

Enrico Villa

Chairman

CATRENE



BIOGRAPHY

On February 01, 2008 Enrico Villa was appointed Chairman of the EUREKA programmes MEDEA+ (Microelectronics Development for European Applications) and CATRENE (Cluster for Application and Technology Research in Europe on Nanoelectronics).

Born in 1941 in Vimercate, Italy, he graduated in Electrical Engineering and Business Administration at Milano University. He started his professional career in 1960 as engineer and in 1967 became a market analyst, joining thereafter SGS Fairchild, later SGS Thomson, in several key technical and market positions. In 1987, Enrico Villa was appointed Vice President for External Technological Coordination and General Manager of SGS Thomson Microelettronica, the Italian subsidiary of the then newly merged STMicroelectronics. In January 1997, he was promoted to Corporate Vice President for the Emerging countries region and later for the European region. His mission was to reinforce ST's leading position in sales in Europe. In 2005, he became Executive Vice President in ST's Corporate Executive Committee. Early 2008, E. Villa retired from STMicroelectronics.

Enrico Villa is still active in several industry associations such as EECA, the European Electronics Components Association (President), and ESIA, European Semiconductor Industry Association (Vice President and European Chairman).

On top of his professional career, Enrico Villa was Mayor of Vimercate in 1977-1992.

