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L' Italia e la Carta di Parigi della CSCE per una nuova Europa. Storia di un negoziato (luglio - novembre 1990)



The book, currently available only in Italian, aims at contributing to a better understanding of the path that led to the adoption of the Paris Charter for a New Europe in 1990. As the Cold War drew to an end and the Berlin Wall came down, the Participating States felt the time had come to look again at the 1975 Helsinki Final Act to create an instrument capable of managing the fundamental changes taking place in Europe.

Amb. Armellini, as head of the Italian Delegation, highlights the role Italy played in the delicate and complex negotiations. The book, enriched by an introduction by Giuseppe Nesi and an afterword by Ettore Greco, includes contributions by Stefano Baldi, Fabio Cristiani, Pier Benedetto Francese, Natalino Ronzitti and Paolo Trichilo.

Part I contains a framing of the genesis and goals of the Paris Charter, together with a detailed day-by-day reconstruction of the negotiations in the Preparatory Committee, both in plenary sessions and working groups. Part II is devoted to an analytical description of the Paris Charter, examined paragraph by paragraph. Part III contains a detailed analysis of the Twenty-Two States Joint Declaration.

The book was made possible by a collaboration between the Permanent Mission of Italy to the OSCE in Vienna and the Faculty of Law of the University of Trento.

The volume is also complemented by extensive documentation on the negotiations of the Paris Charter, of great historical interest, made available on the website of the Permanent Mission of Italy to the OSCE, accessible through the QR Code beside.



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