



The factory in Anzola

A brilliant idea, Anzola's pride

The Gruppo Omcid works metal alloys in all their varied applications.

A man is limited only by his imagination. With this slogan the Tedeschi brothers set forth from a tiny village nestled in an alpine valley, the Val D'Ossola, between the Pennine and Lepontine Alps, to conquer first Italy and then the world. Starting together in 1946, the brothers were later joined by their sons in 1982. In their tiny mountain village, they have managed to create an industrial group that has had an astounding success at world level.

"My success is not due to a strong entrepreneurial passion," explains Silvio Tedeschi, the founder of the Omcid group. "I never was impelled by the desire to create huge projects. I am not so vain. I know that the base on which I desired to build a future for myself, and for my family, was not terribly strong. All that I have

managed to accomplish, is just simply the result of a constant dedication that had no limits."

Silvio Tedeschi was born in 1924 in a modest family from Anzola d'Ossola. He worked in the family artisan workshop until the beginning of World War II. The war interrupted his work, and his life, and he ended up in a concentration camp. In 1946 he returned, physically destroyed. As he could no longer carry out heavy work, he decided to embark on a career working metal alloys.

This was the start of the long story which 60 years later would lead to the internationally renowned Omcid Group. The story of a long journey into the future, towards technological innovation of ever increasing complexity. Technological development coupled with

Tedeschi's capability of expanding his range of products, were his winning strategy, and today, the metal alloys that the group produces are



used in wide-ranging applications and sectors. Gruppo Omcid products can be found in almost everything. They are used to produce oil well safety valves and ice cream-making spouts. Omcid product are essential in the manufacture of tires, in the production of tiles, in the making of synthetic diamonds, of shoes, of automobiles, and in spindles used for fast textile weaving machines. They are also found in tension interrupters, in machines for the homogenization of sauces and gravies, in high-pressure pumps and in brick-making.

The group has continued to grow constantly, even exponentially, pushing it into a position of leadership. It employs 300 experts, owns 10 companies, including Films Spa, Scleros Spa, Celsia Spa and Harditalia Srl, which specializes in the construction of specialized equipment made with the use of tungsten, and sold using a multi-branding strategy. Silvio Tedeschi initiative spirit has created an international level industrial group in the Verbano-Cusio-Ossola area. This in turn has transformed the quiet, thousand-year-old mountain village into an industrial magnet employing many generations of families from the slopes of the Alps. This is why Anzola is special, and perhaps unique in Italy.

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