



## President Romano Prodi

**Former Prime Minister of Italy, President of the European Commission (1999 - 2004)**

*"I am committed to closing the gap between rhetoric and reality in Europe?"*

President Romano Prodi is a former Prime Minister of Italy and subsequently held the post of the 10th President of the European Commission. Following the ending of his term, he returned to Italian politics. He was also the Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Italy and Special Envoy for Africa's Sahel.

### TOPICS:

- Economy
- Italian Politics
- The Future of Europe
- Renewable Energy
- Environmental Sustainability
- Global Affairs

### LANGUAGES:

He presents in Italian & English.

### PUBLICATIONS:

- 2000** Europe as I See It
- 1999** Un'idea dell'Europa (Contemporanea) (Italian Edition)
- 1995** Il capitalismo ben temperato (Tendenze / Il Mulino) (Italian Edition)
- 1992** Il tempo delle scelte: Lezioni di economia (Mondo economico) (Italian Edition)

### IN DETAIL:

Romano Prodi graduated in economics at Milan's Catholic University and did postgraduate studies at the London School of Economics. He also spent a year as visiting professor at Harvard in 1974. He has received almost 20 honorary degrees from institutions in Italy, and from the rest of Europe, North America, Asia, and Africa. From 1982-1989 and 1993-1994 Prodi was CEO of the powerful state-owned industrial holding company IRI. He surprised everyone by successfully getting Italy accepted as a member of the single European currency against all odds.

### WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

With his extensive experience in European politics, Prodi can offer valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities facing the European Union. He also provides expert analysis and recommendations on economic policy, globalisation, and sustainable development.

### HOW HE PRESENTS:

Romano Prodi's engaging speaking style, combined with his profound knowledge and experience, makes him an ideal choice for conferences and discussions on a wide range of topics, particularly those related to Europe, economics, and global affairs.