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GENERAL PRINCIPLES OF ITALIAN PAYROLL

An overview on some of the Italian peculiarities



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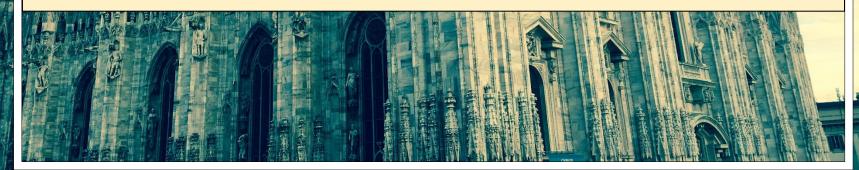
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Almost 80% of the Italian population with an income derives its wealth from subordinate employment.

Most of employment relations are governed by National Bargaining Contracts, discussed between employers' and employees' unions.

Whilst it is not compulsory for an employer to apply an Italian NBC, the prominent majority of employment relations is governed by one.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

THE ITALIAN EMPLOYMENT ECOSYSTEM

The following are key players in the national employment ecosystem:

COLLOCAMENTO (national employment agency) governs employment / dismissals;

INPS (national institute of social security) provides social security coverage; INAIL (national compulsory insurance office) provides compulsory accident-on-the-job coverage;

AGENZIA DELLE ENTRATE (tax authorities): drive the payments of employment-related dues (withholding tax, social security, etc.).



GENERAL RULES

Employment contracts in Italy are negotiated freely between parties.

However, National Bargaining Contracts (so-called "C.C.N.L."s, sometimes reaching hundreds of pages in details - only available in Italian) regulate most of the circumstances that are often not given importance to when establishing independent contracts (i.e. overtime on a Christmas night; special leave permits in case of breastfeeding; etc.).

GENERAL RULES

Different CCNLs apply and are tailored to different activity clusters.

General and basic rules of employment are set at a national level.

However rules established by CCNLs with regards to the same area of interest (for example, on the topic of vacation days) may differ from national contract to national contract.

GENERAL RULES

The information provided in this presentation is meant to define generic principles and criteria but does not refer to a specific CCNL, although most of the examples below are drawn with reference to the "commercio" NBC.

The overview presented in the following pages relates to items that are mostly looked at with interest when dealing with Italian personnel administration matters.

CLASSIFICATION / RANKING OF EMPLOYEES

Employees are generally classified in four categories, that indicate their level of responsibility. From bottom to top:

Operai (Blue collars)

Impiegati (White collars)

Quadri (Managers)

Dirigenti (Directors)

Every CCNL has their own sub-categories that cover the standard career of staff. Impiegati levels normally are split in 7 sub-levels.

DIRIGENTI

Dirigenti are most distinguished from blue-collar workers, white-collar workers and middle managers by the legal and contractual regulations applicable to their relationship and by the breadth of their functions, which extends to the entire company management or that of an autonomous branch; therefore autonomy and discretion in decision-making and the lack of real hierarchical dependence are the main traits.

Being a dirigente has a special meaning for the work relation; the dirigente is not subject to the application of several regulations set up for the general protection of workers, namely:

DIRIGENTI

- pre-established working hours (the legal regulations on working hours contained in Legislative Decree no. 66/2003)
- fixed-term contracts regulations (fixed-term employment is allowed, by written deed and of a duration not exceeding 5 years), and , above all,
- individual and collective dismissal (very complex regulation that governs this).

DIRIGENTI

Finally, supplementary forms of pension and health care schemes apply, making dirigenti the most entrusted, autonomous, and expensive employees rank of all.

<u>https://www.fondonegri.it/</u> - fondo di previdenza complementare (supplementary pension)

<u>https://www.fasdac.it/</u> - fondo di assistenza sanitaria complementare (supplementary care)

https://www.associazionepastore.it/ - ente bilaterale per l'organizzazione di previdenza integrativa e garanzie di rischio (supplementary pension and risk management)

GENERIC SALARY DEFINITIONS

Employees' base salaries are defined within each CCNL, and are normally proportional to their responsibilities and roles within the company.

A portion of gross salary in addition to minimum wage (i.e. "ad personam" or "superminimo") can be granted by employers to an employee, to recognize seniority, specific skills, to meet market salary levels, or for any reason acknowledged by the employer.



SALARY AGREEMENT

The amount of salary is freely agreed between parts. It can be varied at any time, but it can never be decreased (except for full to part-time switchovers). However, it should be proportioned – in accordance to what is established in the CCNL's – to the level and responsibility of employees: national contracts, in fact, establish minimum wages per each sub-level, and periodic compulsory salary adjustments to the cost of living.

SALARY NEGOTIATION

Employees will always negotiate salary levels bearing in mind the net-in-pocket salary.

Employers will always have to consider the company cost.

Both those items, however, are influenced by contingent factors (tax rates, reliefs etc.): discussion on salary levels, must therefore be conducted bearing in mind the gross yearly salary (see "salary proportions" further in this presentation).

SALARY PAYMENTS

Employers pay withholding taxes on their employees' salaries, as well as social security contributions and national compulsory work insurance.

Salaries are normally paid by the 27th day of the month, whereas withholding taxes, social security and work insurance are paid by the 16th day of the month following that of the payment of the salary.

When an extra salary payment occurs, social security, withholding taxes and national insurance increase as well.

SALARY PROPORTIONS

The proportions between net-in-pocket salary, gross negotiable salary and company cost (including withholding taxes and all levels of social security contributions) can be summarized as follows:

140 company cost

100 gross salary

60 net in pocket

Employers will have to consider this scheme when negotiating salary levels.

13TH AND 14TH SALARY INSTALMENTS

CCNL's normally provide for the salary of an employee to be paid in more tranches than the number of months in a year: in June and in December the salary is traditionally paid together with an extra instalment.

CCNL's normally provide for 14 instalments, but the number of "slices to cut the cake in" depends on the contract applied.

