



# Crypto, NFTs & Metaverse:

### What We Need to Know From a Legal Perspective

Seminar presented by the UIA in collaboration with the Associazione Italiana Giuristi d'Impresa (AIGI), Ordine degli Avvocati di Firenze, Università degli Studi di Firenze, and Unione Giuristi Italiani del Vino e della Vite (UGIVI)



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# Introduction

"But then, Alice said, if the world makes absolutely no sense, who is stopping us from inventing one?"

Alice in Wonderland by Lewis Carroll

etaverse reality and relevant use of NFTs and cryptocurrencies - together with underlying policies and regulations, risks and opportunities - represent an extremely actual and controversial subject in all jurisdictions and economies worldwide. A subject largely discussed in Parliaments and in courts and which is becoming more and more of interest for various industries, for preserving and safeguarding existing assets and looking for future business opportunities in another promising market dimension. It is in fact expected to deeply influence the real world and this influence impact particularly the luxury sector, by allowing multiple industries to enhance their brands and expand their business.

The potential of blockchain is increasingly clear in the agri-food sector and NFTs are going mainstream in the food industry, by evolving into a specific ecosystem. Traceability of food products and electronic recording of self-control procedures into an incorruptible immaterial are the prerequisite for ensuring the reliability of food supply chains and standardize their value, made not only of F&B wellknown brands and businesses, but also of food-tech start-ups and venture capital-funded food production and delivery operators.

The purpose of this seminar is to analyse basic structure of Metaverse and NFT's and their practical enforcement in the international context and in relevant industries, by dealing with relevant legal tactics and strategies, with a particular focus on luxury brands and recourse to NFTs in agri-food industry.

Legal experts, in-house counsels, academics and practitioners will share their experiences and firsthand knowledge on a subject explored from many different legal perspectives, by adopting a multidisciplinary approach.

Mark your diaries now, save the date and make sure to register!

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Florence!

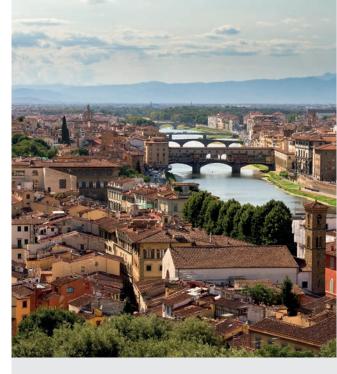
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# Programme

### THURSDAY, MAY 11

#### **19:00 WELCOME COCKTAIL**

Kindly offered by Ruffino S.r.I. at: Helvetia & Bristol Firenze – Winter Garden Via dei Pescioni 2, 50123, Florence

### FRIDAY, MAY 12

#### 08:30 – 09:00 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

Palazzo Incontri – Sala Verde di Intesa Sanpaolo Via dei Pucci 1, Florence

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#### 09:00 - 09:30 WELCOME AND OPENING OF THE SEMINAR

 Gaetano VICICONTE, Vice-President of the Florence Bar Association (Ordine degli Avvocati di Firenze), Florence, Italy
 Carlo MASTELLONE, UIA Vice-President, Studio Legale Mastellone, Florence, Italy

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• Diego SALUZZO, President of the UIA Agri-Food Law Commission, Grande Stevens Studio Legale Associato, Turin, Italy

#### **CHAIR OF THE MORNING SESSIONS:**

**Carlo MASTELLONE,** UIA Vice-President, Studio Legale Mastellone, Florence, Italy

#### 09:30 - 10:00 DIGITAL ASSETS AND METAVERSE

• Savino DAMICO, Head of Fintech Ecosystem Management and Monitoring, Intesa San Paolo, Turin, Italy

#### 10:00 – 10:20 WELCOME TO THE METAVERSE: TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATION, DIGITAL COMMUNICATION AND NEW MARKETING STRATEGIES!

