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ANSALDO ENERGIA IS EUROPEAN DIGITAL VOLUNTEER, MENTOR FOR ITALIAN SMEs DIGITAL DEVELOPMENT

As part of this European project, Ansaldo Energia will help ATLA in the digital transition for the design of gas turbines hot parts

Making its skills in digital development available to support SMEs, to create a strong supply chain at a European level: this is the spirit that led Ansaldo Energia to join with enthusiasm the European Union's initiative "Digital Volunteer Program", a program aimed at connecting SMEs and large companies to bridge the digital skills gap and simplify the access to a pool of talented and qualified professionals.

Started in April 2021, the European Digital Volunteers program targets the setting up of a network of large European companies, ready to support the digitalization of SMEs on a pro-bono basis and through their internal skills. Each mentor will assist a SME in solving the challenges of digital capabilities and supporting its digital transformation processes.

"The digitalization of processes and companies is - in this historical moment – a crucial element of innovation and represents the key to achieve the ambitious ecological and energy transition goals indicated by the European Union" says Daniela Gentile, Vice President Innovation and Quality of Ansaldo Energia. "However, it is necessary that digital transformation processes are widespread throughout the manufacturing industry, from large to small-medium companies; that is the reason why Ansaldo Energia immediately joined the "Digital Volunteers Pilot Program". "Digital transition is a fundamental asset for the growth of SMEs and, consequently, for the whole supply chain: it is impossible to imagine a sustainable growth and a development of the European economy without it".

Concerning the project, Ansaldo Energia will be the mentor of ATLA, an Italian company specialized in the production and repair of high-tech gas turbine components for aerospace, defense, and industrial applications. Ansaldo Energia will support ATLA in the development of an innovative digital procedure to inspect hot gas components, assess the hardware status, collect all the key data to configure a digital twin to improve the design of components, extending in this way their life.

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