



## Information about Diploma Supplement and Declaration of Value

### **DIPLOMA SUPPLEMENT**

The Diploma Supplement (DS) accompanies a higher education diploma, providing a standardized description of the nature, level, context, content and status of the studies completed by its holder. National higher education institutions produce the supplement according to a template jointly developed by the European Commission, the Council of Europe and UNESCO as part of the Bologna Process.

The supplement is designed as an aid to help recognition, however it is **not a substitute for the original qualification**. Diploma supplements must be always accompanied by a degree certificate. In this case they can be accepted in place of an official transcript of records, if courses and grades are clearly stated.

Diploma Supplements are issued by the institution at which you studied.

If you have a Diploma Supplement you do not need to submit a “Dichiarazione di valore in loco”.

For further information visit the webpage:

<https://education.ec.europa.eu/education-levels/higher-education/inclusive-and-connected-higher-education/diploma-supplement>

### **DICHIARAZIONE DI VALORE (DoV)**

The *Dichiarazione di Valore* (often translated “Declaration of Value” or “Statement of Value”) is an official document issued by Italian diplomatic authorities abroad, i.e. embassies and consulates. The *Dichiarazione di Valore* is issued in Italian and provides information on a given academic or professional qualification awarded by an institution located in a foreign country, such as the legal value of the qualification and the educational system in the awarding country. The *Dichiarazione di Valore* is necessary for both Bachelor’s and Master’s degree.

When you apply for a “Dichiarazione di Valore”, please make sure to verify that the following information will be included in the document:

- legal duration of the degree programme;
- suitability of the qualification for admission to the PhD in the country in which it was achieved;
- type of University which issued it (accredited and legally recognised by the national Ministry of Education);
- a complete list of examinations taken (transcripts)



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To obtain a *Dichiarazione di Valore* you must apply to the Italian embassy or consulate closest to the city or town where your university is located. There might be a charge for these services. Please bear in mind that your local Italian embassy/consulate are the primary source of information on how to apply for a *Dichiarazione di Valore*.

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A list of Consulates and Embassies can be find here:

<https://www.esteri.it/it/ministero/struttura/laretediplomatica/>