

Press Release

Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners announced “Law Firm of the Year” at the Top Legal Awards

The jury, comprised by General Counsels of leading companies, also awarded the Firm in the following categories:

Law Firm of the Year in Real Estate
Law Firm of the Year in Public Law
Law Firm of the Year in Energy

Milan, 24 November 2011 – Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners was crowned “**Law Firm of the Year**” at the 2011 Top Legal Awards, hosted on November 21st by Top Legal, the leading Italian magazine in the legal sector.

The Firm was also awarded “**Law Firm of the Year in Real Estate**” and, for the second time in a row, “**Law Firm of the Year in Public Law**” and “**Law Firm of the Year in Energy**”.

The team’s high level expertise and skills were the common factors on which the prestigious jury, composed by General Counsels of leading Italian and multinational companies, based their choice and motivations.

The award for “Law Firm of the Year” was in fact assigned to Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners considering the international strategy the Firm has positively pursued during 2011 and also for “the success of the team particularly in those practice areas characterized by high levels of competition”. The award was received during a year in which the Firm excelled as a player on the Italian and international markets and continuously grew and strengthened becoming, furthermore, the first Italian law firm to open an office in the United Arab Emirates.

Among the motivations regarding the awards in the other categories, the Firm’s practice areas were described as “In front line” for Real Estate, “Unrivaled” for Energy, “Exceptional team structure” for Public Law.

“We are very proud of these awards which validate the strategies so far undertaken and which have allowed our Firm to grow notwithstanding the delicate period,” comments Francesco Gianni, Senior Partner of the Firm. “During 2011 the Firm has continued to attract the best talents on the legal market and has confirmed its international role by opening an office in Abu Dhabi. This success is dedicated to all the professionals of our Firm who, through their hard work and skills, everyday reinforce our standing reputation.”

Notes to Editor:

- **Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners** is an international law firm with over 350 lawyers distributed in the offices of Rome, Milan, Bologna, Padua, Turin, Abu Dhabi, Brussels, London and New York.
- **The Firm is considered among the leaders in Italy** in global business services and is active in the field of M&A, Corporate, Banking and Finance, Capital Markets, Antitrust and Regulatory, Real Estate, Litigation and

Arbitration, Restructuring, Public Law and Tenders, Environmental, Projects, Tax, Labour and IP.

- The Firm was awarded “**Law Firm of the Year**” at the **IFLR Awards 2011**, for the fourth time in the last few years.

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