

FOR THE RIGHTS OFALL **Annual Report 2019**

Who we are Founded in 2014, the **Italian Coalition for Civil Liberties and Rights (CILD)** is a network of 41 civil society organizations that protect and expand the rights and liberties of all, through a combination of advocacy, public education and legal action. COVER IMAGE: Flavio Gasperini/ SOS MEDITERRANEE, 2020



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A joint message from the President and the Executive Director

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2019 has been a complex and challenging year for those concerned with protecting human rights and civil liberties.

It has been a year where operations proceeded under the shadow of **the criminalisaton of NGOs and civil society organisations within Italy**. This issue has been further exacerbated by the use of the issue of migrant arrivals as a vehicle for propaganda, via dissemination of partial and often false information about migrants.

Since the installation of the first Conte government, predominantly made up of Lega and 5 Star Movement members, these two issues have been at the centre of policy development, largely due to the activism of Interior Minister Salvini.

From 2018 the effects of this activism have been unfolding, particularly after the passing of a second Security Decree, which introduced a series of criminal and administrative sanctions for those who, for various motives, give aid to migrants and lead them to Italy, which in many cases happens to be the nearest safe port.

This communicative and political activism has attempted to return a sense of solidarity to the country. In those months the main activity that civil society has engaged in was resistance. Resistance to legislative and communicative drifts, but also support for the most marginalised of our population, which these political initiatives have affected, particularly with the abolition of the humanitarian–based residence permit which ensured thousands of people were expelled due to this policy change making them de facto "illegal". However, the situation changed in the second half of this past year, when the Minister of the Interior, from an Italian beach, pushed for parliament to be dissolved in favour of fresh elections.

This ended up of course being an intention which was eventually frustrated by the subsequent agreement between the Democratic Party, the 5 Star Movement and Free Equals, which led to the birth of the second Conte government – this time oriented towards the centre–left.

Although on some issues there were not as many discontinuities as we might have expected, the dismay with which NGOs were once treated has somewhat eased and for the first time in a couple of years NGOs and migrants have come out of the cone of light in which they had ended up.

However, we continued to look at that discontinuity and proposed extraordinary measures and search for moments of hope, for example the abolition of the security decrees, the abolition of the agreements with Libya for the detention of migrants in a country torn apart by civil war and the regularisation of the hundreds of irregular migrants who have been living and working in our country for years.

We commit that in 2020 expanding these rays of hope will be at the centre of our agenda, for the rights of all.

Arturo Salerni

CILD President

Andrea Menapace
CILD Executive Director

.01 About us

The Italian Coalition for Civil Liberties and Rights (CILD) is a non-governmental organisation founded in 2014 and currently composed of 41 associations and foundations working to defend and promote rights and liberties for all, combining advocacy, public education and legal action.

CILD was born from an awareness that civil rights and liberties are intimately connected, interdependent and indivisible. In the face of emerging cultural, political and social circumstances which threatened the fabric of civil liberties and rights in Italy, a mass of Italian civil society organisations decided to create the Coalition to enable greater impact through unity.

OUR MANIFESTO

At CILD we believe that respect of freedoms and civil rights is fundamental to a rich and functioning society and that true freedom is accessible to no-one, if not accessible to everyone.

We believe that promoting and protecting rights and liberties for all makes for a stronger, more prosperous and egalitarian society.

Ph. Francesco Alesi, 2018



We believe that even though we are all different, we all deserve to be free.

And what does it mean to be Free? Freedom is self-determination. Freedom is the ability to create and live your true identity. Freedom is knowledge and awareness. Freedom is integration and acceptance. Freedom is having your interest and well-being count for something to those with immense power. Freedom is equality, equity, and safety.

In Italy, we have gone through a long period of time in which certain kinds of detrimental language, practices and policy choices have prevailed based on an underlying current of misinformation, political agendas and fear. It has been difficult to watch these circumstances unfold but they have also given us the opportunity to put both the fragility and importance of civil freedoms and human rights into perspective.

This is why CILD exists. Our Coalition, made up of passionate and engaged Italian civil society organisations, bands together with a vision to create an Italy which is more open, more transparent, and more inclusive.

