

# **Il posto del diritto nel ‘costituzionalismo trasformatore’. Una risposta a Stefano Civitarese Matteucci**

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*The Place of Law in the ‘Transformative Constitutionalism’. A Conversation with Stefano Civitarese Matteucci*

*Abstract:* The article by Stefano Civitarese Matteucci dedicated to my book *Beyond the hierarchies. In defense of social constitutionalism* raises challenging questions, which call for a reflection on the role of law and legal scholars. In this answer, I maintain that the lack of implementation does not affect the binding nature of ‘transformative constitutions’. I also claim that, within the framework of ‘transformative constitutionalism’, activism is part of the scope of constitutional legal scholarship. As members of a ‘community of practice’, constitutional legal scholars are required to contribute to the implementation of the transformative constitutional principles, orienting to this purpose their research subjects, methodology and dissemination.

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