



COMAU SUPPORTS EUROPE'S TOP BATTERY CONSORTIUMS TAKING AN EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITION IN BEPA

Global automation leader has joined the European Battery Alliance, Batteries European Partnership Association (BEPA) and ETIP

Turin, February 12, 2021 – Comau has joined three important market consortiums to promote the development and expansion of Europe's battery industry, highlighting the company's ongoing investments in the electrification sector. Together with its membership in the European Battery Alliance (EBA), and the Batteries European Partnership Association (BEPA), for which Comau representative Carlo Novarese, Global Competence Center Batteries Manager, has been elected to the executive Board, the company is an active contributor to the European Technology & Innovation Platform (ETIP) on batteries.

Comau's participation in these organizations is part of the company's growing role in the electrification sector. This includes advancing innovation, as the battery technology industry takes off, toward the development of flexible, digital production systems with best-in-class quality and operational yield. More specifically, as a member of EBA, whose network includes organizations from both the public and private sectors, Comau interfaces with key stakeholders in the battery value chain. The company's executive role in BEPA sees Comau spearheading strategic funding recommendations together with the association's 137 members, of which 54 are industrial players and 56 research organizations. Comau has a leadership position in ETIP as well, co-chairing and actively collaborating within its Working Group 4: *Battery Cell Design and Manufacturing*.

The battery demand from Electric Vehicles produced in Europe alone is estimated at close to 1,200 gigawatt-hours per year by 2040 (*Source: McKinsey, June 2019*). As the demand for rechargeable batteries increases, so does the need for international cooperation to identify and invest in new technologies, such as lithium-ion accumulators, which can further the reality of safe and sustainable battery production. Comau's involvement in multiple pan-European industry consortiums allows the company to leverage its expertise to advance the manufacturing process chain at both a national (Italian) and international level.

"We are proud to be at the forefront of the effort to speed technology advances in the production, deployment, use, recycling, and disposal of next-generation batteries," confirms Carlo Novarese, Global Competence Center Batteries Manager. *"By actively participating in these important industry organizations, Comau is in a better position to identify and develop advanced solutions, opportunities for cross-industry collaboration and create value for OEMs and suppliers alike."*





About Comau

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