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VALVITALIA AMONG THE LEADING ITALIAN COMPANIES AT THE ITALY–EGYPT BUSINESS FORUM IN CAIRO

Chairman Salvatore Ruggeri: "Our participation in the Forum confirms the value of the relationships built over time with Egypt, strengthening a path of industrial cooperation and showcasing the capabilities of Italian industry"

CCO Luca Ruggeri: "Egypt remains a key market for Valvitalia, with new opportunities arising from the growth of gas exports and stronger cooperation between Italy and the North African country"

Rivanazzano Terme (PV), 4 September 2026 – Valvitalia participated in the **Italy–Egypt Business Forum**, held in Cairo and attended by around 100 companies and more than 600 representatives from the business and institutional communities of both countries. Focusing on sectors including **energy**, the green transition, infrastructure and industrial technologies, the event aimed to strengthen trade and investment while fostering new opportunities for cooperation.
The Forum was attended by Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs **Antonio Tajani**, as part of an institutional mission aimed at consolidating the partnership between Italy and Egypt. Minister of the Environment and Energy Security Gilberto Pichetto Fratin and Minister of Labour and Social Policies Marina Calderone also took part.

Valvitalia's participation in the event confirms the importance of the MENA region (Middle East and North Africa) to the Group's operations. Overall, orders from the area account for almost 30% of the Group's bookings, underscoring the region's strategic relevance to business development. Valvitalia has operated in Egypt for more than ten years, building a significant portfolio of installed solutions supporting the country's energy infrastructure.

Salvatore Ruggeri, Chairman of **Valvitalia**, commented: "*Our participation in the Italy–Egypt Business Forum confirms the value of the relationships that Valvitalia has built over time with the country and its institutional and industrial stakeholders. Our presence in Egypt demonstrates the ability of Italian industry to provide expertise, technologies and manufacturing capabilities in support of infrastructure development. In this respect, stronger relations between Italy and Egypt represent an important step towards consolidating a long-term path of industrial cooperation.*"

Luca Ruggeri, Chief Commercial Officer of Valvitalia, commented: "*Egypt remains a key market in our internationalisation strategy. The evolution of the country's energy system and, in particular, investments aimed at strengthening its gas export capacity are opening up new prospects for Valvitalia in the sector at the heart of our business. The Mattei Plan is also helping to strengthen the framework for cooperation between the two countries and create new growth opportunities for Italian companies.*"

In 2025, trade between Italy and Egypt reached **€5.9 billion**, an increase of 11.7% compared with the previous year, while the first five months of 2026 recorded a further rise of 7.5%. Growing cooperation between the two countries is also supported by the **Mattei Plan**, which identifies Egypt as one of its focus countries and priority partners.

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Valvitalia is an Italian multinational Group specialising in the design, manufacture and distribution of valves, actuators, fittings and gas systems for the energy industry, as well as fire protection solutions for the marine, railway and infrastructure sectors. Founded in 2002 by Cav. Lav. Salvatore Ruggeri, who currently serves as Chairman, the Group is headquartered and operates its main manufacturing facility in Rivanazzano Terme (Pavia), Italy, and is recognised as one of the leading international players in the valve industry.Through a strategy of targeted acquisitions, Valvitalia has broadened its product portfolio and strengthened its global presence. Today, the Group operates eight manufacturing facilities, five in Italy and three abroad (China, the United Kingdom and Canada), while its products are distributed in 115 countries through a network of sales managers and local agents.Valvitalia employs more than 850 people, around 660 of whom are based at its Italian facilities. Alongside a dedicated Research & Development organisation, the Group is structured into two divisions – Valves & Systems and Fittings & Firefighting – as well as one business unit, Broady UK. Since March 2023, CDP Equity has held a 75% majority stake in the Group, while the Ruggeri family retains a 25% shareholding through its holding company Finvalv. In 2025, Valvitalia reported revenues of €217.5 million

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