**EV Olive Oil:**

**Unveiling its Health and Economic Virtues for a Sustainable Future**

**Speakers’ bios:**

**Clara Aguilera**

Clara Eugenia Aguilera García is a Spanish politician affiliated with the PSOE. Currently, she serves as a Member of the European Parliament, where she holds the position of Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the EU-Mexico Joint Parliamentary Committee and serves as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development.

**Andrea Carrassi**

With a degree in Law, Andrea Carrassi has dedicated a significant part of his career to ASSITOL, where he has been employed since 2006. He assumed the role of General Director in 2016. Additionally, Andrea Carrassi serves as the Director of Assograssi (National Association of Animal Fats and Proteins Producers).

**Michele Carruba**

Michele Carruba holds degrees in Medicine and Surgery from the University of Milan and in Pharmacy from the University of Rome. Specializing in Pharmacology applied to the industry, he is an active member of national and international scientific societies, ministerial and university research committees. With over 350 publications in reputable international journals, he is also Professor of Pharmacology at the Faculty of Medicine and Surgery at the University of Milan. Currently, Michele Carruba is the President of the Scientific Committee of the Istituto Nutrizionale Carapelli Fondazione ONLUS.

**Paolo De Castro**

Paolo De Castro was first elected as a Member of the European Parliament in May 2009 and subsequently became the President of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development. Re-elected in the 2014 and 2019 elections, he currently serves as the Coordinator of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the Committee on Agriculture.

**Massimiliano Giansanti**

Agricultural entrepreneur and President of Confagricoltura, Massimiliano Giansanti is dedicated to advancing progress and innovation in agriculture, while promoting sustainable growth and development in the agricultural sector. He serves as President of Agricola Giansanti Srl and CEO of Aziende Agricole Di Muzio Group. Massimiliano Giansanti has also held positions as Vice President and Executive Committee member of Confagricoltura, President of Confagricoltura Roma, and Vice President of Confagricoltura Lazio.

**Teresa Pérez Millán**

Teresa Pérez Millán has been the General Director of Interprofesional Aceite de Oliva España since 2008. An agronomic engineer with two decades of experience in the olive oil industry in Italy and Spain, she collaborates with sectoral governing bodies in defining strategies and managing business operations. Teresa Pérez Millán represents the organization in the Advisory Committee of the International Olive Council (COI).

**Enzo Nisoli**

Enzo Nisoli is a Full Professor of Pharmacology at the Department of Medical Biotechnologies and Translational Medicine at the University of Milan. He is the Scientific Coordinator of the Center for the Study and Research on Obesity. Serving as a reviewer for over 60 high-impact international scientific journals and for funding agencies in various countries, including the European Union, the United States, Hong Kong, and Israel, Enzo Nisoli has previously held significant roles such as the Presidency of the Italian Society of Obesity and Vice-Director at the Department of Preclinical Sciences - LITA Vialba, University of Milan.

**Pietro Paganini**

Pietro Paganini is an economic and (geo)political analyst, as well as the President and Founder of Competere. He serves as an Adjunct Professor of Business Administration at the Fox School of Business - Temple University in Philadelphia (since 2015) and at John Cabot University in Rome (since 2008). In the past, he held the position of General Director ofFondazione Luigi Einaudi.

**Daniela Rondinelli**

Daniela Rondinelli was elected as a Member of the European Parliament in 2019. A graduate in political science from LUISS Guido Carli in Rome, she has been employed at Fisascat since 1992. In the years 2010-2015, she was a member of the staff of the European Economic and Social Committee, where she was later elected Vice-President and President, responsible for international relations.

**Bruno Seabra**

Of Portuguese origin, Bruno Seabra brings extensive international managerial experience in prominent roles within large food and beverage companies. His role as President of the Istituto Nutrizionale Carapelli completes a wealth of experience in the olive oil sector, initiated in the late '90s.

**Gennaro Sicolo**

Gennaro Sicolo, the National Vice President of CIA Agricoltori and President of Italia Olivicola, is also an agricultural entrepreneur and the owner of Azienda Olivicola GENNARO SICOLO. His early exposure and passion for agriculture in the family management setting guide his institutional commitment. With an active presence in national and international events, he has solidified his technical expertise and built a vast network of relationships.

**Ignacio Silva**

Ignacio Silva, CEO and President of Deoleo, brings over 30 years of experience in executive positions, particularly in international consumer goods companies. After experiences in leading food & beverage companies, since 2019, he has successfully led Deoleo through a significant corporate restructuring. With extensive knowledge of the associative world, Ignacio Silva currently serves as the President of FIAB (Spanish Federation of Food and Beverage Industries), a board member of AECOC, and since 2019, a member of the Delegates Committee of the Multisectoral Association of Food and Beverage Companies (AME) and the Alimentum Foundation.