

Matteo Gentili named Chairman designate of Ucima

Enrico Aureli's successor at the helm of the Italian packaging machinery manufacturers' association for the two-year period 2020-2022 will be elected during the Annual Members' Meeting in July. He will be succeeded by Riccardo Cavanna as chairman for the two-year period 2022-2024.

Baggiovara, 18 June 2020 – Following consultations with member companies, the Designation Committee of Ucima (Italian Automatic Packaging Machinery Manufacturers' Union) has opted for an arrangement in which two business leaders will take turns as Chairman during the four-year period 2020-2024. Matteo Gentili, Chairman of TMC (Tissue Machinery Company), has been designated as the new Chairman for the two-year period 2020-2022. He will be succeeded by Riccardo Cavanna, CEO of Cavanna Packaging Group, for the two-year period 2022-2024.

The vice chairmen will be Riccardo Cavanna from Cavanna and Roberto Paltrinieri from Tetra Pak. Luciano Sottile from Goglio, a member of the Board of Directors and Vice Chairman for the four-year period 2016-2020, has been assigned responsibility for promotional and exhibition activities.

Gentili will be elected during the Annual Members' Meeting in July and his agenda will be presented, thereby officially sealing the handover from current Chairman Enrico Aureli, CEO of Robopac and OCME.

The appointments were agreed during the Board of Directors' meeting on 18 June, where it was decided that in order to give equal representation to the two candidates who both enjoyed strong sup-



port amongst members, they will each take turns as Chairmen during this term of office. This arrangement reflects the value of the programmes presented and will send out a message of cohesion and common purpose regarding the development goals of Ucima and the sector it represents.

"In recent years Ucima has acquired great international authority and credibility and has become the main point of reference for everyone working in our sector," says Matteo Gentili. "We have

developed new projects and expanded our services. I intend to continue in this direction by providing services and tools that are increasingly focused on supporting and growing our companies."

Matteo Gentili, 58, is chairman of TMC (Tissue Machinery Company), a company based in Castel Guelfo (Bologna) that produces and markets automatic machines for the packaging and management of Tissue and Personal Care products. In 2018 the company joined the IMA Group. ♦