 without wine vouchers

Friday 12 November

15.30-16.30

16.45-17.45

18.00-19.00

Saturday 13 November le Cesarine si esibiranno alle:

11.30-12.30

13.30-14.30

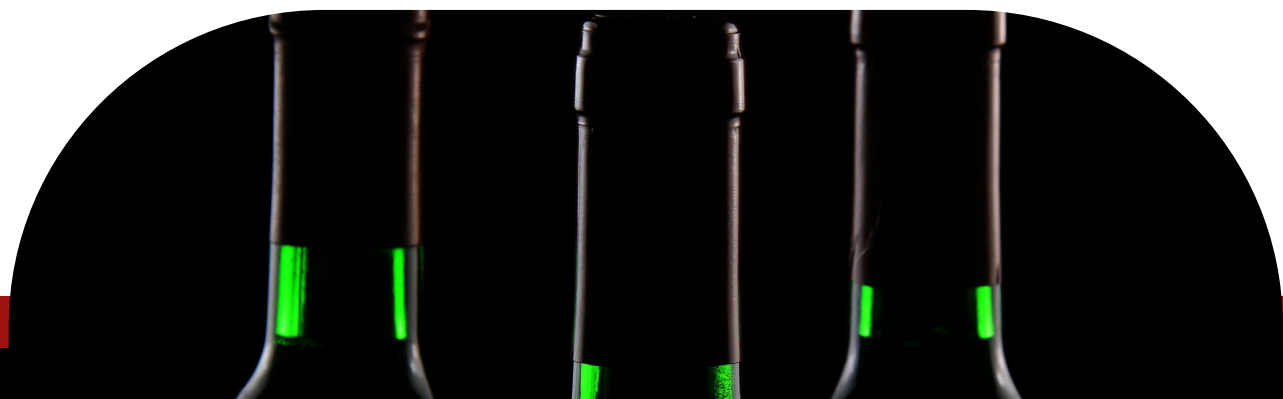
15.30-16.00

Sunday 14 November Chef Luciano Monosilio will presentat :

12.00-13.00

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Webinar Announcement



28 OCTOBER 2021
12:00 GMT / 14:00 SAST

REGISTER FOR FREE

**SABIA NATIONAL BIOGAS CONFERENCE 2021,
3RD EDITION**

ADVANCING BIOGAS IN THE MUNICIPAL STRATEGIC ROADMAP PATHWAYS TO 2030

EVENT OBJECTIVES

The conference will focus on the opportunities for the South African municipalities to introduce the role of Anaerobic Digestion and landfill gas utilisation in the 2030 strategic roadmap for the increase of the production of energy from Renewable Sources, for the reduction of the green house gas emission, as required by the ND; as well as the creation of thousands of jobs through the implementation of the circular economy as indicated by the COVID 19 recovery plan.

PROGRAMME

- **14:00- 14:15** - Welcome & Introduction (SABIA) Jason Gifford
- **14:15 - 14:30** - Roadmap for the municipality for the management of organic waste, World Biogas Association (WBA) Charlotte Morton
- **14:30 - 14:45** - Organic Waste Management in SA and contribution in the reduction of greenhouse gas emission (SALGA) Silas Mulaudzi
- **14:45 - 15:00** - Incorporating Biogas into Renewable Energy Strategies: experiences with biogas and landfill gas in Accra municipality, Ghana. Accra Metropolitan Assembly (AMA) Solomon Noi
- **15:00 - 15:30** - Panel discussion moderated by SABIA



Welcoming our New Member



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