Our Coalition is involved in many important issues which are important to us:

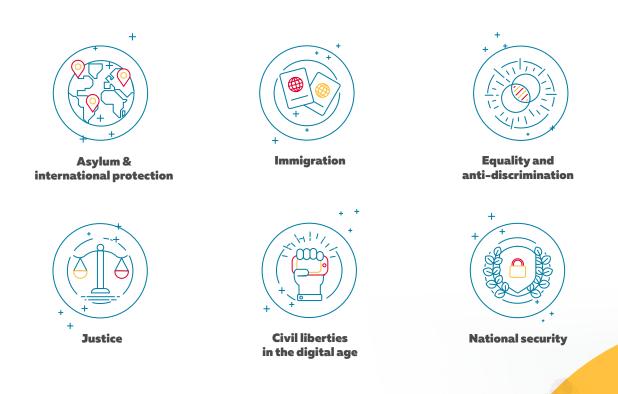
 The fight against all forms of discrimination including racism, xenophobia, discrimination based on sexuality or gender, and particularly stamping out prejudice against Roma, Sinti and Caminanti peoples.

- 2. A change of vision on immigration whereby it is no longer seen as a criminal issue but instead seen from the perspective of the right to asylum and the duty of reception for refugees (alongside the welcoming of pathways to citizenship).
- 3. The construction of a penal and penitentiary system which is less selective and more respectful of rights, with the legalisation of cannabis and treatment of other drug offences as a social rather than criminal issue as an ethical and criminal policy choice.
- **4.** Participation as citizens in a public system which is respectful of confidentiality, wary of mass surveillance, and which both fights against corruption and for transparency in public administration.

We stand by the rights and liberties afforded to all by the Italian Constitution and international law. We are committed to fighting against overt and covert abuses and violations of these invaluable instruments.

We are collaborative. We may be a Coalition but, in saying that, none of our "parts" lose their own organisational identities. Quite on the contrary; the many associations that make up CILD make this vision of a more open and respectful society richer.

We look forward to elevating the societal knowledge base regarding rights and emboldening the civil identity of citizens and Italy.



.02 Our Board

Arturo Salerni - President

Arturo is a lawyer who works in the fields of criminal, administrative and international law for the protection of human rights. He was President of rights-based organisation Progetto Diritti where he worked for the legal protection of society's most disadvantaged cohorts, was President of Europa Levante for the rights of the Kurdish people, and was also President of the Azienda Farmasociosanitaria di Roma Capitale-Farmacap. He is currently President of the Truth and Justice Committee for the New Desaparecidos, and was one of the founders of Antigone, an association which deals with criminal law and penitentiary matters.

Laura Liberto - Vice President

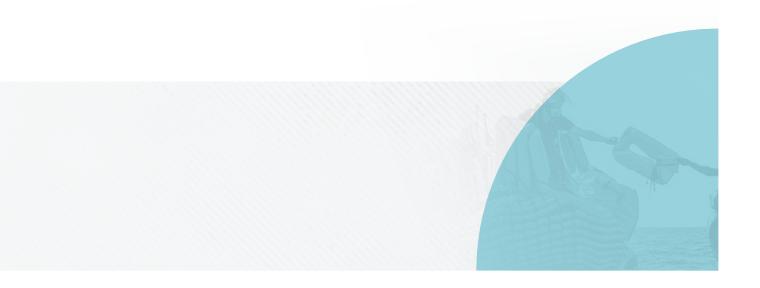
Since 2012 Laura has been the National Coordinator of the "Justice for Rights" network of Cittadinanzattiva. A criminal and immigration lawyer, she has been working for numerous years in the non-profit world on the promotion of human rights and citizenship.

Flavio Romani - Vice President

Flavio has been for some time an activist for the rights of gay, lesbian and trans people within Arcigay, the largest and most widespread Italian LGBTI association, of which he was National President from 2012 to 2018. Currently, in addition to holding the position of Vice President of CILD, he deals with asylum-seeking migrants.

