

ANDREA PININFARINA

Andrea Pininfarina was born in Turin on 26 June 1957.

He graduated in Mechanical Engineering at Turin Polytechnic in 1981 and began his working career the year after, at the Freuehauf Corp. in the United States.

He returned to Italy in 1983 and entered the family firm, first as Project Coordinator, then as Program Manager. In 1987 he was appointed Joint General Manager of Industrie Pininfarina SpA and a year later General Manager. In 1994 he became Chief Executive Officer and, in 2000, Chief Executive of Pininfarina Ricerca e Sviluppo Spa. From 2001 he was Chief Executive of the parent company Pininfarina Spa. In 2006 he also took on the position of Chairman.

In this period, Andrea Pininfarina who, from 1997, was also a member of the Council of the Italian Manufacturers' Association (Confindustria), joined the Boards of a number of companies and banks (Alenia Aeronautica SpA, Banca Passadore & C SpA, Poltrona Frau SpA) and became Chairman of Unicredit Infrastrutture SpA.

Between the end of the Nineties and the early years of the new century, Andrea Pininfarina held a number of institutional positions: President of AMMA – Associazione Metallurgici Meccanici e Affini (from June 1996 to June 2000), President of Federmeccanica - Federazione Sindacale Industria Metalmeccanica Italiana (from July 1997 to June 2001), President of WEM – Western European Metal Trades Employers Organization (from September 1998 to September 2000), President of ITP – Investments in Turin and Piedmont (from June 1998 to January 2003), President of the Turin Industrialists Union (from July 2000 to May 2004), President of Confindustria Piemonte (from October 2003 to May 2004), and Confindustria Vice President for the Centro Studi (from May 2004 to May 2008).

Andrea Pininfarina's career was studded with numerous public awards and honours, among which noteworthy were the titles of "Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur" of the French Republic (2003) and Cavaliere al Merito del Lavoro of the Italian Republic (2005).

On the morning of 7 August 2008, on his way to work, Andrea Pininfarina was the victim of a tragic road accident. He leaves his wife, Cristina Pellion di Persano, and three children: Benedetta, Sergio e Luca.

As chairman of Pininfarina SpA, witness to the continuity within the company and the unity of the family, he is succeeded by his brother Paolo, and his sister Lorenza takes the position of Deputy Chairman.