

Gianluigi Vittorio Castelli

On 30 July 2018 Gianluigi Vittorio Castelli was appointed **President** of Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane S.p.A.

In September 2018 he was nominated **President** of the Union Internationale des Chemins de fer (UIC).

Born in 1954, he graduated with a degree in Cybernetic Physics from the University of Milan, and began his professional career in the software development sector in parallel with his academic career: beginning in 1978, for 18 years, he works for **Etnoteam** which he leaves in 1996 as Director of the Systems Division; concurrently, he is a researcher at the **Department of Computer Science of the University of Milan** alongside Prof. Gianni Degli Antoni.

During this period, he promotes and leads numerous research and development of basic software projects within the Esprit IV and Esprit V research programmes of the European Commission.

In May 1996 he began working for **Infostrada** in the role of CIO.

In June 1997 he joined **Fiat Auto**, as CIO where he led the reconstruction of the IT department and important projects in the field of logistics, production systems, and internationalization support. He also coordinates the IT departments of Fiat Auto in Brazil, Argentina, and Poland.

In 2000 he became CEO and General Manager of the software services company of the **Fiat Group (GSA).**

In February 2001 he moved to **Omnitel** (later **Vodafone Italy**) as CIO; a year later he became CTO with responsibility for the 3G network roll-out program. In 2003 he moved to the UK and became **Vodafone's** Global IT Director, responsible for the coordination of all IT departments of the group's 19 operating companies worldwide and driving the consolidation of the European Data Centres and back-office applications of the group. In August 2006 he returned to Italy and takes the lead, as Executive Vice President ICT, of **Eni** IT where he consolidates and fine tunes



all the IT departments of companies belonging to the **Eni** group into a single corporate structure, designs efficiency programmes, and renews the entire application park, infrastructures and facilities, creating the largest private cloud in Italy and the most energy efficient Data Centre (Eni Green Data Centre) in the world. He also serves as a director of **Eni AdFin**.

In February 2015 he leaves Eni to found, within **SDA Bocconi**, the **DEVO Lab**, dedicated to the study and research of the impact of digital technologies on business models, organizations, income statements, and company value. In a few months, the **DEVO Lab** encompasses 30 companies as founding members of the laboratory, becoming the reference point in Italy for these topical studies. He is also an **SDA Professor of Practice in Information Systems**.

During this period he is also active in various start-ups as President of **Nozomi Networks SA**, a director of **Cynny SpA**, and a director of the **P & R Foundation**. He also works as advisor for the ICT strategy of some large national and multinational companies.

During his career he has also been an adjunct professor a **Milan Polytechnic**, Adjunct Professor of **MIP** at Milan Polytechnic, President of the CIO Italiani **CIO AICA Forum**, Task Force Leader of the **Conseil de Cooperation Economique Europeenne (CCEE), ELIS** Fellow, editor of **IEEE Micro**, and a member of several international standardization committees.

He is the author of numerous scientific and popular articles and two books.

He has received awards and honours from the **European Commission** and private organizations for innovation and professional activities.