



PEDEVILLA IS AMONG THE 500 ENTERPRISES DRIVING THE ITALIAN ECONOMY

The result is acknowledged in the study “Champions: the 500 enterprises driving the Italian economy”, conducted by Centro Studi ItalyPost and presented to the Italian stock exchange today

Milan, 15.03.2019 – **Pedevilla**, a historic Italian quality caterer, has been included in the list of the **500 enterprises driving the Italian economy**. **Centro Studi ItalyPost** conducted a study of the financial statements of Italian enterprises that grew with financial stability between 2011 and 2017. The enterprises taken into consideration all totalled 20 to 120 million euro in sales; Pedevilla is the only catering company to appear in the list of “**Champions**”.

The study was presented this morning in the prestigious setting of the **Italian stock exchange, Borsa Italiana**, during “**L’Italia che genera futuro**” (*The Italy that shapes the future*), an event that saw the participation of RCS Chairman and CEO Urbano Cairo, Corriere della Sera editor-in-chief Luciano Fontana, Crédit Agricole Chief Executive Officer Giampiero Maioli, Bocconi University Chancellor Gianmario Verona and representatives of some of the 600 companies included in the study.

Pedevilla is one of the Italian companies with the best performance in the past six years, according to the results of examination of the financial statements of each company for the past six years, selecting the 500 top companies in the range of 20-120 million euro of sales on the basis of a number of parameters including growth rate, profitability and debt ratio. On the basis of these parameters, **Pedevilla Spa is one of Italy’s 500 top-performing companies**. The analysis was conducted by a multidisciplinary team of financial and credit rating analysts from the rating agency **MODEFINANCE** and experts in Corporate Finance from an independent financial advisory company.

*“We’re particularly proud of the award,” says **CEO Alfonso Pedevilla**, “confirming the company’s solid finances and the quality of the service it provides. Pedevilla is an important family-run enterprise with over forty years of history providing catering services for numerous prominent Italian companies. I wish to take advantage of this opportunity to share this honour with all the people who work in our restaurants every day to provide this service to the highest standards of quality and professionalism. The award offers further evidence of our company’s ability to generate value in all ways, from the service provided to financial administration,”* concluded the CEO.

More than 800 professionals work for Pedevilla, making it one of the biggest all-Italian catering companies. The company’s goal is to make the lunch break a pleasing, relaxing time, serving food made from fresh ingredients, locally sourced wherever possible, in a convenient, enjoyable setting.

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Pedevilla: quality corporate catering. Projects and solutions for companies that invest in their employees’ well-being.

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