

Giovanni ROMANO

Curriculum vitae



Associate Professor of Business & Corporate Law

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Banking and Financial Market Law – May 23, 2016

University of Siena, Italy
Thesis: "The Italian Reform of Cooperative Banks: Between Domestic and European Law Considerations" (Supervisor: Prof. Vittorio Santoro)

Visiting Ph.D. Student – May 2012 - Feb. 2013

Institut für Genossenschaftswesen, Philipps-Universität Marburg, Germany

Law Degree – July 7, 2009

University of Perugia, Italy
Graduated with honors (110/110 cum laude)

Thesis: "Conflict of Interest in Fiduciary Relationships" (Supervisor: Prof. Enrico Tonelli)

High School Diploma (Scientific Baccalaureate) – 2003
Scientific Lyceum "Galileo Galilei" Lamezia Terme, Italy

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Summer School: "Islamic Finance in Europe: Tools for the Development of a Plural Financial System" – June 30 - July 1, 2011
University of Rome Tor Vergata, Italy

Summer School: "Corporate Governance After the Financial Crisis" – June 6-10, 2011
IUSS, University of Pavia, Italy

LANGUAGE SKILLS AND CERTIFICATIONS

Italian: Native

Spanish: B2 Level (Independent User)

English: C1 Level (Proficient User)

Certified by the University of Siena's Commission for the Evaluation of English Language Proficiency of Faculty Members in English-Taught Degree Programs (October 27, 2023)

Certified by Learning Resource Network ESOL International, CEFR Certificate No. 1000003747 (June 14, 2018)

NATIONAL ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION

Eligible for Associate Professor in Business Law – Nov. 2020

Scientific Sector 12/B1, Business & Corporate Law
Italian Ministry of Education, University, and Research

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT POSITIONS

Associate Professor in Business & Corporate Law, University of Siena, Department of Business and Legal Studies (Dec. 2022 – Present)

Assistant Professor in Business & Corporate Law,
University of Siena, Department of Business and Legal Studies (Nov. 2019 – Nov. 2022)

Research Fellow in Business Law & Corporate,
University of Siena, Department of Law (Jan. 2018 – Nov. 2019)

Junior Researcher in Business & Corporate Law,
University of Perugia, Department of Law (June 2015 – Oct. 2015, May 2016 – Nov. 2016)

Research Fellow in Business & Corporate Law,
University of Siena, Department of Law (June 2013 – May 2015)

Lecturer in Business & Corporate Law, *University of Perugia, Faculty of Law* (Oct. 2011 – June 2015)

Junior Researcher of Business & Corporate Law,
CERADI (Research Center for Business Law), Luiss Guido Carli University, Rome (Nov. 2009 – Oct. 2013)

INSTITUTIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Member of the Teaching Board of the Doctoral Program in Sustainability Law & Management
University of Siena, Department of Business and Legal Studies (2023 – Present)

Departmental Delegate for Seminars and Conferences
University of Siena, Department of Business and Legal Studies (2022 – Present)

Member of The Quality Assurance Committee
University of Siena (2022 – Present)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer of Transnational Corporate Governance Law
(English-taught), University of Siena (Sept. 2024 – Present)

Lecturer of Corporate Insolvency Law, University of Siena (Sept. 2019 – Present)

Lecturer of Corporate Law & Regulation (English-taught), University of Siena (Sept. 2023 – Aug. 2024)

Lecturer of Business Law (English-taught), University of Siena (Sept. 2019 – June 2022)

Adjunct Lecturer of Bankruptcy Law, University of Siena (Feb. 2014 – Sept. 2019)

RESEARCH PROJECTS & COMPETITIVE GRANTS

Principal Investigator of the project “Insolvency Law in the Age of the Intangible Economy and New Technologies (INSOLTECH)” (2025-2027), funded by the University of Siena under the F-New Frontiers programme, dedicated to early-career researchers and supporting projects with a high degree of innovativeness

Member of the Team PRIN Research Project (2022-2025): Proportionality in Bank Crisis Prevention and Management (PRO.RE.BA.), Key Research Team Member

