



Eni: European Commissioner for Transport visits the 'Eni 2050 lab' technology hub at the Gazometro in Roma Ostiense

Rome, 27 June 2023 - Today Eni welcomed the European Commissioner for Transport, Adina-Ioana Valean, at the "Eni 2050 lab" technopole, located within the architectural context of the Gazometro in Roma Ostiense, an Eni-owned complex currently undergoing transformation with the aim of creating the first technological innovation district dedicated to new energy supply chains and open to applied industrial research in collaboration with academic and research institutions.

During the visit, Eni illustrated to the Commissioner its proprietary breakthroughs at the heart of the company's decarbonisation strategy, highlighting how each new result obtained by Eni's research contributes to achieving its Net Zero objective by 2050. The lab bases its approach on the principle of technological neutrality, according to which there is no single solution for achieving the energy transition, but rather a technological mix adaptable to different applications and needs.

Eni shared with the Commissioner the most significant results accomplished by its R&D in the fields of renewables and new energies, decarbonisation solutions, and circular and bio products. Particular emphasis was given to development projects on agro-energy, such as, the EcofiningTM technology used to obtain biofuels from waste and raw materials of biological origin that do not compete with food use. Additionally, the tour highlighted key scientific collaborations with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Commonwealth Fusion Systems (CFS), ENEA and CNR in fusion energy research. Some research results on new renewables and energy storage was also presented, as well as systems and products in the field of CO₂ capture, storage and utilisation.

Finally, the Commissioner was presented with a number of start-ups from the acceleration programmes of Joule, Eni's Business School, which aims to support the growth of sustainable companies and, the ROAD project, Rome Advanced District, a network of companies formed by Eni, Acea, Autostrade per l'Italia, Bridgestone, Cisco, Gruppo FS and NextChem (MAIRE), which aims to create supply chain collaborations in research - using the Gazometro asset as a 'living lab' for the experimentation of emerging technologies to support the community - and to teach skills for the development of new professions.

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