

THE ITALIAN FACTOR

HOW TO LEVERAGE THE INTANGIBLE VALUE OF OUR CULTURAL HERITAGE

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A RICH CULTURAL MOSAIC





PIZZA SOLE

E MANDOLINO





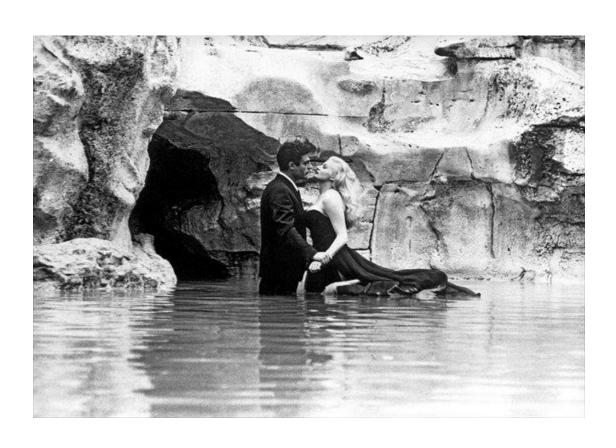
BUON APPETITO!





IL MIRACOLO ITALIANO





LA DOLCE VITA





OUR CULTURAL IDENTITY







LA FAMIGLIA







QUI COMANDO IO!







MAMMA MIA







CAMPANILISMO







CHI CONOSCI?







CHE BRUTTA FIGURA!







CON CALMA



Know thyself Our cultural identity



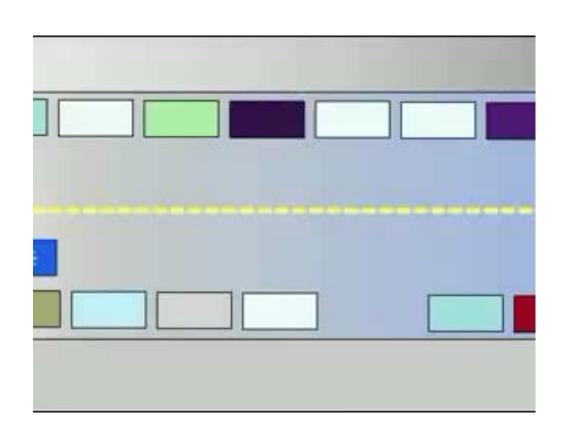
CONVIVIO

"Convivio" is a distinctly Italian kind of hospitality centered around the enjoyment of good food, good wine, family and friends. It's about taking pleasure in good conversation, enjoying a long, lingering, wonderful meal and being surrounded by people you love and care for. It's also about hospitality and opening your home to guests and new acquaintances.

(Italian Pride, Federico and Stephen Moramarco)



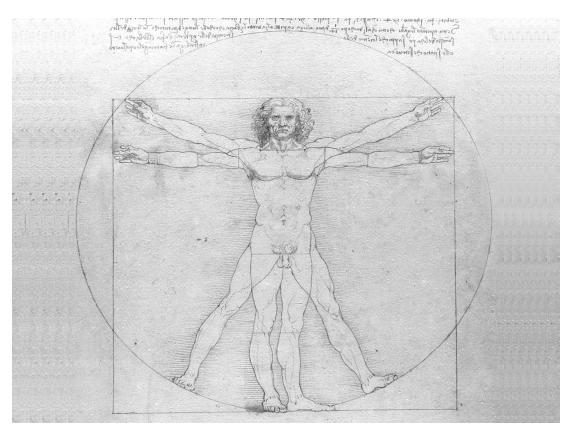




THAT'S ITALIAN!



The intangible assets of our cultural heritage



TRADIZIONE
CREATIVITA'
TALENTO ARTISTICO
GENIO
COLPO D'OCCHIO
MAESTRIA
GUSTO
PASSIONE
INNOVAZIONE
EMOZIONE
CONVIVIALITA'
BELLEZZA



The intangible assets of our cultural heritage



LA BELLEZZA

"I consumatori sono sempre più alla ricerca del bello, dell'estetico, dell'esperienziale indubbio della cultura italiaa e l'Italian ha un vantaggio competitive fortissimo endogeno.... Nella nostra azienda siamo guidati dalla ricerca del bello nelle nostre strategie creative siano esse produttive o riproduttive, è sempre il bello che ci quida."

