

Vito Pertosa

Born in Monopoli (Bari) on April 22, 1959, he has been married since 1980 and is the father of three children.

Honors

Appointed Knight of the Order of Merit for Labor in 2009.

Awarded the Knight Grand Cross of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic —Italy's highest civilian honor— in 2022.

Received an Honorary Master's Degree in Automation Engineering from the Politecnico di Bari (Polytechnic University of Bari) in May 2019.

Current Positions

Chairman and sole shareholder of ANGELO Holding, which is an Italian industrial group internationally recognized for its excellence in designing and developing high-tech solutions for the Rail, Aerospace, and Digital Mechatronics sectors.

President and CEO of MER MEC S.p.A.

Scientific expert for the "Artificial Intelligence Innovation and Policy Coordination" Unit of DG CONNECT for the European Commission.

Scientific expert in technological innovation for the Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy.

Member of the Board of Directors of the Fondazione Centro Nazionale per la Mobilità Sostenibile (National Foundation for Sustainable Mobility).

Professional Experience

Since 2008, Founder and President of Angel Holding, the parent company of a group of enterprises specializing in research and development of technologies in different sectors including rail, aerospace, and digital mechatronics.

Founder of SITAEI S.p.A. in 2012, which is a fully privately owned aerospace company operating in the LEO satellites and space electric propulsion systems.

President of IMAGEMAP Inc. – based in Columbia, South Carolina, USA (Railroad Industry).

President of Gruppo Argenta (Vending Industry).

Sole director of the Consorzio 2M CLIV (Industrial Automation).

Sole director of ITEL Italiana (Power generator manufacturing).

CEO of Consorzio Sud Space (Aerospace Sector).

CEO of Centro Laser S.c.ar.l. (Scientific Research).

Vice president of Parco Scientifico e Tecnologico Tecnopolis di Valenzano (Tecnopolis Science and Technology Park in Valenzano, Italy)

Vice President of Consorzio di Ricerca Procomp (Research Consortium).

Board member of the Italian Space Agency (ASI).

Member of the Comitato Tecnico Nazionale Innovazione e Ricerca di Confindustria (National Technical Committee for Innovation and Research of Confindustria).

Director Regent of the Banca d'Italia (Central Bank of Italy), Bari branch.

President and founder of the Associazione Imprenditoriale Sviluppo POLIS (Entrepreneurial Association).

Awards and Recognitions to the Individual Person or Their Companies

Confindustria Business for Innovation Award, 2006 and 2008.

Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year Award (Innovation category) in 2009.

Photonics Prism Award 2011 (World Oscar for electronic sensors) from the "International Society for Optics and Photonics – (SPIE), San Francisco, USA".

Flieger Magazine Award 2013 for the Prime aircraft from Blackshape (Friedrichshafen, Germany).

Career Award - Diagnostic Research, LandNet Italy, 2015.

Leader in Innovation Award, DITECFER (District for Railway Technology, High Speed and Network Safety), 2017.

ERCI Innovation Award, European Research Cluster Initiative, Gdańsk, Poland, 2017.

2b AHEAD Innovation Award for electric propulsion system for space applications, Wolfsburg, Germany.

100 Italian Excellence Award, 2017.

CES Innovation Awards Honoree, Vehicle Intelligence & Self-Driving Technology category, Las Vegas, 2018.

NIAF Leonardo da Vinci Award, Washington, D.C., 2018.

Rome Award for National Development, 2018.

CES Innovation Awards Honoree, Smart Cities category, Las Vegas, 2019.

Aerokurier Innovation Award 2019 for the Gabriel aircraft from Blackshape, Friedrichshafen, Germany.

AIDP Award 2019 for innovative initiatives developed in Human Resources.

Federico II Award, 2020.

CES Innovation Awards Honoree, Vehicle Intelligence & Self-Driving Technology category, Las Vegas, 2021.

SDA Bocconi Best Performance Award 2022 in the Best Performing Large Company category.

Radar Academy HR Award 2022, "Company for generation Z".

ICCS Business Awards 2023, "Best Italian Multinational in Singapore".

Energy Earth Award 2024 for the achievements in environmentally balanced energy production.

"The Perugino" Award 2025 for the important contribution of the group's companies to Italy's technological innovation and economic and social development.

Recent Participations

Sole representative of a private company at the **G7 International Transportation Summit in Japan**, June 2023 Participant at the **G7 Transportation in Milan** in April 2024, advocating support for Ukraine's railways infrastructure..

Participant at the **Ukraine Recovery Conference (URC) in Berlin** in June 2024.

Contributor to the **G7 Industry Stakeholder Conference Reggio Calabria** July 2024.

Fifth-time participant in **Choose France 2025**, the annual event hosted by President Emmanuel Macron, featuring major international companies