



SALVATORE RUGGERI

(Founder and Chairman)

Born in Patti (ME) in 1949, Salvatore Ruggeri is Chairman, as well shareholder, of Valvitalia Group, which he founded in January 2002, after 30 years' experience in the natural gas and oil sector. Today the Group is a worldwide leader in valves manufacturing and other products intended for the Energy, Marine and Civil industries, spread over 10 plants in Italy and abroad, about 1000 employees and a maximum turnover of over 440 million Euros.

On November 5th, 2009, he was awarded the honour of the Order of Merit for Labour by the President of the Italian Republic.

In November 2010 he received the Honoris Causa Degree in Economics and Business Management from the University of Pavia.

In 2015, with the aim to allow 15 beer masters to keep on with their work, he decided to fund Birrificio Messina, along with the employees who became shareholders. Birrificio Messina is today one of the most successful recent business story in Sicily.

In September 2019 he received the title of Honoris Causa PhD in Economics, Management and Statistics from the University of Messina.

Since September 2021 he is a member of the Board of Directors of Assolombarda Milano.

Over the years, among the others, he has been Chairman and CEO of Dresser Flow Control, Chairman of Dresser Energy Valve Division, General Manager of Grove S.p.A., Vice President Finance of Grove Valve & Regulator Co..