(Anrdea Illy)



The intangible assets of our cultural heritage



LA BELLEZZA

"FUNCTIONALITY AND BEAUTY are the essence of Italian civilization. Italian genius has tended to be practical, Down-to-earth and concerned with getting things done, but it has also emphasized form, harmony and radiance."

(LA SPREZZATURA: 50 ways Italian genius shaped the world - Peter de Piro and Mary Desmond Pinkowish)





THE ROMAN EMPIRE

I Century BC - V Century AD





- THE ROMAN REPUBLIC
- MARVELS OF ENGINEERING
- CONCRETE AND CEMENT
- NEWSPAPERS THE ACTA DIURNA
- WELFARE: THE ALIMENTA PROGRAM
- THE BOUND BOOK
- ROADS AND HIGHWAYS
- THE JULIAN CALENDAR
- THE 12 TABLES





THE MIDDLE AGES V Century – XV Century





THE RENAISSANCE XIV Century – XVI Century





"Modern capitalism... has its roots in Italy during the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. From the Crusades to the Great Discoveries, Italy was the dominant economic power in the western world, and its merchants were the leading businessmen... The hegemony of the Italians rested largely upon superior business organization. As a matter of fact, they laid he foundations for most of the business institutions of today"

(Raymoon de Roover, The rise and decline of the Medici Bank)



"When you step into an intersection of fields, disciplines, or cultures, you can combine existing concepts into a large number of extraordinary new ideas... the Medici effect, comes from a remarkable burst of creativity in fifteenth-century Italy.

The Medici were a banking family in Florence who founded creators from a wide range of disciplines. Thanks to this family and a few others like it, sculptors, scientists, poets, philosophers, financiers, painters, and architects converged upon the city of Florence. There they found each other, learned from one another, and broke down barriers between disciplines and cultures. Together they forged a new world based on new ideas -- what became know as the Renaissance.

As a result, the city became the epicenter of creative explosion, one of the most innovative eras in history"

THE MEDICI EFFECT

Frans Jahansson, Harvard Universtiy Press





Benvenuto Cellini LA SALIERA 1534





THE POST-WAR ECONOMIC BOOM





SALVATORE FERAGAMO





LA BOTTEGA ARTIGIANA





THE EXTRA-ORDINARY





EAT BETTER, LIVE BETTER





TALENT
MOTIVATION
EXPERTISE
CO-OPETITION
EMPATHY
SHARING
CREATIVITY
DELIGHT
TIMELINESS
RADIATION





THE CHARM OF THE MADE IN ITALY IDEAL

A playful, sexy and effervescent life is the driving force behind Made in Italy; high quality and "hedonistic" beauty…la Dolce Vita is the international symbol of glamour and sophistication. This sweet life embodying all things Italian: places, products, ideas and images.

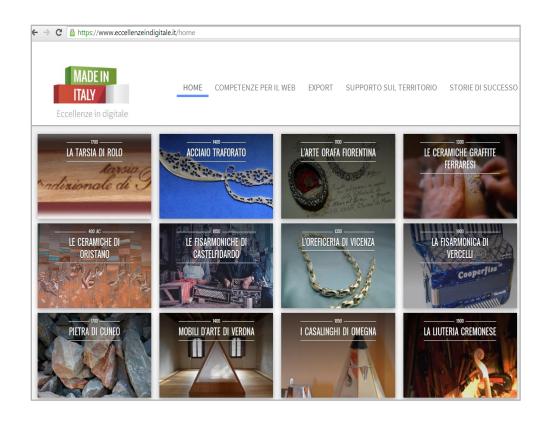
(Steele 2003)





MADE IN ITALY ECCELLENZE IN DIGITALE





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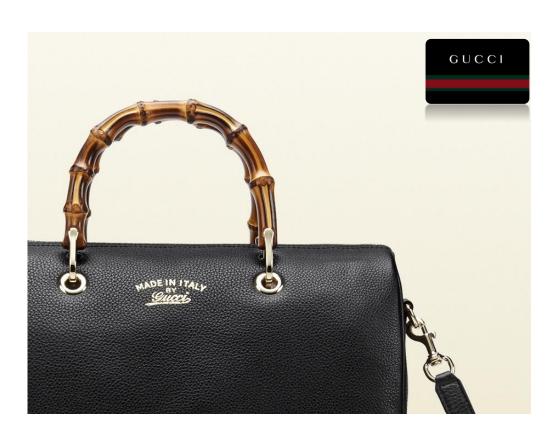
GLI ARTIGIANI





