

## PRESS RELEASE

CIRCLE: on a mission in Egypt consolidate the results of the pilot of International Fast & Secure Trade Lane between the ports of Genoa and Alexandria

At the start the phase 2 of the project which involves directly Italian and Egyptian Customs Agencies

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<u>Circle</u> S.p.A., ("*Circle*" or the "*Company*"), company heading the homonymous Group specialized in the analysis and development of automation and digitalization solutions for port and intermodal logistics sectors, listed on Euronext Growth Milan market, took part in the mission in Egypt to consolidate the results of the pilot project - which was developed within' <u>European project FENIX</u> - to realize an International Fast & Secure Trade Lane between the ports of Genoa and Alexandria.

With presence and involvement, besides CIRCLE, of d Italian historical shipping company **Ignazio Messina & C., terminal IMT** in the Port of Genoa and **Ocean Express** in the Port of Alexandria, the positive results in terms of efficiency, speed of operations and security thanks to the installation on containers of eSeals with RFID electronic component have been explained.

The main goal of the collective was the kickoff of phase 2 of the project for a further digitalization with direct involvement of Italian and Egyptian Customs Agencies.

"We are committed to achieving full harmonisation of document flow between all port and logistic players involved in the Corridor between Genoa and Alexandria providing "federative" services developed by Circle Group within' the European project and the pilot" said Luca Abatello, President & CEO at Circle.

This represents a further step forward in the perspective of 2024 "Connect 4 Agile Growth" strategic roadmap with the aim of supporting our clients towards and increasingly usable, smart, green, and federative Supply Chain enabling reduction of costs, pollution, and energy consumption.



CIRCLE Group is the Group specialized in the analysis and development of innovation and digitalization solutions for the port and intermodal logistics sectors headed by Circle S.p.A., Innovative SME listed on the Euronext Growth Milan market of Borsa Italiana since October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (alphanumeric code: CIRC; ISIN code for ordinary shares: IT. 0005344996).

Besides Circle, belong to the Group software houses **Info.era** and **Progetto Adele**, purchased respectively at the end of 2017 and in July 2019.

Synergies between Circle, Info.era and Progetto Adele allowed the Group to expand the portfolio of solutions offered in the fields of IoT, Optimisation, Digital Twin, Big Data and Process Automation, and to strengthen its software products: Milos® - the suite for all players of intermodal logistics such as inland terminals, port terminals, ports, MTOs and shipping agencies, Sinfomar - Port Community System -, Master SPED® and Master TRADE® solutions - respectively dedicated to shipping and logistics, and to commerce and industry.

With Circle Connecting EU, Circle supports Public Entities and Companies by identifying their positioning at European level (EU Branding) and funding opportunities (Project Anticipation).

Moreover, thanks to the joint venture agreement and purchase of Magellan Circle, Portuguese entity delivering advocacy services towards the European Institutions, Circle Connecting EU offers further services at European level, regarding the Iberian Peninsula, having strengthened its presence in Brussels and taken maximum advantages from opportunities linked to the Next Generation EU Recovery Fund. Lastly, Circle leads Log@Sea, network of enterprises to enhance its evolved solutions for Gate Automation of ports and intermodal hubs.

## For further information

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