



Globalaw Foundation supports APAV the Portuguese Victim Support Association

Lisbon, Portugal: 31 October 2023 – The Portuguese Victim Support Association, [APAV](#), received a donation of €8,000 from the [Globalaw Foundation](#) at the Globalaw Annual Meeting on October 27TH, 2023. The Globalaw foundation gives back to communities and organizations in need, with a focus on legal education and access to justice.

The donation was presented to Carmen Rasquette, APAV General Secretary, at a gala dinner hosted by Globalaw Member firm [Caiao Guerreiro](#) in the prestigious botanical garden of Lisbon, Portugal during the Globalaw Annual Members' meeting.

Carmen Rasquette, APAV General Secretary, stated that: *"Partnerships are a key feature of build societies intolerable to violence. The donation given by the Globalaw Foundation contributes to APAV's mission of supporting victims of crime, their families and friends. Just in 2022, APAV supported, in average per week, 150 women, 50 children and youngsters, 30 men and almost 30 elderly people. As advocates of victims' rights, APAV works every day towards a statute of victim of crime fully acknowledged, valued and effective in Portugal and beyond."*

Globalaw Foundation Chair, Marco Bolognini, added: *"At the Globalaw Foundation, we are extremely proud to have been able to contribute to APAV's noble cause. As lawyers, as citizens in our respective communities, and as citizens of the world, we deeply care about the needs of the helpless and economically under-resourced victims of vile crimes. The same feelings apply to the families, friends and, in general, the vital ecosystem of those who have suffered crimes. For these reasons, the Globalaw Foundation is fully aligned with the purposes of APAV and has decided to support it with great conviction."*

About APAV:

The Portuguese Victim Support Association (APAV) is a private social solidarity institution, a public utility entity, whose statutory objective is to promote and contribute to information, protection and support for citizens who are victims of criminal offences. It is, in short, a non-profit and voluntary organization, which supports, in an individualized, qualified and humanized way, victims of crimes, through the provision of free and confidential services. Founded on June 25, 1990, it is a nationwide institution, with its headquarters located in Lisbon. To achieve its objective, APAV proposes, in particular:

- Promote protection and support for victims of criminal offenses, particularly those most in need, particularly through information, personalized care and referral, moral, social, legal, psychological and economic support;
- Collaborate with the competent entities of the administration of justice, police, social security, health, as well as local authorities, autonomous regions and other public or private entities;
- Encourage and promote social solidarity, namely through the formation and management of networks of voluntary cooperators and social patronage, as well as victim-offender mediation and other restorative justice practices;

- Promote and sponsor the carrying out of research and studies on the victim's problems, to more adequately satisfy their interests;
- Promote and participate in programs, projects and actions to inform and raise public awareness;
- Contribute to the adoption of legislative, regulatory and administrative measures, facilitating the defense, protection and support for victims of criminal offenses, with a view to preventing the risks of victimization and mitigating their effects;

For further information, please visit: <https://apav.pt/>

About Globalaw Foundation:

The Globalaw Foundation aims to help young people to access legal education and training. At Globalaw Foundation, we strongly believe in new generations and their potential to achieve a better and fairer world through a broader legal culture to be globally spread as an indispensable tool for peace and democracy.

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