

Charlie Secchia



Charlie Secchia has been an influential business professional for nearly 20 years and is a proven leader with experience in multiple fields. He has built relationships and developed businesses in countries all over the world. Among his strengths, Charlie is very comfortable with technology, is fluent in Italian, and also speaks some Spanish and Russian.

Charlie got his start in 1993 when he joined International Shipping Company Luigi Serra S.P.A. After honing his sales and Italian language skills, he moved on to IFusion, Inc. of New York City in 1996 where he developed his strong understanding of technology and worked in the International Sales Department. He then moved on to LEAR Corporation of Torino, Italy, Detroit, Michigan and Nizhny Novgorod, Russia where he became Business Development Manager, GAZ Project Manager, and International Purchasing Manager.

He managed customer relationships with clients on multiple continents, managed the Global Sales Department in Italy, and ran LEAR's venture in Russia with 650 employees.

After five successful years at LEAR, he became Owner and Manufacturer's Representative of Secchia Ltd. based out of Rome, Italy. At Secchia, he managed all aspects of customers' businesses in Italy and represented American and foreign interior automobile component manufacturers in dealings with Italy's largest car producer.

In 2008, he moved on to become owner and partner of Attico Ventures, LLC & Sibsco, LLC. Attico is a company based in Grand Rapids, MI that deals with property management, commercial real estate investment and asset management. In recent years, Charlie has been appointed to many economic and finance committees, including the Economic Club of Grand Rapids Executive and Membership Committees and Board of Directors. He also served as the Western Michigan Vice Chairman for the Rick Snyder for Michigan Committee.

Charlie helped preserve and restore many historical artifacts in Luxor, Egypt through the Egyptology and Archeology Department of the University of Chicago. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree from John Cabot University in Rome, Italy in 1993 with a major in International Affairs. His hobbies include history/archeology, collecting ancient coins, traveling, and playing soccer.