

# Media Release

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# **GF Piping Systems expands Valve Automation Center in Italy**

The Swiss flow solutions provider expands its center of excellence for valve actuation in Italy. Together with the previously opened sites in the United States and Switzerland, GF Piping Systems further strengthens its position as a full-service automation provider with Valve Automation Centers designed to offer integrated solutions to customers worldwide.

In addition to its extensive catalog of valves and actuation systems, GF Piping Systems has recently introduced its first Valve Automation Centers in Irvine (USA) and Schaffhausen (Switzerland) and now expands with Agrate Brianza (Italy). This approach meets the growing demand for products customized to meet customer needs, fosters an installation process with stable and unobstructed connection between devices, and an optimized workflow with streamlined communication, faster delivery times, and simplified distribution.

For more flexibility and customer proximity, GF Piping Systems also offers customized service solutions for valve actuation and assembly of complete solutions according to customer requirements, including working on systems that include third-party components.

Balu Challagundla, Managing Director/ President Process Automation, GF Piping Systems comments: "As the demand for state-of-the-art process automation continues to rise, we believe that user-friendly and tailor-made solutions will play an important role. With the positioning of the Valve Automation Center in Italy, we are now able to cover another important region and support customers in getting the best out of their installations."

Davide Chiaramonte, Head of Region South Europe, GF Piping Systems Italy, comments, "The Valve Automation Center brings us even closer to our customers in Europe. By combining local expertise with global capabilities, we can offer faster response times, greater flexibility and tailor-made automation solutions that meet the specific needs of our regional markets."

GF Piping Systems' comprehensive approach to automation enables customers to focus on their operations while GF Piping Systems delivers plug-and-play valve actuation systems tailored to their needs. The global expansion of automation centers underscores the company's commitment to providing innovative and reliable solutions for industries worldwide.

Find more information about the new valve automation centers here.

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### **About GF Piping Systems**

GF Piping Systems creates connections for life as the superior water and flow solutions provider for industries and infrastructure, enabling the safe and sustainable transport of fluids.

The division focuses on industry-leading leak-free piping solutions and engineering services for numerous demanding end-market segments. Its global sales, engineering, and manufacturing footprint reflects its strong focus on customer-centricity and innovation, and its award-winning portfolio includes fittings, valves, pipes, vaults, chambers, automation, fabrication, and jointing technologies.

GF Piping Systems has its own sales companies in 33 countries and fabrication hubs in 15 countries, which means it is always by its customers' side. Production sites in 40 locations in the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, and Asia ensure sufficient availability and quick, reliable delivery. In 2024, GF Piping Systems generated sales of CHF 1'971 million and employed 8'309 people. GF Piping Systems is a division of Georg Fischer AG (GF), founded in 1802 and headquartered in Schaffhausen (Switzerland). <a href="https://www.gfps.com">www.gfps.com</a>

#### **Picture**



Pneumatically actuated valves.

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