## KEYWORDS TO UNDERSTAND TODAY'S ITALY

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**Beppe Severgnini** is a columnist and an editor at *Corriere della Sera*, which he joined in 1995. He was the editor-in-chief of its weekly magazine 7, from 2017 to 2019 and he created the blog *Italians* in 1998. He became a contributing opinion writer for *The New York Times* in 2013. His writing has appeared in *The Financial Times* and *The Economist*, where he was the Italy correspondent from 1996 to 2003.

He's the author of 17 books, including the American bestsellers *Ciao, America! An Italian Discovers the U.S.* and La *Bella Figura: A Field Guide to the Italian Mind.* His most recent books are *Italiani si rimane* (Solferino, Milan 2018), a memoir, and *Off the Rails – A Train Trip Through Life* (Berkley, New York 2019).

Mr. Severgnini studied law at the University of Pavia. As a foreign correspondent, he was posted in London, Moscow and Washington; he also covered Eastern Europe, China and the Middle East. He teaches at the School of Journalism of the University of Milan, and he has been a research fellow at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an Isaiah Berlin visiting scholar at Oxford University and a visiting fellow at Ca' Foscari University in Venice.

In 2001, Mr. Severgnini was made an Officer of the British Empire by Queen Elizabeth II, and in 2011 the president of Italy conferred on him the title of commendatore in the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic.

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