Aurora Sordini - Member

Aurora is a lawyer specialising in the protection of human rights with a particular focus on statelessness, the free movement of EU citizens and their families and the rights of Roma people and unaccompanied minors. She also specialises in immigration and anti-discrimination law, with a particular focus on family reunification, asylum seekers and those entitled to international protection. Aurora also served as the Secretary-General of Associazione 21 Luglio from 21 July 2014 to February 2020.



Patrizio Gonnella - Member

Patrizio is a Professor of Sociology and Philosophy of Law at Roma Tre University. He is also the President of Antigone and has written numerous essays and books on criminal justice, human rights and rights and conditions in prisons.

Hassan Bassi - Member

Hassan is National Secretary of Forum Droghe as well as being a contributor for newspaper Fuoriluogo.it; a specialty publication on rights as regards drug-related issues. He has extensive experience in the NGO sector, and in particular has worked heavily on projects for the social and work integration of people in positions of precarious difficulty. He is part of the Antigone prison observatory.

Gabriella Guido - Member

Gabriella has been working for over twenty years in networking, campaigning and project management related to raising awareness about human rights, anti-discrimination and anti-racism. Gabriella is also spokesperson for the "LasciateCIEntrare" campaign about the administrative detention of migrants.

.03 Our Member Organisations

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Ansi	Cie Piemonte
Antigone	Cipsi
Arci	Cir
Arcigay	Cittadinanzattiva
Asgi	Cittadini Del Mondo
Associazione 21 Luglio	Cospe
Associazione Luca Coscioni	Differenza Donna
Avvocati Per Niente	Diritto Di Sapere
Bambini Senza Sbarre	Diversity



Fondazione Leone Moressa	On The Road
Forum Droghe	Rete Lenford
Gruppo Umana Solidarietà	Società Della Ragione
Hermes Center	Societàinformazione
K_alma	Strali
Lunaria	Tefa Colombia
Magen David Keshet Italia (Mdki)	Volontari In Carcere
Movimento Difesa Del Cittadino	Zabbara
Naga	
Parsec	
Progetto Diritti	

.04 Our Work

Immigration and Asylum

Open Migration

Founded in 2015, Open Migration is an open, horizontal information project which entirely discusses issues of migration. Using skills, data and knowledge it aims to contribute to shaping opinions and consciences on migration, breaking down the prevailing prejudices and stereotypes used by the media and some political forces when discussing this issue.



During this year we have published more than 50 in-depth studies and editorials, keeping our audience updated both on the main developments and consequences of Italian and international political activity (e.g. Italy's agreements with Libya, the Security Decrees and changes to Italy's "reception" system) and on topical issues related to migration (e.g. the Closed Ports' policy, criminalisation of solidarity with migrants and conditions of migrants experienced on main migration routes or on the European borders). We told of the atavistic weakness of a "reception" system which often abandons men, women and minors - reporting their living conditions in the main ghettos of Italy and in places where they unfortunately are still too often exploited.

Similarly, we followed closely promising models such as the Humanitarian Corridors and for the first time we started to tell of the living conditions experienced in some of the main "departure" countries such as Tunisia, Somalia, Iraq, Afghanistan, as well as in countries hosting more refugees and migrants than Italy, such as Lebanon and Libya.

The great editorial effort that has been trying to contrast the dominant fiction sold in the mass media has continued to reap rewards: over 255 thousand users (more than 20 thousand per month) have read Open Migration articles on the dedicated website.



Ph. Zalmaï/Human Rights Watch, 2015

Alternatives to detention

In recent years the detention of undocumented migrants for the purpose of repatriation has been a pillar of Italian migration policy. However, this system has long proved to be an unsuitable match for the proper management of this migration phenomenon. CILD aims to foster alternatives to detention in the context of migration in Italy by adopting a holistic, case management-based approach; supporting migrants at risk of detention in Italy. Within this project, CILD member Progetto Diritti is responsible for conducting case management activities and building evidence on the



Ph. Valerio Muscella, 2020

beneficial outcomes of alternatives (in terms of safeguards for migrants' rights and costeffective use of resources), while CILD is tasked with carrying out communication and advocacy by identifying and informing targeted groups of stakeholders and decision–makers in order to promote alternatives to detention–based changes with immigration policy–making. This project is being implemented with the support of the International Detention Coalition and the European Alternatives to Detention Network.

