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Stella is a senior associate in the corporate team.

Her practice focuses on sports and media, advising athletes, agents, coaches, clubs, leagues and companies active in the sports industry on a wide range of sports law matters, including assisting on both contractual and regulatory issues as well as representing in international sports arbitration proceedings.

In addition, Stella advises domestic and foreign clients on international commercial agreements e.g. supply, distribution, agency, consultancy, licence and e-commerce.

Stella is a member of the Federal Tribunal of the Italian Athletics Federation (FIDAL) and, between 2019 and 2023, was a member of the Federal Tribunal of the Italian Ice Sports Federation (FISG).

She is also a member of the "Partnership&Education" Committee of the Swiss Association WomenInSportsLaw, head of the "Sport&Business" Commission of the Italian Sports Lawyers Association as well as a member of the "Olympialex Review" Editorial Board.

Stella has been lecturing for several years on sports related matters at the Master in International Sports Law at the ISDE University in Madrid and at the "Post-graduate course on sports law and sports justice Lucio Colantuoni" at the Statale University of Milan.

She has authored numerous publications on sports law related issues and is frequently invited to speak at national and international sports law conferences.

Track record

Compliance with UEFA FFP Regulations

Successfully assisting a top European club in relation to highly sensitive UEFA Financial Fair Play matters

Investment in professional football clubs

Assisting foreign investors on the envisaged takeover of Italian professional football clubs.

International football transfers

Advised on multimillion international transfers of numerous football players and coaches.

Football coach

Advised a football coach in an international arbitration proceeding against a foreign football club and subsequent enforcement of the award.

Sports law study

Advised as a national expert in favour of the institute that successfully tendered for a sports-law study launched by the European commission.

Italian first division club

Advised an Italian first division football club in an international arbitration proceeding against an English first division football club.

Talks

- *'Gli investimenti dei fondi di private equity nel calcio'*, Sport Digital Days, Milan, March 2021
- *'Novità, riflessioni ed esperienze in materia di doping - il doping tecnologico'*, Milan Bar Association, November 2020.
- *'Sport and arbitration: a marriage for love or of convenience?'*, CEA VII Annual Cyber Seminar 2020, October 2020).
- *'The bankruptcy of the Mens Sana Siena basketball club - sustainability of basketball and professional sports'*, Professional Lawyer Association, Milan, January 2020.
- *'The rules out of the pitch - law economics and common practice of sport'*, Milan Bar Association, October 2019,
- *'La lex sportiva - Internationality of law and sport'*, Cuneo Bar Association, May 2019.
- *'The reform on the Italian Football Agents Regulations'*, Italian Young Lawyers Association, Monza, April 2019.
- *'The amendments to the FIFA RSTP of June 2018'* Albanese Football Federation, Tirana, January 2019.

External publications

Scarpe sotto osservazione: i nuovi limiti sanciti da World Athletics (RunnersWorld review, October 2023)
Il caso Juventus v. Blockeras: un'inibitoria leader nel panorama europeo (Olympialex Review, issue III, October 2022)
Sports agents regulations and tax implications for foreign agents (Sports Law and Taxation, December 2022)
What are the requirements for owning and running a professional football club in Italy? (LawInSport, June 2022)
How Football Clubs "Transfer" Coaching Staff - Insights from Spain, France, Italy, UK & USA (LawInSport, March 2022)
'How Italy is tackling ambush marketing ahead of UEFA Euro 2021 & 2026 Winter Olympics' (LawnSport, 30 April 2020)
'Some takeaways from the AC Milan v. UEFA case' (Olympialex Review, issue I, January 2019)
What are the obligations on footballers to conduct media activities? Comparing the rules in UK, USA, Spain, Belgium & Italy (LawInSport - September 2018)
Comparing how image rights laws apply to sport in the US, the UK and Europe (LawInSport, 22 December 2015)

Admissions

Italy, 2010

Education

Università Commerciale L. Bocconi of Milan, Law, Cum Laude

Languages

English
French
Portugese
Italian

Memberships

Bar of Padua
Member of the "Partnership&Education" Committee of WomenInSportsLaw
Head of the "Sport&Business" Committee of the Italian Sports Lawyers Association

Key dates

Year joined: 2014

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