

# Massimo Barra

**Birth** Rome, Italy - August 22<sup>nd</sup> 1947

## Profession

<b>2007 - Present</b>	Member	Board Villa Maraini Foundation, Rome
<b>2005 - 2006</b>	Advisor	San Raffaele Scientific Research Institute, Rome
<b>1993 - 1994</b>	Member	Rome Provincial Government (Social Affairs)
<b>1986 - 2005</b>	Head	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward at Madonna del Tufo Clinical Centre, Rome
<b>1978 - Present</b>	Member and Advisor	Scientific Groups of Experts on Substance abuse appointed by the Italian Government/Ministries/Courts
<b>1977 – Present</b>	Professor	Medicine of Drugs, Addictions and Related Diseases
<b>1976 - 2007</b>	Founder and Director	Villa Maraini Foundation, Rome
<b>1973 - 1986</b>	Assistant	2 <sup>nd</sup> Ward, Madonna del Tufo Clinical Centre, Rome

## Education

<b>1976</b>	University La Sapienza, Rome. Specialization in Medicine of Sport
<b>1972</b>	University La Sapienza, Rome. Degree in Medicine and Surgery
<b>1966</b>	Classical Lyceum Degree Rome, Italy

## National and International Red Cross/Red Crescent experience

<b>2011 - Present</b>	Member	Standing Commission of Red Cross/Red Crescent (RCRC)
<b>2009 – Present</b>	Chairman	Standing Commission of Red Cross/Red Crescent (RCRC)
<b>2007 – 2009</b>	Vice Chairman	Standing Commission of RC/RC
<b>2006 - Present</b>	Member	RC/RC Centre for the Co-operation in the Mediterranean Governing Board
<b>2005 – 2008</b>	National President	Italian Red Cross

<b>2005 – 2007</b>	Chairman	Development Commission of International Federation of Red Cross/Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
<b>2004 – 2005</b>	Vice-President (Europe)	IFRC
<b>2003 - 2004</b>	Delegate	of the Italian Red Cross Extraordinary Commissioner for international relations
<b>2000 – 2001</b>	Member	IFRC Group on HIV
<b>1998 – 2003</b>	President	European RC/RC Network on HIV/AIDS (ERNA)
<b>1989 - 1993</b>	Member	Health and Community Services Commission, League of RC/RC Societies
<b>1981 - 1989</b>	Chairman	Development Commission, League of RC/RC Societies
<b>1980 -1993</b>	Founder and Chairman	Group of Experts on Addictions and Other Related Diseases, League of RC/RC Societies
<b>1979 - 2000</b>	National Inspector	Italian Red Cross Relief Volunteers
<b>1973 - 1981</b>	Chairman	Youth Advisory Committee, League of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies
<b>1972 - 1976</b>	National President	Italian Red Cross Youth (“Pionieri”)
<b>1966 - Present</b>		Participation in and coordination of the Italian Red Cross relief action after major natural disasters in Italy (1997 Umbria earthquake, 1980 Irpinia earthquake, 1976 Friuli earthquake, 1968 Sicily earthquake, 1966 Florence flooding)
<b>1966 - 1970</b>	President Rome Group	Italian Red Cross Youth (“Pionieri”)
<b>1965 - Present</b>		More than 450 mission for the Italian Red Cross, the IFRC and the Standing Commission in more than 100 Countries
<b>1960 - Present</b>	Volunteer	Italian Red Cross

### Professional commitment on drugs and AIDS

<b>2007 – Present</b>	Co-chairman	Rome Consensus for a Humanitarian Drug Policy
<b>2006 - 2009</b>	Member	Scientific Group on Experts on Drugs, Italian Government
<b>2000 - 2005</b>	Member	Consultative Group of Expert on Drugs, Italian Government
<b>2003 - 2004</b>	Member (Alternate NGOs Representative)	Board of the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria
<b>2000 - Present</b>	Trainer	Courses on harm reduction and HIV prevention, Central Anti-drug Police Department, Ministry of Interior
<b>1998 - 1999</b>	Member	Consultative Group of Expert on Drugs, Ministry of Social Solidarity
<b>1993 - 1994</b>	Chair	Department of Politics on Solidarity, Province of Rome

