



## PRESS RELEASE

### CIRCLE Group joins the Intermonte Valore Italia Index

*The Company was selected among the one hundred listed SMEs that make up the new Index promoted as part of Banca Generali's PMI2Change project, created to foster greater visibility, liquidity, and access to capital for Italian entrepreneurial excellence.*

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**CIRCLE Group** ("CIRCLE" or the "Company") – an Innovative SME listed on the **Euronext Growth Milan** market, heading the eponymous Group specialised in process analysis and the development of solutions for the innovation and digitalisation of the port and intermodal logistics sectors, as well as in international consulting on Green Deal and energy transition matters – proudly announces that it has been selected among the one hundred companies listed on the Italian Stock Exchange that make up the **Intermonte Valore Italia Index**, dedicated to SMEs with a market capitalization of less than one billion euros that are not part of the FTSE MIB.

*"We are proud to become part of the Intermonte Valore Italia Index, an initiative that recognizes the strategic role of listed SMEs in supporting the growth and competitiveness of the Italian system. For CIRCLE Group, this represents a further milestone in the path we have pursued over the years, built on innovation, digitalization, and the development of high-value-added solutions for intermodal logistics, port operations, and the energy transition. Inclusion in the Index is also an opportunity to strengthen our visibility within the financial community and to more effectively support the growth of the Group as outlined in our Connect 4 Agile Growth plan,"* commented **Luca Abatello, CEO of CIRCLE Group**.

The Index was created with the aim of enhancing the universe of listed Italian small and medium-sized enterprises, forming a meeting point between entrepreneurship, capital markets, and the national economic system. It represents a genuine cross-section of the best expertise in the Italian economy, helping to broaden and diversify investment opportunities compared to traditional indices, for both domestic and international investors.

Companies are selected through rigorous technical and financial criteria designed to ensure adequate levels of liquidity, transparency, and investability, including: minimum free float, solid governance standards, analyst coverage, financial sustainability and debt levels, as well as representativeness within the Index itself.



The Index is part of **PMI2Change**, Banca Generali's innovative project presented on July 1, 2026 at Palazzo Mezzanotte, home of Borsa Italiana, which aims to support the growth and competitiveness of Italian entrepreneurs by fostering the development of listed domestic SMEs. The project addresses the issue of limited liquidity and valuation of listed SMEs, helping to create the best conditions for a more efficient match between capital and businesses.

The initiative draws on the expertise of Intermonte, a leading Italian operator with over thirty years of experience in financial markets — particularly in SME research, sales & trading, market making, and investment banking — an integral part of the Banca Generali Group since early 2025.

Building on the Index, Banca Generali, together with Investlinx and Intermonte, has launched a new actively managed, PIR-compliant ETF, operational since July 1, which is and will be investing primarily in the universe defined by the Index. Banca Generali has committed to supporting the launch of the instrument with an initial fundraising of 100 million euros in the first few months, with a gradual increase in exposure up to 500 million euros in the medium term. It is estimated that the initiative could help generate new investment flows of 1-2 million euros per day, representing over 5% of the Index's free float.

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**Founded in Genoa in 2012, Circle S.p.A. is the Innovative SME heading Circle Group**, listed on Euronext Growth Milan since 2018 and specialised in process analysis and the development of solutions for the innovation and digitalisation of the port and intermodal logistics sectors, as well as in international consulting on Green Deal and energy transition matters.

The Group includes the software houses **Info.era**, **NEXT Freight**, **eXyond**, **Cargo Start**, **QMap**, the consulting firms **Magellan Circle** and **Magellan Circle Italy**, **NEXT Customs**, and the associate company **ACCUDIRE**.

In the field of digital innovation, the **Milos® Intelligence** platform integrates advanced AI, simulation and Digital Twin technologies to support decision-making processes and systems digitalisation, with solutions such as the **Extended Port Community System**, **MasterSPED®**, **Milos® TOS**, **Milos® MTO**, **Milos® TFP**, **Milos® Global Supply Chain Visibility** and **StarTracking**. Complementing the offer, **Federated Services (cloud-based)** enable a more efficient migration towards digital business models.

Through **Magellan Circle** and **Magellan Circle Italy**, the Group operates in Brussels and across Europe in advocacy activities with European Institutions, supporting public bodies and companies with **Strategic Communication and Advocacy** and **EU Funding Accelerator** services, with a focus on the Green Deal and energy transition.

With **Cargo Start**, specialised in technology solutions for air cargo, Circle has strengthened its offering in a segment that is strategic to the Connect 4 Agile Growth industrial plan. With **eXyond**, the Group is active in advanced infomobility services (**InfoBluNewGen**) and telematics solutions for the logistics, transport and insurance sectors (**Kmaster**).

Circle also holds a 20% stake in the innovative start-up **ACCUDIRE**, which provides a collaborative platform for document management along global supply chains, starting from e-CMR and e-DDT (electronic consignment notes). With **NEXT Customs**, the Group develops digital customs optimisation services, contributing to process harmonisation in line with the strategic directions of Connect 4 Agile Growth.



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

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