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Dear Sir / Madame

I have the pleasure of informing you that the RIDE, which was previously recognized by the Anna Lindh Foundation as Head of its Italian Network, with 'Fondazione Mediterraneo' in charge of its ALF operational activities, has now completed its internal restructuring and has assumed the official denomination of "RIDE-APS : Rete Italiana Dialogo Euro-Mediterraneo - Associazione di promozione sociale".

In the process of reorganising RIDE-APS, more than seventy Italian civil society organisations demanded a more balanced and collegial participation in ALF activities, particularly in light of the new Italian Law on International Development Cooperation, which calls for more synergistic activities with diasporas and migratory communities in Italy.

Therefore, in the light of RIDE-APS' new constitutive Act and legal registration (August 4, 2017), it has been decided that, as of September 15, 2017, RIDE-APS shall be the new ALF Head of Network in Italy, and that it will share its role and operational tasks with the Mayor's Office of the City of Bologna.

I would like to seize this opportunity to recognise Fondazione Mediterraneo for its essential role played in the organisation of the ALF Italian Network since its outset, as well as for its numerous activities, including the establishment, in 2016, of the MAMT - ALF Multimedia Center for the Mediterranean Dialogue in Napoli.

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