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Alessandro Torsoli new EFAC President

- **Alessandro Torsoli of ABL AUTOMAZIONE, Italy, officially inaugurated as new EFAC President at the EFAC General Assembly in Milan on 16th November, 2007**
- **Rolf Rihs of Mikron SA, Switzerland, elected as EFAC Vice-President**

At the EFAC General Assembly on 16th November 2007 in Milan, Italy, Hans-Dieter Baumtrog of sortimat Technology GmbH & Co (Germany), former EFAC President and current Chairman of the VDMA Assembly Group, was honored for his outstanding support to EFAC and his achievements for the European assembly and handling technology industry.

He handed over the presidency for the next three years to Alessandro Torsoli of ABL AUTOMAZIONE S.p.A. (Italy), representing the Associazione Italiana di Assemblaggio, and said: " Following a Swiss and a German President in this office, Alessandro Torsoli will be the first Italian President of EFAC. EFAC is convinced that he will do his best to ensure furthermore the strong European spirit of the EFAC activities."

The new EFAC President Alessandro Torsoli responded: "I am very much looking forward to committing myself to the EFAC projects. During my presidency, our main goals are to develop further the statistics and to actively promote the interests of our members through our trade fair policy. We will also focus on organizing another exciting EFAC Conference in Davos in 2009. "

Rolf Rihs of Mikron SA (Switzerland), member of the SWISSMEM Assembly and Factory Automation Group, is the new EFAC Vice-President. "It will be a pleasure to work together with Alessandro Torsoli to pursue the common goals of EFAC."

Please mark your calendars: The upcoming EFAC Conference 2009 in Davos takes place from 23 - 24 January, 2009.

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