



MINISTERS' MEETING ON LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

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Cagliari

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ABOUT THE G7

The Group of Seven (G7) is an informal forum that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The European Union also participates in the Group and is represented at the summits by the President of the European Council and the President of the European Commission.

The Group was established as a platform for economic and financial cooperation in response to the 1973 energy crisis. The first Summit of Heads of State and Government was held in 1975 in Rambouillet, France.

Over the years G7 has progressively expanded its focus. From an *ad-hoc* gathering to discuss financial challenges, it has become a more formal, prominent venue to address major global issues. This evolution became even more evident at the beginning of the new millennium, as the G7 recognised the need for more technical and detailed discussions on these complex issues. Consequently, it initiated the first thematic Ministerial Meetings, to delve deeper into specific topics and bring more nuanced insights into the G7's deliberations.

Compared to an international organisation, the G7 does not have a permanent administrative structure. Each year, starting from the 1st of January, one of the Member States takes over the leadership of the Group on a rotating basis. The Nation holding the Presidency serves as a temporary secretariat and hosts the Group work and the Leaders' Summit. Most importantly, the Presidency plays a key role in setting the agenda and identifying key priorities.

The Summit, the G7 Presidency's centerpiece, is attended by the Heads of State and Government of the seven Member States, representatives of the European Union, as well as States and International Organisations invited by the Presidency.

ITALIAN G7 PRESIDENCY 2024

On the 1st of January 2024, Italy assumed, for the seventh time, the Presidency of the G7: the group that brings together Italy, Canada, France, Germany, Japan, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America. The G7, in which the European Union also participates, is united by common values and principles and plays an invaluable role in defending freedom and democracy and addressing global challenges.

The Italian Presidency will last until 31 December 2024, and will feature a dense programme of technical meetings and institutional events throughout the country.

A key focus of the Italian Presidency will be the defence of the rules-based international system. Russia's war of aggression on the Ukraine has undermined its principles and triggered growing instability, with multiple crises unfolding worldwide. The G7 will give equal importance to the conflict in the Middle East, with its consequences for the global agenda.

The relationship with developing Nations and emerging economies will be central. Engagement with Africa will be a key priority. We will work to build a cooperation model based on mutually beneficial partnerships, far from a paternalistic or predatory logic. Particular attention will also be paid to the Indo-Pacific region.

Italy will ensure significant attention to migration, together with some of the greatest challenges of our time, including the climate-energy nexus and food security. The G7 has the responsibility and duty to identify, together with its global partners, innovative solutions.

Artificial Intelligence (AI) will also feature in the Italian programme. This technology can generate great opportunities but also enormous risks, affecting geopolitical balances. It is necessary to develop governance mechanisms and ensure that AI remains human-centered and human-controlled, giving concrete applications to the concept of algoethics.

The G7 Summit

The Summit of G7 Heads of State and Government under the Italian Presidency was held in Borgo Egnazia, in Apulia, on June 13-15, 2024.

With its natural and artistic beauties and an innate vocation for hospitality, Apulia is a highly representative place of Italian culture and attractiveness. Moreover, historically it plays a bridging role between the East and the West of the world and over the centuries has welcomed different peoples, cultures and religions, which have left a profound legacy, still visible today on its territory and in the habits of its people.

MINISTERS' MEETINGS

In addition to the Apulia Summit, during 2024 Italy will host 23 Ministerial Meetings. The meetings will take place in various Italian cities, as part of a logistical effort that includes a leading role of the local institutions.

Dates and details of the events may be subject to possible changes.

THEME	DATE	CITY
INDUSTRY, TECH AND DIGITAL	13-14-15 March	Verona e Trento
TRANSPORT	11-12-13 April	Milano
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	17-18-19 April	Capri
CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT	28-29-30 April	Torino
JUSTICE	9-10 May	Venezia
FINANCE	23-24-25 May	Stresa
EDUCATION	27-28-29 June	Trieste
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY	9-10-11 July	Bologna e Forlì
TRADE	16-17 July	Villa S. Giovanni e Reggio Calabria
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT	11-12-13 September	Cagliari
CULTURE	19-20-21 September	Napoli
AGRICULTURE	26-27-28 September	Siracusa
INTERIOR	2-3-4 October	Mirabella Eclano (AV)
GENDER EQUALITY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT	4-5-6 October	Matera
HEALTH	9-10-11 October	Ancona
INDUSTRY AND TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION	10 October	Roma
INCLUSION AND DISABILITY	14-15-16 October	Assisi e Perugia
TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITAL	15 October	Cernobbio (Como)
DEFENCE	18-19-20 October	Napoli
DEVELOPMENT	23-24 October	Pescara
URBAN SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	3-5 November	Roma
TOURISM	13-14-15 November	Firenze
FOREIGN AFFAIRS	25- 26 November	Fiuggi

MINISTERS' MEETING ON LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT

The G7 Ministers' Meeting on Labour and Employment will be held in Cagliari on 11-13 September.

