

## 2026 European Regional Seminar

16-18 APRIL 2026 | GRAND HOTEL PLAZA | ROME, ITALY



**THURSDAY, 16 APRIL**  
19.00 – 20.00

### WELCOME COCKTAILS AT NUNZIANTE MAGRONE OFFICES

#### [Nunziante Magrone](#)

Piazza di Pietra, 26

Join your ALFAI colleagues for a welcome reception at the lovely offices of Nunziante Magrone. Set in the historic Palazzo Ferrini-Cini, their office is located in a seventeenth-century building in the charming Piazza di Pietra, overlooking the remains of the Temple of Hadrian (*Hadrianeum*). Built in the second century AD it is now home to the Rome Stock Exchange.

*Transportation:* The Nunziante Magrone office is a 10-minute walk from the Grand Plaza Hotel. If you prefer to walk over with a group, please meet in the lobby at 18.45.

*Attire:* Business or smart casual

20.00 – 23.00

### DINNER AT ENOTECA SPIRITI

#### Enoteca Spiriti

Piazza di Pietra, 32/33

Following the welcome reception, join us at Enoteca Spiriti for exceptional wine and fine cuisine. Enjoy the elegant ambiance while overlooking the stunning Piazza di Pietra. Connect with fellow attendees over dinner as we kick off our time together in Rome.

*Transportation:* Enoteca Spiriti is next to the Nunziante Magrone office so we will walk over as a group.

*Attire:* Business or smart casual



FRIDAY, 17 APRIL

07.30– 08.40

**BREAKFAST**

[Grand Plaza Hotel](#)

Via del Corso, 126

Breakfast at your leisure is included in your hotel room rate

09.00 – 13.00

**PROGRAM SESSIONS**

[Nunziante Magrone](#)

Piazza di Pietra, 26

*Transportation:* The Nunziante Magrone office is a 10-minute walk from the hotel. If you prefer to walk over with the group, please meet in the lobby at **8.40**.

*Attire:* Business Casual

09.00 – 09.10

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTION**

**Fiorella Alvino**

*Host Firm*

NUNZIANTE MAGRONE

Milan, Italy

**Jessica Zaroski Bauer**

*CEO*

ALFA INTERNATIONAL

Chicago, Illinois, USA

**Elisa Lemus**

*European Regional Chair*

BUFETE BARRILERO

Bilbao, Spain

09.10 – 10.15

**FOREIGN INVESTMENT CONTROL ACROSS THE ATLANTIC: ITALY’S  
“GOLDEN POWER” AND COMPARATIVE U.S.–EUROPEAN PERSPECTIVES**

This panel brings together European and American attorneys to examine the growing landscape of foreign investment control and national security review, with a particular focus on Italy’s “Golden Power” regime. Panelists will discuss how Golden Power functions in practice, the sectors and transactions it affects, and how it compares to parallel frameworks in the United States and across Europe. The conversation will address compliance challenges, deal structuring considerations, and strategic risk management for cross-border investors navigating increased regulatory scrutiny in an evolving global environment.

**Fabio Liguori**

*Moderator*

NUNZIANTE MAGRONE

Milan, Italy

**Cees-Frans Greeven**

*BUREN*

Amsterdam, Netherlands

**Eddy Hayes**

*LEAKE ANDERSSON*

New Orleans, LA, USA

10.15 – 10.45

### WEARING MANY HATS: LESSONS IN ADAPTATION ACROSS LEGAL, CULTURAL, AND CORPORATE WORLDS

From the courtroom to the boardroom, from Italian traditions to American pragmatism, navigating change has been Vicki’s constant. Speaking various languages legally, culturally, and personally, she’s learned to adapt as a prosecutor for 20 years, as in-house counsel today, as a negotiator abroad, and even as a parent at home. This session explores how embracing different perspectives and environments strengthens collaboration, builds trust, and drives success in a global legal market.



**Victoria “Vicki” Policicchio**  
CHAMPION HOME BUILDERS, INC.  
Detroit, MI, USA

*Vicki Policicchio* is a seasoned legal professional with over 20 years of experience in litigation management, regulatory compliance, and trial advocacy. Currently serving as Associate Counsel for Champion Home Builders, Inc., she manages civil litigation across the U.S. and Canada, oversees regulatory matters and claims against the company, and advises management, subsidiaries, and the Board on legal rights and obligations. Her work focuses on minimizing legal risk, ensuring compliance, and supporting business strategy across a publicly traded S&P 600 company. Before moving in-house, she built a distinguished career as Assistant Prosecuting Principal Trial Attorney with the Macomb County Prosecutor’s Office, where she led the Domestic Violence Unit, prosecuted capital cases including homicides, and partnered with senior leadership and public agencies to strengthen community trust and case outcomes. Recognized as a collaborative, pragmatic, and solutions-oriented counsel, she leverages her litigation expertise, regulatory insight, and business acumen to deliver practical, results-driven legal strategies.