Learn about your rights

CILD currently collaborates with the International Rescue Committee (IRC) for the purpose of creating and reviewing content for the Refugee. Info Italy platform. Refugee. Info Italy aims to help asylum-seekers, refugees and migrants to access services and exercise their rights. Content published on this platform is created on the basis of an ongoing needs assessment conducted by IRC by engaging in two-way communication with English-speaking migrants. This is done through a Facebook group and a Facebook page that allow IRC to document in real time the concerns and questions of people regarding the move across geographies and in Italy. CILD's contribution consists of producing content and checking legal information concerning advice for asylumseekers, refugees and migrants in Italy. This includes, for example, procedures for seeking asylum, enrolling in school, accessing health care, or renewing documents.

Immigration and Asylum

Predicting future migration patterns

Via our work in Horizon 2020 project "HumMingBird" - funded by the European Commission - we aim to respond to the developing need for groups and nations to understand and predict migration flows. We do this by improving understanding of the changing nature of drivers of migration, analysing patterns, mapping motivations and new geographies and forecasting emerging and future trends. Migration has become a matter of significant social, political and broader public concern. It has therefore over time become a matter of high priority on the agendas of national and EU authorities. Well-informed, evidence-based migration policies should be based on reliable evidence, beginning with a thorough understanding of existing data as well as the demographic, economic, environmental and political drivers of migration. There is a need for tools to forecast migration flows in order to minimise shocks and tensions and therein lies the impetus for HumMingBird.

Better rights protection

CILD works to train lawyers, prosecutors and judges to ensure better protection of rights for migrants, refugees and victims of human trafficking. This includes building capacity regarding EU legislation and relevant case law concerning victims of human trafficking who are migrants or refugees, with the aim of contributing to an effective and uniform

application of the EU legislative framework in cases that involve victims of human trafficking. Within this project we created a toolkit on implementing judicial trainings for lawyers, prosecutors and judges with a view to organising international judicial trainings on subjects including international judicial cooperation in trafficking-related matters, the rights of unaccompanied children who are victims of human trafficking and financial compensation opportunities for victims.

Legal empowerment of migrants and asylum seekers

CILD, international law firm DLA Piper and Pro Bono Italia spearheaded a legal empowerment programme for refugees, asylum seekers and beneficiaries of other forms of protection.

The programme includes educational sessions on asylum and international protection law, the right to work, education, health, writing skills, advocacy, bargaining, police and the Italian justice system. The objective is to give participants a basic legal knowledge on various issues, to enable them to be more aware of their rights and place their goals in Italy in closer reach. If requested, each participant can also be matched with a mentor who will meet with the refugee or asylum seeker throughout the programme to work on an individual project. The first programme was successfully held in Milan in 2018, the second in Rome in 2019, and a third is planned for 2020.

Anti-trafficking

Analysing the links between human trafficking and the economic sectors involved in the demand and supply chains which fuel it, and engaging economic sectors representatives, will help civil society and other anti-trafficking stakeholders to combat this rising phenomenon. In order to prevent well-intentioned companies from unwittingly

supporting, sustaining and encouraging the spread of human trafficking, CILD contributed to raising awareness amongst the business sector through our report 'Human trafficking and the economic/business sectors susceptible to be involved in the demand and supply chain of products and services resulting from victims' exploitation' and the accompanying 'Toolkit for the economic sectors to combat human trafficking'.

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Threat by decree

The measures contained in the Salvini decree have caused considerable repercussions for the rights of those in need of protection, for the "reception" system and for the possibilities for foreigners to integrate in Italy. Among these repercussions are that changes made to previous legislation are affecting the possibility of access to some rights hitherto granted to foreign citizens legally present on Italian territory. The decree, in fact, has had an impact on the way foreign subjects register with the Registry Office and could lead to the refusal by the public and private sectors to provide services to those affected (possibly including schools or nursery schools, local health authorities, employment centres, or even banks for purposes of opening a new account).

