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CIRCLE S.p.A.: participates in the European Project EasyLog for the development of the automation of 5 Ro-Ro gates and receives a first assignment of € 81,800

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Circle S.p.A. ("Circle"), company headed by the homonymous group, specialized in the analysis and development of automation and digitalization solutions for the port sectors and intermodal logistics, listed on the AIM Italia market, organized and managed by Borsa Italiana, communicates its participation in the European Project "EasyLog", funded for a total of almost € 2 mln (€ 1,7 from the European Regional Development Fund ERDF), of which Circle has obtained a first assignment of € 81.800.

Easylog aims to facilitate the intermodal mobility of goods between cross-border regions by using ICT technologies to improve accessibility to port nodes. The project, as part of the II Notice of the Interreg Maritime Program 2014-2020, started on July 16th 2018, is on the path of the Go SMarT Med project, coherently with the Circumvectio and GEECCTT Iles projects.

The general objective of EasyLog is to improve the connections of secondary and tertiary nodes of the cooperation area to TEN-T networks, with particular reference to the Ro-Ro traffic (Roll-on/Roll-off). The Interreg Maritime Program 2014-2020 supports the cooperation between the territories of two Member States (France and Italy): Corsica (Haute-Corse and Corse du Sud), Sardinia (provinces of Sassari, Nuoro, Cagliari, Oristano, Olbia-Tempio, Ogliastra, Medio-Campidano, Carbonia-Iglesias), Liguria (provinces of Imperia, Savona, Genoa, La Spezia), the five provinces of the Tuscan coast (Massa-Carrara, Lucca, Pisa, Livorno, Grosseto) and the French departments of the Alpes-Maritimes and the Var, located in the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region (PACA).

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Circle participates in the EasyLog project for the development of the technical part together with CIELI, the Italian Center of Excellence on Logistics Transport and Infrastructures. Circle, thanks to its long experience in the development of innovative technological systems, is part of the European project for the automation of the Ro-Ro gates of the 5 ports which will be used as a test, namely Savona, Livorno, Portoferraio, Olbia, Bastia.

The program focuses in particular on the development and implementation of a new integrated ICT system which allows an optimized management of information and procedural flows between the operators of the cross-border logistics and port supply chain.

Beneficiaries of the program are transporters, port operators, Public Authorities, as well as the territories in general thanks to the increased possibilities of growth deriving from the improvement of the production performances by the transport system. The Cooperation Area includes a portion of the Mediterranean in which over 6.5 million inhabitants are living, characterized by an entrepreneurial and commercial fabric which needs a better development system.

*Established in Genoa in June 2012, **Circle S.p.A.** is a company with distinctive vertical skills in the port sector and intermodal logistics specialized in consulting and in the development of **products for automation and for the Supply Chain digitalization**. The acquisition, at the end of 2017, of 51% of Info.era guaranteed the strengthening of the related **Milos®** and **Sinfomar®** software products, focused on the intermodal logistics sector, inland terminals and port terminals, ports (Port Community System of the Port of Trieste, in example), as well as to MTOs and maritime agencies. During 2019 Circle is further strengthening the solutions portfolio, in the IOT, Optimization, Digital Twin, Big Data, Process Automation sectors and, in July 2019, Circle has acquired 100% of Progetto Adele, a software house specialized in the development of vertical software systems on the Supply Chain with the two **Master SPED** and **Master TRADE** solutions, respectively dedicated to shipping and logistics, and commerce and industry. Furthermore, through the Connecting EU Business Unit, Circle supports Public Entities and Companies by identifying their positioning at European level (**EU Branding**) and funding opportunities (**Project Anticipation**). From October 26th, 2018 Circle is listed on the AIM Italia market of Borsa Italiana (alphanumeric code: CIRC; ISIN code for ordinary shares: IT. 0005344996). Circle is an Innovative SME.*

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