10.45 – 11.00

### NETWORKING BREAK

11.00 – 11.55

### EUROPEAN MEETING

During this session, the group will discuss the recruitment of new members, client connections, and marketing efforts. This session is intended to be an open forum discussion, so please come ready to express your thoughts and collaborate!

11.55 – 12.20

### 2026: PRIVATE EQUITY ON FRONT FOOT DESPITE GEOPOLITICAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES



**Karri Kaitue**  
*Of Counsel*  
NUNZIANTE MAGRONE  
Milan, Italy

12.20 – 13.00

**KEYNOTE PRESENTATION: EUROPE IN AN ERA OF GLOBAL UNCERTAINTY**

The war in Ukraine, the crisis in the Middle East, the operation in Venezuela, and the possible attack on Taiwan, in addition to numerous unresolved regional crises, especially in Africa, are situations that are changing global geopolitics. It is difficult to predict imminent developments, but one thing is certain: the world is seeing the consolidation of authoritarian leadership and, at the same time, the dramatic weakening of international institutions, primarily the UN. International law has been torn apart, the sovereignty of states has been broken, as the right of peoples to self-determination. The nationalist policies have already turned the page on globalization and dialogue. The risks are enormous. The most likely outcome is permanent confrontation between hyperpowers, with Europe playing an increasingly marginal role. This is the focus that will be discussed by journalist, writer, and international politics expert Massimo Nava (columnist for *Corriere della Sera*) and Ambassador Vincenzo De Luca, who has had a long diplomatic career in Europe and Asia.



**Massimo Nava**  
*Journalist & Author*  
 Rome, Italy



**Vincenzo De Luca**  
*Ambassador of Italy*  
*in India & Nepal*  
 Rome, Italy

**Massimo Nava** graduated in literature and philosophy from the State University of Milan with a thesis on Stereotypes and Prejudices in Mass Communications. In 1975, he joined *Corriere della Sera* as an editor for the Milan news section, then became a special correspondent and war correspondent around the world. His reports include the fall of the Berlin Wall, German reunification, the war in the former Yugoslavia and Kosovo, the genocide in Rwanda, the massacres in East Timor, the civil war in Somalia, and the conflict in Iraq. He has also written important investigations into Italian society, terrorism, and the problems of Southern Italy, focusing specifically on the phenomena of the Mafia and the Camorra, and the reconstruction after the earthquake in Campania. In 2001, he was appointed correspondent for *Corriere della Sera* from Paris, and later became an international political columnist based in Paris. Together with the Lebanese poet Adonis, he is the author of *Polvere di Bagdad (Dust of Baghdad)*, a play directed by Maurizio Scaparro, which was staged in several Italian theaters. He has published several books including *The Iron Frenchman. Sarkozy and the challenge of the new France*, *History of Germany after the wall. From unification to hegemony in Europe* and *Angela Merkel. The woman who changed history*. He lives between Paris, Milan, and Rome and holds seminars on international politics at Luiss Guido Carli University. In 2025, Massimo was awarded the Legion of Honor by the President of the French Republic.

**Vincenzo De Luca** took office on 1 February 2016 as Director-General for Cultural and Economic Promotion and Innovation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of Italy, after having served in the same Directorate General as Deputy Director-General and Principal Director for the Internationalisation of the Italian Economic System (since January 2014). He has been a career diplomat since 1989 and has been given several assignments at the Foreign Ministry and at the diplomatic representations in Khartoum, Tunis, Paris (at the permanent Representation at the OECD) and in Shanghai. He has a long-standing expertise in the internationalisation of the economic system of the public and private sector, both in Central Offices, in the capacity of Diplomatic Advisor of the Ministries of Industry, Transport and Economic Development, and in large corporations like ENI and ENEL, where he served as Vice President for Institutional International Relations. During the past few years, he played a relevant role in the organisation of the EXPO Milano 2015 as President of the Foreign Ministry's Task Force, capitalising on his experience as Consul General in Shanghai.

