



**Upiveb**  
Since 1961 FASTENING PASSION VALUE CHANGE

**Unione Produttori Italiani Viteria e Bulloneria**

*Italian Association of Fasteners Manufacturers*



**KEEPING *PASSION.*  
FASTENING *VALUE.*  
IGNITING *CHANGE.***

# ABOUT US

For over 60 years, **UPIVEB - Unione Produttori Italiani Viteria e Bulloneria** (Italian Association of Fastener Manufacturers) has been a **non-profit Association representing the fastener industry and related fields**, with more than 40 Ordinary Members and about 30 Supporting Members.



## UPIVEB PROMOTES THE PRODUCTS, QUALITY AND EXCELLENCE OF ITS MEMBERS

by defending their legitimate interests at the relevant National and International Institutions, Authorities and Organisations. It fosters the exchange of cultural and technical-professional knowledge among the players within the supply chain, it contributes to the development of the industry standards and technical-normative documents, promoting the dissemination of the relevant culture. All these efforts are aimed at **increasing the prestige of the Italian fastener.**

### UPIVEB IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL FASTENERS INSTITUTE (EIFI),

which advocates for and protects the interests of industry manufacturers at a European level.

*Member of* **EIFI**  
EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL FASTENERS INSTITUTE

Due to this affiliation, UPIVEB's Ordinary Members are automatically Members of the European Association and, as such, can take part in its initiatives.

## “A PRODUCT THAT TODAY CAN BE EXPRESSED IN A WIDE VARIETY OF FORMS AND SHAPES”

not only screws, bolts, nuts and washers, but also pins, rivets, studs, eyebolts, cotter pins. Not only standard products, but also special fasteners made to customer specifications, with complex mechanical and geometrical features and functions that serve purposes beyond just fastening. Not only steels, but also alloys and special metals, as well as plastic and ceramics, from cold forging to additive manufacturing

Initially founded and developed over the years as a meeting and discussion forum for fastener manufacturers, since early 2019 the Association began to expand its membership to the **stakeholders upstream and downstream of the fastener production process** itself.

So today, an increasingly diverse and interconnected network of manufacturers and value chains, such as steel mills, drawing mills, heading machine manufacturers, suppliers of heat treatments, surface coatings, pre-applied adhesive solutions and more, can become “Supporting Members” of UPIVEB.

The Association is evolving even further as a result of this change in membership and the need to adapt to today’s ever-changing political, economic and social scenarios.

A **process of change** to ensure that we are always at the side of all players within our supply chain, which includes activating new ways to connect and engage with the community, experimenting with new communication methods, developing new membership services and paths for sharing knowledge and experience, and promoting new solutions to tackle the challenges of

## **SUSTAINABILITY, INNOVATION AND SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY.**



# MADE IN ITALY

An evolution that, in all cases and circumstances, is based on the strong foundations of our past, in continuity with the entrepreneurial stories and values, and with that invaluable combination of creativity, expertise and passion typical of “**Made in Italy**” **manufacturing**, of which we want to continue to be responsible custodians and active promoters.

# WHAT WE DO, HOW WE OPERATE, WHY JOIN

UPIVEB PROVIDES  
ITS MEMBERS  
WITH A RANGE OF  
**SERVICES THAT  
ARE CONSTANTLY  
CHANGING:**



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## ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

UPIVEB has always taken great care to ensure that its Members conduct their marketplace activities in accordance with the principles of accountability, transparency, confidentiality and fairness. To accomplish this, the Association carries out direct activities, as well as indirect activities through EIFI at the European level, aimed at protecting and advancing the interests of its Members in various areas such as:

- building relationships with relevant National and European Institutions and Organisations;
- advocating for trade defence measures;
- conducting industry studies;
- participating in relevant events; and
- coordinating with other National and International industry Associations.

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## TECHNICAL STANDARDIZATION

Proactive monitoring of the competent European (CEN/TC 185 “Fasteners”) and International (ISO/TC 2 “Fasteners”) Technical Committees is ensured, as well as the relevant national interface, i.e. the UNI/CT 031/SC 4 Technical Sub-Committee “Fasteners”. UPIVEB is also a member of UNI - Ente Italiano di Normazione (Italian National Standardization Body).

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## ASSOCIATION EVENTS



Initiatives are periodically organised, including visits, conferences, and *webinars*, also with the involvement of external experts, aimed at encouraging technical and cultural exchange, fostering better understanding

among Members, analysing and studying issues and *trends* of strategic importance, promoting curiosity and creativity, and ultimately establishing the groundwork for the gradual development of shared *know-how*.

