



## Paolo Cataldi appointed Aftermarket Business Unit General Manager of UFI Filters Group

**Nogarole Rocca, 7 March 2024** – UFI Filters continues to strengthen its structure with the appointment of Paolo Cataldi as the new General Manager of its Aftermarket Business Unit. He joins the leading international group in filtration, thermal management and technologies for the development of hydrogen mobility, taking the lead for the aftermarket globally.

Paolo Cataldi, 55, a graduate in Economics and Marketing from Italy's University of Bari, has more than 25 years of management experience and a strong background in the automotive aftermarket. Cataldi has a profound knowledge of the aftermarket, having held various strategic positions over the years for leading companies in the spare parts business, from sales, product and marketing to managerial leadership roles and business unit management, both for the Italian and international markets.

Paolo Cataldi, new Aftermarket Business Unit General Manager of the UFI Filters Group, says: "I would like to thank Chairman Giorgio Girondi and UFI Group CEO Stefano Gava for their trust. I am honoured to join a leader in the European and international automotive aftermarket sector. At a moment of great transformation, challenging goals await me, which I will carry out with the support of a professional and well-established team."

**Stefano Gava**, **CEO of the UFI Filters Group**, comments: "We welcome Paolo Cataldi to our Group. We are confident that thanks to his solid experience he will be able to take the UFI and SOFIMA Aftermarket business to new heights. Paolo has the important objective of consolidating and strengthening our market leadership in Italy and to drive other countries in the same direction. UFI is aiming for double-digit growth in the next three years worldwide."

## UFI Filters:

Founded in 1971, UFI Filters is a global leader in filtration technology and thermal management solutions, as well as hydrogen filtration. 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 exchangers 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 22 industrial sites and employs over 4,000 people in 21 countries. It employs over 250 specialised technicians in its 3 Innovation and Research Centres and holds more than 280 patents. As a research-driven company, it reinvests over 5% of its revenues in R&D.



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