

New names at Milan chamber

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Milan Cathedral, Italy (Credit: iStock.com/Xantana)

The Milan Chamber of Arbitration has elected a new president of its arbitral council and added four new members.

Italian practitioner **Enrico Giliberti** has been named president of the arbitral council, which is responsible for overseeing cases and applying the chamber's rules.

He is joined by **Loretta Malintoppi**, **Enzo Roppo**, **Raffaele Lener** and **Chiara Giovannucci Orlandi** – who all begin two-year terms on the council effective 26 March.

Giliberti has co-founded three Italian firms – the Milan office of BonelliErede legacy firm Erede Bianchi e Giliberti, Biscozzi Giliberti Nobili and Giliberti Triscornia and Associates in Milan, where he is a partner. He advises on litigation and international arbitration including before the Italian Superior Courts.

He replaces outgoing president **Sergio Maria Carbone**, an academic at the University of Genoa who steps down from the council after his term expired.

Malintoppi left Eversheds in 2016 and is currently based at 39 Essex Chambers in Singapore. She regularly sits on ICSID tribunals, including on the panel in January that ordered Spain to [pay €22 million](#) to German solar investors over renewable energy reforms.

Roppo, also of the University of Genoa, advises on contract, tort and financial market law. He is currently hearing a Milan chamber [case](#) brought by the media group behind Italian newspaper Corriere della Sera as it seeks to reverse the €120 million purchase of its headquarters.

Lener is a former managing partner in Italy for Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer. He founded Rome-based Lener & Partners and teaches commercial law at the Tor Vergata and LUISS-Guido Carli universities in the Italian capital.

Meanwhile, Orlandi is a former professor of civil procedure, arbitration and ADR at Bologna University and has taught at Pittsburgh University and University of Paris Ouest la Defence. She also practises as a mediator.

The arbitral council is a technical body that administers cases at the Milan chamber, including appointing arbitrators, settling fees and costs and monitoring parties and arbitrators to assist resolution of disputes. It has general jurisdiction to apply the chamber's arbitration rules – which were updated in July last year – other than those reserved to the general secretariat, headed by **Sara Forni**.

Anonymised decisions of the council, including challenges to arbitrators, are periodically published on the chamber's website. The chamber says this is a “first” for institutional jurisprudence in arbitration and contributes to a “better dissemination of the culture of independence and third-party status of the arbitrator.”

Stefano Azzali, general director of the Milan chamber, says the council aims to “attract foreign investments and support the growth and diffusion of the arbitration practice.” He says the “expertise and personal qualities of the new members will carry on what has been built so far.”

The new appointments join an 11-strong council whose existing members are **Christian Aschauer**, an independent arbitrator in Vienna; **Diego Fernandez Arroyo** of Sciences Po University in Paris; **Giuditta Cordero-Moss** of the University of Oslo; **Francesco Luiso** of the University of Pisa; **Mario Napoli**, of Turin firm Pedersoli; and **Luigi Rovelli**, the first honorary president of Supreme Court of Cassation in Genoa.

Earlier this month, the Milan chamber revealed in its [annual report](#) that 120 new cases were filed last year – up 18% on 2019 – and there were 178 arbitrator appointments, an increase of 13%. The average duration of an arbitration was 11.5 months, 17% shorter than the previous year.

The total sum in dispute in the new cases was more than €836 million, with an average value of approximately €4 million. The most common disputes were corporate (48%), construction (9%), and contractual disputes such as leasing and sale of goods (7.5%).

Milan Chamber of Arbitration Arbitral Council members:

- **Enrico Giliberti**, Giliberti Triscornia and Associates in Milan

- **Loretta Malintoppi**, 39 Essex Chambers in Singapore
- **Enzo Roppo**, University of Genoa
- **Raffaele Lener**,Lener & Partner in Rome
- **Chiara Giovannucci Orlandi**, formerly of Bologna University
- **Christian Aschauer**, independent arbitrator in Vienna
- **Giuditta Cordero-Moss**, University of Oslo
- **Diego Fernandez Arroyo**, Sciences Po University in Paris
- **Francesco Luiso**, University of Pisa
- **Mario Napoli**, Pedersoli in Turin
- **Luigi Rovelli**, Honorary President, Supreme Court of Cassation in Genoa

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