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# **TECHNOLOGY & SPORTING PARTNERSHIP SIGNED** BETWEEN CAMOZZI AND ALFA ROMEO F1 TEAM ORLEN

A Joint Lab with Sauber Technologies. United by excellence.

Milan, 17th March 2022 – The Bahrain Grand Prix, taking place on Sunday 20 March, will be the first public event for the new partnership between Camozzi Group and the Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN, managed by Sauber Motorsport. The partnership, both a technological and sporting venture, is based on the two companies' commitment to delivering excellence through cooperation and shared synergies.

Camozzi, a name with a long and successful track record within the world of Formula One, is a global leader in the production of components and systems for high-tech industrial automation in a wide range of sectors, from additive manufacturing to mechatronics, through to the modelling of production processes. With such a varied spectrum of state-of-the-art applications, Camozzi's know-how makes it a natural match for Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN and Sauber Technologies, the Sauber Group's entity dedicated to translating the company's motorsport know-how into the wider world.

The partnership agreement also includes a new talent and knowledge exchange programme, through the creation of a joint development lab involving the Camozzi Research Centre (CRC) in Milan, Italy, and the Sauber Technologies headquarters in Hinwil, Switzerland.

Camozzi branding will be featured on the sidepod air inlets on the team's C42 cars, driven by Valtteri Bottas and Zhou Guanyu, as well as in the team's garages and on other team assets.

**Frédéric Vasseur**, Team Principal of Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN: "The Camozzi Group is a natural fit for us: they have a long history of excellence in Formula One and they understand our requirements and need for precision and excellence. In addition, there are many potential crossovers between their work and that of Sauber Technologies, a company within the Sauber Group. These synergies are what the joint projects we are going to carry out with the Camozzi Group will be about, as well as promoting a new generation of talented engineers and researchers."

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Lodovico Camozzi, President and CEO of Camozzi Group: "The Camozzi Group loves rising to the technological challenges of achieving excellence, and Formula One is the ideal opportunity for us to showcase our technically advanced products to the world. The thought of becoming a partner with the Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN is extremely attractive not only because of the racing aspects but also because of Sauber Technologies' commitment to innovation and its application throughout the business world. We are thrilled to have this opportunity to race with them and develop new projects together."

CAMOZZI AND FORMULA ONE: A LONG HISTORY

For the Camozzi Group, this is a long-awaited return to Formula One.

In the 1980s, under the direction of Attilio Camozzi, the company first entered the world of motorsports in a successful association with Arrows Grand Prix International and drivers Thierry Boutsen and Gerhard Berger. Camozzi's sponsorship lasted until 1991.

This was followed by a year at Scuderia Italia and then, in 1993, a relationship began with Ayrton Senna and McLaren. From this relationship, a lasting friendship between the Camozzi family and the Brazilian driver was born. The pinnacle of the McLaren experience came with Mika Häkkinen's victory at the 1998 world championship, in the final year of Camozzi's sponsorship.

Going further back in time, in 1926 the mechanic Rino Berardi and Count Aymo Maggi, built one of the world's first single-seater racing cars in Brescia. Berardi went on to found the machine tool company Innse-Berardi that Camozzi acquired in the 1990s and that is still part of the Camozzi Machine Tools division. Racing has been in the Group's DNA for close to a century.

PARTNERSHIP WITH SAUBER TECHNOLOGIES

Camozzi's sporting partnership with Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN complements its partnership with Sauber Technologies. At its core is a distinctive technological component, centred on a joint affinity with Sauber Technologies for advanced research and development combined with excellence and innovation.



Areas of collaboration will include the development of new materials, additive manufacturing, design, mechatronic systems and process modelling. With regard to additive manufacturing, it's important to note that Sauber Technologies operates the largest 3D printing machine park in Switzerland, while Camozzi Group manufactures MasterPrint – the largest 3D carbon and composite printer in the world.

In addition, the partnership agreement also includes a new talent and knowledge exchange programme, through the creation of a joint development lab involving the Camozzi Research Centre (CRC) in Milan, Italy, and the Sauber Technologies headquarters in Hinwil, Switzerland. Technician traineeships for engineers from both companies are expected to facilitate open dialogues on the areas of collaboration.

United in training. United by excellence.

#### About the Camozzi Group

Established in 1964, the Italian Camozzi Group is a global leader in the production of components and systems for high-tech industrial automation in the manufacturing, life science, robotics and mechatronics sectors. The Camozzi Group also produces specialist machine tools and provides expert additive manufacturing solutions for the aeronautics, space and energy industries. It operates across a variety of additional sectors from textiles machinery to raw materials processing, including composites, titanium and aluminium.

Continuous research and technological development are the basis of the Group's corporate strategy and, combined with the use of IIOT digital solutions as well as our commitment to social responsibility, form the core principles that inspire the entire Group. The Camozzi Group is represented in 78 countries worldwide, has 39 branches, 2956 employees, 5 operating divisions and 25 production sites.

## **About Sauber Group of Companies:**

The Sauber Group of Companies is composed of two operational entities: Sauber Motorsport AG, which operates and manages the Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN; and Sauber Technologies AG, which focuses on third-party business in the areas of advanced engineering, prototype development and additive manufacturing, in addition to full and model-scale testing in the factory's state-of-the-art wind tunnel and ground-breaking innovation in the field of aerodynamics. The companies collaborate closely and share know-how to apply the expertise of more than 500 dedicated individuals at the headquarter in Hinwil, Switzerland, to all internal and external projects. Since its founding in 1970, the passion for racing has been at the heart of Sauber.

For more than 50 years, the innovative Swiss company has been setting standards in the design, development and construction of race cars for various championship series, such as Formula One, DTM, and WEC. Following its own Formula One debut in 1993, Sauber Motorsport AG has established one of the few traditional and privately held teams in the sport. The company launched a long-term partnership with Alfa Romeo in 2018 and, as it celebrates 30 years of competition in Formula One, it enters the 2022 championship under the team name Alfa Romeo F1 Team ORLEN.

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