European Union “Jean Monnet” Research Project (2020-2023): European Legal Strategies for Payment Systems in the Open Banking Age (ELSOBA), Key Research Team Member

Research Project of National Interest (2010-2012): Markets Governance and Regulation in the EU Key Research Team Member

Research Project of National Interest (2008-2010): The Crisis of Financial Markets: Analysis and Perspectives, Key Research Team Member

SELECTED CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

Speaker: “The Fundamental Problems of Commercial Law.” *On the Centenary of Lorenzo Mossa’s Pisan Inaugural Lecture*, University of Pisa, 20 January 2026

Speaker: *Brazil-Italy Dialogues: Reforms and Trends in Italian Corporate and Capital Market Law*, International PhD Exchange Program Conference, University of Sao Paulo - University of Florence (Dec. 5, 2024) (held in English)

Chair & Speaker: *Insolvent Companies and Rescue Proceedings: Shareholders and Directors between Italy*

and UK, International Conference, University of Pisa (Nov. 14, 2024) (held in English)

Speaker: *Proportionality in Bank Crises: The Case of Retail Banks*, PRO.RE.BA International Workshop, University of Siena (Oct. 17, 2024) (held in English)

Speaker: *The Intangible Economy in the Time of Generative AI*, Conference, University of Foggia (Sept. 24-25, 2024)

Scientific Coordinator: *Horizontal Subsidiarity, Social Economy, and Non-Profit Organizations*, Department of Business and Legal Studies Annual Conference, University of Siena (Oct. 24-25, 2024)

Speaker: *Money Law, Capital, and the Changing Identity of the European Union*, International Book Launch Event, University of Siena (Nov. 4, 2022) (held in English)

Chair & Speaker: *Business Crisis Management and Early Warning Systems*, Workshop, University of Siena (Nov. 17, 2023)

Scientific Coordinator & Speaker: *The Economics of Intangible Assets and the Law: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue*, Department of Business and Legal Studies Annual Conference, University of Siena (Oct. 21-22, 2022)

Speaker: *Contracts and Payments in the Digital Era*, International ELSOBA Conference (May 28, 2021) (held in English)

Speaker: *The influence of European Law on Italian Business & Corporate Law: Values, Principles, Interests*, Italian Business and Corporate Law Professors Association Annual Conference, University of Roma Tre (Feb. 26, 2016)

Speaker: *Markets Governance and Regulation in the EU*, Workshop of the National Interest Research Project, University of Siena (Nov. 18, 2013)

Speaker: *Credit Default Swaps: Regulatory Reform Prospects*, Workshop, Luiss Guido Carli University of Rome (March 8, 2013)

Speaker: *The Protection of Weaker Subjects between Fairness and Market Efficiency*, Italian Business and

Corporate Law Professors Association Annual Conference University of Roma Tre (Feb. 12, 2012)

Speaker: *The Crisis of Financial Markets: Analysis and Perspectives*, Workshop of the National Interest Research Project, University of Siena (Nov. 25, 2011)

EDITORIAL BOARDS & JOURNAL COLLABORATIONS

Editorial Board Member, *Ianus - Law and Finance* (Department of Business and Legal Studies, University of Siena, e-Journal)

Editorial Board Member, *Diritto della banca e del mercato finanziario* (Class A Italian Legal Journal)

Referee Team Member, *Banca, borsa, titoli di credito* (Class A Italian Legal Journal)

PUBLICATIONS*

BOOKS

G. Romano, *The Problem of "Common Purpose" in Cooperative Banks*, Milano, Giuffrè, 2020, pp. XII-455

G., Romano, *The Continuation of Insolvent Companies: From Commercial Codes to the "Sustainability" Age* (Forthcoming)

G. Romano, *Liquidation of the Debtor's Assets*, Volume of the Scialoja-Branca Treaty on the Italian Business Crisis and Insolvency Code, Bologna, Zanichelli (Forthcoming)

