

## News Release

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## CISA Inaugurates New Innovation Centre The strategic brand of Allegion opens its new building focusing on research and development

Faenza, 10 May 2017. CISA, the brand leader in locking and access control systems, has inaugurated its new centre dedicated to creating and designing innovative security solutions for doors and entrances in all buildings: homes, schools, hospitals, offices, hotels, shopping centres.

The new building housing the CISA Innovation Center is located next to the group's Faenza headquarters and covers an area of over five thousand square metres. The Innovation Centre will be home to more than 70 engineering, marketing, product management, purchasing and technical assistance experts will work on innovative solutions combining mechanical security with electronic, digital, mobile and interconnected technologies.

"It is a special honour to open the new Innovation Centre" – said Lúcia Veiga Moretti, Senior Vice President of Allegion and President of EMEIA (Europe, Middle East, India and Africa) – "The CISA Innovation Centre, is an innovative, open space where we can design and develop new technologies, offering solutions to meet our customers' needs."

The CISA brand was established in Florence in 1926, thanks to the insight of Luigi Bucci who invented and patented the first electric lock. CISA joined Allegion in 2013, a global group with a turnover of \$2 billion. The EMEIA region which includes CISA has a turnover of more than \$480 million (2016 figures). A quick look at the numbers confirms the success of this Italian brand: it has registered more than 70 patents over the years it distributes in 70 countries and has a workforce of over 600 at its headquarters in Faenza (RA) and in the factory in Monsampolo (AP), which produces 26 million keys and 8 million cylinders every year.

The CISA Innovation Center is the latest stage in the evolution of the group from Italy, which has recently celebrated its 90th anniversary. The centre is home to spaces illustrating the company's history and the new mechatronic technologies. This is all housed in a hi-tech exhibition area where the first lock is on display alongside the very latest technologies, such as CISA MyEVO, the motorised lock for armoured doors, and eFAST, the panic exit device for emergency exits. These are both examples of solutions, which integrate Allegion technologies, designed to help keep people safe where they live, work and visit.

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