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30th Italian PROBONO Roundtable

Held in Milano on Wednesday, 17th July 2019,

In the offices of Jones Day

Dear All,

Please find here-below a summary of the RT in heading (see attached agenda):

1. **Attendees:** 40 (see attached LoPs).
2. **Introduction**

G. Carotenuto, co-founder and chairman of Pro Bono Italia (“PBI”), welcomed the attendees, summarising PBI’s achievements and next events, amongst which i) the 31st Italian Pro Bono Roundtable, to be held in Rome on Wednesday, 2nd October, and ii) the second edition of the Italy Pro Bono Day, scheduled to take place in Milan on Wednesday, 6th November, during the inaugural European Pro Bono Week. He also informed the participants that, to date, PBI’s network has satisfied 210 requests of pro bono assistance, ranging from corporate matters to anti-drugs legislation, LGBTI rights, children’s rights, etc..

V. Trombetti, partner of Jones Day responsible for the pro bono practice, joined Giovanni in welcoming the participants and briefly described his firm’s current pro bono activities, among which the “Laredo project”, coordinated by US offices and the “Lesvos project”, coordinated by Brussels office. Through them, Jones Day provides access to justice for detained refugees (Laredo) and first instance assistance to refugees on the Greek island of Lesvos.

Before leaving the floor to the NGOs new to the network, G. Carotenuto invited A. Mancinelli (TrustLaw), who joined the RT over the phone, to introduce himself as the new manager in charge for Europe, and explain TrustLaw’s current and future projects in Italy, among which the collaboration with PBI for the second edition of the Italy Pro Bono Day.

3. **NGOs’ presentations**

Fondazione Lang Italia (“FLI”). L. Martina, General Secretary, introduced the Foundation. Created in 2011, FLI is an initiative of the Lang Trust, launched by a Milanese entrepreneur to promote an active philanthropy able to improve the life of generations to come. Its goal is to make NGOs and initiatives answering to social needs stronger, more effective and sustainable. L. Martina explained that the

philanthropy strategy can help to reach FLI's goals, and illustrated some of the cases managed by FLI. The latter organises specific trainings on executive educations, philanthropy advisory and intermediation, and also a Philanthropy Day held in Milan in late October. They are seeking legal assistance for IP, cross-border and Third Sector Reform related matters (see attached presentation).

PlayMore! ("PM"). L. De Micco, Chairman and co-founder, presented his no-profit organisation. PM was created in 2010 with the goal to promote sport, health and integration. Through a sport centre in the centre of Milan (Via Moscova) made by Milan' City Hall, since 2013, PM has been managing a soccer and beach volley field, an athletics track and a basketball court. All areas are given for free to schools in the morning and from the afternoon they are rented according to a Milan City Hall's tariff. Considering the investment made, the City Hall's concession will last up to 2032. PM organises sports courses that start with three-year-olds children on psychomotor courses and manages five social projects: "PlayMore! Special" (soccer training), "PlayMore! Runchallenge" (run training with the goal to run Milano Marathon), "PlayMore! United" (football team), "PlayMore! Wesport" (to help who can't). They could cooperate with PBI for the Know Your Rights program and are seeking for legal assistance in order to settle disputes with suppliers regarding contractual issues (see attached presentation).

The Good Lobby (TGL). J. Colzani, legal affairs officer, and F. Anghelè, head of policy at "*Riparte il futuro*", introduced the start-up. TGL is a civic start-up operating across Europe and beyond, committed to give voice to underrepresented public interests and bring more citizens into the public policy process. It acts in three areas: education, networking and matchmaking. J. Colzani presented TGL's members and their common characteristics: they all want to promote skill-sharing and cooperation among citizens with different professions, expertise and attitudes, in order to foster assertive citizenship. TGL's idea is that organisations working for civil society should have access to the necessary resources, and that citizens, regardless of their background or geographical location, should be able to start lobbying for the public good. Since 2015, TGL has trained thousands of people across numerous countries, providing for legal and strategic assistance to an ever-growing number of NGOs, and developing a community of more than 10,000 people across the Globe. "*Riparte il futuro*" is civil society organisation that use digital platforms and campaigns to do advocacy. They are seeking for lawyers to commit and cooperate with TGL (see attached presentation).

