

Foreword

It has been 6 years since the publication of the first edition of this volume and 5 years have elapsed since the first anastatic reprint.

We have therefore deemed it appropriate to put our hands on a new edition, not only for the necessary updates but also to incorporate the received suggestions for improvements with the aim to facilitate the understanding of the text and integrate it in the gaping parts.

Among the main innovations brought about by this new edition, the addition of a new Chapter written by Renzo Cavalieri dedicated to supply contracts, the simplification of some contractual models and the updating of some documents published in the appendix.

We reiterate today that the volume is mainly addressed to university students, being aware that the text suffers from a didactic approach as well as from some intentional simplifications.

We reproduce below the foreword to the first edition, whose methodological considerations are still timely and valid.

Nevertheless, the revised attribution of Chapters to the individual authors is the following: Chapters 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10 and 11 were authored by Vincenzo Salvatore, whilst Chapters 3, 4, 6 and 8 were written by Renzo Cavalieri.

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