

Curriculum Vitae of PIER VIRGILIO DASTOLI

Born in Anzio on 12 May 1949 to a Calabrian father from Filadelfia (VV) and a mother born in Turin to a Sardinian father and a mother from Rieti. Married to Sigrid Huesken (Germany), former assistant to the UEF General Secretary. Two sons: Matteo Altiero and Stefano.

Graduated in Law with a dissertation on 'Italian Substantive Criminal Law and the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms' (1971). Advisors Giuliano Vassalli and Franco Coppi.

Diploma in meteorology from the Italian Ministry of Aeronautics (1972).

Freelance journalist since 1972 after collaborating with Corriere dello Sport under the editorship of Antonio Ghirelli on a bi-weekly cultural page dedicated to young people 'Forza Ragazzi'.

Lawyer registered with the Rome Court of Appeal from 1974 to 2014.

Researcher at the Istituto Affari Internazionali (1972-1976) founded by Altiero Spinelli.

Parliamentary assistant to Altiero Spinelli in the Chamber of Deputies (1977-1983) and the European Parliament (1977-1986).

Parliamentary assistant to Felice Ippolito in the European Parliament (1979-1984).

Advisor to the Italian government in the Committee for Institutional Issues ('Dooge Committee') in view of the Milan European Council (1984-1985).

With Altiero Spinelli he founded the magazine 'Crocodile: Letter to the Members of the European Parliament' which he edited from 1980 to 1995.

He founded the Altiero Spinelli Action Committee for a United States of Europe (1986-1990) and the Federalist Intergroup for the European Union, of which he was secretary-general (1986-1995) with which he organized opinion polls between 1989 and 1992.

He created and participated in the work of the Economic and Monetary Union Study Committee with the Central Bank of Belgium and the University of Lyon, which contributed to the preparation of the Maastricht Treaty (1986-1989) in the section on the single currency with the report 'Vers le système européen des Banques Centrales'.

Special Adviser to the European Commission first in the Legal Service on Institutional Matters and then in the Cabinet of Commissioner Carlo Ripa di Meana for Culture and the European Union (1986-1988).

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Principal official at the European Parliament (1988-2003) with special responsibility in the Institutional Affairs Committees and in the preparation of the interparliamentary assembly in Rome in November 1990, in the Budget and Culture Committees, in the Citizens' Relations Service, in DG COMM, in the Convention Group on the Charter of Rights and on the Constitutional Treaty.

He promoted the consultative referendum in Italy on the constituent mandate to the European Parliament in June 1989.

He was Secretary General of the International European Movement from 1995 to 2002.

He created and coordinated the Permanent Forum of European Civil Society from 1995 to 2003, which was at the origin of the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union.

Director of the European Commission Representation in Italy (2003-2009)

He has coordinated European Union activities for the preparation of the celebrations for the 50th anniversary of the Treaties of Rome.

He has prepared and coordinated the European Union's participation in the G7 Summit in L'Aquila (2009).

He has created the 'Spazio Europa' dedicated to Italian school girls and boys from primary to higher education at the European Union headquarters in Rome.

He was advisor for European Affairs at the Conference of Presidents of Regional Councils (2010).

Coordinator of the Spinelli Group in the European Parliament (2011-2014).

Parliamentary assistant to Barbara Spinelli in the European Parliament (2014-2017).

Lecturer of the European Union at the University for Foreigners "Dante Alighieri" of Reggio Calabria in the framework of a memorandum of understanding with the Community of Sant'Egidio and of International Law at the University of Messina (2017-2022) and Lecturer of the Master "Political Management. Experts in Political Culture and European and Mediterranean Studies" at the DiGiES of the Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria after having taught as Jean Monnet Lecturer at the Universities of Macerata, Perugia, Bari and Rome.

He is honorary president of the Centre for the Study of Fundamental Rights and Peoples' Rights of the University of Sassari and Nuoro and a member of the Altiero Spinelli Centre of the University of Roma3 and has been president of the Master's Degree Course on European Policies and Institutions of the Uninettuno Telematic University.

He is president of the European Movement - Italy (2010-2025) and responsible for the newsletter 'Europa Insieme'.

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For the European Movement he coordinated the preparatory work addressed to stakeholders in view of the Italian presidency of the Council of the Union (2013-2014) and promoted and coordinated since 2016 the active citizenship education initiative in Italian secondary schools "Process to Europe", participated in the Italian government working group for the preparation of the celebrations of the 60th anniversary of the Treaties of Rome (2016-2017) and the Committee for the Conference on the Future of Europe (2021-2022).

