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### **MEDICO – LEGAL CONFERENCE**

**5 JULY 2012 – 8 JULY 2012**

**BOLOGNA ITALY**



## WELCOME

On behalf of International Events and Law Conferences, our conference partners, sponsors and supporters, I am proud and honoured to invite you to join us from 5 July 2012 to 8 July 2012 in Bologna for our Medico-Legal Conference. We are also proud to announce that our conference will be held at the *Grand Hotel Majestic (gia' Baglioni), Bologna, Italy*.

This conference will provide a forum bringing together leading lawyers, doctors, dentists, nurses, academics and other professionals to tackle current issues in the medico-legal field. Delegates and guests will have an opportunity to meet, interact and exchange ideas and experiences with international colleagues from different parts of the globe.

Bologna is an interesting city not only from a historical view point but in economic and political aspects. It was named the cultural city of Europe in 2000. The city is found in the Emilia Romagna region and is the heartland of central Italy. The hills and plains of the Po Valley separate the cold north of the Alps and the hot Mediterranean south. With its rich agricultural land, historic cities and thriving industry, Bologna is one of the most prosperous areas in Italy. Bologna is the home of the oldest university in Europe and in particular its law faculty of world renowned.

Bologna is also famous for its Medical School which dates back to 1063 with medical statutes dating back to 1378. Early teachings in Bologna included anatomy, physiology, pathology and therapy. In particular, anatomy, which was prohibited by ethic – religious rules, was practised in extreme secrecy. *Guglielmo da Saliceto's* surgical textbooks are a testimonial of this. Famous female doctors also include *Laura Bassi, Marina Gaetana Agnese* and *Anna Morandi Marzolini*. So what better city to bring these two disciplines together in one conference—our Medico-Legal Conference.

Apart from our professional program, we have organised an interesting and stimulating selection of activities as part of our cultural program, which will enable our delegates, their family and friends enjoy the finer aspects of the city known as “*Bologna the fat*” (*Il grasso*) and “the fork” (*la forchetta*) to appreciators of fine foods and exquisite wines.

As I believe this conference will be as successful as our previous conferences in Bologna, I hope to welcome you in Bologna, Italy in July 2012. I can assure you of a stimulating, enriching and pleasurable week, and many opportunities to join with your professional counterparts, renew and make friendships but above all, I can assure you that Bologna will remain firmly fixed as the ‘*place to re-visit*’ in years to come.

**Sofia Parastatidou**

## Grand Hotel Majestic (gia' Baglioni), Bologna



The conference hotel for the Medico-Legal Conference 2011 is the Grand Hotel Majestic (*gia' Baglioni*). Located in the Palazzo Ghisilardi Fava it was transformed into a hotel in 1911.

The Palazzo itself oozes with history, built in the first half of the 18<sup>th</sup> century to house the Archbishop's Seminary, the pre-existing rooms include the salons with the frescoed ceilings by the Carracci brothers, jewels of the sixteenth century.

The hotel is situated in the heart of the city, surrounded by handsome, arcaded streets lined with medieval and Renaissance palazzo and just a stone's throw away from the elegant Piazza Maggiore and the Due Torri.

