



Middleby Food Processing Launches State-of-the-Art Innovation Center in Italy

Middleby Centro di Innovazione Highlights the Advancement of Protein, Bakery and Snack Applications

Casarsa della Delizia, Italy October 14, 2025 – The Middleby Corporation has announced the opening of the Middleby Centro di Innovazione (the MCI), a flagship center of innovation for the Middleby Food Processing group. This is an expansion of the Middleby network of global Innovation Centers, all of which are focused on customer solutions and the latest market advancements.

"With high customer demand in Europe for our systems and demonstrations, we are excited to showcase the world's most advanced technologies in a premiere location that will serve as a global hub. The facility is state of the art, as we meticulously planned every product and application to ensure a one-of-a-kind experience and an unparalleled innovation showcase," said Mark Salman, President of Middleby Food Processing. "Customers tell us our global Innovation Centers blend creativity with technological progress, offering them a platform for new product launches, research, education and insightful market analysis. I am confident the new MCI will grow to be a vital connection point for collaboration and networking within our industry."

The 65,000-square-foot facility located near Venice, Italy, is dedicated to the advancement of protein, bakery and snack processing through equipment demonstration, product research & development, customer testing, and operator training. Equipped with the latest, cutting-edge industry technologies demonstrated by deeply knowledgeable experts, the MCI will showcase the most advanced equipment solutions addressing current and future industry trends and challenges. Customers are invited to use the MCI to collaborate, test, validate and train with resources geared toward their specific business. The MCI enables customers to experience the full breadth of Middleby Food Processing solutions on a production scale.

The Middleby Centro di Innovazione is the creative ingenuity of Giovanni Battista Colussi, and is a true reflection of his engineering and entrepreneurial acumen. He designed the facility to be a showcase for all the Middleby companies and a one-of-a kind experience for the foodservice industry. Mr. Colussi is the founder of Colussi Ermes, a global leader of advanced and automated washing systems, a Middleby Food Processing company.

THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION

Middleby Corporation is a global leader in the food industry, developing and manufacturing innovative solutions used in commercial foodservice, food processing, and residential kitchens.

MIDDLEBY FOOD PROCESSING

Middleby Food Processing provides innovative solutions for industrial protein, bakery and snack producers, covering full-line processing solutions from preparation, thermal processing, through product packaging for retail and food service applications. For more information on Middleby Food Processing and Innovation Centers visit www.middlebyprocessing.com

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