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○ Investment Funds

Enzo Schiavello has a corporate and M&A background. He focuses on the structuring and establishment of alternative investment schemes for domestic and international clients, with particular emphasis on private equity and real estate funds. His expertise ranges from the formation and restructuring of licensed investment managers to the set up of corporate and contractual structures in Italy and other EU jurisdictions including funds of funds, co-investment funds, infrastructure funds, NPL funds, SICAFs, structured products providing exposure to private equity as an underlying asset class and various arrangements for the distribution of carried interest among managers. He also assists clients with respect to restructuring of fund and other GP-led deals.

He is a Member of AIFI – Italian Association of Private Equity and Venture Capital – and of the Invest Europe Legal & Regulatory Committee.

Enzo Schiavello is ranked in Band 1 by Chambers and Partners in the sector Private Equity: Fund Formation; they state: *"Enzo Schiavello remains an utmost authority in the market"* and *"I can confidently say he's the uppermost expert of themes concerning fund collection legal structuring"* (2026), *"Enzo Schiavello is by far the number one in fund formation"*, *"if you need to make a fund, Enzo is your man"* and *"on fund formation and regulatory issues, Enzo Schiavello is the most reliable person in Italy"* (2025), *"Enzo delivers excellent quality. He is very precise, very detailed and very knowledgeable"*, *"he remains one of the best funds lawyer in Italy"* and *"he brings unparalleled knowledge of the market, any time we need advice on funds or regulatory matters"* (2024), *"Enzo Schiavello's commercial know-how enables the client to have a clear vision of the deal"*, *"he is a prepared and a sophisticated lawyer"* and *"Enzo is recognised as one of the best in this space. He is able to deal with domestic and international firms"* (2023), *"he provides strong support in all phases of fundraising. He is very clever and well known in the industry"* (2022), *"the most experienced person"* (2020), *"he is the greatest authority in fund formation, he knows the international markets very well"* (2019), *"he is a lawyer whose experience is unique in the Italian market"*, *"he has extensive knowledge of private equity law"* (2018), *"accurate and precise"* (2017), *"a towering figure in the Italian fund formation arena"* (2015), *"a top-notch lawyer for fund structuring mandates in Italy"* (2014), recognised for *"his work in fund formation and commended for his in-depth knowledge of regulatory matters"* (2013), *"he instils confidence thanks to his very reasonable advice"* (2012) and clients prize him for his *"strong economic background which enables him to understand any financial issue and successfully find a solution"* (2011).

He is also ranked in the Hall of Fame by The Legal 500 in the Investment Funds sector and mentioned as follows: "Barbara Sancisi and Enzo Schiavello are two excellent partners, and they lead their practice in a solid way. The overall team is very prepared. They can assist on legal aspects while also fully understanding the commercial implications. They are all prepared and they provide legal excellence" (2026), "Enzo Schiavello is the 'father' of all Italian lawyers who specialise in the regulatory/fund formation space" and "Enzo Schiavello and Barbara Sancisi are two excellent partners at the firm" (2025), "Enzo has very strong knowledge of the industry" (2024), "Enzo is a pioneer in the Italian funds industry" and "he is probably the go-to lawyer for the funds industry in Italy, with longstanding experience – he is someone who has seen it all and knows the regulations and approach of the regulators inside out" (2023), "is a very valid person professionally and a great connoisseur of the technicalities of investment funds", "I have collaborated with Enzo Schiavello and Barbara Sancisi, both highly professional professionals. I appreciated their in-depth analysis of the documents, experience in dealing with complex and non-standard structures, and management of negotiations with the counterparty" (2022), "The firm is at the top of this sector in Italy, particularly because of the longstanding expertise of Enzo Schiavello and his team", "Enzo Schiavello has over 20 years' fund formation experience, which certainly distinguishes Legance in this area", "Enzo Schiavello has the technical skills to assist managers in all stages of setting up and placing alternative funds. His skills also extend to in-depth knowledge of the Italian and foreign institutional investment landscape, negotiation techniques, management regulations and side letters" (2021). In addition, he is mentioned in the Fund Formation ranking by Leaders League in the Leading tier.

Professional Experience

SENIOR PARTNER | FROM 2007

Legance – Avvocati Associati, Milan, Italy

PARTNER | 1994 – 2007

Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners, Milan, Italy. He held management positions heading, among others, the Financial Markets Group

ASSOCIATE | 1991 – 1993

Gianni, Origoni, Grippo & Partners, Milan, Italy

ASSOCIATE | 1985 – 1990

Pavia e Ansaldo, Milan, Italy

ASSOCIATE | 1982 – 1985

Studio Piergrossi Villa, Milan, Italy

Education

1986

Admitted to the Bar. Member of the Milan Bar, Italy

1982

Law Degree, *magna cum laude*, Università degli Studi di Milano, Milan, Italy

Publications

He is the author of several publications and articles published in European legal reviews. Among others:

- "Questioni interpretative SFDR/RTS" (with F. Gallo Perozzi), AIFI (*Associazione Italiana del Private Equity e Venture Capital*), 2023;
- "Section Fundraising – Italy", The Private Equity Review – 12th Edition, published by The Law Reviews, 2023;
- "Section Fundraising – Italy", The Private Equity Review – 11th Edition, published by The Law Reviews, 2022;
- "Section Fundraising – Italy", The Private Equity Review – 10th Edition, published by The Law Reviews, 2021;
- "Section Fundraising – Italy", The Private Equity Review – 9th Edition, published by The Law Reviews, 2020;

- "*Section Fundraising – Italy*", *The Private Equity Review – 8th Edition*, published by The Law Reviews, 2019;
- "*Section Fundraising – Italy*", *The Private Equity Review – 7th Edition*, published by The Law Reviews, 2018;
- "*Chapter on Italy*", *Investment Funds – International Series – 3rd Edition*, published by Thomson Reuters, 2016;
- "*L'impatto della direttiva AIFM sui gestori dei fondi di private equity e venture capital in Italia*", *Quaderni sull'investimento nel Capitale di Rischio*, AIFI (*Associazione Italiana del Private Equity e Venture Capital*), Egea, 2015;
- "*Le società di investimento in una proposta dell'AIFI relativa alle norme italiane di recepimento dell'AIFMD*", *Mondo Alternative*, 2015;
- "*Disposizioni di recepimento della direttiva AIFM*", *Strumenti Finanziari e Fiscalità*, 2014;
- "*La natura giuridica dei fondi comuni di investimento in una recente sentenza della Cassazione*", *Strumenti Finanziari e Fiscalità*, 2011;
- "*Section Lawyers – Italy*", "*Conflicts of Interest – Jurisdictional comparisons in the law and regulations for the financial services, auditing and legal professions*", *European Lawyer Reference*, 2005/2006;
- "*Legal Issues for Venture Capital Investment Schemes*", *Venture Capital – A Euro-System Approach*, Springer, 2003.