Those affected are left to wonder: "How then can I obtain registration for essential services? Will my failure to register have repercussions on access to services such as the National Health Service, training courses and employment centres?"

In order to answer these questions - and to provide legal operators with initial useful information on registration and access to services - we have produced a brief guide.

Equality and Anti-Discrimination



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CILD is actively combatting discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation and gender identity, working towards an improved legal framework in line with Council of Europe and European Union standards, strengthened national capacity to implement European and national standards and increased awareness on the negative impact of rights violations experienced by LGBTI persons. By supporting the work of a number of coalition members and through autonomous initiatives, CILD is heavily supporting the call for a law that punishes hate crimes and violence when they are motivated by discrimination against gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people.

Rule of law and civic space

Build Narrative Change Capacity

A recent report by CIVICUS Monitor has concerningly downgraded Italy from "open" to "restricted" in terms of access to civic space. At the level of public campaigns and legislative action, those most "restricted" are social movements, environmental groups and groups providing support to migrants. Research by Ipsos tells us that despite the communicative polarisation, there is a great body of those in the "middle" - people who are undecided and yet to be persuaded. Our Narrative Lab was born from a need to

mobilise this "middle", which makes up about 48% of the Italian population, and mobilise it as an ally to change the current narrative about immigration and rights-based civil society. Our hope is that these new allies will assist in efforts to defend civic spaces currently under attack and build stronger and more resilient communities.

Our Narrative Lab does this by:

 Developing and deploying positive narratives built around: workable solutions, core national and constitutional values, a sense of commonality and

civic engagement, and belonging and togetherness.

 Connecting people and civil society organisations, both at local and national levels, across different backgrounds and broader constituencies, with a content strategy and leadership development approach, focused training and mentoring opportunities, events, campaigns and initiatives.

Access To Justice

The term "pro bono" comes from the Latin expression "pro bono publico" and, in the legal field, refers to assistance provided voluntarily and free of charge by lawyers for the common good. Pro bono legal assistance, whether judicial or extrajudicial, is provided by lawyers to not-for-profit organisations and individuals who face obstacles in obtaining legal assistance and accessing justice. Since 2015, CILD has acted as a clearinghouse, connecting organisations and individuals in need of assistance with lawyers from our vast pro bono network who

are willing to help. Assistance requested ranges from the drafting of a legal memo, to conducting research on case law, to providing advice on data processing.

From 2015 to 2019, CILD's Clearinghouse has managed requests from not-for-profit organisations and out of more than 130 requests received from organisations and assigned to pro bono lawyers, 82% were successfully provided the requested assistance. From 2020, however, the pro bono legal assistance service will be open to requests from individuals who face difficulties in accessing justice.

In addition, CILD's Clearinghouse has encouraged the implementation of thematically-focused pro bono projects within specific law firms. In 2019, CILD and law firms Orrick and Herbert Smith Freehills started a family reunification project, which aims to provide pro bono support and legal assistance to non-EU citizens who wish to apply for residence permits for family reunification purposes.

Year	Requests submitted	Requests processed successfully	Percentage
2015	17	14	82%
2016	18	14	78%
2017	34	30	88%
2018	21	15	71%
2019	41	35	85%
Total	131	108	82%

Civil liberties in the digital age

In 2019, CILD's work in this area has been focused on the publication of "Know Your **Rights"** guides and on a series of advocacy initiatives aimed at institutions and private companies so that the right to privacy of citizens is respected. In particular, we published a guide explaining how to protect oneself from online profiling for marketing and political propaganda purposes and why it is so important to do so.

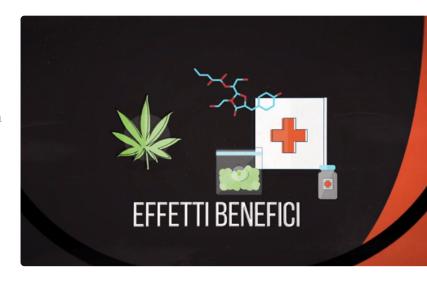
The indiscriminate collection of data online through web browsing and Internetconnected devices (from smartphones to computers to IoT devices), once crossreferenced with data available from various databases, allows the entities that collect them to create extremely accurate psychological profiles, both individual and by group including by: age, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, political opinion, geographical location and income. The personal details and accuracy of the results obtained through these activities can be remarkable. In particular, individual opinions and behaviour can be cross referenced with those of thousands of similar people, achieving an "intimate" understanding of individual personality sets. Citizens and voters can, through the digitisation of their personal lives, be monitored and continuously scrutinised in depth by institutions or private companies.

