

## ***LEGANCE***

Legance is an independent law firm with offices in Milan, Rome, London and New York. Founded in 2007 by a group of acclaimed partners who grew up in the same law firm. Legance celebrates its 10th anniversary, distinguishing itself in the legal market as a point of reference for clients and institutions. Legance's rapid growth (from 84 lawyers in 2007 to over 200 professionals in 2017) is undisputed evidence of its strength in legal services. The law firm's achievements are the result of a consistent strategy focused on creating value around the institutional nature of the firm, where the value of the group is regarded as a trait that amplifies each individuals qualities and skills. Legance has undisputedly positioned itself at the top of the national and international market, thanks to the constant attention to its client's needs, the careful evaluation of business goals and an unconventional approach aimed at anticipating the clients needs. Independence, dynamism, responsiveness and internationality are the hallmarks of the firm.

### ***LEGANCE & CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY***

Legance is strongly committed to its social responsibility program. The program is coordinated by the CSR Committee (Corporate Social Responsibility) and includes *pro bono* legal assistance for the benefit of persons and communities who require legal support but cannot bear the cost of such services, as well as organizations who support those people. Legal activities - including those in areas regarding human rights -, legal initiatives, judicial and not, promoted jointly with our clients, donations and sponsorships of a charitable and solidarity nature, as well as meetings and activities to bring awareness and information about *pro bono* issues, are carried out.

### ***PRO BONO ASSISTANCE***

Legance actively collaborates with **Trust Law Connect (TLC)**, a platform of Thomson Reuters Foundation aimed at putting worldwide NGOs and no-profit organizations into contact with top tier law firms who are available to provide free legal aid. In 2015, **PiNet**, one of the world's leading *pro bono* assistance circuits, started promoting its activities in Italy and Legance attended the meetings with other law firms, NGOs and associations with the aim to create the first Italian clearing house, a sort of center of 'incubation' of *pro bono* projects in Italy. Since 2009 Legance has actively supported an association named **RiDiamo** which carries out charitable activities in favour of indigent people and entities, both through fundraising and volunteering activities. Legance is one of the founders of the **Pro Bono Italia** Association.

### ***ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS***

#### **ANTIGONE**

Antigone is an association "*for the rights and guarantees in the criminal system*", whose members are mainly judges, people operating within the prison system, scholars, parliamentarians, teachers and citizens interested in criminal justice for various reasons. Legance offers *pro bono* assistance in relation to the mission of Antigone, support to and /or sponsoring of single projects, events or initiatives and support to fundraising activities.

#### **ATLETICO DIRITTI**

The Polisportiva Atletico Diritti Club was founded by Progetto Diritti and Antigone, with the patronage of the Rome university Università di Roma Tre. Legance sponsored Atletico Diritti football club to take part in the third category in Rome championship 2017/2018, a football team of migrants, detainees and former prisoners, university students, formed with the aim to play football for social integration, anti-racism, and in the name of the sport as an instrument for greater social cohesion.

#### **LOYOLA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO - SCHOOL OF LAW**

Loyola University Chicago School of Law organizes, in its Rome campus PROLAW, a Master of Law (LLM) which trains the students to a career in the field of law, with a focus on students coming from developing countries, in an economic transition period or of recovery after a conflict. Legance cooperates with the University with different initiatives in order to support the School of Law and its students.

#### **CONI**

The Italian Olympic Committee (CONI) aims at spreading sport in Italy among diverse ranges of population to combat any exclusion, racism, disparity based on nationality, sex, and sexual orientation, and to conciliate the economic dimension of sport with its innate popular, social, cultural and educational dimension.

Legance offers to CONI and the athletic world in general *pro bono* assistance with particular reference to the mission of CONI.