• Ettore Maria LOMBARDI, Professor of Private Law and International Business Law, University of Florence, Florence, Italy

### 10:20 – 10:40 THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY IN A DIGITAL SOCIETY

• Erik LONGO, Associate Professor of Public Law, University of Florence, Florence, Italy

#### 10:40 - 11:15 CRYPTO RELATED LITIGATIONS

• Amy HARVEY, President of the UIA Litigation Commission, Ontier LLP, London, UK

• Gerard JAMES, LLM Senior Associate, William Fry, Dublin, Ireland

#### 11:15 - 11:30 COFFEE BREAK

## 11:30 – 11:50 BLOCKCHAIN AND PRIVATE INTERNATIONAL LAW

 Benedetta CAPPIELLO, Professor of Public and Supranational Law, University Statale, Milan, Italy

#### 11:50 – 12:10 THE METAVERSE AND EU PLATFORM LAW

• Cristina PONCIBÒ, Professor of Comparative Private Law, University of Turin, Turin, Italy

# 12:10 – 12:30 WILL THE METAVERSE AND NFTS ACT AS CATALYSTS FOR FINANCIAL DIGITIZATION?

• Yonca Fatma YÜCEL, Vice President of the UIA Banking and Financial Services Law Commission, Istanbul Gedik University Law Faculty, Yigit Yücel International Law Firm, Istanbul, Turkey

#### 12:30 – 13:00 PROVIDING DIGITAL SERVICES FOR FINANCIAL CLIENTS IN THE METAVERSE: AN IN-HOUSE PERSPECTIVE

 Carlo MUSSO, Legal Director CRIF S.p.A., Bologna, Italy
 Marco BARTOLINI, Senior Legal Advisor CRIF S.p.A., Bologna, Italy

13:00 - 14:00 LUNCH

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# 14:00 – 14:20 WEB2 TO WEB3: THE CHANGING FACE OF DIGITAL PRIVACY

Luana ROBERTO, OratioFortis Avocates, Geneva, Switzerland

# 14:20 – 14:40 THE METAVERSE AND THE PRESERVATION OF DIGITAL LEGACIES

• Fabrizio DE FRANCESCO, DFZ Legal, Turin, Italy

#### 14:40 – 15:00 BLOCKCHAIN AND IP: PROTECTING YOUR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY IN THE METAVERSE AND ON NFTS

• Odra PAPALEO, CVPM Legal, Turin, Italy

## 15:00 – 15:20 BRANDING THE FUTURE: HOW THE METAVERSE & NFTS ARE CHANGING FASHION LAW

Borja SAINZ DE AJA TIRAPU, Uría Menéndez, Madrid, Spain

## 15:20 – 15:40 ART AND CRYPTO: LESSONS TO BE LEARNED FROM THE FIRST FIELD THAT WIDELY ADOPTED NFTS

• Massimo STERPI, President of the UIA Art Law Commission, Gianni & Origoni, Rome, Italy

## 15:40 – 16:00 ACQUISITION AND MANAGEMENT OF NFT TIED ARTS BY MUSEUMS

• Makoto SHIMADA, SAH & CO. Law Firm, Tokyo, Japan

#### 16:00 - 16:20 COFFEE BREAK

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**Diego SALUZZO,** President of the UIA Agri-Food Law Commission, Grande Stevens Studio Legale Associato, Turin, Italy

## 16:20 – 16:40 BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY AND NEW PATHS FOR AGRI-FOOD INDUSTRY

• Eleni KATOPODI, LL.M Attorney, OIKON Law, Munich, Germany

#### 16:40 – 17:00 WEB3 TO LEVERAGE MADE IN ITALY PRODUCTS

Achille MINERVA, Co-founder ItaliaNFT, Milan, Italy

#### 17:00 – 17:30 NFTS IN THE WINE SECTOR UNDER AN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVE: BLOCKCHAIN, MARKETING AND INVESTMENTS IN FINE WINES

• Jessica BAHR, Vice President, Deputy General Counsel & Chief of Staff, Constellation Brands, Inc., Chicago, IL, USA

#### 17:30 – 18:15 ROUND TABLE – CYBERFOOD AND NFTS -PROMOTING AND SAFEGUARDING ITALIAN PRODUCTS WORLDWIDE AND IN THE METAVERSE

• Stefano VERGANO, Studio Legale Jacobacci & Associati, Turin, Italy

 Marco GIURI, UGIVI, Studio Giuri Avvocati Associati, Florence, Italy

Nicola LATTANZI, Pirola Pennuto Zei, Milan, Italy

• Leonardo SERI, BMLEX studio legale associato, Milan, Italy

• Cristiano BACCHINI, BMLEX studio legale associato, Milan, Italy

#### 18:15 – 18:30 GENERAL DISCUSSION

#### 20:00 OPTIONAL DINNER

**Grand Hotel Baglioni – B-ROOF Restaurant** Piazza dell'Unità Italiana, 6, 50123 Florence

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## 09:00 – 09:40 DARKVERSE: THE CRIMINAL SIDE OF CRYPTOCURRENCIES AND METAVERSE

