

# Local industry partnerships strengthen ANTONINI legacy

## ORIGINS

Antonini's history is deeply intertwined with the Empoli area - a region that glowed for decades with the light of furnaces just as it echoed with the rhythm of glassmakers at work. Indeed throughout much of the twentieth century, Empoli was one of Italy's most vibrant glassmaking districts - an industrial ecosystem where entire families built their livelihoods around the craft of glass. In this dynamic environment, Antonini took shape - drawing strength from a territory rich in artisanal knowledge, manual skill and a strong sense of community.



## INNOVATION

Over the years, the company has preserved this heritage, making it a defining part of its identity while constantly evolving through innovation and new market demands. Today, Antonini stands as a bridge between tradition and modernity: honouring the memory of the glass furnaces that shaped generations, while pursuing a forward-looking vision centered on quality, sustainability and technological progress.

## COMMUNITY

This deep connection with the territory was once again reaffirmed through a recent initiative promoted by Federmecanica, during which

Rooted in Empoli's historic glass district, ANTONINI embodies a legacy shaped by craftsmanship, community and innovation. The company blends tradition with modern industry - engaging future generations through educational initiatives whilst reinforcing its cultural role in the region and sustaining progress through creativity, technology and shared responsibility.

Antonini opened its doors to students from local schools. The visit offered young people a firsthand look at the world of manufacturing, helping them understand the skills, opportunities and innovation that define contemporary industry. Representatives from local institutions participated as well, underscoring the shared commitment to fostering dialogue between companies and the community. Adding a special and unexpected presence to the event was Francesco Caputo, former Serie A footballer and now an entrepreneur in craft beer and gin production. His story of reinvention inspired students to embrace curiosity, resilience, and the courage to explore new paths. Through initiatives like this, Antonini continues to honour its past while investing in the future - strengthening ties with the ter-



ritory, promoting knowledge, and contributing to the cultural and economic life of the Empoli area. This commitment also reflects Antonini's broader mission to remain an active cultural

reference point for the region. By collaborating with schools, associations, and local organizations, the company fosters a shared vision of progress in which industrial expertise, creativity and social responsibility move forward together. It is a continuous investment in people and ideas. ■



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