



01. Lieutenant Laura Biancatera, an army company commander since March 5, 2008. She led a training unit for women.
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02. Minister for Equal Opportunities Mara Carfagna presented the decree-law against stalking, which was later converted into Law 38/2009, establishing stalking as a criminal offense.
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03. Licia Rognini, widow of the anarchist Giuseppe Pinelli, and Gemma Capra, widow of Police Commissioner Luigi Calabresi, shake hands at the Quirinale on Remembrance Day, May 9, 2009—a symbolic gesture of reconciliation and healing from the wounds of the Years of Lead.
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04. On November 3, 2010, Susanna Camusso became general secretary of the Cgil.
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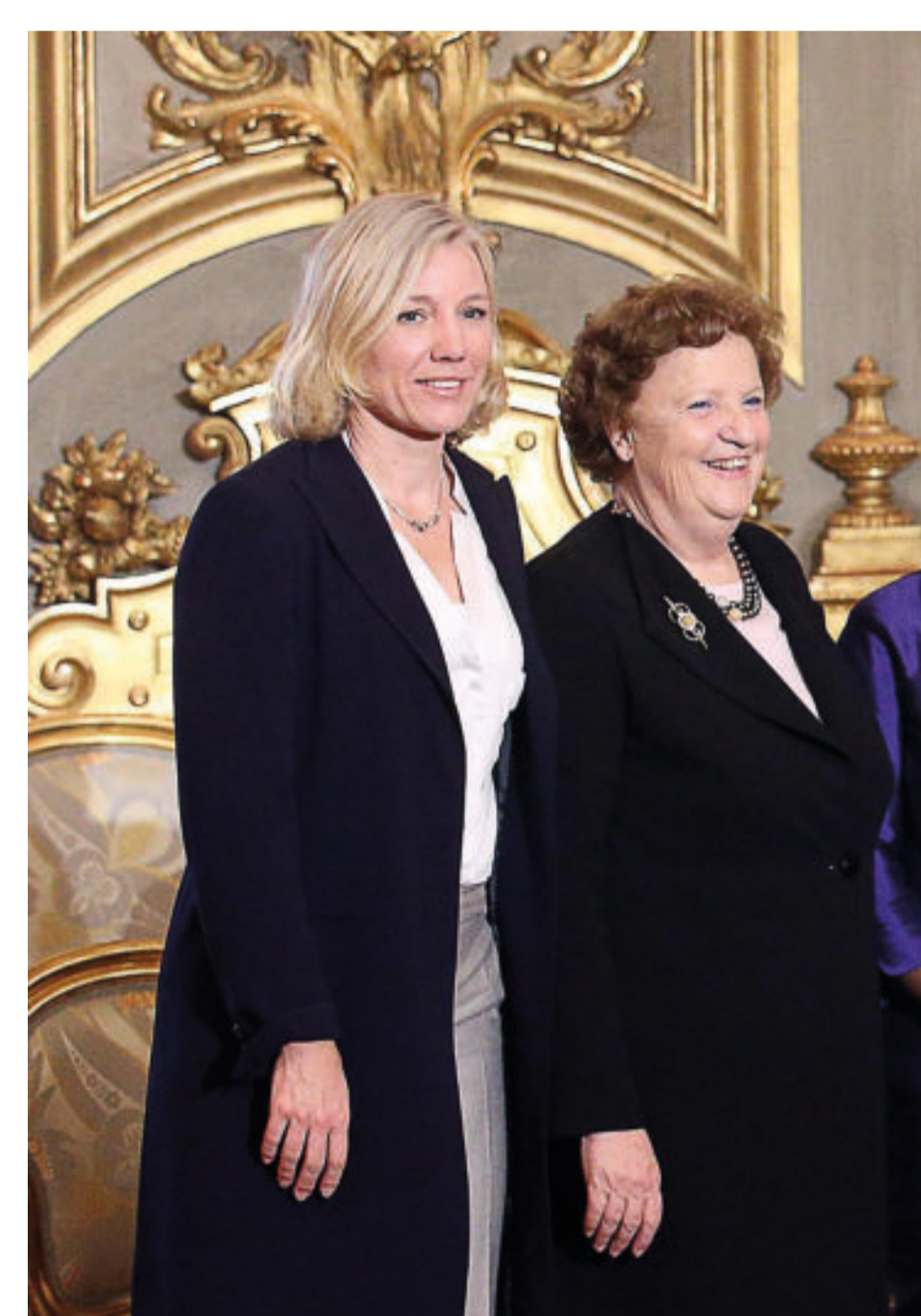
05. Luisa Torsi, a full professor of chemistry, receives the Accademia dei Lincei award from President Sergio Mattarella. Torsi was awarded the H. E. Merck Honorary Award for innovative contributions to chemical analysis; she is the only woman to have received it.
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06. Lella Golfo, sponsor and primary signatory of Law 120/2011 on gender quotas on corporate boards.
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07. In 2020, Federica Brignone became the first Italian female skier to win the overall World Cup. Since her first major result in 2011, she has achieved over 80 podium finishes and 37 World Cup victories across four different disciplines.
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08. Fabiola Gianotti, the first woman to lead CERN in Geneva in the history of the European Organization for Nuclear Research. On July 4, 2012, she announced at CERN, alongside Joseph Incandela, the first observation of a particle consistent with the Higgs boson.
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09. Monica Contrafatto, the first female soldier to be awarded a Gold Medal of Valor by Defense Minister Roberta Pinotti after being wounded in action in Afghanistan in 2012. She is also a Paralympic athlete and a three-time bronze medalist.
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10. Eleonora Abbagnato, principal dancer with the Paris Opera Ballet from 2013 to 2021. Since 2015, she has directed the corps de ballet at the Rome Opera House.
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11. Minister for Equal Opportunities Josefa Idem and Minister of Justice Annamaria Cancellieri were among the leading supporters of Law 119/2013 on gender-based violence and domestic violence.
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12. Annamaria Furlan, first General Secretary of the CISL from 2014 to 2021.
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13. Pharmacologist Elena Cattaneo, known for her research on Huntington's disease and stem cells, for which she was appointed life senator, was the youngest person to receive this honour.
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