DoV - Declaration of Value (Dichiarazione di valore in Loco)

The “dichiarazione di valore” (declaration of value) is an informative document describing the qualification awarded to a given person by an institution belonging to an education system other than the Italian system. It is used by the competent University offices to assess a given qualification for the purpose of admission to a degree programme or for recognition of the foreign qualification.

It is usually issued by the Italian Embassy in the country where the qualification was awarded.

It generally contains the following information:

- Legal status and type of issuing institution;
- Access requirements for the programme resulting in the qualification;
- Legal duration of the study programme and/or overall commitment required of the student in terms of credits or hours;
- Value of the qualification in the system/country where it was issued, i.e. for academic and/or professional purposes.

The declaration of value can be replaced by:

**Attestations issued by ENIC-NARIC centres** that contain all the information usually listed in the declaration of value and necessary for the evaluation of the degree.

DoVs are issued in **Italian language** by the Italian diplomatic authorities in foreign countries against presentation of the following papers:

1. Certified photocopy of the qualification concerned;
2. Legal translation into Italian of the above document.

**Please note:**

- Italian diplomatic authorities issue the DoV on a foreign study qualification (original / certified photocopy) after it has been legalised by the competent authorities of the awarding country. If the country where the qualification was obtained is party to the Hague Convention (1961), you must have an Apostille affixed to your documents by the competent authorities, in the place of legalization;
- Before issuing a DoV, Italian diplomatic authorities check the authenticity of the qualification concerned.

The DoV may also prove useful for recognition purposes, both academic and professional, as well as for occupational purposes (e.g. in case you wish to work in the private sector of the Italian labour market and, at the same time, avoid the procedures of legal recognition by equivalence).