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## ITALIAN FASTENERS MAGAZINE

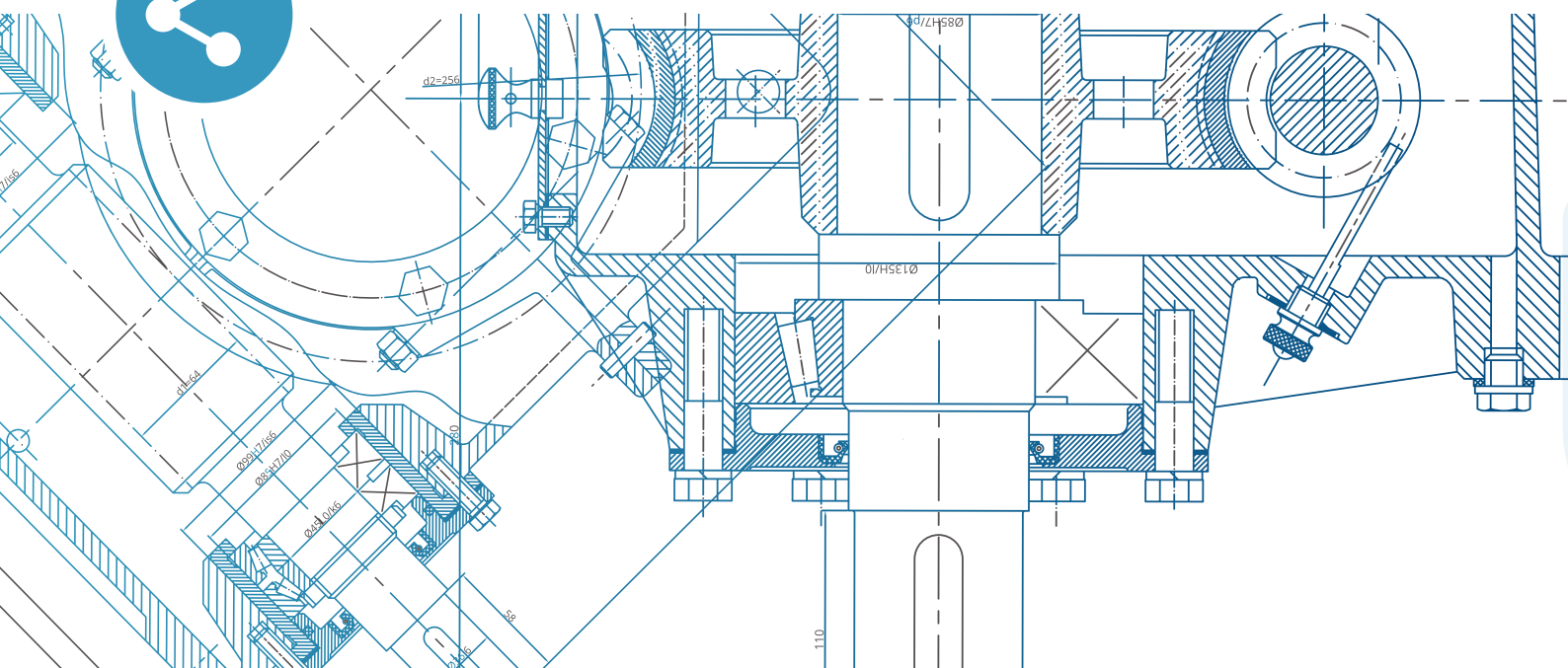
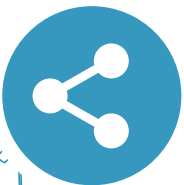
Since 1994, the magazine has served as the Association's primary means of communication. *Italian Fasteners* is used by our Members to share information about their latest products and initiatives through specialised editorials and a comprehensive and varied advertising plan.

The magazine includes contributions from other international publications in the industry as well as articles of general and specific interest written by market and technical experts. An important resource for the fastener and related industries, the magazine is published and distributed every four months in both Italian and English.

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## NEWSLETTER

Members are periodically provided with information, updates and insights on the Association's activities, on relevant market and technical-normative news and trends, as well as suggestions from related industries and technical-management disciplines. This is part of a strategy to encourage the crucial transition from formal involvement to full engagement.



In accordance with its Articles of Association, UPIVEB operates by means of a **coordinated set of technical bodies**, namely the following:

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## Market Groups (MG)

MG 001 “Automotive”

MG 002 “General Industry & Distribution”

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## Operating Committees (OC)

OC 001 “Public and Legal Matters”

OC 002 “Public Relations and Membership Development”

OC 003 “Technique, Quality, Innovation”

OC 004 “Strategic Marketing and Communication”

OC 005 “Supporting Members”



UPIVEB IS CONSTANTLY EVOLVING  
AND *LISTENING TO THE NEEDS*  
AND *EXPECTATIONS* OF ITS CURRENT  
AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS.

The Association has established its own Organisational Identity, Code of Ethics and Quality Policy as the foundation for developing new **services and projects for its members**. All this is done in an effort to maintain its reputation as a **reliable and consistent partner** that can assist its Members in addressing contemporary socio-technical challenges in areas like Sustainability, Digital Transformation, and Innovation. It aims to be

recognised as a reputable and accessible hub where innovative methods of sharing knowledge, exchanging experiences and promoting best practices can be developed collaboratively to generate value. In this perspective, expanding the membership base is crucial for the Association to better represent its Members before National and International institutions and to bring in new ideas and fresh perspectives.



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## SUPPORTING MEMBERS

