

## Press Release

### EuSalt has a new President and Vice-President

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On the occasion of its General Assembly held in Marsala on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2014, the president of Atisale, Giacomo D'Alì Staiti, was elected president of the European Salt Producers' Association (EuSalt). He succeeds Peter Kuijpers, general manager at Akzo Nobel Industrial Chemicals B.V.

Giacomo D'Alì Staiti started his career as researcher in experimental particle and astro-particle physics at the University of Palermo. At the same time, he carried on the long family tradition (about 200 years) of sea salt production. He has been president of SOSALT SpA (former SIES SpA) and of ATISALE SpA since 2011. He is also vice-president of the 'Associazione Industriali della Provincia di Trapani' and of the Istituto per

le Tecnologie Avanzate (ITA) in Trapani.

The newly elected President emphasized EuSalt's role in representing the community of salt producers in the best way possible. He will, therefore, strive to enlarge the membership basis so as to increase the sector's representativeness. In addition, deeper interactions with international stakeholder organisations are part of the essential missions of the association. While outlining EuSalt's strategy, the President considers roadmaps essential tools in understanding the common challenges and opportunities of the salt sector. Despite the diversity of the latter regarding production processes and applications, there are commonalities and grounds to act together. This materialized on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2014 with the signing by EuSalt members of the very first Safety Charter that sets '*Safety as a Value, not only as a Priority*'.

EuSalt also elected the president of Salins Group, Hubert François, as its new vice-president. Hubert François started his career at the Ministry of Agriculture in France. He subsequently led various industrial food sectors, including the Nutrixo-Grands Moulins de Paris. He also held the presidency of the European Flour Millers Association before joining Salins Group.



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*EuSalt is the non-profit organisation representing the common interests of salt producers located across Europe. As the voice of the salt industry, our aim is to create an interactive platform and facilitate information exchange between the industry and European and international stakeholders*

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