

AVVISO PUBBLICO. THE NATIONAL NETWORK OF LOCAL ANTI-MAFIA AND ANTI-CORRUPTION MUNICIPALITIES AND REGIONS

Avviso Pubblico. Local Municipalities and Regions against mafia and corruption, is an Association founded in 1996 with the aim to connect and organize local administrators who are concretely committed to promoting the culture of democracy, transparency and integrity in politics, Public Administration and on the territories. It currently has more than 550 members including Municipalities, Unions of Municipalities, Metropolitan Cities, Provinces and Regions.

Through a specific Department, Avviso Pubblico organizes training courses, single or multi-issue, online and in presence, for local administrators and public administration personnel, as well as organizing public awareness initiatives addressed to all citizens and school students of various levels.

Avviso Pubblico has activated a Parliamentary Observatory, a portal that daily monitors the activities of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate of the Italian Republic in the area of preventing and combating organized crime and corruption and provides insights on specific topics. The Observatory is accessible online from the Avviso Pubblico website. Through its website, Avviso Pubblico disseminates institutional documents.

Avviso Pubblico has activated a Database of the best administrative practices in which is it possible to find institutional-administrative documents and contacts of local administrators, managers and civil servants. The purpose of the Database, reserved exclusively to the members of Avviso Pubblico, is to spread good policy and good administration by networking people working in the world of local and regional governments against mafia and corruption.

Avviso Pubblico is regularly heard by parliamentary committees of inquiry, including those on the phenomenon of mafias and the illegal waste cycle. Other auditions were carried out in the municipal or regional Commissions dealing with the prevention and fight against mafia and corruption.

Avviso Pubblico cooperated with the Parliamentary Commission of Inquiry to deal with the phenomenon of intimidation against administrators and with the Antimafia Parliamentary Commission.

Avviso Pubblico has signed protocols with several Italian universities to carry out research, dissemination and training activities. Recently, Avviso Pubblico has signed a protocol with the Ministry of Justice.

Since 2011, the Association publishes an **Annual Report "Administrators Under Fire"**, in order to monitor the phenomenon of threats and intimidations against local administrators and members of the Public Administration. On January 2019, the Report has been presented for the first time in Brussels, at the European Parliament. In 2021, Avviso Pubblico became permanent member of the Interior's Ministry National Observatory on the intimidation of local administrators.

In order to promote good policy and the culture of transparency and integrity, the Association has drafted and released the **ethical code called "Carta di Avviso Pubblico"**, that can be undersigned by administrators, regional councils and municipal councils. In January 2023, the Avviso Pubblico's ethics code has been considered a best anticorruption practice by the European Commission.

Every year, Avviso Pubblico publishes books, vademecums and papers on the differents topics its studies and monitors.

In its report on combating corruption in Europe, published in February 2014, the European Commission cited Avviso Pubblico in its chapter on good practices.

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