

MARE GROUP STRENGTHENS ITS POSITION WITH NIDO: DUAL-USE DRONES AND AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS.

- INVESTMENT IN THE ITALIAN STARTUP DEVELOPING PHYSICAL AI PLATFORMS AND AUTONOMOUS GUIDANCE SYSTEMS FOR DRONES
- AGREEMENT TO ACQUIRE 20% OF THE SHARE CAPITAL, WITH AN OPTION FOR CONTROL (51%) WITHIN 24 MONTHS

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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 on 8 June 2026 it signed an agreement to enter the share capital of NIDO S.r.l. (“**NIDO**” or the “**Target**”), a startup focused on the design and production of unmanned systems with autonomous guidance and related artificial intelligence technologies, through the subscription of a share capital increase (the “**Transaction**”).

The Transaction follows a strategic path initiated in 2024 with the entry into the share capital of UST Italia, from which the NIDO platform originated, and which has evolved with the recent Aerospace & Defence orders announced on 5 June 2026, relating to systems engineering for remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS).

NIDO develops the **technology platform NIDO®**, an integrated system comprising the H815 drone with modular payloads, a docking station for recharging and storage, and the proprietary NIDO Core computing module. The system enables beyond visual line of sight (BVLOS) operations. **Autonomous guidance** and onboard data processing, with remote human supervision and **mixed reality** support, allow the management of take-off, navigation, landing and recharging even without connectivity.

The platform has high-value applications in critical sectors: inspection of roads and infrastructure, structural monitoring of pipelines and energy networks, *precision farming* with AI multispectral analysis, emergency management and perimeter surveillance. The dual-use architecture also opens prospects in the security and defence sector.

The Transaction provides for an initial investment of Euro 50,000.00, in exchange for the attribution to Mare Group of a 20% stake in NIDO's share capital. At the same time, Mare Group is granted the right to increase its stake up to control, equal to 51% of the share capital, exercisable within 24 months of the initial investment through a capital increase, the purchase of stakes from the current shareholders, or a combination of the two. For the purposes of any exercise of the right, the Enterprise Value of the Target is determined by applying a multiple of 7 times EBITDA, with a reference value in any case not lower than Euro 1,500,000.00.

The Transaction does not fall among the significant transactions referred to in Article 12 of the Euronext Growth Milan Issuers' Regulation.

Antonio Maria Zinno, CEO of Mare Group, stated: “*System autonomy and artificial intelligence applied to the physical world are among the most compelling frontiers of European industry. With NIDO we add to Mare Group a proprietary technology with immediate applications in sectors where we already operate with growing activities. The option to increase up to control reflects our approach to growth: building long-term industrial platforms together with entrepreneurs, drawing on their skills, vision and capacity for innovation.*”

This press release is available on the Company's website <https://www.maregroup.it/investor-relations> and on the authorised storage and dissemination system for regulated information “1INFO” available at <https://www.1info.it/>.

Mare Group

Founded in 2001, Mare Group is a High-Technology Engineering company operating in strategic sectors such as Aerospace & Defence, Industry & Transportation, and Critical Infrastructure & Construction, with over 2,000 clients and a subsidiary dedicated to SMEs. Listed on Euronext Growth Milan, the company operates through an asset-light model based on proprietary platforms, with more than 700 people, 35 offices in 5 countries and the experience of over 30 research projects completed with Italian and international universities. The 19 acquisitions and subsequent integrations carried out since 2019 make Mare Group one of the leading independent players in innovative engineering, in Italy and Europe.

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