In memoriam: Francesca Righetti of Italian tape manufacturer NAR

A tribute from Afera, The European Adhesive Tape Association



We are deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Francesca Righetti of NAR S.p.A., sister of our long-standing colleague and Afera Steering Committee Member, Carlo Maria Righetti, and mother of our long-standing colleague and Afera Marketing Committee Member, Cesare Muraro. On behalf of the entire Afera community, we extend our heartfelt condolences to the Righetti family and to all colleagues at NAR during this difficult time.

A life devoted to enterprise and people

Mrs. Righetti dedicated many years of her professional life to NAR S.p.A., the Italian manufacturer founded by her father, the late

Antonio Righetti, in 1963. NAR has grown from a small workshop into a multi-site producer serving global markets in packaging, masking, reinforced tapes and saturated papers. Across this journey, Mrs. Righetti stood out for her commitment to customers, her calm stewardship of teams and her belief that a tape business is ultimately 'a people business'. Together with her brother, Mrs. Righetti helped guide NAR as part of the company's top leadership, over the years serving in the roles of sales director and vice president.

Rooted in community

Beyond the factory gate, Mrs. Righetti dedicated herself to charitable, civic and cultural institutions. As one example among many, NAR has supported the new Historical Museum of Plant Biodiversity at the University of Padua's Botanical Garden, where Mrs. Righetti appeared publicly to explain the company's commitment to local heritage and education.

Part of the Afera family

NAR has long been part of the Afera community, and over many years our Members have known the Righetti family for their professionalism, integrity and generosity. The message of the latest presentation shared by NAR during Afera's recent European Tape Week—about resilience and long-term stewardship—reflects values deeply held by Mrs. Righetti herself and resonated widely among Afera

Members. Her passing will be felt well beyond Legnaro: across supplier networks, converter partners, customers and fellow manufacturers who recognised her warmth and steady leadership.

Her legacy

Colleagues describe Mrs. Righetti's approach in simple terms: Listen carefully, decide thoughtfully and never compromise on quality. In an industry built on reliability, she embodied it. As Europe's adhesive-tape value chain continues to evolve, Mrs. Righetti's legacy endures in the culture she helped cultivate: disciplined craft, technological curiosity and respect for people.

With sincere sympathy, The Afera Team