GOOGLE + LUXOTTICA: A BEAUTIFUL PARTNERSHIP





MADE IN ITALY BY GUCCI

"A luxury brand is a combination of history and craftsmanship, design and materials. Gucci is part of Italian history. It is Frieda Giannini's masterful creation of highly modern, culturally relevant collection of products featuring a partially borrowed heritage that will keep Gucci at the forefront of luxury brands for years to come."

(Francois-Henri Pinault)





FROM
FAST FOOD
TO
SLOW FOOD







COUNTRY OF ORIGIN: A DRIVER OF CONSUMER CHOICE



If everyone is busy making everything How can anyone perfect anything? We start to confuse convenience with joy Abundance with choice Designing something requires focus The first thing we ask is What do we want people to feel? Delight. Surprise. Love. Connection. Then we begin to craft around our intention It takes time There are a thousand no's for every yes We simplify. We perfect. We start over Until everything we touch enhances each life it touches Only then do we sign our work Designed by Apple in California

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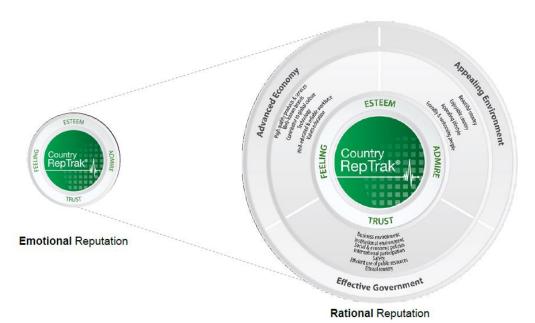
consumatori residenti nei paesi del G8, ai quali è stato chiesto di dare un voto di gradimento a ogni singolo paese, compreso il proprio, secondo una griglia di parametri molto, e volutamente, vaghi e soggettivi: simpatia e aspetto fisico degli abitanti, ambiente piacevole, buona educazione, consumi attraenti, stile di vita gradevole, dinamismo, onestà, efficienza... Ebbene: siamo, almeno fra i grandi paesi del mondo, decisamente i più sfiduciati. Il selfie pessimista che ci ripropone la ricerca è nitido: l'Italia piace agli italiani appena sopra la soglia di sufficienza: 50,6 su cento, ma agli stranieri piace molto di più: 65,8. Beffarda cosa questa. Giacomo Leopardi ci scopri molto indifferenti al giudizio altrui: «dell'opinione pubblica gl'italiani

POCO SE MI CONSIDERO

MOLTO SE MI CONFRONTO



Perceptions Tracking: the Country RepTrak®Model



FONTE:

Country Reptrak by Reputation Institute



2014 Country RepTrak® - TOP 20





The most Reputable Countries are not necessarily the most Economically Relevant ...

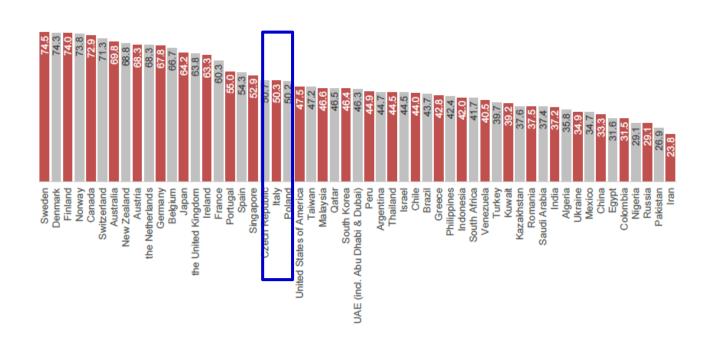


*Based on World Bank, IMF, WTO, UNCTAD & UNWTO data.