<b>1990 - 1993</b>	Consultant	Council of Rome for Prevention and Relief of Drugs Diseases
<b>1990 - Present</b>	Trainer	Of Penitentiary Staff on Drug Addictions, Ministry of Justice
<b>1988</b>	Representative	Council of Rome at Province level for Drugs Diseases in schools
<b>1986 – 1988</b>	Consultant	Planning in the field of Drugs Diseases, Council of Rome
<b>1986</b>	Medical Co-ordinator	on Drug Diseases, San Camillo Hospital, Rome
<b>1985</b>	Consultant	Research on Drug-users in prison, Ministry of Justice
<b>1985</b>	Member	Taskforce on Preventing Youth Marginalisation and Social Relief, Ministry of the Interior
<b>1984</b>	Member	Committee on Coordinating Volunteers, Ministry of Civil Protection
<b>1984</b>	Member	Commission on Voluntary work, Ministry of Health
<b>1984</b>	Director	First project on Drugs, Doctors' League of Rome and its Province
<b>1982</b>	Expert	Ministry of Health, to study therapeutic communities in Italy
<b>1982</b>	Member	Group of Experts on Drugs, Ministry of the Interior
<b>1980</b>	Member	Planning Commission for Drug Diseases, Health Department of Rome
<b>1979 - 1992</b>	Expert Judge	on Drug Addictions, Court of Rome
<b>1978 - Present</b>	Counsellor	Drug-Addictions, Penal Court of Rome
<b>1978 - 1985</b>	Member	Intergovernmental Anti-Drugs Committee, Ministry of Public Education
<b>1976</b>	Founder	Villa Maraini Foundation
<b>1974 - 1978</b>	MD	Drugs Relief Centre, Centre of Social Diseases, Rome

### Honours and Awards

<b>2008</b>	Monaco Red Cross Vermillion Medal
	Croatian Order of Katarina Zrinska Medal for humanitarian activities
	Order of Prince Danilo I of Montenegro Grand Cross
	Order of Saints Maurice and Lazarus Grand Officer
	Civic merit award, town of Cagli
<b>2007</b>	Croatian RC honorary membership
<b>2005</b>	Italian Red Cross "Grand Cross", for 50 year of commitment at the service of the International Red Cross Red Crescent Movement

- Appointed Commander of the Republic of Italy  
San Marino Red Cross Gold Medal  
Honorary citizenship awarded by the Municipality of Bagni di Lucca (Italy)
- 2004** “Faber Prize for Solidarity activities in the World”
- 2002** Spanish Red Cross Gold Medal for the commitment in the field of drug-addiction and HIV/AIDS
- 2002** Slovak Red Cross Medal for “*Humanity, Solidarity and Voluntary Service*”
- 1998** Well standing diploma with Medal from the Ministry of Interiors for the leadership in the Red Cross earthquakes relief operations on 1997 in Umbria (Italy)
- 1997** Silver Medal with Encomium from the City of Minturno (Italy)
- 1997** Distinguished Note by the Extraordinary Commissioner of the Italian Red Cross for the relief action of the Northern Italy Floods operation in 1997
- 1991** Italian Red Cross Gold Medal
- 1990** Appointed Officer of the Republic of Italy
- 1990** Italian Red Cross Silver Medal for the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his first foreign mission for the Italian Red Cross
- 1987** “A life for the Red Cross” in Castiglione delle Stiviere (Italy)
- 1984** Monaco Red Cross Well-standing Medal
- 1983** Appointed Knight of the Italian Republic
- 1982** Distinguished Diploma from the National President, Italian Red Cross, for the relief action during the earthquake disaster in Campania and Basilicata (Italy) in 1980
- 1982** Albert Schweitzer Award of the Goethe
- 1977** Distinguished Diploma and Medal by the appointed Governmental Commissioner for the relief action of the Earthquake disaster in Friuli (Italy) in 1976
- 1976** 1<sup>st</sup> Class Medal and Diploma of Merit, from the National President, Italian Red Cross, for his commitment to the Red Cross Movement

**Publications/Articles** Author of hundreds of books, publications and articles for the press on topics such as First Aid, Drugs and Addictions, Health Education, HIV/AIDS, Red Cross

**Conferences and seminars** Since 1978. Key-note speaker, guest and lecturer in several international meetings and conferences on RC/RC, HIV/AIDS, Harm reduction and drug related issues, at the UN, European Parliament, Council of Europe, Universities and other national and international institutions