



PRESS RELEASE

Circle GROUP continues the evolution of the PCS in the Ports of Palermo and Western Sicily

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Circle S.p.A. ("CIRCLE" or the "Company") - an Innovative SME **listed on the Euronext Growth Milan market**, heading the Group specialized in the process analysis and the development of solutions for the digitalization of the port and intermodal logistics sectors, as well as in the international consultancy on Green Deal and energy transition topics – is working on the adaptation and implementation of **the SINFOMAR Port Community System (PCS) for the Port System Authority of the Western Sicily Sea**, within the framework of the PNRR for the digitisation of the logistics chain.

The system serves as a central platform for the delivery of interoperable digital services, improving cohesion among port community actors and operational efficiency. Activated modules include those for ship management, road flows, buffer zones and driver tracking, with full integration to public and private systems.

The project will also include **advanced functionalities** such as digital customs management of the SU.Do.Co. single window, interoperability with the eFTI gate for electronic transport information and documents, and the development of a predictive component based on artificial intelligence to analyse traffic flows and optimise access to port gates. Modules for monitoring dangerous goods, managing port charges, batch booking and passenger data processing according to the IMO FAL 6 standard will also be included, with specific adaptations to the context of the port of Palermo.

This is completed by the introduction of a **Digital Twin** to simulate logistics scenarios and a **Green Dashboard** for the automated calculation of port emissions, with calculations certified according to GLEC and PMIS standards. The solution will be scalable, integrated and ready for further future extensions.

Circle Group, in order to present the latest advancements of the project and share the new functionalities that will be made available through the PCS, takes part today, June 17, to the event **Port Community System - updating functionalities for shipowners and maritime**



operators, organised in Palermo at Palazzina-A-1-Sala Consiglio (30). The aim of the meeting is to illustrate how these innovations can support greater efficiency in information interchange processes, fostering more fluid, transparent and digitised port logistics.

*'With the activation of the Port Community System in Palermo, last July, we have started an important process of digital transformation and dematerialisation of processes, which are increasingly automated and interconnected, and which is now getting into the heart,' says **Luca Lupi, secretary general of the Port System Authority of the Western Sicily Sea**. "We are ready to extend the service to Termini Imerese, Trapani, Porto Empedocle and, in the near future, to the other ports of call and, over the next twelve months, we aim to complete the launch of the digital infrastructure over the entire port network, with the aim of ensuring full interoperability between public and private operators. This will allow us to improve the quality of service, as well as the efficiency and sustainability of freight transport and logistics, while moving towards a significant simplification of procedures. This is a strategic step to increase the competitiveness of our airports, in line with the European directives on the digitalisation of the sector".*

*'Our goal,' says **Luca Abatello, CEO of Circle Group**, "is to support Italian ports in becoming digital and sustainable nodes of European logistics, enhancing advanced technologies and real interoperability between all players in the chain, respecting the objectives of the "**Connect 4 Agile Growth**" business plan. It is a particular pleasure and honour to do so here in Sicily, where in recent years the infrastructural, port and digital evolution has had such an impressive acceleration that we have opened a local office for support and evolutions."*

*Founded in Genoa in 2012, **Circle S.p.A.** is the Innovative SME at the head of the CIRCLE Group, the Group specialising in the analysis and development of products for the **innovation and digitalisation of the port and intermodal logistics sectors and in international consultancy on Green Deal and energy transition issues**.*

*The Group includes the software houses **Info.era, NEXT Freight, Cargo Start, eXyond, Circle Garage**, the consulting companies **Magellan Circle** and **Magellan Circle Italy, NEXT Customs**, as well as the subsidiaries **ACCUDIRE**.*

*The main products are the different **Milos®** suites for various targets, the **Extended Port Community System**, the **MasterSPED®** and **Milos® Global Supply Chain Visibility** solutions for shipping, logistics, trade and industry, respectively, as well as **StarTracking®**, an airport-to-airport tracking solution. Completing the Supply Chain offering are '**Federative Services**', offered in cloud mode, which can make customers' migration to a digital business model more efficient.*

*In the Circle Group's sphere of innovation activities, **Milos® Intelligence** offers a series of advanced solutions that exploit AI technologies for optimisation, simulation and the Digital Twin*



to support the transformation of decision-making processes by promoting the digitalisation of systems.

Through **Magellan Circle** and **Magellan Circle Italy**, the Group operates in the field of advocacy at European institutions, working alongside public bodies and companies, identifying their positioning at European level (**Strategic Communication and Advocacy**) and funding opportunities (**Eu Funding Accelerator**), with a vertical focus on Green Deal and energy transition issues.

With the acquisition of **Cargo Start**, a company specialised in the development and sale of innovative technological products and services for air cargo, Circle has also strengthened its offer in a rapidly expanding and strategic segment with respect to the **Connect 4 Agile Growth** industrial plan.

Through its subsidiary **eXyond** (92%), is active in offering advanced Gate Automation solutions for port and intermodal nodes, in advanced traffic monitoring and management services on the Italian road and motorway network (**Infomobility**), and in the provision of telematic services (**TruckK**), based on proprietary technology platforms, to companies operating in the logistics, transport and insurance sectors.

Circle also owns 21% of the share capital of **ACCUDIRE**, an innovative startup from Verona that provides a **Collaborative Digital Platform** capable of helping players along the global supply chain in the exchange of information and the management of document flows, starting with the **e-CMR** (or electronic waybill) and e-DDT.

Finally, through **NEXT Customs**, active in customs optimisation digital services and functional to the continuation of initiatives aimed at the harmonisation of customs processes, Circle has entered a strongly strategic sphere for the evolution of the **Connect 4 Agile Growth** path.

Circle S.p.A. has been listed on the Euronext Growth Milan market of Borsa Italiana since October 26, 2018 (alphanumeric code: CIRC; ISIN code ordinary shares: IT. 0005344996).

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