

Ugo Romano
Chief Scientific Advisor of Eni

Prof. Romano was born in Siracusa, Italy, in 1943. After his degree in Chemistry at the University of Catania he became in 1967 Assistant Lecturer for the Chair of Industrial Products and Processes at the same University. From 1969 to 1978 he was Project Manager for the Snamprogetti Research Centre in Milan. Then from 1978 to 1984 he became head of the Syngas Derivatives and Organic Intermediates sectors at the Fine Chemicals Department for Eni Corporate Research Centre. From 1994 to 1996 he was Professor at the Environmental Chemistry Department at the University of Venice.

From 1994 to 2001 he directed the Enichem Research and Technology Centre. And from 2001 he became Head of Research for ENI. Presently he is from 2002 Chief Executive Officer for EniTecnologie (Corporate Technology Company of ENI), head of the Innovation Department of Eni Corporate University and Member of the Board of Federchimica. From 2005 he is also member of the Board of VeneziaTecnologie. And since this year he became Chief Scientific Advisor.

Dr. Romano received the Philips Morris Scientific and Technological Research Prize in 1990 for the project "Dymethylcarbonate". In 1992 he received the Donald W. Breck Award for the TS1 zeolite catalysis and in the 2001 Federchimica Gold Medal. He is co-author of 40 scientific works and 106 patents.