

***Sesto San Giovanni and the Falck Group: a tryst with history.***

An inauguration ceremony was held today in Sesto San Giovanni where a street, that houses the new corporate headquarters of the Falck Group, was named after Mr. Alberto Falck

The Mayor of the town, Mr. Giorgio Oldrini, in the company of his predecessor and the sitting President of the Province of Milan Mr. Filippo Penati and the Falck Group Chairman Mr. Federico Falck, unveiled the plaque dedicated to the late businessman who passed away on November 3, 2003.

The ceremony was an acknowledgement of the important contribution made by Mr. Alberto Falck whose sudden death not only left an irremediable void in the world of Italian business but also led to an outpouring of grief and widespread recognition of the moral and human principles and values that always marked his life and actions as a man and as an entrepreneur.

As a matter of fact, the feeling in the public opinion was the one of being deprived of a man with unique capacities in the field of social service, business, social endowment, a man with a genuine and deep Christian faith that was translated into deeds and behaviour true to his philosophy.

The event culminated in moments laden with relevance and symbolism: both the street as well as the new headquarters of the Falck Group are situated in the area where formerly stood the company's Concordia factory, owned by the Group's flagship Acciaerie & Ferriere Lombarde Falck.

At the dawn of turning one hundred years from its founding, Falck renews its natural bond with the town of Sesto San Giovanni and its special rapport destined to be moulded into an increasingly stronger relationship over the coming years.

The new headquarters lie within an area that hosts a district of small and medium-sized companies and are framed by a public park nearing completion.

In its 10,000 sq. m. premises, the building also houses the Group's Historical Archives, a fitness centre for its staff, besides office space.

Just as the Company has learned to reshape itself, shifting from steel production to electricity generation from renewable sources (waste to energy, biomass, wind energy), so has the town: from the cradle of heavy industry to the incubator of knowledge, work processing and advanced service industries. A shared history and a challenge in common for a century-old couple: Falck and Sesto San Giovanni.

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