13.00 CONCLUSION

13.00 – 16.30 TRADITIONAL LUNCH AND ROME WALKING TOUR

[Giggetto al Portico D'Ottavia](#)

Via del Portico d'Ottavia 21/a-22

Join us for a tour of Rome with a traditional outdoor lunch at Giggetto al Portico D'Ottavia. As we depart Nunziante Magrone offices we will enjoy a 30-minute walking tour of the city center passing various sites in Rome including Pantheon, Largo Argentina, Piazza delle Tartarughe and Portico d'Ottavia. We will end at the Jewish Quarter and enjoy an open-air lunch in the streets. At Giggetto al Portico D'Ottavia, we will enjoy traditional Roman cuisine. The Jewish Quarter was built in the seventeenth century, and its roots still live on. Afterwards, the walking tour will continue towards Piazza del Campidoglio (across Teatro Marcello) to have a panoramic view of Fori Imperiali and Ara Coeli. We will pass under Traiano's column, and we will have a view from afar of the Colosseum. At this point, some people might decide to leave the group and walk to visit Colosseum. We will end at the hotel by 16:30.

*Transportation:* You will be walking all afternoon approximately 3 kilometers.

*Attire:* Business Casual but make sure to have comfortable walking shoes.

16.30 – 19.30 FREE TIME

20.00 – 23.00 DINNER AT CAMPONESCHI

[Camponeschi](#)

Piazza Farnese, 50-50/A



Ristorante Camponeschi offers an elegant dining experience in the heart of Rome, set on the charming Piazza Farnese with views of its historic architecture. The restaurant features refined interiors and an inviting outdoor terrace, creating a sophisticated yet welcoming atmosphere. Its menu showcases elevated Italian cuisine with fresh seasonal ingredients, complemented by a fine wine selection. The evening will begin with cocktails in the Piazza Farnese followed by dinner inside the restaurant.

*Transportation:* The restaurant is about a 22-minute walk from the hotel. If you prefer to walk over with the group, please meet in the lobby at **19.30**.

*Attire:* Business or smart casual. Please wear comfortable shoes.

**SATURDAY, 18 APRIL**

09.40 – 12.00

**TOUR OF GALLERIA DORIA PAMPHILJI**

[Galleria Doria Pamphilji](#)

Via del Corso 305



Join us for a guided tour of Galleria Doria Pamphilji, a large private art collection dating back to the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries. The palazzo has also been the home of aristocratic families. This intimate gathering offers a chance to network with fellow attendees while surrounded by fascinating history.

***Transportation:** The Galleria is a 10-minute walk from the hotel so attendees should meet in the lobby at **9:30** if they'd like to walk over with the group. Tour time itself is 10.00-12.00 but the group must arrive early to check-in.*

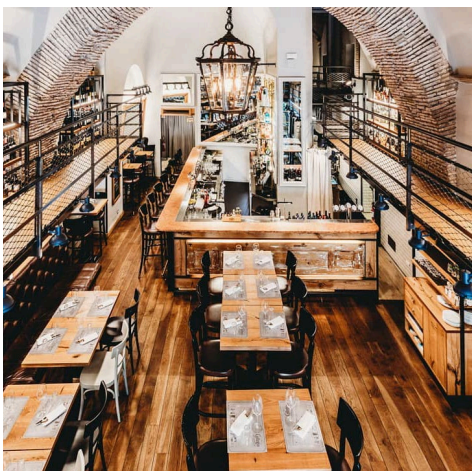
***Attire:** Casual attire, no shorts*

12.00 – 14.00

**LUNCH AT BISTROT COLLEGIO ROMA**

[Bistrot Collegio Roma](#)

Piazza Capranica 99/100



After our private tour, we will make our way to Bistrot Collegio Roma for lunch. Their menu focuses on traditional Roman and Amatrice dishes, always made with top-notch, seasonal ingredients. Nice Italian wine will be enjoyed.

***Transportation:** Bistrot Collegio Roma is a 7-minute walk from the Galleria. We will head over as a group after the tour.*

***Attire:** Casual attire, no shorts*

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### HOTEL LOCATION:

**Grand Hotel Plaza**  
Via del Corso 126, Rome,  
Italy, 00186  
Tel: +39 06 67495  
[Website](#)

#### MEETING LOCATION:

**Nunziante Magrone**  
Piazza Di Pietra 26, Rome,  
Italy, 00186  
Tel: +39 02 6575181  
[Website](#)

#### REGISTRATION:

ATTENDANCE IS OPEN ONLY TO REGISTERED MEMBERS OF ALFA INTERNATIONAL AND THEIR INVITED GUESTS AND IS LIMITED TO AGES 21+.

#### [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#)

#### SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION

If you need any special accommodation, including a nursing room, special dietary meals, ADA access or other needs, please reach out to ALFA International staff in advance of the meeting. We will ensure that necessary accommodation is provided.

#### REGIONAL MEETING CONTACT:

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