4. Presentation of Turin University's Legal Clinic

S. Albano, assistant to Professor J. Long, collaborates with one of the legal clinics of Turin University focused on family law and children's rights. They use a practical approach, so students could see the so-called "Law-in-action", through three help-desks in which students and professionals work together. Students make in-depth legal activities and the practical approach is given by drafting legal deeds. The legal clinic's main activity starts in the second semester. G. Carotenuto pointed out that PBI's network could help them by providing for tutors who can assist groups of students to manage real cases.

5. Guidelines on how to handle private individuals' pro bono requests: study group's update

G. Carotenuto updated the participants on the work carried out so far by the study group. A first draft of the guidelines, as well as of the questionnaire to be submitted to the applicant, have been prepared and are being discussed among the study group's participants. Currently, the latter are focusing on how to make the best use of the applicant's financial information in order to allow CILD Clearinghouse first, and then the pro bono lawyer(s) who ultimately take on the matter, to take an informed decision on whether or not the case is eligible for pro bono activity.

L. Liboni, CILD Clearinghouse's coordinator, explained that through the questionnaire they would have access to the applicant's general information, a brief description of the request in question, and

the applicant's economic and financial conditions. She also pointed out that, at present, no other clearinghouses in Europe (except one established in Romania) manage private individuals' cases.

After a brief debate, with interventions from the floor, G. Carotenuto pointed out that, regardless of the fact that each lawyer can choose what to do with respect to pro bono, PBI is engaged in allowing eligible private individuals to address their requests to its network of lawyers without necessarily going through an NGO (as it happens now). He also highlighted that PBI is going to be almost a pioneer in this field in Europe, and this should motivate even more the study group to work better and the whole network to collaborate to the accomplishment of our common goal.

6. Know Your Rights program in Rome: results

Know Your Rights ("KYR") is a 7-week legal education program for asylum seekers, refugees and migrants with various forms of protection co-organised by DLA Piper, PBI and CILD, which has been carried out last fall in Milan and in May-June of this year in Rome. The goal is to empower participants by increasing their knowledge of the Italian legal system, as well as their associated soft skills, in order to help them better integrate in our country, advocate for their own interests and pursue their professional and personal goals. In the recent Rome's edition, participants from Africa and China (mostly asylum seekers or other forms of protection) joined the program. The sessions were provided in partnership with BNL - Gruppo BNP Paribas' in-house lawyers, as well as some from Amazon and two NGOs, CIMEA (*Centro Informazioni Mobilità Equivalenze Accademiche*) and UNHCR. Eight participants have applied for mentoring and four of them have already started. A significant part of the participants has a strong interest in forms of self-entrepreneurship, while some have expressed the desire to attend the faculty of law, and some others are trying to convert their own qualifications and/or degrees and request for a scholarship.

G. Carotenuto proudly announced the launch of the KYR's second edition in Milan, which will take place from 30th October to 11th December 2019. PBI is looking for participants, mentors and teachers.

7. Italy Pro Bono Day 2019: official presentation

G. Carotenuto presented the second annual Italy Pro Bono Day, which is taking place on Wednesday, 6th November 2019, from 10 am to 6 pm in Milan, hosted by Ashurst, in Piazza San Fedele no. 2. The Day's program includes legal training sessions for NGOs in the morning, the 32nd Italian Pro Bono Roundtable at lunchtime and a seminar on pro bono practices for individuals in the early afternoon, followed by a celebration event. Leaflet is already on-line on PBI's website, as well as an email address for RSPV (italyprobonoday@probonoitalia.org).

8. Pro Bono next meeting

The 31st Italian Pro Bono Roundtable is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, 2nd October 2019 (from 1 to 3 pm), in Rome, hosted by Studio Jacobacci-Dike, in Via Tomacelli, 146.