CILD also collaborated on research entitled "Digital Identity, Migrants and Refugees" carried out by the Data & Society Research Institute on the collection of identification data of migrants and refugees in the Italian context which is often collected on arrival in the country, at a time when they are vulnerable and when language barriers make it difficult to understand what is happening. This data collection method and the resultant data can exacerbate prejudices, discrimination, or power asymmetries. This research aims to highlight possible privacy breaches and suggest changes to policy to relevant stakeholders to enable them to build stronger data protection systems.

A few months after the elections to the European Parliament, held last May, CILD, alongside Mozilla, Access Now, Reporters Without Borders and 35 other organisations, signed an open letter addressed to Facebook, asking the company to implement better transparency around political advertising on its platform.

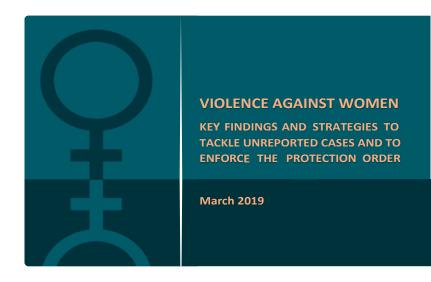
Drug policy reform

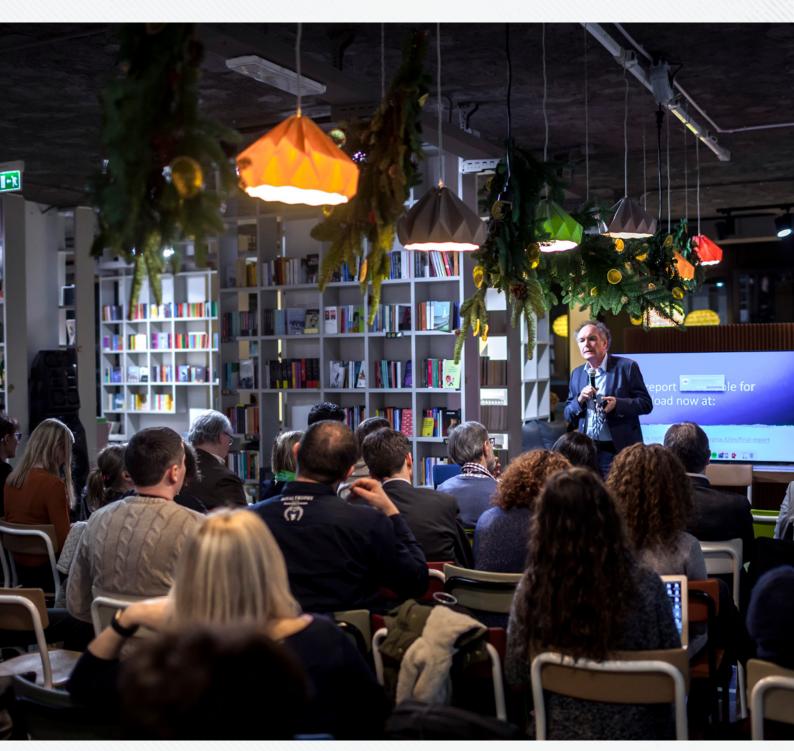
"Non Me La Spacci Giusta" is a campaign promoted by CILD to seek change in drug policy in Italy. Since the beginning it has contrasted information coming from governmental, non-governmental and academic sources with ideological information that justifies the current choices made on drugs by governments, data and statistics supported by scientific evidence to support its arguments. Currently, the campaign is active in disseminating information on social network accounts, providing legal information to users, and taking part in advocacy and lobbying initiatives.



