



CAI National Conference  
for International Adoption



# THE RECEPTION OF ABANDONED CHILDREN OF FOREIGN ORIGIN AROUND THE WORLD: A COMPARISON OF LEGAL INSTRUMENTS

Florence, 19 October 2018  
Istituto degli Innocenti  
Salone Brunelleschi



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**Morning 10.00-13.00 a.m.**

**Institutional welcomes**

*Maria Grazia GIUFFRIDA*, President Istituto degli Innocenti  
*Filomena ALBANO*, Italian Authority for Children and Adolescents

**Opening works**

*Laura LAERA*, Vice-President CAI

**First Session**

**Programmed speeches: What are the new reception tools?**

Coordination: *Istituto degli Innocenti*

**The prospects for international adoption today: a comparative overview**  
*Cristina GONZALES BEILFUSS*, Full Professor of Private International Law  
at the University of Barcelona

**Legal instruments for the protection of children and adolescents outside the family**  
*Joelle LONG*, Researcher, Department of Law at the University of Turin

**New perspectives in the interventions in favour of children included in solidaristic  
reception programs**

*Stefania CONGIA*, Director, General Direction for Immigration and Integration Policies (to be confirmed)

**The adoption process between (dis)continuities of cultures and ties**  
*Rosa ROSNATI*, Full Professor at the Catholic University of Milan

Debate

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**Lunch 1.00 - 2.00 p.m.**

**Afternoon 2.00 – 5.00 p.m.**

**Second Session**

**Round Table: The new challenges of intercountry adoption:  
the point of view of the international community**

Coordination: *CAI*

*Nigel CANTWELL*, Independent Expert, Child Protection Policy Consultant

*Ignace NTAWEMBARIRA*, Central Authority of Burundi

*Kibri Hailu ABAY*, ACentral Authority of Ethiopia

*Antonio FERRANDIS TORRES*, Central Authority of Spain

*Bernadette B. ABEJO*, Executive Director of Intercountry Adoption Board of Philippines (to be confirmed)

**Third Session**

**Round Table: The new challenges of intercountry adoption:  
the point of view of the professionals**

Coordination: *Anna ZAMAGNI*

*Francesca PRICOCO*, President of AIMMF and President of the Juvenile Court of Catania

*Antonio MAZZAROTTO*, Regional Direction of Health and Social Policies, Lazio Region

*Grazia Ofelia CESARO*, Lawyer, UNCM

*Pietro ARDIZZI*, Coordination "Beyond adoption"

*Monya FERRITTI*, Coordination CARE

*Marina VIRGILLITO*, Coordination CEA

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**Closure of works**