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Europe enters 2026 in a new phase: moving from crisis management to reimagining its strategic autonomy in energy, technology, security, and finance.

Under the theme **“Europe Reimagined: Capital, Sovereignty & Strategic Autonomy,”** FII PRIORITY Europe in Rome will convene global investors, policymakers, and innovators to examine how capital can secure Europe’s long-term competitiveness. With Euro area growth projected around 1.2% in 2026, patient private capital and smarter industrial policy will be critical to unlocking higher productivity and resilience.

Europe is rapidly scaling strategic industries: the European Chips Act has already catalyzed tens of billions in semiconductor investment, while defense outlays have risen to over one-fifth of global spending since 2022. The Net-Zero Industry Act and REPowerEU Roadmap aim to build 40% of key clean-tech manufacturing at home, redefining energy security and transition pathways. In Rome, leaders will explore how to **finance reindustrialization, resilient supply chains, and workforce transformation in an AI-enabled economy** that demands new skills and new social contracts.

ABOUT FII PRIORITY SUMMITS

Building on the legacy of the FII Institute’s renowned annual conference in Riyadh, the **FII PRIORITY Summits** are designed as engines of actionable change. Held in influential cities—global hubs for innovation and economic leadership—the Summits emphasize the Global South and other emerging markets to tackle critical global challenges. Far from merely reflecting on the current state of affairs, FII PRIORITY Summits **pioneer solutions that transcend industries and geographies.** By convening thought leaders, investors, and policymakers, the Summits transform today’s challenges into tomorrow’s breakthroughs, setting the stage for sustainable growth and unparalleled value creation.

PAST & CURRENT PRIORITY SUMMITS:



WHY EUROPE? WHY ROME?

EUROPE IS RE-ACCELERATING: Euro area growth is projected around 1.2% in 2026 with a supportive policy mix and easing financial conditions, signaling a stable, low-volatility environment for investors.

MASSIVE INVESTMENT WAVE: the IMF estimates that boosting European productivity could crowd in up to €800 billion in additional private investment over ten years, highlighting deep deployment capacity for global capital.

STRATEGIC GREEN/INDUSTRIAL PIVOT: the EU's Green Deal Industrial Plan positions Europe as a lead manufacturing base for net-zero technologies, from batteries to clean tech, anchoring long-term industrial projects.

GLOBAL RULE-SETTER: as the world's largest integrated single market with active new trade deals (e.g., with Mercosur and India), Europe remains a standard-setter on regulation, climate, and digital policy that shapes global business models.

