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Largest ever cocoa press arrives in Peru



As the crow flies, the distance between Lecco, a small town in the North of Italy, and Peru, is some 6,406 miles. However, despite the distance, GSR Cocoa Machinery – which specialises in designing, manufacturing and testing cocoa presses at its Lecco site – recently sent its greatest press ever to Peruvian territory in South America.

The shipment, containing 18 pots and weighing in at 41,500kg, is en route to Machu Picchu Foods in Pisco – Peru's largest cocoa processing producer. It will enable them to process 11,800 tons of cocoa mass per year.

This is thanks to GSR's 1 Series 18/980 machinery, which is manufactured with high resistance alloy steels and the result of five months of work. All phases of the equipment are made inside its factory in Calolziocorte – including design, quality control, test, assembly, start-up and servicing. Once it all arrives in Peru, it will work restlessly, providing optimum performance and high production efficiency in order to achieve as much butter and cake as possible, in the shortest possible time.

Luigi Turla, President of GSR Cocoa Machinery, states: "We are proud to state that today, after nearly 25 years, we are recognised all over the world for Italian excellence. In these years of activity, we have been able to deliver to the world the best of Made in Italy, proving the success of our operation with numbers and tangible results."

GSR Cocoa Machinery will be celebrating its 25th anniversary next year, and the company recently received an institutional visit from the president and general manager of Confindustria Lecco and Sondrio, the representative Association of the entrepreneurial system of the territory of which it is a member.