The subject of prenuptial agreements in contemplation of divorce is a highly debated issue in Italy and in Europe. This is even though the practice of going into such kind of agreements is deeply rooted in European Civil Law legal tradition. After providing an overview of the current situation in Continental Europe and a comparison with the USA and the United Kingdom, Justice Oberto will focus on the Italian case law, legal doctrine and bills pending before the Parliament, including areas for possible reform.

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