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The Italian chapter of Space Renaissance International was founded, and is aiming high!

On March 22 the Italian Chapter of Space Renaissance International was officially launched, during an important event held at Naples Città della Scienza (Science City). It was the conference "Expansion of Mankind in Space - Economics, Technology, Ethics, Sociology" jointly organized by Space Renaissance International, Associazione Italiana di Aeronautica ed Astronautica (ADIAA), Associazione degli Ingegneri Aerospaziali Napoletani (AIAN) and Naples Città della Scienza. It was the first conference after the disaster that burnt the interactive museum of Città della Scienza at the beginning on March.

During the conference Adriano Autino, President SR International, presented some Recognition of Merit Awards to prestigious speakers and performers, and among them to Dr. Gennaro Russo (known as Rino) for his continuous propulsive role within the national and international community in favour of the development of space culture, that was the basis of his nomination as President of the Italian Chapter of Space Renaissance International.

The Temporary Board of the Italian Chapter has been nominated and is composed by Alberto Cavallo (cofounder of SR International), Raffaele Savino (University of Naples "Federico II"), Marcello Demuro (SR International), Andrea Magnano (SR Italia website webmaster), Adriano Autino (President, SR International), other than Rino.

During the first meeting, the Board decided to launch a six months project with the aim to define the SR Italia long term plan. In order to develop the plan, the following lines of activities will be studied and evaluated: public outreach, education, communication, parabolic flights, sub-orbital and orbital space tourism trips. And everything should be done promoting national private space business.