Employers will have to bear this circumstance in mind when planning their cash flow projections.

13TH AND 14TH SALARY INSTALMENTS

The right to the payment of the 13th and 14th instalments is accrued by employees on a monthly basis.

An employee accrues tranches of their 13th pay instalment every month from January to December; from July to June they accrue the 14th instalment.

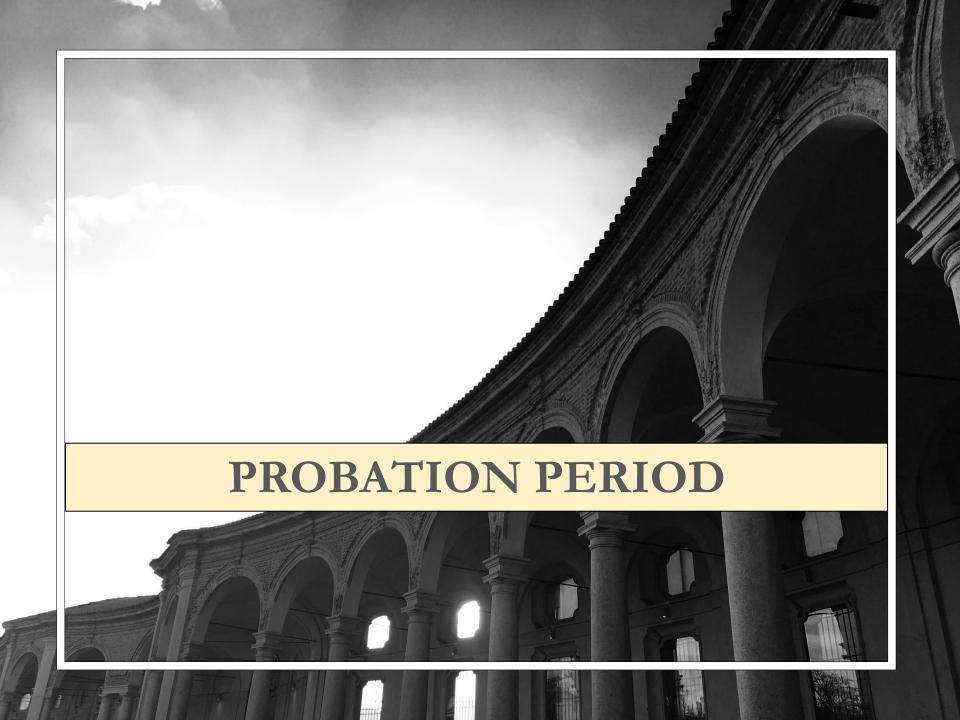
If an employee is employed in March, they will start accruing their rights (all of their rights!) pro-rated to the employment start date.

CASH FLOW PERSPECTIVE

The cash flow of employment has a repetitive pattern.

Every month, employees receive payment of their salary; every 16th day of the month following that of the payment, employers will have to pay social security and withholding tax on the salaries paid previously (via so-called "F24" forms).

In June and in December employees receive "extra" salary payments provided by the NBC (exceptions apply), *de facto* almost doubling the cash flow impact; consequently, in January and in July the balance of the F24 forms will also double.



PROBATION PERIOD

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An employment contract may include a probation period.

Italian law requires such feature of the working relation to be in written form whenever the employer and the employee agree on its effectiveness.

During such period, each of the parties is entitled to terminate the working relation at will, without notice or payment of an indemnity.

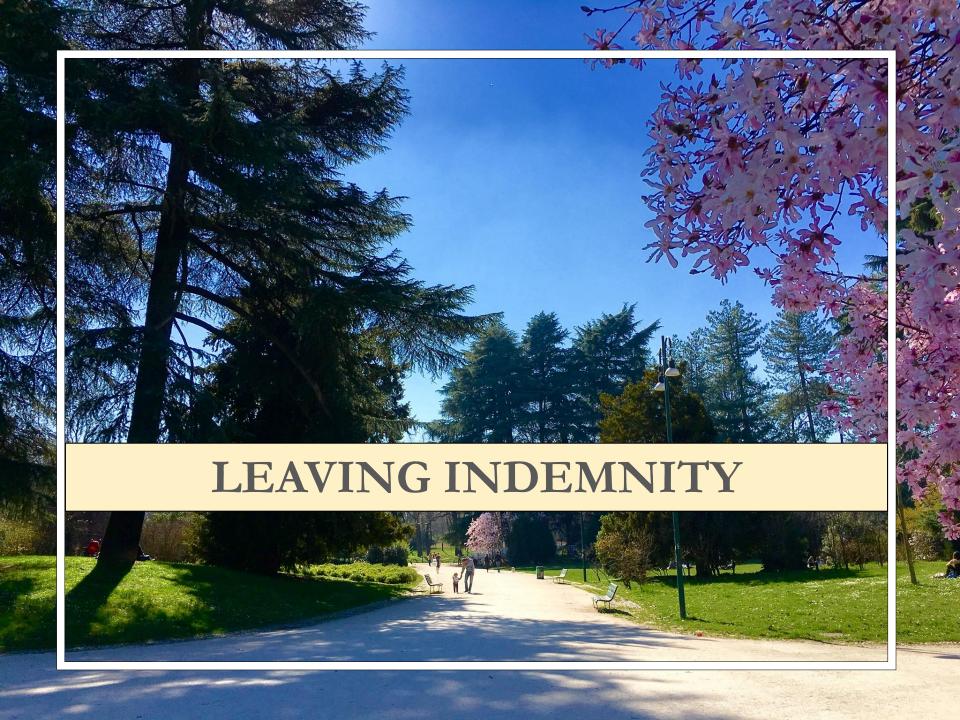
After the end of the probation period, the employment relationship becomes definitive, and as such the rules on notice (and payment of an indemnity in case if termination) apply.

PROBATION PERIOD

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The following table provides a general reference, based on a specific national bargaining contract, to be verified - in case of need - with the current specifications.