EDITED BOOKS

G. Romano et al (eds.), *Crisis and Insolvency in Entrepreneurship, Enterprises, and Companies: A Tribute to Vittorio Santoro*, Pisa, Pacini, 2025

G. Romano & M. Renna (eds.) *Horizontal Subsidiarity, Social Economy, and Non-Profit Organizations*, Special Issue of *Ianus, Law & Fin. Rev.*, 2025

G. Romano (ed.), *The Economics of Intangible Assets and the Law: An Interdisciplinary Dialogue**, Special Issue of *Ianus, Law & Fin. Rev.*, no. 27, 2023, pp. 149

SELECTED BOOK CHAPTERS

G. Romano, *The Asset Threshold of Cooperative Banks after the Capital Markets Law*, forthcoming in *Liber Amicorum Giuseppe Santoni*

G. Romano, *Continuity of the Business and Judicial Liquidation of Corporations: Functional Aspects and Organizational Rules in the Context of Bankruptcy Law Evolution*, in G. Romano et al (eds.), *Crisis and Insolvency in Entrepreneurship, Enterprises, and Companies: A Tribute to Vittorio Santoro*, Pisa, Pacini, 2025, pp. 601-694

G. Romano, “*The Special Purpose and Corporate Governance Structure of Italian SPACs*” (in English), in D. D’Alvia et al. (eds), *Alternative Acquisition Models and Financial Innovation: Special Purpose Acquisition Companies in Europe, and the Italian Legal Framework*” London - New York, Routledge, 2023, pp. 92-107 (in English)

C.A. Nigro and G. Romano, “*The U.S. Regulation of Hedge Funds: From the Near Collapse of Long-Term Capital Management to the Dodd-Frank Act*”, in V. Santoro (ed.), *The Global Financial Crisis: Analysis and Perspectives*”, pp. 187-353

SELECTED PAPERS

G. Romano, *Enterprise Preservation, Insolvency, and Commercial Law Scholarship in Lorenzo Mossa*, paper presented at the conference “The Fundamental Problems of Commercial Law. On the Centenary of Lorenzo Mossa’s Pisan Inaugural Lecture” (Pisa, 20 January 2026), forthcoming.

G. Romano & G. Capobianco, *Professional Fees and Bankruptcy Proceedings. Reflections on Contractual*

Autonomy and Business Crisis Regulation, Ianus, 29, 2004, pp. 163-226

P. Agstner & G. Romano, *A Further Step on the Road to Harmonizing Insolvency Law in Europe: The Directive Proposal of December 7, 2022*, *Europäische Zeitschrift f. Wirtschaftsrecht*, 8, 2023, pp. 366-371 (in German)

G. Romano, *SPAC (Special Purpose Acquisition Company): Another Complex Creature of Global Financial Capitalism*, *Orizzonti del diritto commerciale*, 3, 2022, pp. 913-998

G. Romano & V. Santoro, *Venture Capital-backed Firms and Bankruptcy Law: The U.S. Experience and the Italian System*, *Analisi giuridica dell’economia*, 1-2, 2021 pp. 415-460

G. Romano, *Withdrawal and Limits on Share Redemption in Banks Between Corporate Law, European Capital Maintenance Rules, and Bail-in Mechanism*, *Rivista delle società*, 1, 2017, pp. 1-99

S. Hanks, G. Romano, E. Tonelli, *Madness of Crowds or Regulatory Preconception?: The Weak Foundation of Financial Crowdfunding Regulation in the US and Italy*”, *European Company Law*, 11 (5), 2014, pp. 243-258 (in English)

G. Romano, *The reform of OTC derivatives in the U.S.: From common law rules to the Dodd-Frank Act*, *Rivista del diritto commerciale*, 1, 2013, pp. 137-203

G. Romano, *The Economic Function of Mandatory Disclosure in Governing Corporate Directors’ Conflicts of Interest*, *Diritto della banca e del mercato finanziario*, 2, 2012, pp. 247-302

WORKING PAPERS

G. Romano, *The Rise of the Intangible Economy and the Evolution of Bankruptcy Law*

* Unless otherwise specified, publications are in Italian

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