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NEXTALIA WELCOMES CONFINDUSTRIA AS A NEW SHAREHOLDER OF THE SGR

Milan, 14 April 2022. **Nextalia SGR** welcomes **Confindustria** as a new shareholder of the SGR through a capital increase with the exclusion of pre-emptive rights.

The presence of Confindustria within Nextalia's ownership structure, which already counts a number of leading institutional investors including Intesa Sanpaolo, UnipolSai Assicurazioni, Coldiretti and Micheli Associati, will further enhance the private and institutional profile of Nextalia.

Given Nextalia's unique mission to support the development of Italian high growth potential companies, Confindustria represents a strategic partner able to support Nextalia in the pursuit of its ambitious goals.

Emanuele Orsini, Vice President of Confindustria for Credit, Finance and Tax, commented: *"As we navigate the complexities of the current environment, and the increasing importance of digitalisation and ESG, it is becoming increasingly imperative to support companies in their growth process and increase their competitive positioning. Nextalia shares Confindustria's core values and objective of supporting Italy's distinctive industrial heritage. As such, this partnership will enable to further support Italian SMEs to overcome today's challenges".*

Francesco Canzonieri, CEO of Nextalia, commented: *"It is a privilege to welcome Confindustria within Nextalia's ownership structure. Confindustria represents the ideal shareholder and strategic partner for Nextalia, given our mission to become the reference platform for private market investments in Italy. By leveraging Confindustria's extensive know-how and strong network, I am confident that we will be able to further strengthen our ability to accelerate the development and expansion of high growth potential companies, representing the excellence of the Italian economy".*

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Nextalia SGR S.p.A.

Nextalia is an asset management company established by Francesco Canzonieri together with leading Italian institutional investors (Intesa Sanpaolo, UnipolSai Assicurazioni, Coldiretti and Micheli Associati). The Company aims to invest in the real economy and promote sustainable growth. Nextalia acts as the reference platform for private market investments in Italy, leveraging its proprietary network and in-house professional capabilities. Nextalia has established "Nextalia Private Equity", a closed-end alternative investment fund under Italian law, reserved to professional investors and focused on Italian SMEs.

Confindustria

Confindustria is the main association representing manufacturing and service companies in Italy, with more than 150 thousand member companies of all sizes employing a total of five million people.
Its mission is to promote the establishment of companies, acting as an engine of economic, social and civil growth for the Country. In this context, it defines common paths and shares objectives and initiatives across business and finance, national, European and international Institutions, public administration, Social Parties, culture and research, science and technology, politics, information and civil society.
In addition to the headquarters in Rome and the Delegation in Brussels, a reference point for the entire Italian System within the European Union, Confindustria's added value is its network of 223 Member Organizations present across the territory and representing different sectors. Confindustria has also expanded its network abroad with the establishment of large associations representing Italian companies.

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