FDI: foreign direct investment

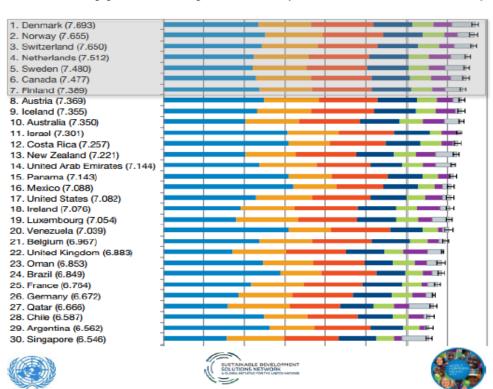


Ethical country with high transparency and low corruption



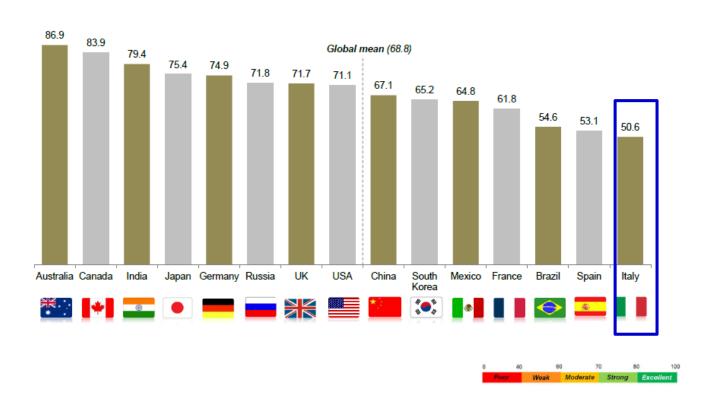


World Happiness Report 2013 (SDSN- United Nations)





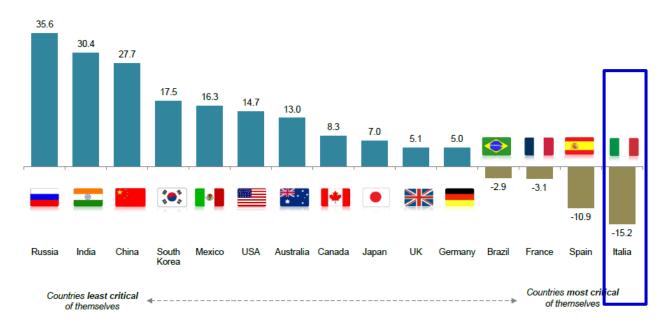
Internal Reputation -Self Image





Gap between Internal and External Reputation

Countries with a major gap between internal (self-image) and external perceptions





THE FACTS:

Italy is one of the 5 countries in the world with a foreign trade surplus over 100 billion dollars

Italian companies are among the most competitive in the world

Italy ranks among the developed countries that in the process of globalization have retained the highest market share

The Italian production model is among the most environmentally innovative

In the Eurozone, Italy is the preferred destination for international tourism

What weighs heavily on the GDP is not international competition but the drastic decrease in domestic demand

The growth of other countries is accompanied by an increase in debt

From the early 90s to date Italy's quota of European public debt has decreased constantly

The sum total of Italian debt (state, family, enterprises) is among the lowest in the world

From 1996 to date Italy has produced the highest combined primary surplus ever

Unioncamere Report



The Italian Factor

"The real surprise would be if land like Italy, with its stunning natural beauty and incomparable legacy in painting, sculpture, and architecture, did not excel in fashion and design. Artists like Armani, Pucci, Valentino and Versace have well understood how our sense of the beautiful helps forge and strengthen our emotional bonds to life and how our daily self-presentation can be a nuanced part of much larger canvas..."

(from the authors of SPREZZATURA)



The importance of cross-cultural awareness on management



The importance of cross-cultural awareness on management

Country	Cultural Features	The Italian Factor					
China	Made in China (quantity)	Made in Italy (quality) / "Con calma"					
Serbia	Problem -solving / Creativity	Longevity (2 nd in the world after Japan)					
Canada	Sensitive/ Caring	Serenity / "Con calma"					
Croatia	Good mediators	Luxury / The Aesthetic					
India	Hard-working/ Innovative/ Adaptable/Curious/ Ready to move and try new things/ Respect for greater good	The Aesthetic Design Innovative Architecture					
Tanzania	"Con calma" / Warmth	Efficiency					
Romania	Determination/Sense of humor/ Hard- working/Innovative	Welcoming Respect for value of culture Quality of life and time					
Austria	Precisione/Accuracy	Flexibility "Dolce vita"					
Bulgaria	Emotion/Energy	Value of family					



The Shenker Way?



