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ALFA International, the Global Legal Network, Welcomes New Member Law Firm for Italy

(October 21, 2011) – ALFA International, the global legal network, is pleased to announce the addition of **Ughi and Nunziante Studio Legale** (www.unlaw.it) as the exclusive member law firm for ALFA International in the nation of Italy.

Ughi and Nunziante maintains large offices in both Milan and Rome with 48 lawyers working in Milan and 32 in Rome. Since its early years, the firm has combined its intimate knowledge of Italian law and superior service with a strong international vocation, and has developed solid experience in cross-border transactions. A truly international firm, most of the **Ughi and Nunziante** attorneys obtained postgraduate degrees from leading universities in Italy and abroad, and have accumulated foreign work experience, particularly in the United States and the United Kingdom; among the firm's professionals are foreign nationals and professionals who are admitted to practice in Italy as well as other jurisdictions, and the firm is able to provide assistance in many languages such as Italian, English, French, German and Spanish. The firm's practice is both deep and varied. Key subject matter areas include corporate, banking, litigation/arbitration, real estate, tax, and energy. The firm's clients range from small and medium size businesses and corporations in their early stages of international expansion, to large multinationals, financial institutions, governments and public organizations. Many of their clients are non-Italian entities seeking advice on legal issues connected with their Italian operations or on international transactions which have some point of contact with Italian law and/or jurisdiction.

According to Richard Hetke, ALFA International's CEO, "An industrial powerhouse ranked as the world's seventh-largest market economy, Italy is an important business and legal market that demands strong representation within

ALFA International's global network of law firms. Italy belongs to the Group of Eight (G-8) industrialized nations; it is a member of the European Union and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). As such, ALFA International's member firms across the globe will benefit from **Ughi and Nunziante's** knowledge and understanding of legal and business matters in this important region of the world."

Fiorella Alvino (ffalvino@unlaw.it), the ALFA International Contact Partner at **Ughi and Nunziante** stated, "We are quite pleased to join ALFA International. **Ughi and Nunziante** is known as a full services business focused law firm and has worked with businesses from all part of the globe. Our attorneys can offer the highest level of legal services in all the major areas in which financial institutions and commercial and industrial enterprises may need outside legal counsel, and we look forward to providing that level of service to ALFA International members and clients from across the world."

About ALFA International

ALFA International, the global legal network, (www.alfainternational.com) is an organization of independent law firms. ALFA International's membership is comprised of 145 international law firms (85 U.S. based firms, 60 non U.S. based firms) employing over 9,000 lawyers and 10,000 other legal professionals. Member firms are located in nearly every U.S. state as well as in Canada, Mexico, Latin and South America, Southeast Asia, Africa, Australia, the Middle East, and the Pacific Rim. ALFA International's basic objective, accomplished through its member firms and their activities, is to improve the quality and efficiency of legal services and to provide those services to clients within a reasonable and value oriented cost formula across jurisdictions around the world.