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Generali donates €1 million to the Trieste healthcare system

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Trieste – Generali has donated €1 million to the Giuliano Isontina University Health Authority (ASUGI) for the purchase of both ICU technical equipment for Cattinara Hospital in Trieste and personal protective equipment for care homes in Trieste. The initiative is part of the [Extraordinary International Fund](#) created by the Company to deal with the COVID-19 emergency.

Also thanks to these funds, the Trieste hospital will be able to purchase a number of important medical instruments – such as ventilators and essential technical systems for intensive or sub-intensive care units – which help in the treatment of patients with severe respiratory problems. Added to this is portable radiology equipment and portable ultrasound equipment for the detailed diagnostic testing of COVID-19 patients that cannot be moved.

Furthermore, the funds will be used to purchase personal protective equipment for staff and visitors at care homes in Trieste, as part of a support plan for the activities of the facilities which ASUGI is implementing to deal with the emergency.

The ASUGI is strongly committed to increasing the number of sub-intensive care, pneumology and intensive care beds to assist patients with respiratory failure, setting up a new department in Cattinara Hospital with 33 new beds.

The **Chairman of Generali, Gabriele Galateri di Genola**, and the **Group CEO, Philippe Donnet**, explained, “*The fight against the COVID-19 epidemic is a challenge that is dramatically affecting people, families, and businesses around the world, making it crucial to share and coordinate efforts, both on a global and local community level. Generali’s support for the Trieste community is another initiative that forms part of our responsible commitment at this difficult time.*”

The **President of the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region, Massimiliano Fedriga**, emphasised, “*The regional community gratefully welcomes this worthy initiative, testifying to a connection – that between Generali and Friuli Venezia Giulia – which is not limited to its rich history but is instead renewed with a depth of relationship that emerges with particular strength at this time of need.*”

The **Mayor of Trieste, Roberto Dipiazza**, commented, “*This COVID-19 emergency is highlighting a great sense of belonging and solidarity in the region. On behalf of the city of Trieste, I would like to thank the Generali Group through its Chairman Gabriele Galateri di Genola and Group CEO Philippe Donnet for this very important support and for always being there for the city. Everyone is working to fight this common enemy with their own skills and abilities. Together we will win and emerge stronger and more united as a community.*”



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