

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

TOKYO BAR ASSOCIATION

and

MILAN BAR ASSOCIATION

Whereas:

- A. The Tokyo Bar Association is an organization consisting of attorneys-at-law and legal professional corporations having their law offices in the Metropolis of Tokyo, and is responsible for the guidance and supervision of, and communication with, its members and other necessary matters.
- B. The Milan Bar Association is an organization representing, in an exclusive and institutional way, lawyers belonging to the district of Milan, and its duties include keeping the Register, supervising, organizing and promoting training events for lawyers and providing services in favor of people and companies.
- C. The Tokyo Bar Association and the Milan Bar Association believe that the ability of each association to advance the interests of its members would be enhanced through close co-operation with each other.
- D. The Tokyo Bar Association and the Milan Bar Association intend to explore ways of cooperation between the two Bar associations, among which organizing events about legal issues of common interest, which may be hosted in Milan, Tokyo, or online.

Now, therefore, the Milan Bar Association and the Tokyo Bar Association,

- recognizing their mutual interests in the law,
- desiring to strengthen their co-operation in promoting the mutual respect and exchange between lawyers in both cities and the exchange of legal information and materials,
- recognizing their mutual support for the rule of law and the development of legal research work throughout the world,
- recognizing the growing importance of trade and other ties between the two nations and their peoples, and the vital part played by the law and the closer ties between people in the legal profession of both countries in these relationships, and
- recognizing the advantages inherent in developing and improving the understanding within each jurisdiction of the laws and practices of the other jurisdictions relevant to international business transactions, dispute resolution, human rights and the transnational delivery of legal services,

hereby agree that they will seek to enhance the honor of the law and the profession of law and to develop and maintain a relationship based on mutual respect, friendship and co-operation, and that through exchanges as appropriate of legal publications, materials and information, as well as visits of their respective leaders, officers and members, and through the conduct of educational events, they will endeavor to strengthen the said friendship and co-operation as well as the bonds which join them as members of the legal profession.

The Parties also agree to explore the possibility of internships or training in law firms of the members of each signatory Bar Association for young lawyers sent by the other Party.

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force at the time of the signature by both Parties and shall remain effective for one year. This Memorandum of Understanding will automatically be renewed for subsequent terms of one year unless either Party, in its discretion, notifies the other Party of its intention to terminate it at least six months prior to the end of the then-current term. The English version of this Memorandum shall be the controlling version.

for the **Tokyo Bar Association**

Yoshikazu Suzuki
President

12/6/2025
Dated

for the **Milan Bar Association**

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President

12/6/2025
Dated