

# Enrico Calamai

Enrico Calamai was born on 24th June 1945 in Rome. He's an Italian diplomat and he was called 'The Schindler of Buenos Aires' because he saved over three hundred persecuted people from the Argentine military regime. Some people who survived had documented what he did. Calamai always said that it wasn't him, but someone like him.

## BIOGRAPHY

After his Economic studies, he started a diplomatic career and he served in Spain and Italy.

In 1972, he went to Buenos Aires as Italian vice-consul. After a year he went to Chile for a mission. In it he saved 412 refugees and he transported them to Italy; 50 of them were kids.

In 1976 Calamai went to Buenos Aires again and, with the help of the journalist Giangiacomo Foà and the syndicalist Filippo di Benedetto, managed to put over 100 political opponents. In fact, when he was in the Argentine military dictatorship, most of the dead died in horrible ways: somebody pushed them out of an airplane and they fell into the Amazon river.

In the Friday 3rd May 2019 he received the honorary citizenship of Giaveno