**CORONAVIRUS: MAPEI IS SUPPORTING HOSPITALS IN THEIR FIGHT**

**AGAINST THE ONGOING HEALTH CRISIS**

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The **Mapei Group**, which **has always been very closely tied to the city of Milan** where it was originally founded, has decided to play its part by **donating €750,000** to **San Raffaele Hospital**,**Milan** **Polyclinic** and **Luigi Sacco Hospital** to support research and provide aid to medical and healthcare staff in the front line in tackling the **serious emergency** due to the epidemiological spread of the **Covid-19 virus** in Italy.

“*In a serious situation like this, we believe it is vitally important to support those who are most closely involved in the battle to save the lives of patients in hospitals and in trying to find a cure for the virus* - so the Squinzi family announced - *And our thoughts and support also go to the Italian Red Cross, one of the first associations to provide aid and support to those most in need*”.

Mapei can confirm it has made a donation to the **Italian Red Cross Committee in Milan** for the Charity Concert that was supposed to take place on Monday 30th March at La Scala Opera House in Milan and is assessing other ways of supporting the Italian Red Cross.

Meanwhile, in accordance with the laws and regulations in force, Mapei has adopted its own infection prevention safety protocol in all its offices and for all its operations.

More specifically, until otherwise indicated by the relevant authorities, **manufacturing will continue in all the Group’s Italian associate companies**, where the changing rooms and company canteens have been shut down. There will also be **no contact between workers when changing shifts** and all other necessary preventative measures are being put in place, such as checking body temperature and requiring all workers to wear protective masks.

The Company is also promoting miscellaneous forms of **agile working** and, in accordance with the latest government provisions, it has reduced the number of staff working in offices to a minimum as an additional support to remote working.

“*Until this emergency situation is over, Mapei is committed to implementing all the measures imposed by the Italian government in all its offices and facilities to safeguard health*”, so the Squinzi family pointed out.

The same precautionary measures have been adopted by the **Group’s foreign subsidiaries**, which have also been invited to comply with the governmental measures imposed in their own country.

Founded in Milan in 1937, Mapei now has 90 subsidiaries in 57 countries and 83 manufacturing plants in 36 countries across five continents with consolidated revenue of €2.8 billion in 2019 and over 10,500 staff worldwide.

The company’s success is based on: specialising in the building industry by supplying certified products and systems meeting customers’ requirements and market demand; internationalisation to meet local requirements and reduce transport costs to a minimum; Research & Development to which the company is most committed in terms of investment and human resources. Constantly monitoring impact on the environment and society, Mapei has gradually added Sustainability to the three aforementioned guidelines as an essential driver for continuing corporate growth.

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