Etienne LESAGE, President of the UIA Criminal Law Commission, Lesage Avocats, Paris, France
 Véronique MOISSINAC MASSENAT, Lawyer at the Paris Bar, Paris, France

### 09:40 – 10:00 VIRTUAL ASSETS, CBDC & ANTI FINANCIAL CRIME

• Barbara BANDIERA, President of the UIA Subcommittee – Compliance & Money Laundering, Milan, Italy

#### 10:00 – 10:40 LAWYERS ZOOM IN ON THE METAVERSE: OPENING LAW OFFICES IN VIRTUAL WORLDS TO CONNECT WITH CLIENTS AND ENTREPRENEURS

• Marc RUTTLOFF, Gleiss Lutz, Stuttgart, Germany

10:40 - 11:00 COFFEE BREAK

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# 11:00 – 11:40 DIGITAL HEALTHCARE IN THE METAVERSE: HOW WILL LAW ADAPT?

■ Jan MULLIGAN, Vice President of the UIA Health Law Commission, Mulligan Law Firm – A member of LEXING network, San Diego, CA, USA

#### 11:40 – 12:40 ROUND TABLE – METAVERSE: IS IT REVOLUTIONIZING OUR INDUSTRIES, MARKETS AND IN-HOUSE CLIENTS?

• Domenica LISTA, Head of Corporate Affairs, Poste Italiane Group, Milan, Italy

• Rosy CINEFRA, Head of Legal and Compliance, NTT Data Italia, Milan, Italy

• Massimo SCARAVONATI, Legal Managing Counsel, Oracle, Milan, Italy

Beatrice GRIFONI, Design, Communication and IP Legal
Director, Valentino, Milan, Italy

12:40-13:00 CLOSING REMARKS



### **SEMINAR VENUE**

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Every participant attending the seminar will receive a "Certificate of Participation" at the end of the event that may be to obtain "Credits" for "Continuing Legal Education" – "Continuing Professional Development" purposes, depending on national rules. For more information, please contact the UIA.

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Il seminario è accreditato dal Consiglio dell'**Ordine degli Avvoca**ti di Firenze: verranno riconosciuti fino a 9 crediti per la partecipazione a tutto il seminario.

### → REGISTRATION FEES

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#### Fees include:

- → Attendance at all working sessions
- Seminar documentation

→ Coffee breaks on May 12 & 13

- Welcome cocktail on May 11
- → Lunch on May 12

The dinner on Friday, May 12 is optional and at additional charge.

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#### → LANGUAGE

The working language will be English.

Please note that the number of places at the seminar is limited. The organisers reserve the right to refuse registrations in the event of excess applications. In order for your name to appear in the **list of participants**, which will be distributed during the seminar, your registration form must be received by **May 2** at the latest. An updated electronic list will be sent by email to all the participants after the seminar.

#### → HOTEL RESERVATION

Each participant should make his/her own arrangements for hotel accommodation in Florence. We recommend that you proceed with your reservations as soon as possible. The Seminar will take place at the **Palazzo Incontri, Via dei Pucci 1, Florence.** A few hotel suggestions nearby are:

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- FIRENZE AL DUOMO, Piazza del Duomo 2, Duomo, 50122 Florence 160 meters from the Seminar Venue
- RICASOLI BOUTIQUE, 15 Via Ricasoli, San Marco Santissima Annunziata, 50122 Florence 130 meters from the Seminar Venue
- HOTEL BRUNELLESCHI, Piazza Sant'Elisabetta 3, 50122 Florence 450 meters from the Seminar Venue

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# **Registration Form**

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Lunch – Friday, May 12

#### **C. OPTIONAL DINNER**

(Not included in the registration fees)

- Optional Dinner Friday, May 12
  - Please book ..... person(s) for the dinner

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TOTAL (A) Excl. VAT – Registration Fees		€
TOTAL (C) Excl. VAT – Optional Dinner		€
	TOTAL (A+C) Excl. VAT	€
	VAT IF APPLICABLE (22%)*	€
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