

PRESS RELEASE

Circle GROUP: a new contract for digitalisation has been signed, worth approximately EUR 180,000, with a major Mediterranean port

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<u>Circle S.p.A.</u> ("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 – signed a new contract worth EUR 180,000 to launch an ambitious digitalisation project in cooperation with a major Mediterranean Port Authority.

The initiative is part of the Group's strategic activities aimed at innovating port-logistics processes through advanced technologies, interoperability, and compliance with European transport and sustainability regulations.

The project envisages the development of different innovative solutions, ranging from the digitalisation of rail and vehicle traffic, to the optimisation of railway shunting planning in the port context, and the implementation of a "Digital Twin" system for the simulation of port infrastructure scenarios. Among the main planned activities is the realisation of an **API connector** for the management of interoperability between the Port Community System (PCS) and the national eFTI node, with support functions for the management of the electronic Road Waybill (e-CMR), with a view to regulatory and operational compliancy with the main trends in the sector.

'This contract represents further recognition of our commitment to the digital transformation of Mediterranean port logistics,' said **Luca Abatello, CEO of Circle Group**. 'Through the integration of advanced technologies and interoperable solutions, we support ports in their transition towards more efficient, secure and sustainable operating models, perfectly aligned with European policies.'

This new order confirms Circle Group's role as a reference technology partner in the digitalisation of Mediterranean ports, laying the foundations for increasingly integrated and innovative logistics, in line with the objectives of the **"Connect 4 Agile Growth"** industrial plan.



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 plah.

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 (**TrucK**), 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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