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CONSTITUTIONAL COURT ANNUAL REPORT 2020: A CONTEMPORARY REPORT

The Constitutional Court's Annual Report 2020 is now available, also in English, both online and in printed format. The aim of this editorial initiative, based on a model used by other courts around the world, is to provide an overview of the previous year in the form of, and using methods typical of, a contemporary report.

The 48 pages of the publication provide an account – complemented by numbers, graphs, photographs and links – of the Court's work during pandemic and the “new normal” that has arisen in its wake.

Although it was a difficult year, it did not however interfere with the ongoing dispensation of constitutional justice and offered an opportunity to embrace important changes, including technological innovations: in relation to court proceedings, the organisation of work and communication.

The Report starts with an interview of President Giancarlo Coraggio, the very title of which portrays a Court that is increasingly “inside” reality. He focuses on the most salient moments from 2020, which are then addressed later on in the book and in the more detailed discussions presented (using bar codes or links).

This report concerning the activity carried out by the Constitutional Court follows a consolidated tradition dating back to its creation in 1956. Since then, the Court has presented an account of its work in the President's Report (plus annexes), initially at six-monthly intervals and later annually, followed by a meeting with the press. The Annual Report – which complements but does not replace the President's Report – falls within this tradition, of which it represents the natural development.

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This year the Annual Report has been issued before the President's Report which, due to the health emergency, has been postponed until the Court's extraordinary session on 13 May. This event will be attended by the President of the Republic and the four other holders of the highest offices of State.

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