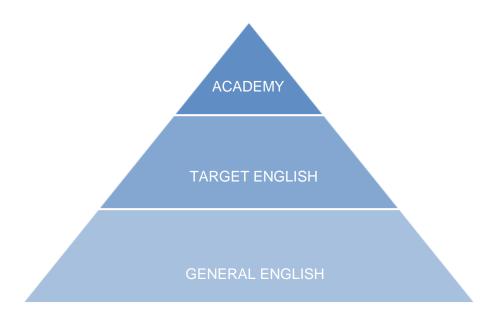
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Shenker Matrix è un sistema di mappatura delle competenze linguistiche e di comunicazione manageriale per l'internazionalizzazione di imprese e persone

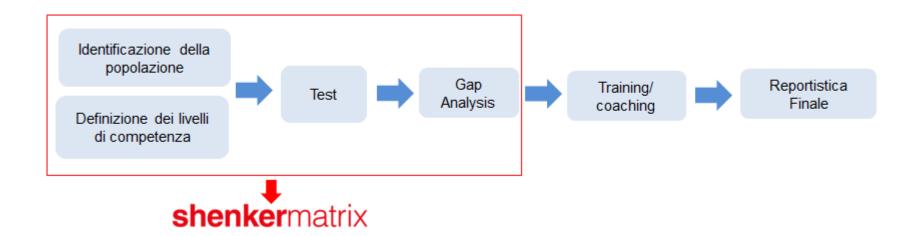
Questo innovativo strumento, permette di misurare non solo la conoscenza generale dell'inglese, ma anche la padronanza dei diversi linguaggi: aziendale, di settore e di specifica funzione.







Il processo di valutazione delle competenze linguistiche parte da una *needs analysis* dettagliata e si conclude con l'elaborazione di un percorso formativo modellato sulle esigenze aziendali.







Data Acquisition

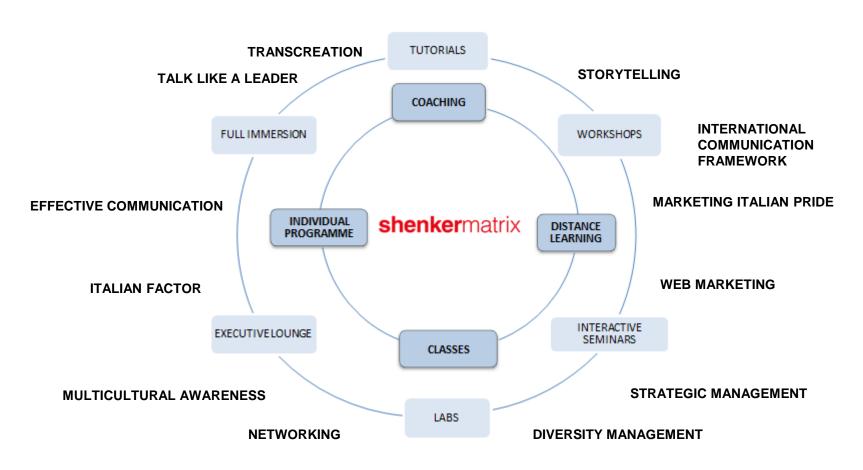
Basic Assessment

Premium Assessment International Communication Framework

Data Acquisition Assessmen					t	International Communication Framework						
	Società	Nominativi per Settore	Ruolo	Livello richiesto	General English (0-100)		Industry Lang. (0-5)	Company Lang. (0-5)	Function Lang. (0-5)	Presentation & Public Speaking (0-5)	Writing, distance communi cation (0-5)	Cross-cultural communication & awareness (0-5)
	Società 1	Dipendente 1	AD	50	25	+	3	1	2	2	2	1
	Società 2	Dipendente 2	Sales	35	10		4	5	4	2	3	3
		0-25 basic 26-50 lower intermediate 51-75 upper intermediate 76-100 advanced			1 2 3 4	3 good active communication			 needs improvement fairily effective Very effective 			
				76-100	auvanceu		5 can read, write, listen, present to a very high level			a very high level		









"THINK GLOBAL Be Italian"

DESIGN YOUR INTERNATIONAL SELF





THE ITALIAN FACTOR THANK YOU





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