

UCID, Federmeccanica, and local industrial initiatives launch a new 'italian social economy'

*Reimagining Manufacturing: Italian Industrial Leaders
Champion Human-Centric Business and Youth Engagement
to Drive Future Growth*

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technological transformation and shifting labor dynamics, Italian industrial leaders are unveiling a unified vision for modern manufacturing: factory quality begins with people, and sustainable growth depends on deep roots in local communities and youth engagement. This happens after an important national event in Rimini: 'Meeting 20206', where also the Pope Leone XIV participated.

Highlighting this uniquely Italian approach to economic management, Paolo Porrino, National President of UCID (Christian Union of Business Executives), emphasized the global relevance of this model:

"The Italian model of doing business is rooted in a fundamental truth: economic value and human dignity are inseparable. True industrial competitiveness does not stem from machines alone, but from the shared purpose between entrepreneurs and workers. By combining technological innovation with humanistic values, Italy offers the global market an economic blueprint where economic performance, social responsibility, and community well-being thrive together."

The human-centric paradigm is showcased across two major national and regional developments: the strategic partnership between UCID and Federmeccanica (Federation of Italian Engineering and Technology Industries), alongside the official launch of "Radici in Movimento" (Roots in Motion), a new initiative dedicated to industrial legacy and youth development.

Putting People at the Heart of the Factory

The joint vision championed by UCID and Federmeccanica and his president Simone Bettini

stresses that operational excellence and long-term competitiveness cannot rely solely on automation or digital tools. Instead, true quality stems from a shared purpose (comune sentire) within the enterprise. By integrating humanistic values into corporate strategy, European and Italian manufacturers are addressing key global workplace trends—such as talent retention, employee well-being, corporate social responsibility (CSR) and sustainability. The alliance highlights that sustainable industrial models must treat employees not merely as resources, but as central partners in governance, innovation, and continuous improvement.

"Radici in Movimento": Bridging Heritage, Innovation, and Youth

Building on this vision, prominent industrialist Fabio Storchi recently presented the "Radici in Movimento" (Roots in Motion) initiative, launching with a three-day summit from September 11-12-13 at Villa Fassati in Reggio Emilia).



Designed to combat youth migration and foster talent retention, the project brings together educational institutions, local government, cooperatives, and manufacturing leaders to create an ecosystem where young talent can thrive. Developed in collaboration with research partners such as UNIMORE (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia), the initiative provides actionable frameworks for generational transition and community-driven economic renewal.

"We are paving the path for new generations to find the ideal conditions right here in their land to flourish, innovate, and lead the future," stated Fabio Storchi during the presentation. "The future is not merely inherited; it is built together."

A Blueprint for International Manufacturing

Together, these initiatives present a compelling model for US and international markets seeking solutions to common challenges, including labor shortages, workforce engagement, and industrial revitalization. By combining traditional craftsmanship with ethical management and youth inclusion, Italian manufacturing proves that economic competitiveness and social value are deeply interconnected.

The upcoming "Radici in Movimento" festival (September 11-12 -13, 2026) will feature interactive workshops, panels on youth entrepreneurship, and strategic discussions on the future of regional manufacturing.

About UCID & Federmeccanica

UCID (Unione Cristiana Imprenditori Dirigenti) promotes ethical management and social responsibility among business leaders. Federmeccanica represents the Italian engineering and

technology manufacturing sector, advocating for industrial competitiveness, innovation, constructive labor relations and workplace development across thousands of enterprises.

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