



The Carraro Group and the Italian State Police sign an agreement on preventing and combating cybercrime.

Padua, 19 July 202 – An important Memorandum of Understanding was signed this morning at the Padua Police Headquarters between the Italian State Police and the Carraro Group S.p.A. for the prevention and combating of cybercrimes affecting information systems and services of particular importance to the country.

The agreement, signed by the Head of the Postal and Communications Police Division for the Veneto region, Sergio Russo, and the Chairman of the Carraro Group, Enrico Carraro, in the presence of the Chief of Police of Padua, Isabella Fusiello, is part of the directives issued by the Italian Ministry of the Interior to strengthen the prevention of cybercrime by signing agreements with operators who provide essential services for the country's economic and social system.

The Postal and Communications Police is, in fact, engaged each day in guaranteeing the integrity and functionality of the computer network of the structures at strategic level for the country, both through the National Cybercrime Centre for the Protection of the Critical Infrastructure of the Postal and Communications Police Service in Rome, and through the Postal Police Divisions at a regional level.

This protocol, which over the years has also been signed by other private companies in Italy and by local authorities, will make it possible to create a true network by pooling the experience of different areas of the business world and of public administration, with the aim of exchanging information and implementing joint action plans. This will further improve the proactive capacity for intervention and communication between the parties involved in emergency situations.

This is a highly significant issue in the current landscape in which indispensable services to citizens are provided by government agencies, public administration, critical infrastructure and enterprises through networks and information systems. Cyber incidents that impact these infrastructure elements and services can have major economic consequences, at the level of nations, industries, and individual citizens.

“For years the world has been increasingly connected. Data are now an indispensable asset in both our private and professional lives. No company today can even think of operating without prioritising the control of its information infrastructure. This is all the more true for an international group like ours, which operates on every continent 24 hours a day,” commented **Enrico Carraro, Chairman of the Carraro Group**. *“Today, more than ever, it is necessary for all players, economic or otherwise, to work together to confront the threats that arrive each day over the internet. Today's Protocol is a step in that direction and it is an honour for us to be at the side of the State Police to contribute to a better future for our country.”*

“The gradual development and spread of information technology has introduced new elements worthy of protection into the field of law, such as: software, databases and the data contained therein, multimedia works and domain names. In fact, the current technological development, which has reached all the strategic sectors of society, has led at the same time to a strong vulnerability of those sectors and consequently to the need for its wider protection that takes into account the new interests to be protected,” said **Isabella Fusiello, Chief of Police of Padua**.

More specifically, the Protocol aims to develop cooperation, share procedures and useful information in order to increase the capacity to prevent and fight cybercrimes and

offences, which are institutionally assigned to the Postal and Communications Police, which is extremely important in the current socio-political context that requires constant attention to the phenomena of cybercrime and cyberterrorism.

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In specific terms, the collaboration will be based on the sharing and analysis of information suitable for preventing attacks or damage that could affect the security of the company's IT infrastructure, to the reporting of emergencies relating to vulnerabilities, threats and incidents damaging the regularity of telecommunications services and the identification of the origin of attacks suffered by the technological infrastructure. The protocol also provides for a constant exchange of know-how in the area of training in order to tackle cybercrime with increasingly higher levels of knowledge and more advanced and effective tools.

Carraro is an international group, a leader in transmission systems for off-road vehicles and specialised tractors, with consolidated turnover in 2020 of 478.7 million euros. The Group's activities are divided into two Business Areas:

- **Transmission systems (axles and transmissions) and components** mainly for agricultural and construction equipment, and also markets a wide range of gears for very diverse sectors, from the automotive industry to material handling, agricultural applications and construction equipment.

- **Specialised (vineyard and orchard, from 60 to 100 hp) Tractors** for third parties, namely John Deere, Massey Ferguson, Valtra and Claas, as well as a specialist range under the Carraro brand; Agritalia also provides engineering services for the design of innovative tractor ranges.

The Group's holding company, Carraro S.p.A., has been listed on the Italian Stock Exchange since 1995 (CARR.MI) and has its headquarters in Campodarsego (Padua). As at 31.12.2020, the Group had 3.455 employees – of which 1,480 based in Italy – and has manufacturing facilities in Italy (4), India, China, Argentina and Brazil.

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