

## Gianni, Origoni, Grippo, Cappelli & Partners opens in Shanghai

*Four years after the inauguration of its Hong Kong office  
the firm launches in mainland China and confirms its international expansion  
strategy*

Shanghai, June 25, 2018 – International law firm Gianni, Origoni, Grippo, Cappelli & Partners opens in Shanghai, extending the reach of its Far East Hong Kong branch and confirming its international expansion strategy, particularly oriented towards the Chinese market.

GOP first established its presence in Hong Kong in early 2014 with the specific goal of servicing both Italian and international clients in an area which had proven to be a significant pull factor for foreign investments, but also tapping into the demand from growing numbers of local companies, looking with increasing interest towards investment opportunities in Europe and particularly in Italy.

Now opening in Shanghai, the firm will create a direct operational base to offer consultancy and advisory services with even greater effectiveness in mainland China. The appetite of local business for commercial collaboration with western companies calls for the presence of more highly skilled professionals able to understand their dynamics and to proactively support their business.

Initially the Shanghai team will be three hand-picked professionals, coordinated by Stefano Beghi, Managing Partner in Hong Kong.

Stefano Beghi states: "The opening of Shanghai is part of a precise expansion project, elaborated and set in motion by the firm years ago, now implemented in light of the promising results from our Hong Kong office". He adds, "Our policy, based on Italian professionals working side by side with local colleagues and tailor-made teams built on the needs of each client, has allowed us to be effective and expansionary in a time when the trend of other international firms has been the opposite."

Antonio Auricchio, Co-Managing Partner of Gianni, Origoni, Grippo, Cappelli & Partners, adds: "We have laid the foundations for strong growth in a part of the world where Italian innovation and creativity are more and more appreciated and seen as an opportunity. This is the reason GOP has decided to further increase its presence in this important area: to support its clients and harvest the opportunities arising from the internationalization process being undertaken by many Chinese companies."

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### *Notes to Editor:*

**Gianni, Origoni, Grippo, Cappelli & Partners** is an international law firm with more than 440 lawyers distributed in the offices of Rome, Milan, Bologna, Padua, Turin, Abu Dhabi, Brussels, Hong Kong, London, New York and Shanghai.

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, IP, Wealth and Trust, Shipping Aviation and Transportation.

In 2018 the Firm won "Client Service Law Firm of the Year" award at the Chambers Europe Awards.

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