

## THE NATIONAL FEDERATION AGAINST VIOLENCE IS BORN IN ITALY

The National Association "Dire" (Women Against Violence Network), a non-profit organization, was founded in Rome on September 29, 2008. "Dire" was established by women from all over Italy representing 45 Women Shelters and Antiviolence Centres. Those Centres, on the course of 20 years of action, have producing studies, spreading knowledge and giving voice to thousands and thousands of women who turned their backs to violence and conquered freedom.

In a political moment like the present one, where division and conflict are constantly on the rise, the birth of Dire represents an important achievement for the women movement, always striving for unity and strength.

Expressing our political identity on a national level is an important opportunity to continue to prevent and overcome violence against women.

Dire wants to be a reference point for the promotion of awareness and the development of appropriate action to respond to the needs and desires of women, in a context where violence against them is constantly growing and their living conditions are becoming worse every day.

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