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## Atalanta Nerazzurri Day at RadiciGroup

## Care for the community and competence in materials for the sport industry: RadiciGroup teams up with Atalanta to win in Europe

A Nerazzurri Day was held at the RadiciGroup parent company headquarters, where an **Atalanta pop-up store** was set up exclusively for Group employees. During the special event, the RadiciGroup staff came to pick up the **over 2,600 Europa League jerseys** that they had reserved in the previous weeks. On this occasion, the Atalanta football club was represented by some of its youth team players, as the first team was in Genoa for an Italian football league game.

The Atalanta sponsorship gives RadiciGroup wide visibility in Europe (85% of Group production is based in Europe) and meets two objectives: firstly, to draw attention to Bergamo, where the Group was founded and where 1,200 employees work today; and, secondly, to highlight the numerous materials manufactured by RadiciGroup with applications in the sport industry.

RadiciGroup boasts a 75-year-long tradition in the textiles business and, today, is the second-ranking European producer of **polyamide** (210,000 tons per year) and **polyester** (24,000 tons per year), which are two of the synthetic products most widely used worldwide for a variety of applications, including automotive (55% of RadiciGroup sales revenue), apparel (technical and sportswear, in particular), furnishings and other industrial uses.

"Together with Atalanta, we have challenged Apollon, Lione and Everton on the football pitch, **Angelo Radici, president of the Group**, recalls, "which has given us further market visibility in France and England, two strategic markets in terms of Group sales. The round of 32 draw has matched us up with Borussia Dortmund, and I'm sure that the Nerazzurri will make a good showing on this occasion, too. In Germany, we have production and sales units in the chemicals, plastics and synthetic fibres sectors; Germany is our second leading market after Italy, with sales of about EUR 200 million."

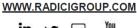
In the football world, RadiciGroup nylon yarn is mainly used for player intimatewear and socks, while polyester yarn is used for shorts and the outer jersey layer (polyamide is better for the inner layer touching the skin).

Turning to plastics for the sports industry, the engineering plastics made by RadiciGroup are utilized for stadium seats – let us remember the Group's contribution to the Rio 2016 Summer Olympic Games –, as well as for sport accessories, such as football shoes and shin guards.

Lastly, RadiciGroup also produces yarn used in the manufacture of synthetic turf pitches. Overall, the Group's product offering for the football world is among the most complete and sustainable in Europe. RadiciGroup is a sole-source supplier, with its roots in Bergamo but operating well beyond national borders.

RadiciGroup production sites in Europe:

- 9 in Italy (chemicals, plastics and fibres)
- 3 in Germany (chemicals, plastics and fibres)
- 1 in the Czech Republic (fibres)
- 1 in Romania (fibres)
- 1 in Switzerland (fibres)
- 1 in the Netherlands (plastics)
- 1 in Hungary (fibres)





**RADICIGROUP** – With approximately 3,000 employees, sales revenue of EUR 946 million in 2016 and a network of production and sales sites located throughout Europe, North America, South America and Asia, RadiciGroup is one of the world's leading producers of a wide range of chemical intermediates, polyamide polymers, engineering plastics, synthetic fibres and nonwovens. These products – the result of the Group's outstanding chemical expertise and vertically integrated polyamide production chain – have been developed for use in a variety of industrial sectors, such as: AUTOMOTIVE – ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS – CONSUMER GOODS – APPAREL – FURNISHINGS – CONSTRUCTION – HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES – SPORTS. The basis of the Group's strategy is a strong focus on innovation, quality, customer satisfaction and social and environmental sustainability. With its business areas - **Specialty Chemicals, Performance Plastics and Synthetic Fibres & Nonwovens (**Performance Yarn, Comfort Fibres and Extrusion Yarn), RadiciGroup is part of a larger industrial group that also includes textile machinery (ITEMA), energy (GEOGREEN) and hotel (SAN MARCO) businesses.