

Change at the Zhaga Steering Committee Chair position

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Zhaga, the global lighting-industry organization that is standardizing interfaces for components of LED luminaires, says farewell to Giovanni Scilla.

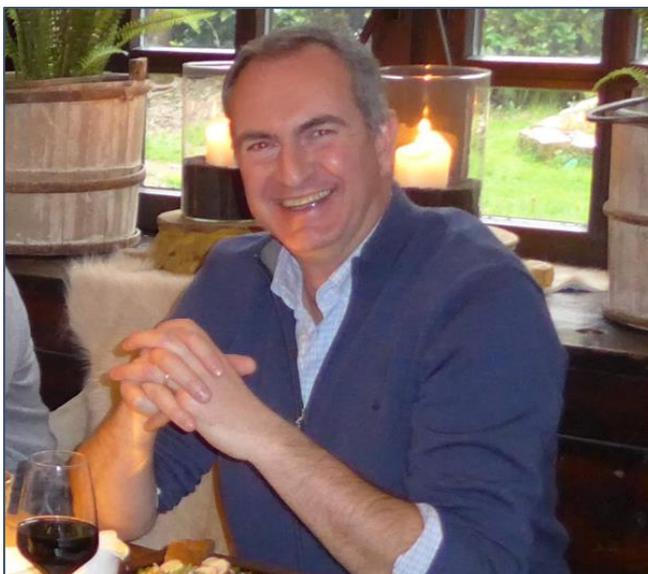
Giovanni Scilla, OSRAM, has resigned from the Chair position of the Zhaga Steering Committee due to new responsibilities in his company. During his leadership, “interoperability” was put in place as the new central theme for Zhaga and key enabler for connectivity and serviceability. This theme was included in the new vision and mission and served as framework for starting Zhaga specifications on smart sensor interfaces and replaceable LED modules (Books 18, 20 and 21).

Giovanni played an architectural role in renewing the consortium agreement which has led to the NEW Zhaga, brought into existence in December 2018, and in creating the new community membership category bringing the army of Zhaga supporters to the surface.

“As result of all this work, the membership of Zhaga is increasing steadily,” states Dee Denteneer, Secretary General of the Zhaga Consortium and continues, “our warm thanks go to Giovanni for his passion and believe in the work of Zhaga.”

During his farewell speech, Joep Rooijmans of Signify, Chair of the Zhaga Technical Coordination Working Group, lauded the many contributions for Zhaga, stating that “This all was leadership performance, you were not just managing, but providing Zhaga a new direction to the benefit of the lighting industry. We owe you big thanks for this.” As an expression of gratitude, Giovanni received a special Zhaga Award, mentioning Giovanni as “The creator of the new Zhaga”.

The Steering Committee elected Reinhard Lecheler, OSRAM, Senior Director R&D Lighting Electronics EMEA, as new Chair of the Steering Committee. A key objective of his leadership will be promoting the new messages of Zhaga to the lighting market.





About Zhaga

Zhaga is a global association of lighting companies that is standardizing interfaces of components of LED luminaires, including LED light engines, LED modules, LED arrays, holders, electronic control gear (LED drivers) and connectivity fit systems. This helps to streamline the LED lighting supply chain, and to simplify LED luminaire design and manufacturing. Zhaga continues to develop specifications based on the inter-related themes of interoperable components, smart and connected lighting, and serviceable luminaires. For more information, visit www.zhagastandard.org.

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