LEVEL	PROBATION PERIOD
Quadro	6 months
1st level	6 months
2nd level	60 working days
3rd level	60 working days
4th level	60 working days
5th level	60 working days



LEAVING INDEMNITY

"TRATTAMENTO DI FINE RAPPORTO"

During the course of their employment, employees accrue the right to a leaving indemnity (i.e. "T.F.R.") which consists of – more or less – a month worth of salary every year.

The funds representing the payable for leaving indemnity can, at the choice of employees, be kept within the company treasury service or be paid out to third parties – state-approved and authorized entities that deal specifically with leaving indemnity treatment.

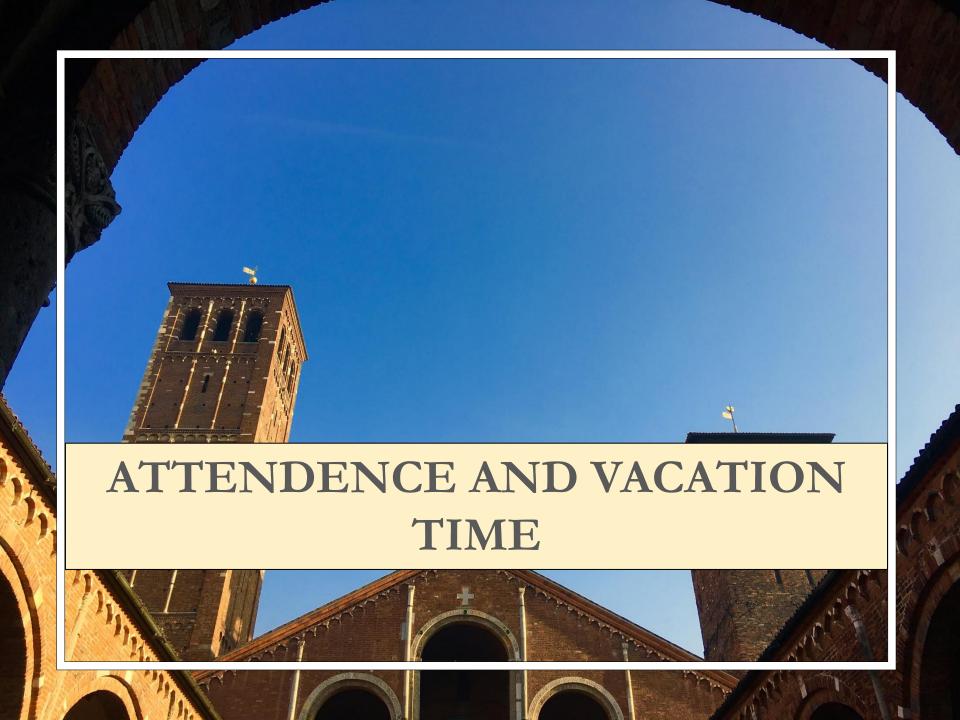
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Employees will have the right to collect this amount at the end of their employment relation, no matter what the reason for termination is – having resigned or having been terminated.

The TFR is to be considered deferred compensation.

In some special circumstances (health reasons, purchase of first owned real estate property, etc.), employees can ask for a pre-payment of part of this amount.



GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Annual leave consists in a number of vacation days and a number of so-called hourly leaves.

The number thereof and the general applicable rules depend on the CCNL applied. Vacation time normally consists, respectively, of 22 days and 88 hours.

Part-time employees accrue leave time in proportion to the percentage of the time worked, compared to a full-time employment.

ATTENDANCE

Attendance (as well as sickness, leaves, overtime, etc.) has to be entered on specific time sheets, that have to be approved by employers before the processing of pay stubs.

On a given month's payslip employees will see their previous month's attendance. This system allows prompt calculation and payment of salary without the need of assumptions on attendance for the last days of the month.

EXAMPLE OF ATTENDANCE SHEET



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LEGENDA OF POSSIBLE ITEMS											
A	Justified absence	AL	Breastfeeding								
MO	Compulsory maternity leave	I	Accident								
MF	Optional maternity leave	PE	Leave for election day work								
M	Disease	PNR	Non paid leave								
CM	Marriage leave	PR	Other hourly leave								
FS	National vacation	SC	Strike								
DS	Blood donation	PL	Mourning leave								
СН	Handicapped assistance leave	PS	Tuition leave								
AI	Non justified absence										

VACATION DAYS

Vacation days are accrued by employees on a monthly basis; vacation time should be authorized in writing by employers before employees can take leave.

Vacation days should be fully used in a calendar year; exceptions and special rules apply. For example, an employee must benefit every year of a period of at least two consecutive vacation weeks.

VACATION DAYS

Employees will have an obligation to use vacation time within the first 6 months of the subsequent calendar year.

If – notwithstanding the above provisions – days are carried over to the following years, they are categorized as "previous years' vacation days".

The value of vacation days (nor current neither carried forward) can not be, in principle, converted in money if unused – unless of course in the case of termination of the employment contract.

HOURLY LEAVES

Hourly leaves are also accrued by employees on a monthly basis.

They can normally be rolled over until the sixth month of the year following that of accrual; they can be used as vacation days (i.e. when a working day consists of 8 hours, 8 hours of leave equal to 1 vacation day).

Their value can be converted in money if unused after the deadline mentioned above.

LOCAL AND NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

There are some other vacation days that are counted for separately, on top of those outlined earlier. Those are Italian local or national holidays – and vary by every calendar year change.

They are averagely 13 days every year.

Such days give the right to a day of vacation; when falling on Sundays, such right is monetized, by payment of the equivalent money value of a working day.

