



acquedotto
pugliese

l'acqua. bene comune

Il Presidente

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Two atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen. Maximum simplicity for maximum complexity: water. Nature's most extraordinary product, nourishing implications ranging from economics to politics, from literature to philosophy, from history and law to sciences.

Acquedotto Pugliese has been operating for well over a century, to become a large and complex industrial reality at the service of one of the most populous regions of Southern Italy.

Drawing, purifying, distributing water, the sewerage network, wastewater treatment and reuse: this is the Integrated Water Service that the company is responsible for.

Our Strategic Plan for the years 2023 - 2026 envisages two billion euro of investment including energy transition, protecting the resource and the circular economy, but the soul, of Acquedotto Pugliese hasn't changed: from the early technological innovations of the 20's and 30's to today's digital sensors spread out over the more than 20 thousand kilometres of water networks, its digital meters, its re-use of water treated in the water treatment units to all the online services for the citizens.

What today seems to be our ordinary administration has been earned, year after year, generation after generation, by thousands of employees, engineers, technicians, scientists, labourers, clerks and researchers. More than a century of know-how, of internalising knowledge, techniques and practices is inevitably something that is not inappropriate to define World Heritage.

An ancient history, that has seen the skills and competencies passed down from the legendary figure of the fountaineer, who worked with the aid of a steel spanner, to that of the young computer engineers, who work with the awareness of having to deal with not just any old commodity but with an asset - water - whose protection has global implications of every level, including ethical ones.

Because of our geographical position, between a water-rich Balkan area that still requires investments and technology and the arch, from the near East to the far Maghreb, where the water shortages and the connected food crisis are increasingly acute, the Acquedotto Pugliese strategic plan aims to tackle the increasingly tough challenges brewing on the horizon with sustainable choices.

More than a century of work on two atoms of hydrogen and one of oxygen has been and continues to be a fantastic adventure that has involved and involves thousands of Acquedotto

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Pugliese's men and women with different skill levels and responsibilities. Responsibilities and skills which are not separate and cannot be separated. This is what makes Acquedotto Pugliese more than a particular company: it makes it unique.

Water, a common resource is in the symbol of Acquedotto Pugliese: an olive tree with a full crown, the emblem of our extraordinary land, Puglia. Our ambition lies under that tree. Actually it is the ambition of all the people and its governors, resolutely and enthusiastically involved in achieving well-being and development, while rigorously respecting people and the environment. Because this and only this is what can truly be called progress.

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