

It is a very great pleasure for me, as President of the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce (IACC), to celebrate the second edition of this cultural and editorial initiative.

2014 is the third year of our highly-valued partnership with the PrimiDieci Society. The purpose behind the annual selection of ten Italians and Italo-Americans who have enjoyed extraordinary success in the USA, for inclusion in the “PrimiDieci” volume, is extremely laudable. That same purpose, in the case of the young (under-40) Italians and Italo-Americans, included in the second volume, is an even greater source of pride to me.

Under my presidency, and with the full and enthusiastic support of our board, we created the YEX (Young Executives Committee of the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce), demonstrating to our young, talented, Italian executives our profound belief in their commitment and professional value, and sustaining them with a series of ongoing, annual happenings and events.

These young Italian professionals in the USA are increasingly well-trained and thoroughly deserving of the success they aspire to. Both in my personal capacity and through IACC, it has always been my endeavor to promote recognition of their merits so that they may serve as role models for others whose ambition is to excel, either in our own country or abroad.

“PrimiDieci-Under40” brings us the extraordinary stories of ten young Italians in the United States who have achieved honour and distinction. We sought them out – it was not very difficult because there are a surprising number of them – we chose from amongst them, year by year, and today we are proud to present the Top Ten selected for 2014!

They are a source of inspiration and motivation for present and future generations.

Claudio Bozzo