

Dr. Paolo Squarci

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He graduated in geology in 1958 at the University of Pisa. At the end of February 2025 Paolo Squarci has died. Since 1970, when International Institute for Geothermal Research (CNR-IIRG) in Pisa had been established he dedicated himself to geothermal studies. He has also played an important role in the new Institute of Geosciences and Earth Resources (CNR-IGG) that was established in 2000. The CNR-IIRG participated in all national geothermal projects, coordinating all the

assessments of the Italian geothermal resources. The CNR-IIRG has organized several International Schools of Geothermal Energy and founded Geothermics (now, an Elsevier journal) and supervised the construction of the National Geothermal Data Bank. Paolo Squarci was always fully involved in all these activities and his contribution has been very important.

Dr. Paolo Squarci was the head of the CNR-IIRG from 1990 to 2002 when the Institute was then transformed into the CNR-IGG. He has published numerous papers (over 140) in international peer-review journals in the fields of geology, geotechnics, hydrogeology and, the last but not the least, in Geothermics. He was a member of the Italian Geological Society, during which he developed various projects. At a local level, he dedicated himself to various activities for the Municipality of Rosignano Marittimo. He significantly contributed to the structural plan in terms of geotechnics of the Volterra

basin as well as the hydraulic hazard in the province of Leghorn from Rosignano to San Vincenzo. He was recognized as one of the world's leading experts in the geothermal sector, contributing to bring the CNR-IGG to be recognized at worldwide level.