

MARE GROUP BRINGS ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE TO THE AGRIFOOD SUPPLY CHAIN WITH THE “SPINTA” PROJECT FUNDED BY MIMIT

- €3 million project, funded by MIMIT under the FRI – Critical Technologies STEP program
- Project duration: 36 months, with activities starting by the end of 2025

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Mare Group S.p.A. (ticker **MARE.MI**), an engineering company listed on Euronext Growth Milan and active in Italy and abroad in innovation through enabling technologies ("**Mare Group**" or the "**Company**"), announces that the Ministry of Enterprises and Made in Italy (MIMIT) has approved the research and development project **SPINTA – "Development of artificial intelligence technologies for process efficiency and quality assurance in the agrifood supply chain"** (the "Project") for the benefits provided under the **Revolving Fund for Sustainable Growth – Critical Technologies STEP**.

The Project has total eligible costs of **€2,974,400.41**. For Mare Group, as project leader, this includes €2,376,846.01 in eligible costs, supported by a subsidized loan of €1,188,423.00 and a non-repayable grant of €594,211.50.

The application of AI to the agrifood supply chain is of strategic importance for the development of the country. For this reason, Mare Group will prioritize the Project (with a planned duration of 36 months), starting activities by the end of 2025.

The main areas of activity are:

- introduction of **LLM models** to automate and strengthen food traceability;
- application of **artificial intelligence algorithms** to optimize the energy efficiency of industrial processes;
- development of a **core platform** for ingesting and processing heterogeneous industrial data in real time.

The Project, carried out in partnership with Youbiquo S.r.l., assigns Mare Group the role of coordinator, responsible for the study, modeling, and development of AI algorithms for energy efficiency, as well as validation and testing of the final solution in an experimental environment.

Marco Bellucci, President and R&D Director of Mare Group, stated: *“SPINTA is a highly applicable research project, aimed at developing artificial intelligence tools capable of directly impacting productivity and quality in industrial sectors strategic for Italy, such as the agrifood sector. In line with Mare Group’s vision, the SPINTA project will enable the development of operational platforms ready to be adopted within supply chains, accelerating digital transformation processes.”*

This press release is available on the Company's website <https://www.maregroup.it/investor-relations> and on the authorized system for the transmission and storage of regulated information "1INFO" at <https://www.1info.it> ("1MARKET" section).

About the Company

Founded in 2001, Mare Group is an engineering company listed on Euronext Growth Milan with a model based on proprietary technology platforms. With more than 2,000 clients, a team of over 500 people, and 25 operational and commercial offices in 5 countries, Mare Group is a key player in the innovation ecosystem. Significant investments in R&D and the 16 acquisitions completed since 2019, followed by subsequent mergers, demonstrate the Group's strong ability to integrate complementary resources and technologies to expand its product portfolio and increase its market presence.

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