



Press release

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Announcement by IMA's Board of Directors

It is with profound sorrow that IMA announces the unexpected death of **Giancarlo Folco**, a member of the Company's Board of Directors.

Giancarlo Folco, aged 77, was appointed to IMA's Board of Directors in 2007, qualifying as an Independent Director. He also held the position of Lead Independent Director from 2009.

IMA will announce to the market as soon as possible the appointment of a new Independent Director so as to re-establish the minimum number of Directors with this qualification.

Established in 1961, IMA is world leader in the design and manufacture of automatic machines for the processing and packaging of pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, tea, coffee and foods. The Group has about 3,400 employees, about 1,600 of whom overseas, and can count on 22 production plants in Italy, Germany, the United Kingdom, the United States, India and China. IMA has an extensive sales network comprising 16 branches which provide sales and service in France, the United Kingdom, Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Poland, Russia, the United States, China, Singapore, Thailand and Brazil, representative offices in Central and East European countries and over 50 agencies covering a total of more than 70 countries. IMA is also participating in one joint-venture in China for production and service. **IMA S.p.A. has been listed on the Milan Stock Exchange since 1995 and in 2001 joined the STAR segment.** The following manufacturing companies are part of the IMA Group: Co.ma.di.s. S.p.A., Corazza S.p.A., Gima S.p.A., IMA Industries S.r.l., IMA Kilian GmbH & Co. KG, IMA Life S.r.l., IMA Life North America Inc., IMA Life (Beijing) Pharmaceutical Systems Co. Ltd., IMA North America Inc., IMA-PG India Pvt. Ltd., PharmaSiena Service S.r.l., RC S.p.A., Stephan Machinery GmbH, Swiftpack Automation Ltd., Sympak Process Engineering GmbH, Zanchetta S.r.l.

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