## 3.1 BANKS

Dear Mr. President and Honorable Members

I wish to thank all of you for the opportunity that is being granted to our association today, by allowing us to give a voice to the 205.000 victims of the most colossal mass fraud ever realized against savings investors of the two ex Venetian popular banks.

I have the fortune and privilege to have been born into a family of Venetian entrepreneurs.

In decades of activity, our firm has had the opportunity to become a leader in Italy, and our objective, along with those of other Venetian successful firms, it was that to succeed in competing equally with the best European firms in our respective sectors. To have to escape from Veneto for lack of opportunity, was never contemplated. The Venetian model of business, from small and to large enterprises and from districts, has been the case study for the whole world, because we were able to produce comfort for our territory collectivity as few other countries in Europe and in the world could have ever hoped to do. In Veneto, until a few years ago, the topic of unemployment, above all for our youth, was never even contemplated, because for the Venetian people the job was an integral part of life. Our people has lived in a free and sovereign nation for more than one thousand years, we will never forget the necessary sacrifices that were made for creating the immense wealth that the families and the Venetian enterprises have produced, and have been able to produce for it by themselves and for their children. Now however we live in a period of great change. The world economy is living in a glass bead destined to burst. When it will happen, million of families will be sacrificed on the altar the speculative finances, those same finance that in these past years, is effecting the greatest redistribution of wealth, from the poor working class toward the extremely rich unlike anything we have ever seen in history. The liquidation of the 2 Venetian popular banks, that has zeroed all of the savings of hundreds of thousand of families, is only the demonstration of the destroying strength that derives from the privilege to be able to grant credit in an arbitrary way, above all if this is granted only to the bank administrators without any scruples to cash in millions in compensations without risking anything. Instead the Venetian society has always been able to progress, because the thousand of families of Venetian entrepreneurs, risked their money, they accepted some risks and they knew the sacrifices that derived from being entrepreneurs, and they nurtured a deep respect for all of this. These are the foundations of our economy, these are the foundations of our people. But a people that sees it's own youth run away, is a people with weak foundations, for this I ask all of you to work united in creating the necessary conditions to once again find a new equilibrium and an equitable redistribution of the wealth. Only in this way the Venetian people, along with the people of Europe and the whole world, can find peace and prosperity. Thank you Mr. President and members of the forum

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## 2.1 YOUTH CONDITION

Dear President and Honorable Members,

Once, the great intellectuals, artists and writers that traveled from Northern Europe down towards the paradise that is our territory: Goethe, Stendhal and many other traveled the Grand Tour from Veneto toward the Midday. Today, in Europe, we are assisting in a terrible and complex trip in the opposite direction. Once they traveled down with motives of beauty, now we are traveling up out of desperation.

The economic crisis has beaten hard on the occupation rate among the Venetians youth and so the phenomenon of emigration has intensified to foreign countries. Young people are moving away, desperate for a job. In our country the families sustain the educational formation of its young, which, in order to realize their own objectives, are sadly forced to emigrate: a notable investment realized in human capital whose gains are realized elsewhere. In Veneto wealth has gone down by a four point percentage in ten years. This is one of the leading factors that have caused about ten thousand of Venetians youth to have emigrated. We want be clear: the internationalization, the mutual knowledge of the world is fundamental, it must be sustained and stimulated. What we are here to bring light on today, however, is the necessity, not the free choice, to move to a foreign country to work. We must intervene: the future is here and now.

To this impoverishment of the people, globalization has been a contributing factor and it has also caused:

- a) the erasing of our past, the traditions, our uses and customs:
- b) the creation of a unique market, a unique ransom, a unique thought.

We must return to our origins to seek our lost identity. To allow the people to decide for their own economies and for their own territory, reinvesting in the districts and in the webbing of enterprises with opportunities and suitable methodologies.

The history of our Veneto, so deeply marked from the Most Serene Republic, is naturally commercial in its vocation, through quality manufacturing and innovation. Without our young people there is no guarantee that our history can continue. The world owes so much to us: the first woman in the world to have graduated, the first official abolition of slavery, the first piano, the first gears of a clock, the beginning of the book publishing industry, coffee roasted for the first time and so many other inventions, among which the method to protect such inventions: the patent system.

We believe that only promoting the politics above mentioned, giving to the people that which they deserve, that we can return great among the greats.

Thank you Mr. President and members of the Forum,

The General Secretary of Aspv

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