

## Ernesto Apuzzo

Partner

Rome

### Biography

In his almost 20 year legal career, Ernesto Apuzzo has advised Italian and international clients in a significant number of debt restructuring and turnaround transactions. Ernesto has extensive experience in M&A transactions in financial distress particularly in the financial institutions industry where he has gained a very strong and well-recognised track record.

Ernesto was appointed, together with an eminent representative from an Italian University, for drafting a proposal for a new Italian legislation on enforcement procedures and pre-bankruptcy tools within the working group established by the Italian Ministry of Economy and Finance. Their work resulted in Law Decree No. 83 enacted on 27 June 2015. Ernesto is highly ranked in Italian and International directories and is described as 'extremely competent lawyer who is proactive when managing clients' expectations'.

### Representative experience

Advising JPMorgan Chase NA in the acquisition of more than €300m Parmalat's receivables to be converted in shares of New Parmalat.

Assisting Apeiron Management S.p.A. in the purchase of the receivables of a leading Italian contractor company.

Assisting Etihad Aviation Group vis-à-vis the



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### Languages

English  
Italian

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### Practices

Banking and Loan Finance

Business Restructuring and  
Insolvency

Financial Services

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Extraordinary Procedure of Alitalia.

Assisting several Italian financial institutions in the restructuring of the debt of a global group leader, as a contractor, in the energy production sector.

Assisting a pool of banks in relation to the rescheduling of indebtedness of Umbria Mobilità TPL, operating in the transportation field in Umbria region.

Assisting the Single Resolution Board (SRB) on the procedural steps to be followed when the public interest test is not met, with particular regard to the interaction with the Bank of Italy

## Awards and rankings

- Restructuring and insolvency (Italy), Recommended, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2019-2020
- Restructuring and insolvency (Italy), Hall of fame, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2020
- Restructuring and insolvency (Italy), Leading Individual, *Legal 500 EMEA*, 2019
- Ernesto Apuzzo is a skilled adviser, who is very practical in finding answers, *Chambers Europe*, 2020
- Band 3 for Restructuring and Insolvency, *Chambers Europe*, 2020
- Ernesto Apuzzo is a skilled and well-balanced professional who is able to successfully manage the tensions both with banks and companies, *Top Legal*, 2020

## Latest thinking and events

- Awards and Rankings
  - Global Restructuring Review recognizes Hogan Lovells as one of the top 10 global law firms for restructuring and insolvency matters
- Press Releases
  - Hogan Lovells advises Apeiron and Apollo in the purchase of a portfolio of claims from Grandi

## Industries

Financial Institutions

Private Capital

Automotive

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## Areas of focus

Debtor Representation in Restructurings and Insolvencies

Creditor Representation in Restructurings and Insolvencies

Business critical restructuring: pension issues

Cross-border Restructuring and Insolvency

Institutional Investors

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## Education and admissions

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Law Degree, Università degli Studi di Roma "La Sapienza" Rome, 1994

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## Bar admissions and qualifications

Rome

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## Accolades

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Lavori Fincosit S.p.A.

- Insights
  - The EU preventative restructuring framework - harmony or discord?
- News
  - Business Restructuring and Insolvency in Italy – a revolution in the making?
- News
  - Astaldi files for concordato in bianco
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Leveraged Finance Update from Hogan Lovells *Lev Fin Spin*

companies"

*TopLegal 2020*

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