

**The President of the European Parliament
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Ombudsman)
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Statement by the Candidate for the Position of European Ombudsman, Dr. Marino Fardelli

I, the undersigned Dr. Marino Fardelli, born in Cassino (Italy) on and residing in, hereby declare that I fully comply with the provisions of Article 11, paragraph 2, of Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2021/1163, which determines the statute and general conditions for the exercise of the functions of the European Ombudsman (Statute of the European Ombudsman).

In particular, I confirm that:

- I am a citizen of the European Union (as evidenced by the attached Joint Certificate and the Cumulative Registry Certificate issued by the Municipality of Cassino, including a copy of my personal identification document);
- I am in full possession of civil and political rights (as evidenced by the attached Certificate of Political Rights issued by the Municipality of Cassino);
- I offer all guarantees of independence necessary for the exercise of the functions of European Ombudsman (attached are my C.V. and a document explaining my activities as the Ombudsman of Italy and the Lazio Region https://www.consiglio.regione.lazio.it/binary/consiglio_regionale/tbl_trasparenzaCotenuti/Delibera_11_2021_4_agosto_Elezione_Difensore_Civico.pdf and the decree of appointment as Ombudsman of the Lazio Region and the reference to my election as the Ombudsman of Italy <https://www.coordifesacivicaitalia.it/?p=1585> and my representation as Director of the European Region on the 101 Board - International Ombudsman Institute https://www.theioi.org/downloads/cvioid/IOI%20Board%20%28EN%29_20240726.pdf);
- I meet the conditions required for holding the highest judicial offices or possess the proven expertise and qualifications necessary to fulfill the functions of European Ombudsman;
- In the past two years, I have not held any national government positions, nor have I been a Member of the European Parliament, the European Council, or the European Commission;
- I attach the signature collection form containing **n. 50** handwritten signatures of Members of the European Parliament who have endorsed my candidacy for European Ombudsman.

Furthermore, I commit, if elected, to refraining from engaging in any other professional activity, whether paid or unpaid, as I already do in my current role, as stipulated by the same regulation.

- Email:
- Mobile:

Rome, 26 September 2024

Marino Fardelli