President of the Association of Public and Institutional Communicators (2018-2020), of which he is now Chairman of the Scientific Committee.

Commendatore al Merito della Repubblica per motu proprio of the President Giorgio Napolitano (2006).

He is member of the Istituto Affari Internazionali, member of the Steering Committee of the International Centre for European Education - CIFE, of the Federal Committee of the European Union of Federalists UEF, of the Federal Committee of the European Federalist Movement MFE, of the Association of Friends of the Historical Archives of the European Union AHUE (where he deposited the personal archives of Altiero Spinelli, his own and those of the European Movement), of the German-Italian Study Centre Villa Vigoni, of the Venice Club of European and National Communicators as an associate member, of the OECD Expert Group on Public Communication, of Eurovisioni, of the Italian Network for Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue RIDE, of the Peace Network, of the Board of Directors of Legautonomie-Associazione Autonomie Locali ALI and of the Consumers' Forum, of the Italian Alliance for Sustainable Development ASVIS, of the think tank European Partners for Environment EP, of the Friends of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation, of the University Association of European Studies AUSE, of the Italian association of European jurists AIGE, of the Italian association of European Union law scholars AISDUE, of the Europeos group set up by Assonime and of the Group of 20 set up by the Tor Vergata Economics Foundation, of ASTRID-Foundation for analysis, studies and research on the reform of democratic institutions and innovation in public administrations, of the association "Il Mulino", of the board of "Itinerari Charlemagne", of the Scientific Committee of the Imbeni Foundation, of the steering committee of Infocivica, of the board of the European Civic Forum within the framework of Civil Society Europe and Take Over Europe, of the association "Filadelfia nostra", of Eumans, of Sauvons l'Europe, of Confrontations.

He is a member of the Italian Association 'Onconauti' for innovative paths of integrated holistic rehabilitation.

He is a voluntary consultant for the European EDIC information centers in Modena, Nuoro, Gioiosa Ionica.

He is founder and president of CROCODILE, a Brussels-based sprl.

For CNEL, he drafted the 'European Budget Report' in 1984 together with Alberto Majocchi and Giuseppe Bognetti.

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He promoted the initiatives 'The Founding Mothers of Europe' dedicated to Ursula Hirschmann Spinelli.

He edited Altiero Spinelli's 'Speeches to the European Parliament' for the publishing house Il Mulino in Italian, English, and French (1986).

He edited and introduced the Spanish edition of Altiero Spinelli's autobiography "How I tried to become wise" (2019).

He is an honorary citizen of Saint Alban in the Haute-Garonne department in the Occitanic region (2017).

He published essays for the publishing houses 'Marietti', 'Il Mulino', 'Egea', 'L'ultima spiaggia' and 'Castelvecchi' between 1984 and 2023.

He was a member and rapporteur of the Euro-Saggi Committee established by the President of the Chamber of Deputies Laura Boldrini on "State and perspectives of the European Union" (2017) together with Enrico Giovannini, Enzo Moavero Milanese, Arianna Montanari, Simone Fissolo, Eva Giovannini and Tiziana De Simone.

He was a promoter and coordinator of the European Citizens' Initiative for the Protection of the Rule of Law.

He is a member of the Assembly of the Altiero Spinelli Institute for Federalist Studies, which he helped to found in 1982.

He is co-founder and member of the Steering Committee of the association 'Per l'Europa di Ventotene'.

He is co-founder and member of the 'Santo Stefano in Ventotene' Association.

He was the historical advisor of the RAI TV film "Un mondo nuovo" produced by Palomar and dedicated to the life and work of Altiero Spinelli published with English and Spanish subtitles and participated in the RAI Storia documentaries "L'Europa prima dell'Europa" (PandatariaFilm), "Per un'Europa libera e unita" (Imago Film) also with English subtitles, "Le parole di Ventotene" (EthnoFilm) and the Youtube film "www.ventoteneisolamemorabile.it".

He wrote the entries "The Ventotene Manifesto", "EEIG", "European Union", "European Court of Human Rights", "EU Court of Justice" and "Altiero Spinelli" in the Treccani Dictionary of Economics and Finance (2012).

He promoted and animated the campaign against disinformation on the European Union coordinated by the European Movement, by Europa in Movimento and by EUFakenews.

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He is co-author of the book "Rereading the Ventotene Manifesto today" published by the newspaper Il Manifesto.

He regularly writes articles on European current affairs for Linkiesta and Strisciarossa.
She created in July 2019 and coordinates the Italian platform for the preparation of the European Conference on the Future of Europe.

Perfect knowledge of French and English. Good knowledge of German and Spanish.

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