



THE PRIME MINISTER

Oslo, 31 October 2022

Dear Ms Meloni, *dear Prime Minister, dear colleague!*

Please accept my congratulations on your appointment as Prime Minister of Italy. Norway and Italy have a long history of cooperation and I look forward to working with you to further strengthen our bilateral relations.

International cooperation is essential to address the difficult challenges the world is now facing. As a key NATO ally, Italy has shown strong support for Ukraine and its people, and I greatly appreciate your steadfast commitment to maintaining this support. I also look forward to further collaboration in areas such as climate change and energy security. Norway values its close partnership with the EU and Italy in dealing with these and other common challenges.

I wish you every success with the important tasks that lie ahead.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jonas Gahr Støre'.

Jonas Gahr Støre

H.E. Ms Giorgia Meloni
Prime Minister of Italy,
Rome