



FONDAZIONE
GIOVANNI GORIA

INSTITUTIONAL STATEMENT

The Giovanni Goria Foundation was founded on the **10th of May, 2004** – a date significantly close to the **10th anniversary of the death of the Rt. Hon. Giovanni Goria** – after ten years of work by the Association to create and fund the Foundation.

The Foundation is a non-profit organisation and pursues exclusively charitable aims in the fields of education, research and training with particular reference to the figure of Giovanni Goria (Italian and European politician, and the 46th Prime Minister of Italy) through the promotion of studies, research, debates and initiatives on issues surrounding the development of twentieth-century Italian society. Particular emphasis is placed upon issues of institutional state modernization, the banking system and the impact of the European Union.

On the premises of the Polo University of Asti, the Foundation has a library specialising in economic and sociological texts that consists of around ten thousand volumes. It has also created an a repository alongside the original Goria Collection that continues to acquire such texts, and that includes documents considered to be of high historical interest by the Superintendent for Cultural Heritage in Italy.

Since 2009 the Foundation Goria has partnered with the **Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Torino** to realise the "Talents of Civil Society Project", which works to award research grants to young talented graduates from Piedmont and the Aosta Valley in the following areas: Environment and Landscape, Sciences of Antiquity, Philological Sciences, Legal Sciences, Literary Studies and Performing Arts, Philosophical and Historical Sciences, Pedagogical Sciences and Psychology, Political Science and Sociology.

In these years (2009 - 2014) there have been over **450 researchers** who have carried out scientific research funded by the Talents of Civil Society project. Many have already successfully completed their research, thereby offering their contribution to civil society, and demonstrating the talents that distinguish them.