



PRESS RELEASE

## A prestigious Advisory Board for CRS4

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Along the most significant national and international activities going on, **CRS4** has defined an **Advisory Board** characterised by a **very high technical and scientific profile**. The Board will provide assistance, support and advice to the management of the Research Centre including the analysis of suitable strategies, scenarios, visions and new growth opportunities.

The Board currently includes **8 nationally and internationally acclaimed experts** from various fields: **Gaetano Bergami**, president of the Emilia Romagna aerospace district and legal representative of BMC High Performance Air Filters, a major brand in the motorsport industry; **Massimo Comparini**, CEO of the space joint venture Thales Alenia Space Italia, a company with forty years' experience in building systems and equipment for space telecommunications, satellite navigation and Earth observation; **Federico Faggin**, physicist and inventor of the first microprocessors and RAMs, as well as entrepreneur who started the company that developed the first touchpads and touch screens; **Oskar Mencer**, head of the computer architecture research group in the Computer Science Department of the Faculty of Engineering at Imperial College London and CEO of Maxeler technologies, a company specialised in maximum software acceleration; **Enrico Prati**, researcher at the CNR's Institute of Photonics and Nanotechnology, who is quite active on quantum computers and artificial intelligence; **Carlo Magrassi**, former general of the Italian Air Force, security and defence expert, former military advisor to the Italian Prime Minister and former Secretary General of Defence; **Alfio Quarteroni**, well-known mathematician specialised in numerical analysis and scientific computing, scientific director during the first five years of CRS4, professor and director of the chair of modelling and scientific computing at the Federal Polytechnic School of Lausanne until 2017, currently full professor at the Department of Mathematics of the Milan Polytechnic; **Roberto Scopigno**, director of CNR-ISTI (Institute of Information Science and Technology "A. Faedo" in Pisa), expert in 3D graphics, digitalisation and interactive visualisation technologies, and applications to cultural heritage.

“The members of the Advisory Board, to whom I would like to convey our sincere gratitude for their availability, will provide their contribution,” emphasises **CRS4's Sole Director Giacomo Cao**, “by considering current activities, assessing their scope, suggesting development trajectories and promoting contacts with national and international organisations. **The technical and scientific discussions** which will take place, **will provide to CRS4 a significant contribution to reach increasingly ambitious goals** that will determined a very positive impact on its shareholder Sardegna Ricerche as well as the Sardinia Science and Technology Park and the Island as a whole.

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