

## The OSCE Mission to Moldova invites to a public lecture:

## by **Francesco Palermo**

Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities (Hague, Netherlands)

on

"Federalism: A tool for Integration?"

Date: 15 April 2009

**Time:** 18.00

**Location:** Tiraspol Office of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, Str. Furmanova 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, free access. The lecture will be held in English - simultaneous translation in Russian

## Short biography

Prof. Dr. Francesco Palermo is currently a Senior Legal Adviser at the Office of the OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities in Hague, Netherlands. He is also a member of the Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, Council of Europe; affiliated to the Board of Directors of the International Association of Centers for Federal Studies (IACFS); a Lawyer and a Columnist of the daily Alto Adige/ Trentino. He holds Ph.D. in Comparative Constitutional Law from the University of Innsbruck, Austria, as well Degree in Law from the University of Trento, Italy. It is worth mentioning the fact that Prof. Dr. Palermo has a wide experience in research fields as: Federalism, Regionalism; Minority Issues; European Integration; Italian and European Regional Law; Constitutional transition in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. He has over 150 publications (including 7 monographs and 13 edited volumes) in several languages on the fields of expertise, particularly in comparative and European constitutional law, minority rights, federalism and regionalism, cross-border cooperation. He also has extensive teaching experience in the same fields in several countries and languages.