ATTENDANCE AND VACATION TIME

LOCAL AND NATIONAL HOLIDAYS

January 1st – New Year	August 15th – Assumption of Mary
January 6th – Epiphany	August 16th – (Only for CCNl Commerce, only Milan zone)
Sunday (variable) – Easter	November 1st – All Saints
Monday (variable) – Easter Monday	December 7th – Saint Ambrose, only Milan zone
April 25th – Liberation Anniversary	December 8th – Immaculate Conception
May 1st – Labor Day	December 25th - Christmas
June 2nd – Republic Anniversary	December 26th – Boxing Day

ATTENDANCE AND VACATION TIME

CONSUMPTION OF OFF-TIME

Days of vacation accrued during a calendar year must be used within 18 months of the end of the year in which they are accrued and cannot be monetized; some residual hourly leaves may instead be converted into salary, subject to agreement at the employee salary level at the date of monetisation. When drawing up annual leave plans, it is best to monitor the use of at least 3 weeks of leave in the year of accrual, in order to optimise the management of residual days, and because – upon expiry of the 18 month term above – untaken time off will trigger monetary consequences on employees' payslips and company finance.



GENERAL PRINCIPLES

CCNL's chapters on maternity are normally quite detailed. Some of the peculiarities that are generally applied by the national contracts are summarized here below.

Some of the rules that apply to natural mothers / future mothers also apply to adoptive ones; some of the rules may also be applicable to fathers.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Part of the cost of an employee in maternity is finally born by the social security authorities (i.e. "maternity relief"): employees will still be actually paid by employers (and not directly by social security), but employers will gain the right to a "discount" of an amount equivalent to the percentage of relief allowed by law, to be applied on any payment due to INPS.

Action may have to be taken by the worker (obtaining medical certifications, filing with INPS) within the 7th month of pregnancy, if the future mother wants to carry on working after that date.

DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS

Workers are entitled to obtain permits to see specialized doctors.

The company has to pay for the time off, if such appointments are justified by an appropriate institution / subject (i.e. hospital; specialized medical doctor).

COMPULSORY MATERNITY LEAVE

Future mothers are obliged to stay home from work for a total of 5 months between the 7th or 8th month of pregnancy and 3rd / 4th month after childbirth (from 2019: even 5 months after childbirth).

If the mother chooses to leave on the 8th or 9th month, she has to send appropriate documents that state that the child's health will not be put at risk if she works during the 8th and 9th month of pregnancy – the company should inform all workers and retain medical doctor certifications.

National social security authorities (I.N.P.S.) pay for 80% of the company cost; the company pays the rest.

EXTENDED MATERNITY LEAVE

Should a future mother incur in difficult circumstances that can put her child's life at risk (ascertained by proper subjects/authorities), they can extend the maternity period, with an authorization by the local work authorities (Direzione Provinciale del Lavoro).

Also in this case, INPS pays for 80% of the company cost, the company pays the rest.

OPTIONAL PARENTAL LEAVE – until 3rd year of age

After childbirth, mothers can ask for a period of leave, with reduced salary.

The maximum amount of leave time is 6 months, until the child is three years old. This period can be non-continuous.

This leave can also be asked for by the father of the offspring - the total parental leave period (for both parents) cannot exceed 10 months (or 11 months, if the father is granted a leave longer than 3 continuous months).

OPTIONAL PARENTAL LEAVE – 3rd to 8th year of age

Optional parental leave can also be requested between the 3rd and the 8th year of age of the child.

In such cases, requesting parents may not receive their salary (if the personal salary of the requesting parent exceeds the minimum national pension amount for the year of leave multiplied by 2,5 times, no salary is due to the parent).

In all cases, salary is reduced to 30% thereof, and it is paid INPS.

BREASTFEEDING LEAVE

After childbirth, mothers can ask for breastfeeding leave.

Two-hour permits can be granted to full-time employees; one-hour permits can be granted to workers employed for less than six hours per day.

In case of twin childbirth, permits are doubled.

INPS pays for 100% of the salary related to the breastfeeding permits.

CHILD DISEASE LEAVE

Parents can stay home from work if their child is sick, until their child's 8th year of age, if illness is ascertained by proper authorities.

Permits have no limit of time within the 3rd year of age of the child; there is a 5 day maximum (per year per parent) between the 3rd and the 8th year of age of the child.

A self-assessment stating that the other parent is not on permit during the same period is due to the employer. No salary is due to the parent on child disease leave.

PATERNITY LEAVE

INPS provides an allowance also for fathers to some days of leave for their children.

Compulsory paternity leave, in the year 2022, is of up to 10 calendar days, to be used within 5 months from childbirth (or adoption / assignment). 100% paid by social security.

Optional paternity leave can be used in alternative to the maternity leave – it therefore reduces the amount of leave allowed to the mother.



SICK LEAVE

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Whenever an employed worker is sick, a number of special rules and regulations apply to the relation with the employer.

Some of those rules are related to the calculation of their salary; some are simple obligations to be respected.

SICK LEAVE

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In the event of being unable to work, the employee should normally report to management before 9:00 am on the first day of inability to perform their duties.

In a calendar year, employees who are sick will be paid their regular salary by their employers at different percentage rates, depending on the CCNL applied. In order to give an idea of the complexity that these calculation may reach, below you will find an example taken from a commonly applied national contract.

