^{iGlobal Law} Annual Update 2018:

Italy

SUBJECT

LEGAL CHANGE

Whistleblowers

Protection for staff who blow the whistle

On December 29, 2017, new rules regulating whistleblowing in the employment context came into force. Significantly, for the first time in Italy, the law protects 'whistleblowers' from victimisation at the hands of their employer.

Employers are also required to preserve the anonymity of the 'whistleblower' and to maintain confidentiality by putting appropriate IT systems in place.

ACTION REQUIRED

Review current whistleblowing practices and procedures and make amendments to ensure legal compliance.