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(ANS-Turin) - The 29th General Chapter of the Society of St. Francis de Sales has elected the new Rector Major, Fr. Fabio Attard.

He is the **11th successor of Don Bosco**, called to lead the Salesian Congregation and to perpetuate its charism in the service of young people, especially the poorest and most vulnerable, in 136 nations around the world.

The 220 provincials and delegates, gathered at the historic Mother House of Valdocco in Turin, after an intense journey of synodal discernment, have chosen Fr. Fabio Attard as Rector Major. He fully embodies the contemporary Salesian identity. With his charism, Fr. Fabio will animate and govern a community composed of 13,750 consecrated members, organized into 92 provinces across five continents.