Justice for women

The "JUSTICE FOR WOMEN – Towards a more effective rights prote ction and access to judicial procedures for victims of crimes" project aims to strengthen access to justice for women who are victims of violence, to increase rates of abuse reporting to authorities and to improve measures for assessing damage suffered by victims so that they may receive adequate financial compensation. Within this project, CILD has contributed to the creation of central publications including "Key findings and strategies to tackle unreported cases and to enforce the protection order" and "Financial compensation guide. Cases concerning women victims of crime".





Ph. Francesco Alesi, 2018

Events: Cild Fest and Cild Awards



Ph. Francesco Alesi, 2018

For 5 years now, CILD has rewarded those who have distinguished themselves in their work for the promotion and protection of human rights and civil liberties in Italy. CILD Awards ceremonies typically take place during CILD Fest – a day during which civil society meets with citizens to talk about all things human rights. The award categories recognise human rights excellence in the following fields: law, sports, journalism, media, 'rights to the future', young activism and careers.

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Journalist award

Nello Scavo is one of those journalists who, in recent years, has been able to tell of the phenomenon of migration without ever treading the ground of over-simplification. He always aims to try to get to the bottom of this complex issue which affects millions of people who try to reach Europe through the Mediterranean or the continental routes. Through his articles has respected this complexity while also revealing the criminal interests behind the smuggling of migrants and the relationships between traffickers and Libyan government forces that affect the coast guard and the centers of the North African country. For these investigations, Nello Scavo is under state protection.

Legal Action Centre



Ph. Scott Graham/Unsplash, 2015

CILD's Legal Action Centre provides legal assistance and information on all thematic areas where our Coalition is involved

Assistance

In 2019, the Centre provided advice to individuals seeking assistance on immigration-related issues including applying for asylum in Italy, renewing residence permits and securing immigration status in Italy after the repeal of humanitarian protection. Additional assistance has been provided with respect to health-related issues. In this area, CILD's Legal Action Centre has supported individuals affected by rare diseases by challenging the inconsistent practices of Italian Local Authorities across Italy, so that everyone could access public health care on

an equal basis. Finally, the Centre has helped individuals to deal with drug policy-related issues by suggesting legal strategies in cases concerning cannabis.

Information

CILD's Legal Action Centre also provides general information on civil liberties and rights through the publication of articles, Know Your Rights guides and in-depth analysis pieces. In 2019, in addition to dozens of articles, the Centre produced a guide entitled "Civil registry and rights: what has changed with the Salvini decree", which analyses the difficulties that migrants face in accessing basic rights in Italy after the amendments introduced by the socalled Salvini decree, and the e-book "The constitutional illegitimacy of the Salvini

decree", which describes how the Decree at issue may be considered unconstitutional from several angles.

Research

Finally, the Legal Action Centre conducts research on issues concerning human rights, ranging from asylum and immigration, human trafficking, labour rights and access to justice. CILD's membership in international networks also allows us to

expand our research on the implementation of the judgments of the European Court of Human Rights against Italy, thanks to the support of the European Implementation Network, as well as on immigration detention, with the help of the International Detention Coalition and the European Alternatives to Detention Network.

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The story of Liz

Among many others, CILD supported South American youth Liz (pseudonym) in pursuing her dreams in Italy after her release from juvenile detention. Liz arrived in Italy in 2013 as a child and upon her arrival at an Italian airport, was immediately arrested for international drug dealing, having arrived carrying drugs. During the trial it emerged that she had been coerced into committing the crime by her family, as often occurs in international drug-dealing incidents involving minors. However, although Liz's eventual deportation from Italy was considered inevitable, CILD prevented Liz from being expelled by pursuing a little-known legal strategy that took into account her history of hardship and efforts to integrate. Today Liz has a job and hopes that her former cell mates might have the same good fortune and assistance that she had, which was made possible thanks to an incredible collaborative effort involving many parties, coordinated by CILD.

Our COVID-19 Response and Recovery efforts

When Italy became one of the countries worst-hit by COVID-19 worldwide, it became immediately clear to us that the most vulnerable in our society would be at higher risk of adverse implications of the pandemic. It was incumbent upon us to respond to assist the nation in facing the impact of the pandemic, and we did - swiftly.

