



# *Ministero dell'Istruzione, dell'Università e della Ricerca*

*Consiglio Universitario Nazionale  
Italian National University Council*

## *Italian National University Council Statement on events in Turkey*

The members of the Italian National University Council, the representative body of all components of the Italian university system, express their indignation at the violation of human rights and international principles taking place in Turkey at the present time.

As they are firmly convinced of the utmost importance of the coexistence of differing opinions as an essential condition for the development of the individual and thus of the future of a Country, they express particular concern over the repressive measures adopted towards fellow rectors, professors and administrators in the Universities of Turkey, to whom they offer their human, professional and institutional solidarity.

In these hours, their thoughts go to the students of these Universities and their future, which is not independent of those of students all over the world.

The Council hopes that Governments and the International Community will take appropriate action so as to halt this serious threat to culture, science and freedom of expression