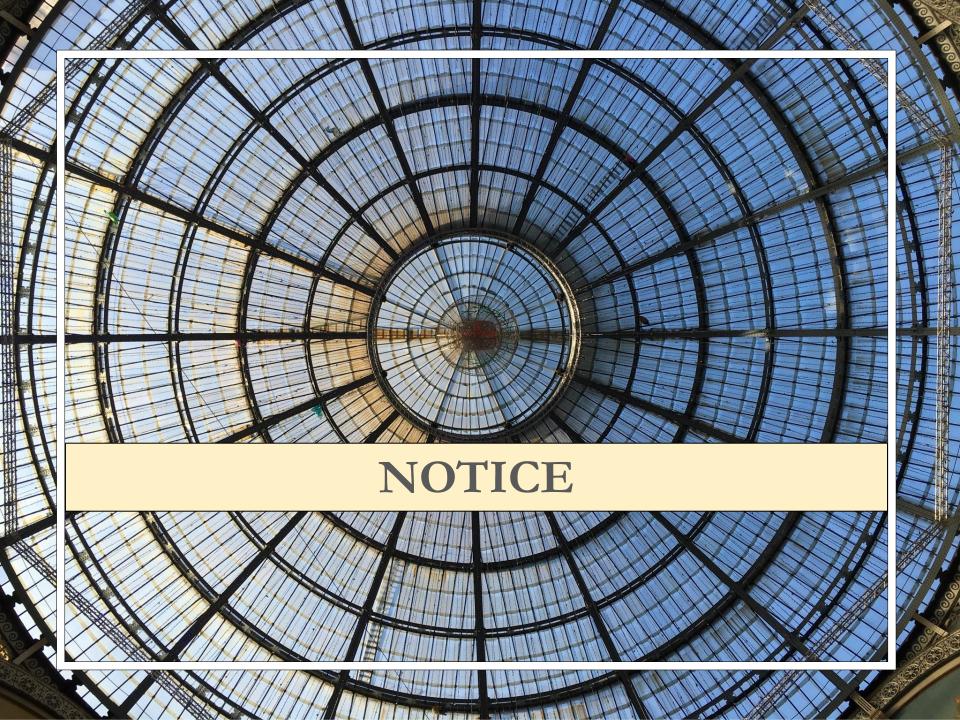
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From the CCNL "commercio e terziario": the employee will be paid at 100% for the first 2 sick calls; at 66% for the 3rd; at 50% for the 4th; at 0% from the 5th on.

Some very specific exceptions apply, depending on the type or the length of the disease and in some cases Social Security pays part of the sick leave.

Pregnant women are exempt from sickness calculations.



NOTICE

NOTICE PERIOD

The employment contract may be prematurely terminated by each of the parties - in writing - with a statutory notice period.

The length of the notice period depends on the national bargaining contract, the level of classification and seniority of service.

The table in the following page provides a general reference, based on a specific national bargaining contract, to be verified in case of need with the current specifications.

NOTICE

NOTICE PERIOD

	DAYS					
LEVEL	Up to 5 years of seniority	Between 5 and 10 years of seniority	More than 10 years of seniority			
	Dismissal / Resignation					
Quadro	60/45 days	90/60 days	120/90 days			
1st level	60/45 days	45/30 days	120/90 days			
2nd level	30/20 days	45/30days	60/45 days			
3rd level	30/20 days	30/20 days	60/45 days			
4th level	20/15 days	30/20 days	45/30 days			
5th level	20/15 days	30/20 days	45/30 days			



REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

When incurring in costs born on behalf of their employer, employees are entitled to receive the reimbursement of such expenses.

To do so, an employee must prepare and file a note of expenses, typically prepared on a company standard template, that will include

- Information on costs (typically, divided by category);
- Means of payment used (personal hence, to be reimbursed or corporate – hence, just nominal);
- Info on cash advances received and used;
- Copies of the receipts

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT

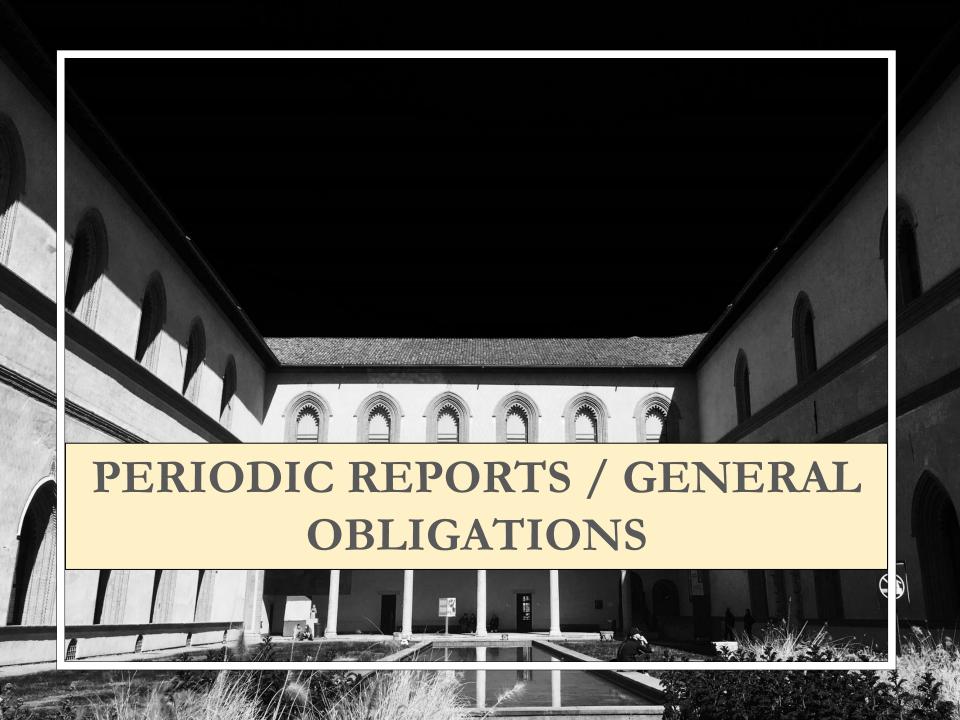
Whilst there is no minimum period of relevance or filing of expense claims, those are typically prepared by the employees and approved by the employers (according to their policies) on a monthly basis.

The amounts reimbursed to employees will have to be mentioned on the payslips, for compliance purposes.

REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT - EXAMPLE

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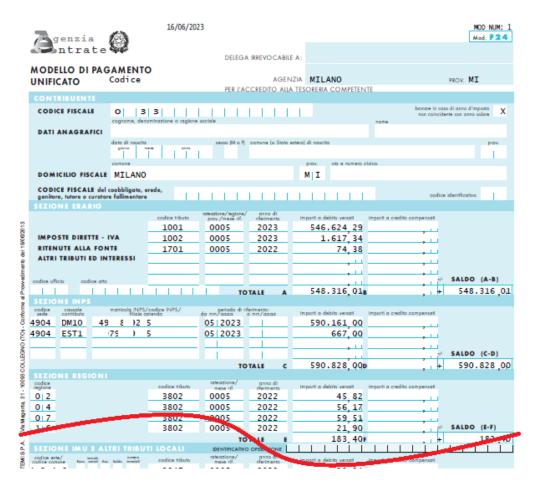
PERIODIC REPORTS

THE PERIODIC REPORTS

The employment of an Italian resource entails the preparation and filing of monthly reports to the Italian state.

On a monthly basis, the employer will typically have payment and reporting obligations; on a yearly basis, instead, the yearly obligations are consolidated and drawn onto returns to allow the authorities clear the final positions, in arrears.

THE F24 FORM

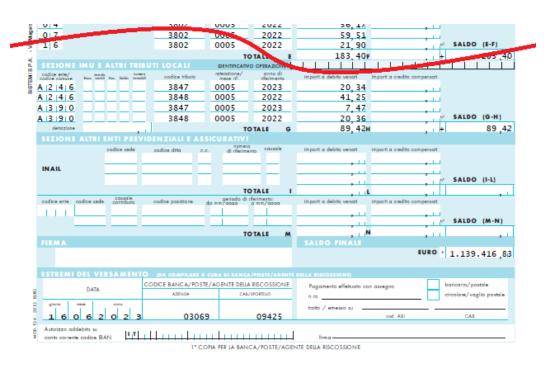


Payment of dues to the Italian state will typically be made via an F24 form.

On a monthly basis, an employer will pay:

- Withholding tax on salaries [section "SEZIONE ERARIO"]
- Social security dues
 [section "SEZIONE
 INPS"]

THE F24 FORM



- Local taxes on salaries

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 such as municipal and
 regional taxes
- National compulsory insurance dues [section "SEZIONE INAIL"], which is actually levied on a yearly basis.

THE UNI-EMENS REPORT

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Employers are to report to INPS salary data and information useful for calculating social security contributions - on a monthly basis.

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The report is used to:

- report to INPS the payroll and information that social security uses;
- calculate the amount
 of social security
 contributions to pay.

THE YEARLY REPORTS

The Italian payroll year always works on a calendar year basis.

After a year's worth of payroll, employers have to report – both to the authorities and to the employees – on the income generated during the work relation, and on the taxes withheld and paid to the Italian State on the employees' behalf.

The National Accident-on-the-job Institute also requires a yearly report to be filed, with regards to risk coverage and compulsory insurance.

770 FORM

770 form is the form used by withholding tax agents to declare to the Italian State data on tax withholdings made, payments made, and any receivables arising from the yearly calculations.

Taxpayers must file it - electronically - to the tax office by 31 October of the year following the one to which the data contained therein refers to.

CU FORM

Tax withholding agents use the Certificazione Unica form (so-called "CU"), to certify, towards recipients, income from - among others - employment.

The CU form must be issued and sent to the recipient of income by using and filing the electronic forms by 16 March.

AUTOLIQUIDAZIONE INAIL (NAT'L INSURANCE)

Employers are subject to pay accident-on-the-job insurance, and compulsory insurance premiums are due on a yearly basis (during the month of February). By means of a self-assessment process (i.e. "autoliquidazione") employers report the activities carried out by employees – therefore outlining related risks.

Premiums are calculated on the basis of work risk types, and payment is due on the basis of the previous year's actual salaries.

INAIL premiums can be accrued on a monthly basis, but are paid once a year.

GENERAL OBLIGATIONS

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

Companies and professionals that recruit employees, or that use collaborators and workers who operate on their behalf or perform an activity - including training - at their premises, must fulfil numerous requirements in relation to workplace health and safety regulations.

Employer obligations can be significant and complex, given that the health and safety requirements included in Italian Legislative Decree 81/2008 do not take into account the size of workforce.

Non compliance may lead to criminal law regulated consequences.

GENERAL OBLIGATIONS

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

Some of those are recapped below, and companies need specific consultants to assist them in setting up the right schemes.