Italy's Minister for Labour and Social Policies, Marina Calderone, will welcome the G7 Ministers for Employment, the European Commissioner for Jobs and Social Rights, as well as the Director General of the ILO, the Director for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs of the OECD and the representatives of Business 7 and Labour 7, as well as representatives of Civil 7, Women 7 and Youth 7.

The 3 main topics the G7 Meeting on Labour and Employment will discuss are:

a human-centered development and use of Artificial Intelligence in the world of work, resilient labour markets in ageing societies, responsive, flexible and inclusive skills and lifelong learning policies and systems.

The G7 Ministers and their guests will therefore have the opportunity to discuss these major issues with a view to fully benefit from the opportunities that AI offers, while reconciling technological development with the protection of labour rights and minimising possible risks for the world of work, to address challenges arising from aging population, to strengthen efforts towards inclusive skills and lifelong learning policies and systems that facilitate access to high-quality job opportunities for all. Ministers' debate will also focus on advancing inclusive labour markets for persons with disabilities, removing the obstacles that women face in entering, remaining, and advancing in the labour market, close the gender pay and employment gap, address gender-based violence and harassment in the world of work and promote better work-life balance for all workers and promoting safe and healthy working environments.

Following the call of G7 Leaders, G7 Labour and Employment Ministers will adopt a G7 Action Plan for a human-centered adoption of safe, secure and trustworthy AI in the World of Work. In addition, they will also agree on policy principles for a resilient world of work in ageing societies and an Action Plan for improving working conditions in the care sector.

HOST CITY: CAGLIARI



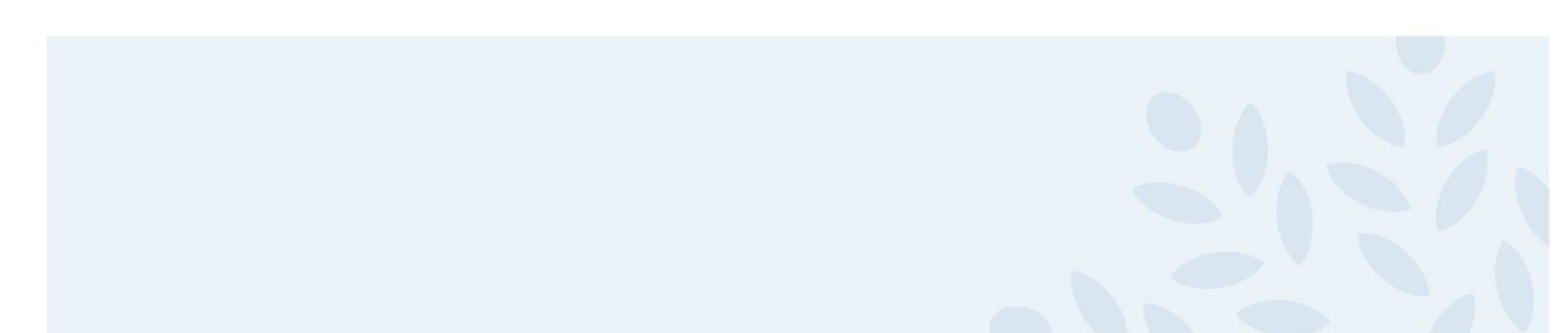
Credit: Sean Pavone

History and nature, art and vision for the future. Cagliari, the regional capital city of Sardinia, presents itself with this stance at the G7 ministerial meeting dedicated to labour and employment.

The city narrates millennia of history through its distinctive historic neighborhoods and vibrant enduring traditions. Like Rome, Lisbon, Prague, and Istanbul, it is characterised by its development on seven limestone hills from which it dominates the sea and benefits from its strategic position. The port, situated just 11 miles from the Gibraltar-Suez route, serves as one of the main hubs for transshipment activity in the western Mediterranean.

Home to an esteemed university since 1626 and one of the oldest schools in Italy - the "Giovanni Siotto Pintor" high school - Cagliari has always been a city dedicated to education and to its connection with the labour market. This commitment has also attracted several multinational companies that have chosen Cagliari as their headquarters.

The economy is dominated by traditional sectors such as electricity and its related industries, where most of the workforce is concentrated. However, in recent years, the fields of innovative startups and new technologies have also been growing: the city ranks 15th in Italy among the most advanced provinces in this regard. This forward-looking economic context will frame the discussions among participants at the G7 meeting, which will also address the impact of emerging technologies like Artificial Intelligence on the future of work. Alongside the industrial and technology sectors, the tourism industry is also gaining significant ground: Cagliari, in particular, leads the ranking of the most active Sardinian provinces in this field, with about 2,600 businesses and nearly 6,000 employees.



Thanks to targeted training in new skills, research and development of cutting-edge technologies, support for new companies, and technology transfer, Cagliari aims to become a centre of excellence with the goal of sustainably enhancing the competitiveness of its ecosystem and positively impacting employment across the entire Sardinian territory.

