



Mr. Paolo Rosa Clot and the Fameccanica Team during the Monitoring Visit

## The Fourth Monitoring Visit by LIFE Monitor Astrale Timesis

On November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Fameccanica received the Fourth Monitoring Visit by the Astrale Timesis representative Mr. Paolo Rosa-Clot, assigned by the EU Life+ Commission to monitor the Life+ Glueless™ project.

The aim of the visit was to verify all the technical results of the project and to carry out the formal verification of documental requirements.

With regard to the technical aspects, Fameccanica team explained in detail the top five achievements to Mr. Paolo Rosa-Clot. The Glueless™ concept was applied to the following parts of diapers: Acquisition Distribution Layers (ADL), Intermittent Elastics, Frontal Tape, Core, Back and Front Ears. Besides, two additional features to the main project were presented: Glueless™ Back Ear Lamination (FLS) and Back Ear with Tape as Sandwich.

Fameccanica demonstrated that gluing can be replaced by innovating combination of thermo welding and ultrasonic bonding, which allow significant energy and costs saving, with less environmental impact.

These topics were analyzed and reported by the University of Manchester (UNIMAN) and its specialized team "Sustainable Industrial System Group".

In particular, Mr Joan Manuel Fernandez Mendoza of UNIMAN, attended the Monitoring Visit to speak about the Life-Cycle Assessment (LCA) on the Glueless™ project and its goals.

Following, a session on the financials and administrative aspects, with the check of all details of the project.

The meeting was very interesting, especially in the technical presentation, with Fameccanica that confirmed its Vision: *Non Stop Innovation*.



Glueless™ Layman's Report

## The “Financing Innovation” Conference CONFINDUSTRIA Chieti – Pescara (Italy)



Speakers of the Conference

On November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016 Fameccanica attended the Conference “Financing Innovation”, organized by CONFINDUSTRIA Pescara – Chieti, with its President *Gennaro Zecca* and the “Innovating Services Section” President *Alessandro Addari*. The meeting was about Horizon 2020, as a new European Financial Instrument for Innovating Companies.

The Fameccanica Sales & Marketing Director *Ettore Paolini* spoke about the growth of the Company, with the focus on Internationalization and Innovation.

Francesco D’Aponte, Design & R&D Director, explained the Life Programme and the objectives of Glueless™ project.

“Fameccanica has identified five Glueless™ processes for the production of important elements of baby diapers - explained *Alessandro D’Andrea*, Marketing & Innovation Manager - and for each of the features, defined the technical proposal, carried out the design of the product, process and laboratory prototype equipment. It subsequently created the diaper samples with the same specifications of performance (high speed) of the production machines normally sold by the company. For the majority of applications, Fameccanica filed patent applications”.

“Thanks to an efficient collaboration with the University of Manchester - added *Diego Gualtieri*, R & D Project Manager - the studies conducted to estimate the potential environmental and economic savings, confirmed that Glueless™ project has great potential in achieving sustainability objectives, as defined by the EU 2020 strategy.”

“The experience of Fameccanica - concluded *Addari* – also confirms how collaborations between universities and enterprises are important. As vice-president of Confindustria Chieti-Pescara with responsibility for Research and Innovation, I have promoted the establishment of a team aimed to develop these synergies, identifying research areas of interest for companies of our territory”.

## HYGIENIX 2016 Conference Orlando – Florida (USA)

Hygienix is one of the most important events for Absorbent Hygiene and Personal Care Markets. Fameccanica attended the Conference on October 24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Orlando – Florida (USA).

The speech was about the key objectives of the Fameccanica Life+ Glueless™ project and the R&D steps it took to achieve them. Besides, the end results of the single features were presented. Now they are ready for application on diapers of the future, reducing environmental impact.

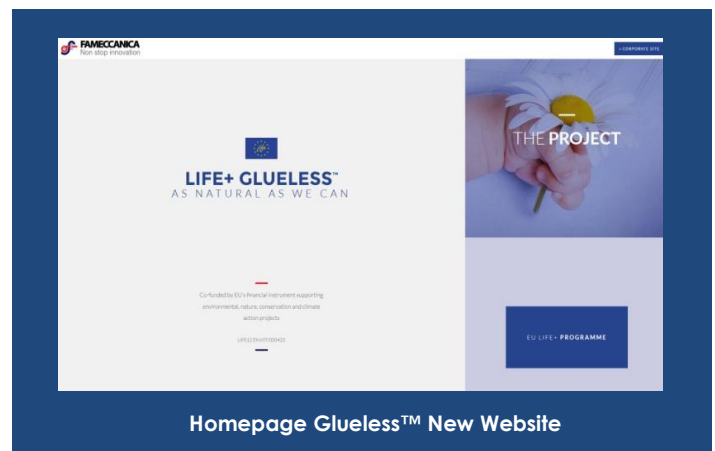


Hygienix Brochure & Conference

## LIFE + GLUELESS™: New Website

The New Glueless™ Website is online. The structure is functional and user-friendly, working quickly and correctly.

The visual is appealing and professional. The content includes general information about LIFE Programme, details of Glueless™ project with the benefits, the achievements, the dissemination activities and all its instruments.



Homepage Glueless™ New Website