

Italy

L'Inno di Mameli (Mameli's Hymn)

Goffredo Mameli

Michele Novaro

$\text{♩} = 88$

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Verse:

Brothers of Italy,
Italy has awoken,
with Scipio's helmet
binding her head.
Where is Victory?
Let her bow down,
For God has made her
Rome's slave.!

Chorus:

Let us join in a cohort,
We are ready to die.
We are ready to die,
Italy has called.
Let us join in a cohort,
We are ready to die

The words were written in 1847 by the 20-year-old student and patriot Goffredo Mameli, and set to music two months later by Michele Novaro.

At the London International Exhibition of 1862 the composer Giuseppe Verdi chose this song to represent Italy.

In 1946 Italy became a republic and "L'Inno di Mameli" was provisionally chosen as the country's new national anthem.

This choice was made official in law only in 2005, almost 60 years later.