



## Ombretta Fumagalli Carulli



**Date of Birth** 5 March 1944

**Place** Meda (Milan), Italy

**Nomination** 8 April 2003

**Field** Law, Ecclesiastical and Canon Law, Law of the Relations between Church and State, History of Law, Catholic Social Doctrine

**Title** Professor

### Most important awards, prizes and academies

**Awards:** Commendatore al Merito dell'Ordine della Repubblica Italiana; Dama di Gran Croce di Merito dell'Ordine Costantiniano S. Giorgio. **Prizes:** S. Valentino Prize for the book *Giustizia Inquieta*, 1991; "Together for Peace" NGO Prize 2001. **Academies:** Full Professor of Canon and State Ecclesiastical Law, since 1975; Director of the Law Department at Catholic University of the Sacred Heart, since 2010; Editor-in-chief of JUS (Law Review of Catholic University of the Sacred Heart); member of the Consejo Asesor of Ius Canonicum; member of UGCI (Union of Italian Catholic Jurists), ADEC (Society of Italian State Ecclesiastical Law Professors) and ASCAI (Society of Italian Canon Jurists); member of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, since 2003.

### Summary of scientific research

My scientific research has focused on different fields of law. After initial research on Italian penal procedure, I specialized in canon and ecclesiastical law. In canon law my scientific production concerns religious marriage; the law of Catholic Church and her constitutional structure; the relations between Church and States; the presence of the Holy See in the international community; the freedom of the Church and in the Church. In the field of public law, I focused with special reference on religious freedom, schools, religious marriage, and ecclesiastical jurisdiction. I specifically analysed the relationship between the State's *laïcité* and the freedom of the Churches on three main points: the dawn and formation of the lay status of the State; the Italian State during the liberal, fascist and democratic Age; religions and religious freedom in Europe. Concerning religious freedom, I researched canon law and ecclesiastical law under four points of view: doctrine of the Church, International law, violations of praxis, inter-religious dialogue. As regards the history, my research has focused on the freedom of the Catholic Church during the Medieval Age and under French Absolutism. Other studies have focused on the Italian administration of justice, both from the perspective of inquiries into judicial institutions and the Senior Council of Magistrates. During my chairmanship of the International "Parliamentarians for the Jubilee" Intergroup, I paid special attention to the international debt of poor and under-developed countries, to religious freedom and the dignity of the person, and to ethics and globalisation. With regard to the relationship between law and economics, I coordinated an inter-disciplinary research on Lombardy's ecclesiastic museums, analysing positive and negative aspects in order to supply a juridical-operative model applicable to other museums. Membership in the PASS has given me the opportunity to further examine human dignity in the international arena, considering the roles of the Holy See and of NGOs. **Main roles:** member of the Consiglio Superiore della Magistratura (Superior Council of the Judiciary), 1981-86; member of the Camera dei Deputati (Chamber of Deputies), 1987-96; member of the Senato della Repubblica (Senate of the Republic), 1996-2001; Under Secretary of State (i.e. Vice-Minister) for Post and Telecommunications, 1992-93, to the Presidency of the Council of Ministries, delegated for Civil Defence, 1994-95; for Home Affairs, delegated for religious freedom, 1999-2000; for Health, 2000-01; President of the International "Parliamentarians for the Jubilee" Intergroup, 1999-2001; moderator of the Session 5 at the OSCE Cordoba Conference on Anti-Semitism and on Other Forms of Intolerance, 2005; keynote speaker at the OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Freedom of Religion or Belief, 2009; member of the OSCE-ODIHR Advisory Panel of Experts on Freedom of Religion or Belief, since 2013.

## Main publications

*Books: Intelletto e volontà nel consenso matrimoniale in diritto canonico* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 1974 and 1981); *I fondamenti religiosi dell'Assolutismo in Bossuet* (Giuffrè, Milan, 1975); *Il matrimonio canonico dopo il Concilio* (Giuffrè, Milan, 1978); *Società civile e società religiosa di fronte al Concordato* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 1980); *Giustizia inquieta* (Rusconi, Milan, 1990); *Il Governo universale della Chiesa ed i diritti della persona*, (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 2003); *“A Cesare ciò che è di Cesare, a Dio ciò che è di Dio”. Laicità dello Stato e libertà delle Chiese* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 2006); *Il matrimonio canonico tra principi astratti e casi pratici* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 2008); *I musei ecclesiastici: organizzazione, gestione, marketing* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 2008); *Matrimonio ed enti tra libertà religiosa e intervento dello Stato* (Vita e Pensiero, Milan, 2012). *Encyclopaedia entries:* "Matrimonio" in *Enciclopedia del Diritto*, Giuffrè; "Matrimonio religioso" in *Novissimo Digesto Italiano*, Appendix (Utet, Turin, 1984); "Equità canonica" and "Istruzione Religiosa" in *Enciclopedia Giuridica Italiana* (Treccani); "Donna nella Chiesa" in *Digesto*, IV ed. (Utet, Turin, 1992); "Orio Giacchi" in *Diccionario General Derecho Canónico* (Editorial Aranzadi, Pamplona, 2012).