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## **ATR appoints new Head of Quality**

World's leading turboprop manufacturer ATR is pleased to announce Roberto Del Pezzo as new Head of Quality. ATR has created this new direction in the aim of further developing and strengthening all activities related to quality, a core part of its business. Mr. Del Pezzo will be in charge of implementing the Quality policy with respect to the ATR objectives. Among his new responsibilities, he will be in charge of providing quality methodological support across the different directions of ATR, managing customer's satisfaction measurement, interfacing with the certification agencies and managing the entire quality process associated to the ATR program. He will directly report to ATR's Chief Executive Officer, Patrick de Castelbajac.

Mr. Del Pezzo started its aeronautical career at Aeritalia (today Alenia Aermacchi) in 1983, holding various positions with the Product Support Directorate. In 1994 he joined the Quality Directorate of Alenia Aeronautica (today Alenia Aermacchi) as Quality Control manager first, and then he took this same position specifically for the ATR aircraft. In 1997 he was appointed as Head of the production plant of Alenia at Nola (Italy), and two years later he became Head of American programs at the plant of Pomigliano (Italy), including the manufacturing activities of Alenia for the Boeing 717s, 767s, and 777s. He moved back to the Quality Directorate in 2004, holding different positions including Senior Vice-President (SVP) Quality, SVP Quality assurance & Certification Deputy and Head of Program & Product Quality.

He holds a full-honors Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Federico II University, in Naples.

## **About ATR:**

ATR is the world leader on the market for regional aircraft. Known for its exemplary eco-responsibility, ATR is a role model for airlines, not only in terms of its performance and reliability, but also in terms of profitability on short-haul air routes. ATR is ISO 14001 certified. Its aircraft are currently operated by more than 180 airlines in over 90 countries. ATR is an equal partnership between two major European aeronautics players, the Airbus Group and Alenia Aermacchi (a Finmeccanica Group company).

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