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Brig. Gen. Giuseppe “Pino” Lupoli is the Head of 1st Branch “Fixed Wing Aircraft” at ITA MOD – Armaereo in Rome.

Joining the Italian Air Force in September 1979 as an Officer Cadet of Volcano 3rd Course, he attended the Academy and the Naples University and got an Engineering Degree in 1984. Then he was assigned at the 51st Wing Operational Air Force Base in Istrana. In that period of time, he was responsible of the technical-maintenance and logistics operations performed onto the F104ASA and AM-X fighters equipping the Squadrons at the Wing.

In 1990 he was posted as commander of the Ministry of Defence Unit placed at Alenia Aermacchi (former Alenia Aeronautica) and Selex (former Galileo Avionica) in Turin and Caselle Torinese where he had the task of supervising all technical, quality and contractual activities performed by the two Companies for the Ministry of Defense. In particular, he followed the development of Eurofighter, Tornado ECR program, integration on Tornado of CLDP and HARM weapons, production of AMX, final assembly of AV-8B and repair, upgrades and overhaul activities on other national fighters.

In 1997 he took an assignment at NETMA in Munich (Germany), to follow the Eurofighter development, production investment and production phases. After four years, he came back in Italy and he was assigned at Armaereo in Rome, to work on the F16 and F-35 projects and the Eurofighter type acceptance activities. Afterwards he pursued central staff working at the Office of the Italian National Defense Armament (NAD) in Rome, where he was actively involved in the Joint Strike Fighter (PSFD MoU) and Eurofighter programs and in the negotiation of Gov-to-Gov MoUs.

Between 2007 and 2009 he was posted as Director of Tornado and Eurofighter Air Force Depot in Cameri and afterwards he took the assignment at Armaereo as Head of the 2nd Division “CTOL/STOVL and Training Aircraft”, where, among other things, he was the ITA MOD chief negotiator for the F-35 FACO Capability Stand-Up Contract to implement the F-35 FACO at Cameri Air Force Base in the north of Italy.

He is still the ITA MOD F-35 FACO Program Manager and on Oct. 31st 2012 he was appointed as Head of 1st Branch, dealing with all fixed wing aircraft (fighters, training, transport and special mission).

He has attended several courses and has got an additional Degree in Politics Science and a post degree master on the European Union. Brig. Gen. Lupoli enjoys airplanes, cars, motobikes, sea and sports.