



# 150 YEARS OF FRIENDSHIP AND COMMERCE: BUSINESS LAW IN ITALY AND JAPAN BETWEEN PAST AND PRESENT

This seminar is organized on occasion of the 150th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty of Amity and Commerce between Italy and Japan (25 August 1866).

A brief presentation of the evolution of commercial law in the two countries will serve as introduction to the main subject of the seminar, i.e. the legal aspects of cross-border acquisition of companies under an Italian/Japanese perspective. The speakers will compare and juxtapose the legal systems of the two countries in the light of one of the most significant present-days' investment practices.

Italy and Japan have two legal systems with different roots and history. However, especially in the area of commercial law, the circulation of legal models due to the globalization of the world economy and to the influence of Anglo-American law makes the comparison between Italy and Japan a stimulating challenge for company managers, businessmen and legal practitioners.

**Date:** Wednesday, 14 December 2016

**Venue:** Pavia e Ansaldo – Milan ([www.pavia-ansaldo.it](http://www.pavia-ansaldo.it))

**Language:** English

**Time:** 16.00

- 16.00** Welcome
- 16.05** The Evolution of Commercial Law in Japan and Italy  
Speaker: **Mr. Marco Giorgi**  
(Professor, University of Rome, Tor Vergata)
- 16:30** Q&A on M&A: Issues related to acquisition of privately-owned companies in Italy and Japan  
Speakers:  
**Ms. Akiko Sueoka**  
(Attorney at Law, Mori Hamada & Matsumoto – Tokyo)  
**Mr. Stefano Bianchi**  
(Attorney at Law, Pavia e Ansaldo – Milan)  
Moderator:  
**Mr. Adriano Villa**  
(Attorney at Law, Pavia e Ansaldo – Tokyo and Milan)
- 17:45** M&A in Italy and Europe: a Japanese Perspective  
Speaker: **Mr. Carlo Dawan**  
(Managing Director, GCA Altium - Milan)
- 18:00** Discussion and closing remarks
- 18:30** Cocktail

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