

Benito Mussolini, a veteran, led Italy through their Great Depression by building a destructive Fascist State. Benito Mussolini was an Italian dictator who became powerful shortly after WW1, supporting a fascist economic policy. He presented himself as the only man who he believed could restore order after Italy was in shambles. He was invited by King Victor Emmanuel to form a new government and attempt to restore Italy. The Fascist State was established by Mussolini, advocated Italian nationalism. There were uniforms, and terrorism and intimidation were unleashed against Italian rivals. Mussolini, a good friend of Adolf Hitler, began an alliance between Italy and Nazi Germany. Fascism is a one-party dictatorship. This caused a rebellion within the Fascist Party.

Though Italian Great Depression effects were not as drastic as other countries, the people still had suffrage. The economy in Italy was weak. In order to improve this, Mussolini introduced a plan: attacking the power of the trade unions and then controlled the workers. Three battles were introduced in order to gain economic prosperity. These included The Battle for Land, the Battle of the Lira, and the Battle for Grain.