

## Keynote speakers



**Vincenzo Galasso**

I was born in 1967 in Napoli, where I grew up. I came to Milano to study economics at Bocconi. In 1991, I moved to California, where I earned a PhD in Economics from UCLA. In 1996, I was in Madrid as an assistant professor at Universidad Carlos III, in 2002 in Milano (where Chiara and Isabella were born) as an associate professor of economics in Bocconi. From September 2011 to 2013, I was in Lugano as professor of economics at Università della Svizzera Italiana. I'm now professor of economics in Bocconi and Director of the Bachelor in International Politics and Government.



**Chiara Bardelli**

Ms. Chiara Bardelli started her career in the humanitarian sector 10 years ago concentrating her expertise in Middle East.

Chiara spent more than 5 years in the field, particularly in West Bank, Lebanon and Iraq, where she was managing projects in health, human rights protection and civil society. She therefore matured a great knowledge of the area also by dealing with a wide range of stakeholders: CSO, local authorities and international institutional donors.

Before joining the Grant Management Office of EMERGENCY in 2013, for which now she is charge? responsible, she worked for EMERGENCY in Afghanistan as Country Administrator for a period of six months.

Chiara completed her humanitarian studies with a Master of Arts in Human Rights and Conflict Management at Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna.



**Sharon Cyr**

Ms. Cyr is a vice-consul at the U.S. Consulate General in Milan. Before arriving in Milan in 2018, she spent two years working in Tijuana, Mexico. Prior to joining the U.S. Foreign Service, she worked for an international organization, facilitating international student exchange programs and partnerships with disaster relief and humanitarian organizations. A native Californian, she is a graduate of Brandeis University and the University of California, Riverside. During university, she spent one year as an exchange student at Università degli Studi di Venezia (Ca' Foscari).