

## UFI Filters establishes new Business Unit for Thermal Management Systems

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- Intended further development of (currently) seven thermal management product lines for all types of vehicles
- Dedicated team based in UFI Innovation Center in Italy

**Nogarole Rocca, 16 May 2021** – UFI Filters, a leading company in the filtration and production of heat exchangers for combustion, hybrid and electric vehicles, announces a major extension to its organisation and with the creation of a new Business Unit dedicated to Thermal Management Systems.

The Thermal Management Business Unit will be operationally flexible and independent and will benefit from a dedicated Research and Development team. It will be based in Italy, at the UFI Innovation Center in Ala di Trento.

Thanks to this new Business Unit (TBU), UFI Filters is demonstrating a strong commitment to addressing the ongoing shift in the automotive industry towards vehicle electrification. In this way, the company intends to further develop technological innovation more quickly, to better meet the requirements of the high-performance product market.

The new TBU will be headed by **Ivano Cordioli**, who holds a degree in Mechanical Engineering and an EMBA masters. Ivano boasts 15 years of experience in the Group and has held various positions of increasing responsibility, ranging from Project Engineer to Business Development Director.

**Rinaldo Facchini, CEO of the UFI Filters Group**, says: “The increasing electrification of vehicles is leading us to focus more on this segment, which is why we have created a team dedicated to one of the key factors for electric vehicles: thermal management. I am pleased to entrust this job to Ivano Cordioli, who has long experience, and a proven track record at UFI Filters of bringing innovation directly to the OE customer.”

The UFI Filters Group has been present in the automotive OEM heat exchanger sector since 2010. In particular, investment in research and innovation has led to specialisation in the design, development and production of **aluminium heat exchangers produced by vacuum brazing and water-cooling**. This process allows for the obtainment of a more robust, efficient and clean product compared to traditional steel systems.

Today the UFI Group provides **seven product lines dedicated to thermal management**, covering the needs of all types of vehicles. They feature sophisticated products from the stand-alone or the integrated engine oil cooler (for combustion vehicles), the transmission oil cooler and liquid-cooled condenser (both for combustion, hybrid and electric vehicles), the battery chiller and coolant battery heater or the coolant flow valve (for hybrid and electric vehicles) up to the heat exchanger for e-axles for electric vehicles that can be supplied as single heat exchanger or as integrated module that reflects the company's complete range of capabilities.

"I am extremely proud of this task and of the trust placed in me," comments **Ivano Cordioli, Thermal Management Business Unit Director**. – "The new Business Unit will be able to count on a specialised and cross-functional team at our Innovation Center, so that we can better focus on the mobility technologies of the future. I am convinced that this motivated and highly skilled team will be able to give the right contribution and the best push to this sector both in terms of innovation and research and business development."

#### UFI Filters:

Founded in 1971, UFI Filters is a global leader in filtration technology and thermal management solutions. It serves a wide range of sectors – from automotive, aerospace and marine, to specialised industrial and customised hydraulic applications. Renowned for its innovation, UFI's products and know-how are found in all kinds of vehicles – from Ferrari and other top F1 teams, to the European ExoMars spacecraft.

UFI supplies the full range of air, oil, fuel, cabin, hydraulic and coolant filters as well as thermal management systems (including heat exchanger for combustion, electric and hybrid vehicles) to the automotive sector, meeting the needs of nearly all car brands and motorcycles as well as commercial, heavy duty on-road and off-road and agricultural vehicles. In the OE market, UFI is a leading filtration provider. Each family of filters within the company's two Aftermarket brands, UFI and SOFIMA, covers 98% of the European car parc.

One of the first Italian companies to identify growth opportunities in the Far East, today UFI has 19 industrial sites and employs over 4,000 people in 21 countries. It employs over 250 specialised technicians in its Innovation and Research Centres and holds more than 280 patents. UFI has doubled its turnover in the last ten years. As a research-driven company, it reinvests over 5% of its revenues in R&D.

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**Attached images:**

- Ivano Cordioli, Thermal Management Business Unit Director, UFI Filters
- UFI, Thermal management, heat exchanger product range
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