



Dear members,

Thanks to **everyone who voted for me.**

You have indicated **your trust in me** with your vote and **I intend to honor it.**

I would like to express a very **special thanks to President Florin Moise**, for his great capacity for involvement and his fantastic staff.

I am also looking forward to starting to collaborate with the **new presidency**, excellently represented by **Blaca Ibarra Cadena, President Commissioner** of the **National Institute for Transparency, Access to Information and Personal Data Protection** of Mexico.

As I was **Secretary General** of the **Italian Data Protection Authority** for many years, I am aware of the great work they are doing.

All of us are carrying out an extremely important mission which is to **make citizens' lives more transparent, more equitable, more just.**

We must bear in mind that our **actions and omissions** go far **beyond so-called good governance**, they involve the **daily life of people** in our municipalities and states.

In short, the way we carry out our work must **allow people to develop another way of thinking** about the state, another way of seeing their country and, above all, imagining a **more equitable future.**

However, **our isolated efforts are not enough: corruption knows no borders** and its incredible ability to **renew itself** and take on **new forms** motivates us **to work together.**

The **fight against corruption** and the **fight for a more transparent and open democracy** are complex and global challenges that **no single institution can tackle alone.**

Personally, as an old proverb says, I believe that **unity is strength.**

We must not isolate ourselves: on the contrary, **we must confront each other** to understand if we are going in the right direction or, on the contrary, if we need to change or simply update the strategies we have implemented.

I truly believe that **our Network, as a truly global network**, will give us a **stronger voice** with international organizations and civil society to promote an ethical culture that supports **transparency, integrity and accountability** at **all levels of public life**.

Thank you.