



## CNUE President 2016 - Paolo Pasqualis, Italy

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### Biography

Paolo Pasqualis, born in 1956, graduated in law from Padua University in 1980, civil law notary since 1985, is at present a member of the Consiglio Nazionale del Notariato (Italian National Board of Notaries), delegate for international relations and Chair of the Working Group Europe 2020. Vice-President of the Council of the Notariats of the European Union (CNUE) in 2015.

He has been a member of numerous international notarial institutions, working groups and commissions, and among them: the General Council of the International Union of Notaries (UINL), the Commission of European Affairs of the same UINL, member of different commissions and working groups and General Rapporteur of the 1st Congress of the Council of the Notariats of the European Union (CNUE), Chair of the Commission of European Studies of the Italian Consiglio Nazionale del Notariato and Vice-President (2001-2004) of the Italian Consiglio Nazionale del Notariato. Since its creation in 1993, he has been co-director of the School of Notariat in Padua, dedicated to training candidates for the exam to enter the notarial profession.

He has published numerous studies, especially dedicated to the subject of the international free movement of authentic instruments.

### President message

More than 20 years after opening its representation in Brussels, the CNUE's areas of action are diversifying significantly. This tendency is the result of the European institutions' increasing competences on subjects closely affecting everyday notarial practice. It is also the result of funding opportunities granted by the European Union to support the implementation of practical solutions for notaries and citizens. Finally, it is the result of the political will of our organisation and its members, which is our *raison d'être*.

In 2016 and building on the 2020 Plan of the Notaries of Europe, I want to work to intensify the relationship between the CNUE and the notaries of each Member State. This will involve enhanced cooperation on our actions, particularly with respect to the various and increasingly numerous political issues that receive our attention. I will also work to increase knowledge of the various tools designed for them:

- The European Notarial Network, which makes it possible to help European colleagues confronted



with practical questions on cross-border cases.

- The online collaboration platform, EUFides, which we hope will open to new member notariats in the coming months.

- The “Europe for Notaries – Notaries for Europe” training programme with 11 seminars held in 11 Member States. Training will focus essentially on application of the new European regulation on international successions. The first seminar will take place in Vienna on 29 January 2016.

Like our training programme, the issue of international successions will remain at the centre of our work in 2016. We will support the ENRWA's actions to extend the interconnection of registers of wills in Europe. The creation of registers of certificates of succession and their interconnection will be another priority.

As for the legal dossiers, we will support the consensus reached between the European institutions on the regulation on public documents. We will also work to achieve a rapid agreement on the two proposals for directives on European contract law presented by the European Commission on 9 December 2015. Finally, we will take a favourable position vis-à-vis the European institutions and the Member States on implementing an enhanced cooperation procedure on matrimonial property regimes and the property consequences of registered partnerships.

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