AGENDA

12 September

8:40 am

Minister of Labour and Social Policies, Ms. Marina Calderone, welcomes Heads of Delegation

Venue Palazzo Regio – Handshake

*Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and video makers+
Photographers/Cameramen*

9:00 am

Opening remarks by Minister Calderone

Venue Palazzo Regio –Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and video makers

9:15 am

Inputs from the Engagement Groups - W7, Y7, C7

Venue Palazzo Regio

10:20 am

Working Session I – Artificial Intelligence and the world of work

Venue Palazzo Regio

12:15 pm

Family Photo

Venue Bastione Saint Remy

*Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and video makers +
Photographers/Cameramen*

AGENDA

2:30 pm

Inputs from Social Partners - B7, L7

Venue Palazzo Regio

3:00 pm

Working Session II – Resilient labour markets in ageing societies

Venue Palazzo Regio

5:00 pm

Visit to the Saline Conti Vecchi

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and video makers (Entrance best video moment – photo/video at beginning)

AGENDA

13 September

Working Session III – Skills

9:00 am

Venue Palazzo Regio – Tour de table

Host Broadcaster + Official photographers and video makers

Working Session IV – Inclusive labour market, Occupational Health and Safety

10:45 am

Venue Palazzo Regio

Adoption of the Labour and Employment Ministers' Declaration and Closing Remarks

11:45 am

Venue Palazzo Regio

Press Conference of the Italian G7 Presidency

1:00 pm

Venue Ex Regio Museo

Open to all accredited press

MEDIA PROGRAMME: INFORMATION

Journalists, photographers and TV crews interested in attending the media programme, the Italian final Press Conference, and accessing the Media Centre, may request **accreditation** by **Thursday 5 September 2024**, no later than 12:00 CET, via the following link: <https://www.g7-2024.it/> or through the accreditation section of <https://www.g7italy.it/it/>.

For first-time registration applicants must fill in the form providing the required details and upload a copy of the following documents (PDF or JPEG format, max 2MB):

- Valid passport or ID card (mandatory)
- Photo (exclusively JPEG format, max. 2MB)
- Letter of assignment on official letterhead (mandatory also for freelance journalist)
- Press card

Early accreditation of journalists, photographers and interested media operators is mandatory. Media already accredited to previous meetings of G7 Ministers, need specific accreditation for this Ministers' Meeting.

Please note that press representatives from some countries must obtain a visa to enter Italy. Information on visa procedures must be checked in advance by accessing the [II visto per l'Italia \(esteri.it\)](#). The visa requirements must be met before arrival in Italy.

Following approval of the registration, accreditation badges will be provided to media representatives at the **Accreditation Centre**, located at V.le Regina Margherita, 44, 09124 Cagliari.

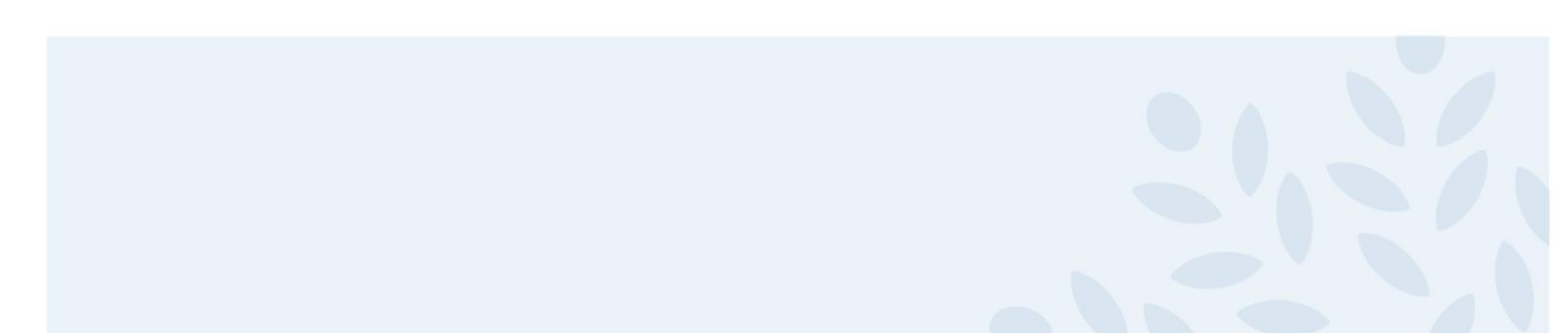
It will open:

- on 11 September from 9 am to 8 pm
- on 12 September from 9 am to 6 pm
- on 13 September from 9 am to 1 pm

The **Media Centre** is located at the Ex Regio Museo.

It will open:

- on 12 September from 7 am to 7 pm
 - on 13 September from 8:30 am to 6:30 pm
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The **Press Conference** for the Ministers' Meeting on Labour and Employment will take place in Cagliari, at the Ex Regio Museo, on **13 September 2024** at **1 pm**.

The conference will be held by Minister of Labour and Social Policies Marina Calderone in Italian, with simultaneous translation provided in English. It will be broadcasted live in English on the [YouTube channel](#) of the Italian G7 Presidency and in Italian on the YouTube channel of the Ministry.

A selection of the photos and videos produced by the official operators, including the family photo, will be available on the Italian G7 Presidency website.

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