Filippo Angelo Antonio Palazzo was born in Santa Maria Capua Vetere (CE) on 6 January 1953. Having graduated in 1977 in Electrical Engineering from the University of Palermo with top marks, he joined the Azienda Autonoma delle Ferrovie dello Stato in 1978 following fulfilment of his military service obligations.

With the Ferrovie dello Stato Italiane Group, which Filippo is set to leave in November 2020, he has held a series of management positions in various corporate sectors including Rete Ferroviaria



Italiana, in the role of Infrastructure Director in Cagliari, Movement Director in Palermo, Navigation Director in Rome and Messina, Production Director in Palermo, Head of the Pegasus Business Unit for upgrading 102 small- and medium-sized stations in Southern Italy and, since 2012, Head of Projects Palermo in the Investment Division.

Over the years, Filippo has also held social positions such as CEO of Terminal Tremestieri, President of Terminal Tremestieri, President of Consorzio Metromare dello Stretto, Director of Network Terminali Siciliani, Member of the Port Committee of Messina and Sole Director of Bluferries.

What's more, he is Dean of the Sicilian section of CIFI (the Italian Railway Engineers' College) and a member of the National Council of Assidifer-Federmanager.