Rapid reaction. We mobilised donors, member organisations and key stakeholders to enable us to provide essential information and protective equipment to frontline workers as soon as possible.

Collaborative efforts. Our team worked relentlessly to purchase proper PPE from trusted providers. We bought thousands of masks to send to less-protected sections of the population and essential workers for whom it was more difficult to stay at home. We then relied on a diverse range of partners to deliver it at the earliest opportunity.

On the frontline. We provided PPE to 26 organizations a reaching almost 30,000 vulnerable people working (unprotected) on the frontline: from refugees to essential migrant workers in the fields, to Roma and Sinti communities and homeless persons.



Food parcels From April to May



Protective masks

Sending from April to May



Our partners

Organizations involved in our activity



.05 Our Staff

Andrea Menapace - Executive Director

Andrea is the executive director of CILD. He previously worked for the Transparency & Accountability Initiative in London and was a researcher for Italy at the Open Government Partnership. Always active in the field of human rights, he began his career as a humanitarian worker before becoming a consultant and researcher for governments as well as nongovernmental and international organizations. Co-founder of Diritto Di Sapere (Right To Know), the first Italian organization working on the right of access to information, he graduated in law at the University of Trento.

Andrea Oleandri - Chief Operating Officer

Andrea has worked for CILD since 2014, and as a journalist, has previous experience in the media industry, working with several mastheads. He was also on the staff of the Mayor of the Municipality of Pomezia. Since 2014 he has also held the role of Press Office and Social Media Manager for Antigone.

Patrizio Gonnella - Legal Director

Patrizio is a Professor of Sociology and Philosophy of Law at Roma Tre University. He is also the President of Antigone and has written numerous essays and books on criminal justice, human rights and rights and conditions in prisons. From 2014 to 2019 he was President of CILD and is one of the most ardent supporters of CILD's upcoming Constitutional Rights Centre.



Gennaro Santoro - Lawyer

Gennaro works as CILD's primary legal advisor and is a lawyer who specialises in criminal law, human rights protection, and immigration law. Gennaro is a legal expert for the National Guarantor for the Rights of Persons Detained or Deprived of Liberty and is the Legal Advisor for the Lazio Regional Guarantor for the Rights of Persons Detained or Deprived of Liberty. Of late he has also been a board member for Antigone.

Flaminia Delle Cese - Legal and Policy Officer

Flaminia is CILD's Legal and Policy Officer, having graduated in law at Roma Tre University and having later obtained an LLM in International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law from the University of Essex, where she collaborated as a researcher within their Human Rights Centre clinic. Prior to joining CILD in 2018, she worked as an International Casework and Advocacy Intern for REDRESS in London and as an intern for the Statelessness Section at UNHCR in Geneva.

Tommaso Fusco - Media Officer

Tommaso has been with CILD since 2017 and is a graduate of international relations from Sapienza University of Rome. Prior to working at CILD he worked in the Lobbying and Advocacy office of Caritas Internationalis and, as intern, with the Asociación para las Naciones Unidas en España focusing on the Sustainable Development Goals. Tommaso is CILD's Media Officer and supports the communication office as well as managing CILD's social media and managing content for the Non Me La Spacci Giusta campaign and Open Migration.



Financial summary

Support & Revenue

Grants & DonationsContributions 587.433 EUR

Other Revenue 745 EUR

Total Support & Revenue 588.188 EUR

Expenses

Staff and consultants 259.787 EUR

Program Costsservices 144.782 EUR

Other expenses 21.819 EUR

Total Expenses 426.388 EUR

Net assets

Beginning -112.925 EUR

Ended 161.800 EUR

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Our partner law firms which have worked with us to respond to requests from our clearinghouse



Other organisations, professionals and experts in the sector who have provided in-kind support and have stood alongside us, working with us to deliver great outcomes



Our members, who have always been a driving force in promoting themes and campaigns that our organisation has tried to promote and support



Our volunteers, who have given their time and expertise to enrich our organisation



Our Board which continues to guide us



Our amazing staff, who take on every case and every project with tenacity, diligence and unparalleled passion



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