

Press Release

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A new French professional association for industrial equipment and machinery: EVOLIS

CISMA and PROFLUID, members of the French Federation of Mechanical Engineering Industries (FIM), merge and become EVOLIS, a new professional organization dedicated to mechanical equipment manufacturers.

Respectively, the General Assemblies of CISMA (the French trade association of mechanical equipment manufacturers for the construction, infrastructure, steel and handling industries), and PROFLUID (the French association of pump, agitator, valve and compressor manufacturers) approved the creation of a new professional association.

Drawing the actions and services of CISMA and PROFLUID closer together

The merge between CISMA and PROFLUID is in the interest of its members and follows from numerous moves to closen ties in the sector. The objective is to regroup the actions and services of each association and pool all the strengths of mechanical equipment manufacturers in order to anticipate better economical, technical and institutional changes in the sector.

Its missions include:

ACTING and defending the interests of its members

EVOLIS will benefit from greater representativeness to better defend the interests of its sector in France, Europe and internationally when regulatory, technical or economic issues will arise.

BRINGING TOGETHER a network of professionals

Thanks to this pooling and sharing of expertise, EVOLIS will reinforce proximity with its members as well as its proactiveness towards partners in France, Europe and internationally, including governments, client federations, trade organizations and professional associations in Europe.

PROMOTING and creating value by offering diversified services

In order to promote competitivity, anticipate the transformation of jobs and encourage vocations, EVOLIS will organize specific meetings across its scope of equipment (fluid systems, handling, construction) as well as organizing meetings targeting its main markets (water, industry, energy, building industry, construction, logistics), will provide access to trade normalization studies to its members (training, specific studies, assistance and support, funding, events...).



ANTICIPATING, interpreting evolutions and ensuring the competencies of its members

EVOLIS' mission is to become the point of entry and to create a real crossroads of expertise for mechanical equipment manufacturers in order to accompany them in their decision making processes and answer specific needs.

Jean-Claude Fayat, President of CISMA, and Pascal Vinzio, President of PROFLUID expressed themselves on the move:

«It is a desire to create a strong association, structured and representative of mechanical equipment manufacturers, a place of reference for our professional and institutional environment. A professional association at the heart of industrial challenges and innovation»

«It is our will that each member, regardless of its size or specificity, will be considered, respected and will find the right answers to their needs in this new professional association in order to face tomorrow's challenges»

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Key facts and figures will regroup those of CISMA and PROFLUID's activities. The creation of EVOLIS will be effective from July 1st 2019.

CISMA – 2018 key facts and figures :

CISMA is a trade association that gathers businesses based in Europe that conceive, produce and sell equipment for the construction, infrastructure, steel and handling industries, it also includes suppliers of components and specific equipment for these sectors.

CISMA counts today more than **200 members** - SME, SMI and subsidiaries of international groups – and employs around **33 000 people in France**. These businesses export **53% of their production** and generate **a revenue of 9.2 billion euros**.

PROFLUID – 2018 key facts and figures:

Established 120 years ago, PROFLUID represents the interests of fluidic equipment manufacturers dealing with all kind of fluids (air, water, gas, ...), its members are involved in the manufacturing, commercialization, installation and on-site maintenance activities to the benefit of its users.

PROFLUID is collectively joining the forces of **100 members** –SME, SMI companies and larger corporations-. It represents a total of **20 000 jobs in France**, a **cumulated 4.5 billion euros of production in France with 65% of exports**.