

# Carta di Milano

**Consiglio Nazionale Forense  
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**Manifesto of the Legal Profession**

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### **Manifesto of the Legal Profession**

Today, June 5th 2015, lawyers gathered in Milan to attend the Convention titled “Life and health safeguard and fight against fraud” jointly promoted by all the Italian Bar Associations within the framework of the Milan EXPO, making reference to the principles of the “CARTA DI MILANO” (THE MILAN CHARTER), a document presented and submitted to the attention of all citizens of the world for them to sign, with the aim to share and spread the spirit and values of the Charter,

#### RECALLING

- the responsibility traditionally and historically assumed by the legal profession, especially towards the future generations, with the aim to contribute to social progress, in their role as guardians and promoters of rights in civil society;
- the need to contribute, as part of their institutional activities, to the solution of today’s global problems with a view to reducing inequality and disparity, fighting fraud and forgeries, rebalancing access to resources, and reducing waste and damage to the territory and to the soil;
- the compliance with the principles and values of their code of ethics, as well as the social function they perform;

#### DECLARE

- to agree with the principles stated in THE MILAN CHARTER and with the statement therein contained that the right to nutrition and food is also the right to dignity, to personal freedom and to health protection, and therefore a fundamental human right which also entails other general duties for the protection of the environment and of the territory, the distribution of resources, the promotion of safety and the achievement of sustainable progress;
- to operate with these ends in mind, in order to ban disparities and violence, to fight fraud and forgeries, to foster the full recognition of values and ideals, and the respect of the law, ethics and the rights of others;

#### AND THEY UNDERTAKE

in all Domestic, European and International contexts

- to support and effectively recognize these fundamental rights and to always defend them, representing, solely or jointly with other actors, the requests of civil society in all the debates and public policy decision processes;
- to act as advocates of citizens’ requests, interfacing with institutions in order to meet citizens’ legitimate demands for legal protection, and to oppose ever repeated violations, frauds and forgeries;
- to effectively address the causes that lead to the violation of rights by promoting the education to legality and relying on the knowhow and values of all professions;
- to translate into tangible actions, exercisable rights and responsibility statements the fundamental values that have an impact on life, health and people’s dignity.

Milan, June 5<sup>th</sup> 2015

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