Prevention and Protection Service

Company Doctor

Workers' Safety Representative / Territorial Workers' Safety

Representative

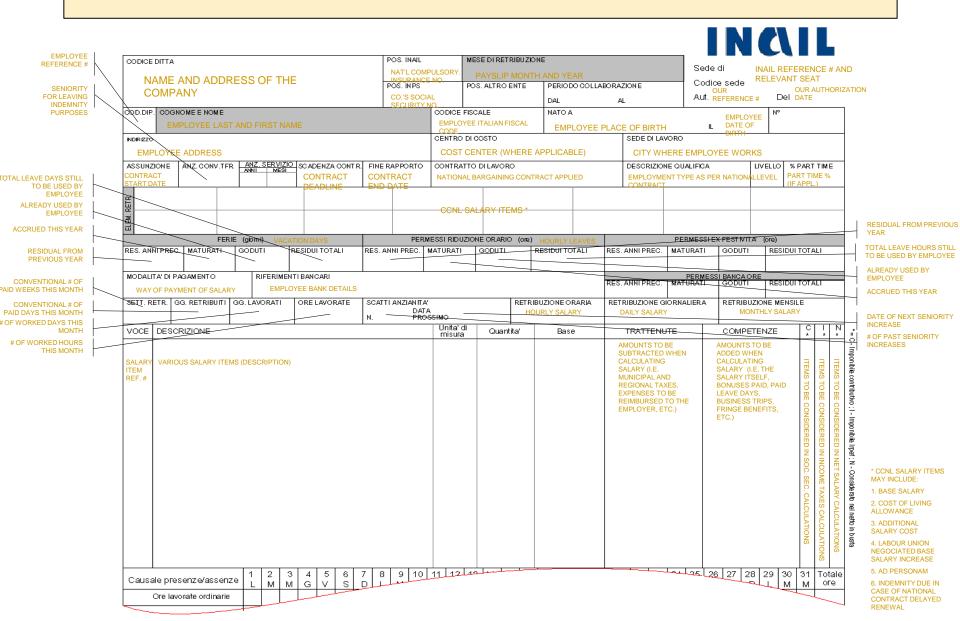
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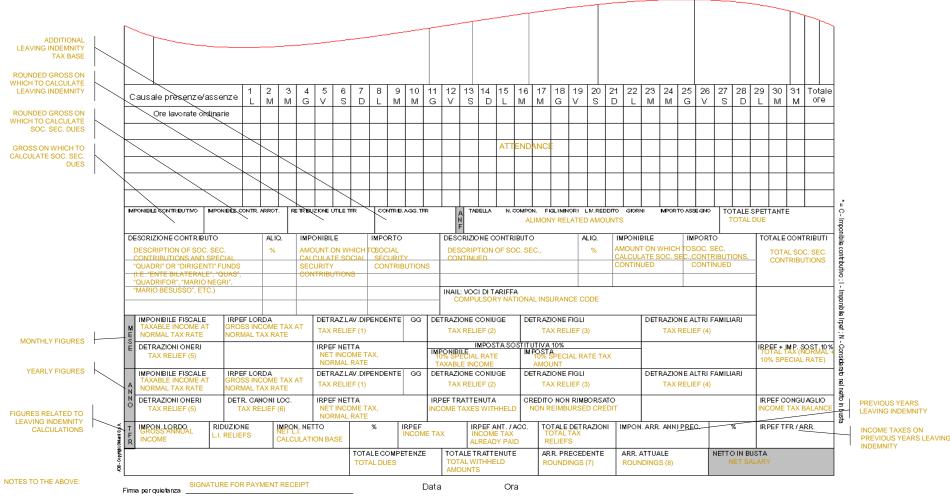


DETAILS OF ITEMS ON THE PAYSLIP

In the next slides you will find the references to every single field on the payslips, so to be able to read each reference with a closer look at the details.

The standard form or presentation of individual items on a payslip may vary during the course of time, and in case of software changes; the substance of its contents is however standardized and recurrent.





(1) TAX RELIEF FOR EMPLOYEES AS PER BUDGET LAW

(2) TAX RELIEF FOR SPOUSES

(3) TAX RELIEF FOR CHILDREN

(4) TAX RELIEF FOR OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS

(5) TAX RELIEF FOR OTHER DEDUCTIBLE EXPENSES

(6) TAX RELIEF FOR RENT OF AN APARTMENT

(7) ROUNDINGS RELATED TO PAST MONTH'S PAYSLIP (8) ROUNDINGS RELATED TO CURRENT MONTH'S PAYSLIP

PAYSLIP PRINTING DATE (OFFICIAL AND COMPULSORY)

PRINTING TIME (OFFICIAL AND COMPULSORY) LEAVING INDEMNITY INCOME TAXES ON

PAYSLIP "WALKTHROUGH"

The below slide serves the purpose of familiarizing and understanding the general criteria behind the gross-to-net walk on a payslip.

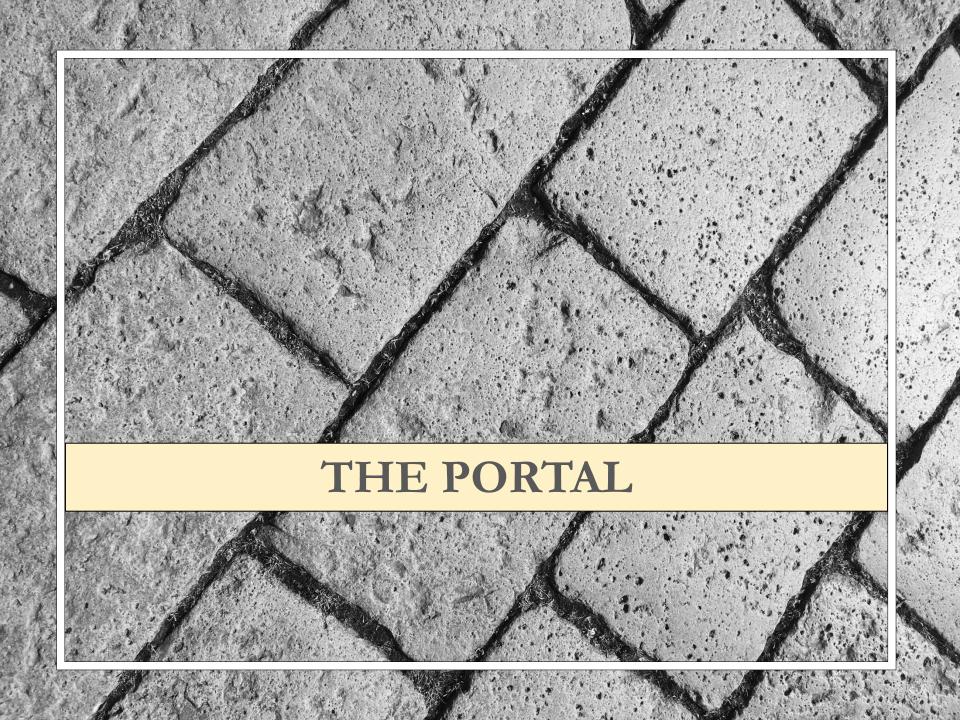
It represents a snipped portion of a payslip, compared to a simple list of calcs to summarize the salary calculation.

Although items are not explained in detail (the contents is probably not relevant), the general flow helps untangling the basic calculations.