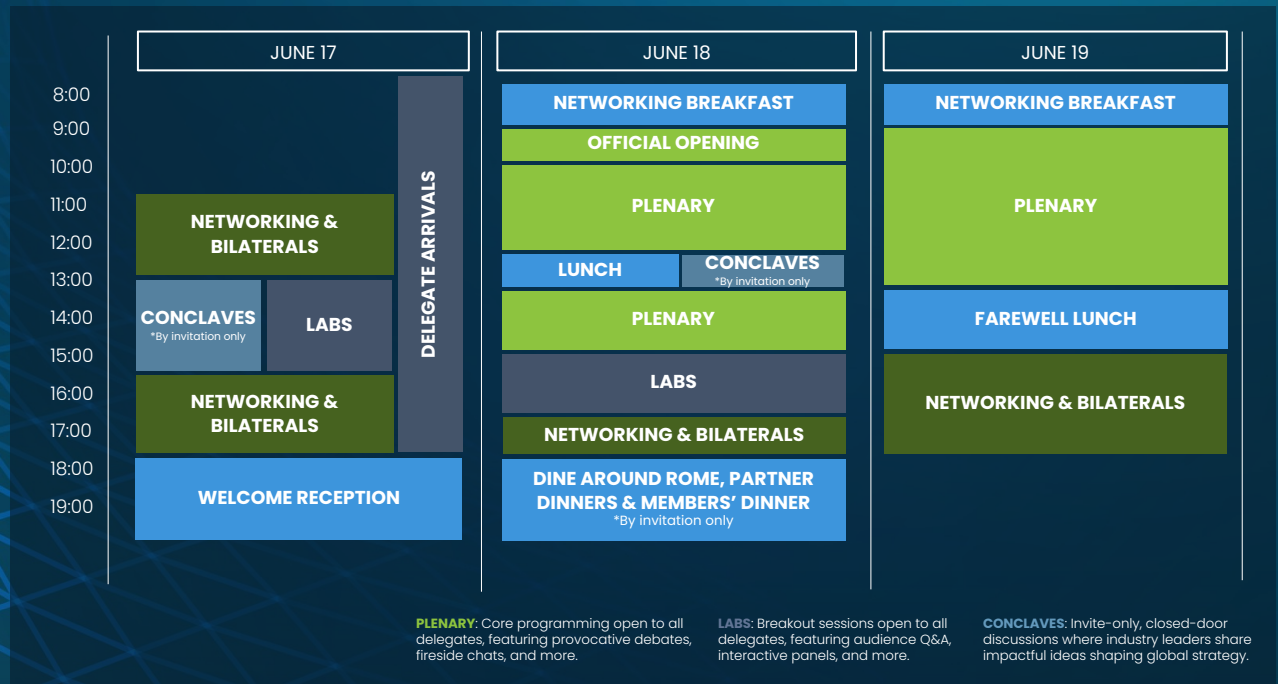
BRIDGING HERITAGE WITH MODERNITY: Rome at the intersection of Old World heritage and a country mid-reform, embodying Europe's efforts to convert legacy into future-proof competitiveness.

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FII PRIORITY Europe will convene the world's most influential investors, renowned business leaders, visionary heads of state, innovators, and disruptors as well as cultural icons from across the world.



PROGRAM-AT-A-GLANCE



CORE TOPICS



AI, DATA & DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Intelligence rivals hardware as the primary driver of productivity. **How can Europe build AI and data infrastructure that keeps value and sovereignty at home?**



SUPPLY CHAINS, TRADE & SECURITY

Resilience rivals cost as the primary driver of supply-chain design. **How can Europe secure critical inputs, diversify partners, and still remain open for business?**



REAL ESTATE, TOURISM & URBAN REVITALIZATION

Experience rivals location as the primary driver of asset value. **How do static assets capture value in a fluid, hybrid, always-on visitor economy?**



CAPITAL MARKETS & INVESTMENT FLOWS

Integration rivals fragmentation as the primary driver of capital formation. **How can Europe deepen its markets to channel savings into high-growth firms and strategic assets?**



GREEN INDUSTRIAL POLICY & ENERGY

Energy resilience rivals cheap fuel as the primary driver of European competitiveness. **How can Europe secure affordable, clean power while staying industrially competitive?**



ADVANCED MANUFACTURING & DEEP TECH

Scale rivals specialization as the primary driver of industrial leadership. **How can European deep-tech and manufacturing champions grow fast enough to compete globally?**

ABOUT FII INSTITUTE

The Future Investment Initiative (FII) Institute is a global nonprofit foundation driven by data with an investment arm and one agenda: Impact on Humanity. Global and inclusive, the Institute fosters great minds from around the world and turns ideas into real-world solutions in four critical areas: Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Robotics, Education, Healthcare and Sustainability. The FII Institute's vision is bringing together the brightest minds and most promising solutions to serve humanity. Its mission is creating a purposeful present and promising future.

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Insights from data-driven reports, publications and initiatives to navigate a complex world

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Inclusive platforms which are catalysts for international dialogue towards fostering global collaboration



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Investing in the actionable solutions of the future and empowering the innovators of tomorrow

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SUSTAINABILITY

FII VENTURES PROGRAM

Designed to accelerate the growth and success of impact-driven startups by leveraging the power of a dynamic innovation ecosystem. The program connects investors, business leaders, corporations, and institutions to foster collaboration, tackle real-world challenges, and propel groundbreaking solutions fueled by disruptive technologies.

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