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ANNUAL GROSS: € 48,000 NO. OF PAYSLIPS: 14

REF	EMPLOYEE EXAMPLE	02/05/2022					
	WORKING WEEK	5 DAYS A WEEK					
	DIVIDER	22					
1	MONTHLY STANDARD	3.428,57					
	SALARY	3.426,37					
2	DAILY SALARY	155,8440909					
3	DAYS WORKED IN JAN	17					
	2023						
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4	GROSS FOR THE	2.649,35					
	MONTH						
5	ADDITION	12,05					
6	ADDITION	716,33					
7	ADDITION	155,84					
8	ADDITION	311,69					
9	ADDITION	311,69					
		522,55					
10	DEDUCTION	- 37,18					
11	DEDUCTION	- 69,51					
12	SOCIAL SECURITY	- 394,97					
13	TAXES	- 1.016,30					
14	PREVIOUS MO.	- 0,11					
	ROUNDING	0,11					
15	CURRENT MO.	0,12					
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16	NET SALARY	2.639,00					



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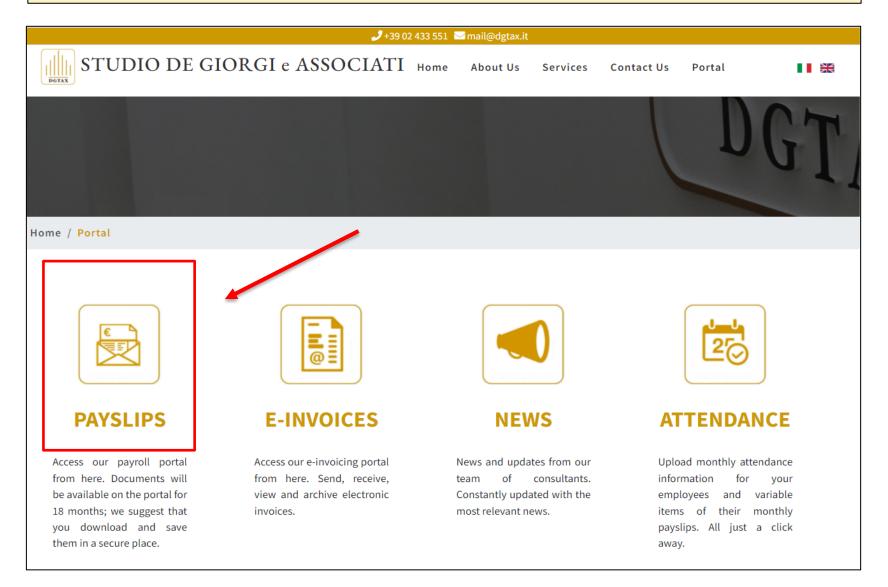
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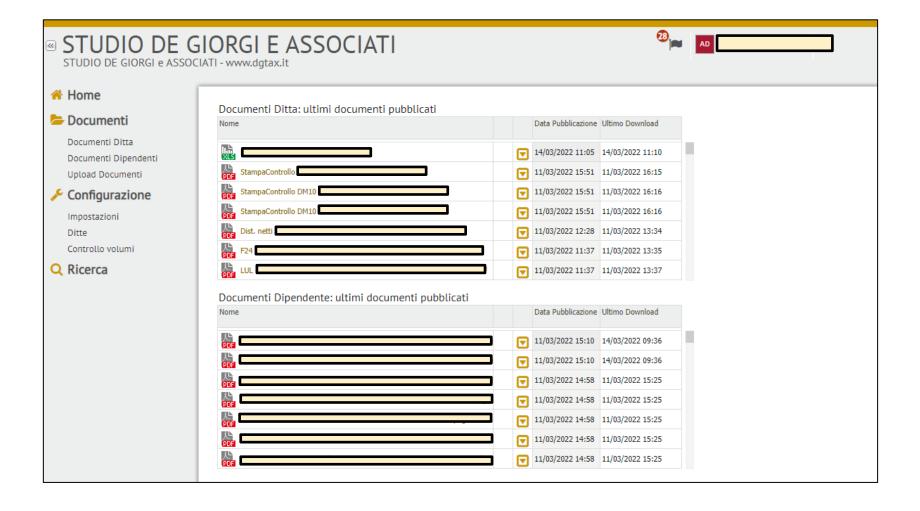
- with a process leader (among the employer's team) to enable he company to have an overview of all the documents of the payroll flow, and
- with each employee (on an individual basis) to share the monthly payslips.

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Login credentials are unique and in line with the current privacy regulations.

Information is stored online for 18 months, and accesses are logged to ensure traceability of operations.









Q. What information do you need to register our entity within your system and with the authorities?

A. It depends on what entity we need to register. We'll need one or more official documents stating:

the full entity name, including acronyms

the legal registered address

the name and address of a legal representative and/or signer

VAT registration number, where applicable

a registration resolution signed by the BoD

Q. How long does it normally take to complete the registration process with the authorities, in order to be able to employ personnel in Italy?

A. Once it is clear what form of registration is required and needed by your company in Italy (i.e. a representative office, a branch or a subsidiary), given the fact that the registration processes involves third parties and government entities which will not - by experience - respond promptly, it is a realistic estimate to say that it may take about one month to complete.

Q. Someone already works for us in Italy, but we have not gone through the registration process. What should we do?

A. You should register as soon as possible, as your position is not law compliant.

We will have to review anything that has been done previously and try to limit the possible areas of non-compliance.

Q. We are hiring a new employee. What do you need to know and when?

A. We need to receive the following information, at least a week prior to the starting date of the employee:

i. a copy of their valid and legible proof of ID;

ii. a copy of their Italian fiscal code;

iii. details on their residence address;

iv. a signed copy of the employment contracts;

v. any other item that the company will want to include in the contracts (for example, secrecy clause, internal company policies, signed by the employees).

Q. How should we deal with the payment of anything that is due in Italy (i.e. Italian taxes on labor law, our employees' salaries)?

A. We can help you open an Italian bank account through which you can pay the employees' salaries.

You can give us a proxy to pay Italian taxes from your bank account to the Italian authorities – we will have no other access to that account but to pay taxes – and won't need to worry about anything else but to make sure that there are enough funds on the account.

Q. I have not included a salary item in the information provided to you this month. What can we do?

A. We can very simply make an adjustment to the next pay slip to include any item that has been left out from the current month payroll run.

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