

PRESS RELEASE

INTESA SANPAOLO PROVIDES FINANCING OF €50 MILLION TO SDF FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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- **Filippo Simonetti (Chief Financial Officer & I.T. Executive Director of SDF):** *"SDF has always been attentive to quality and work ethics, respect for the environment and the well-being of communities. The trust placed in us by Intesa Sanpaolo, with the important financing project in our favour, supports our vision of sustainable innovation."*

Milan, 10 August 2021 - **Intesa Sanpaolo** and **SDF**, an Italian multinational company that is one of the world leaders in the production of tractors, harvesting machinery and diesel engines, have signed a loan agreement for an amount of €50 million aimed at achieving specific targets related to sustainability.

The transaction, structured by Intesa Sanpaolo's **IMI Corporate & Investment Banking Division**, headed by **Mauro Micillo**, consists of a 3-year credit line with an interest rate index-linked to the Euribor rate and is characterised by a pricing mechanism linked to the achievement of specific ESG (Environmental, Social, Governance) targets.

The loan confirms the company's strong commitment to a model aimed at improving environmental performance and introducing social sustainability criteria throughout its supply chain.

The ESG objectives linked to the operation, in fact, envisage on the one hand an increasing use of energy from renewable sources for internal production, to cover 100% of the energy needs of the Treviglio plant by 2022 and, on the other hand, screening to ensure the transparency and traceability of suppliers selected on the basis of social sustainability criteria.

*"The agreement with SDF demonstrates how the topic of environmental and social sustainability is increasingly central to the strategic and operational choices of companies, even in the Automotive & Industrials sector, in which SDF represents an international excellence - says **Fabio Matti, Head of Industry Automotive & Industrials - Global Corporate Department of Intesa Sanpaolo's IMI Corporate & Investment Banking Division**. The transaction with SDF also has unique features in that the ESG objectives linked to the loan aim to involve the company's entire supply chain by introducing social sustainability criteria and encouraging a virtuous path throughout the entire supply chain. The Intesa Sanpaolo Group thus confirms its commitment to supporting Italy's ESG transformation, by bolstering companies that aim to improve their sustainability profile."*

*"SDF has always been attentive to quality and work ethics, respect for the environment and the well-being of communities - declares **Filippo Simonetti, Chief Financial Officer & I.T. Executive Director of SDF**. This commitment sees us increasingly active in the use of renewable energy sources and in the selection of partners who share our ESG vision. The trust placed in us by Intesa Sanpaolo, with the important financing project in our favour, supports our vision of sustainable innovation."*

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SDF

SDF is an Italian multinational with headquarters in Treviglio (Province of Bergamo). It is a world leader in the production of tractors, agricultural machinery and diesel engines. It distributes its products under the SAME, DEUTZ-FAHR, Lamborghini Trattori, Hürlimann and Grégoire brands. The tractors cover a power range from 25 to 336 CV and the harvesting machinery reaches up to 395 CV. In almost half a century of operation, the company has been a driving force of mechanisation in the agricultural sector, as well as a key player in a successful process of internationalisation and digital transformation of agriculture. It currently makes “smart tractors”, with the aim of increasing operational and production efficiency from an Agriculture 4.0 perspective. SDF has eight production sites, twelve sales offices, two joint ventures, 155 importers and over 3,100 dealers and employs more than 4,000 people worldwide. In 2020, the company recorded revenues of Euro 1,146 million and an EBITDA of 9.5%. www.sdfgroup.com

Intesa Sanpaolo

Intesa Sanpaolo is the leading Bank in Italy and one of the soundest and most profitable banks in Europe. It offers commercial, corporate investment banking, asset management and insurance services. The Intesa Sanpaolo Group has approximately 13.5 million customers in Italy who are assisted through both digital and traditional channels and 7.2 million customers abroad with subsidiaries operating in commercial banking in 12 countries in Central Eastern Europe and Middle Eastern and North African areas and an international network of specialists in support of corporate customers across 25 countries. Intesa Sanpaolo is recognized as one of the most sustainable banks in the world. For the Group, creating value means being a driver for growth, for the benefit of both society and the economy. As regards the environment, the Group has set up a 6-billion-euro fund for the circular economy. Intesa Sanpaolo supports major economic inclusion and poverty reduction projects, including an impact fund of 1.5 billion euro for loans available to social groups who struggle to access credit. Intesa Sanpaolo has a high level of involvement in cultural initiatives, organised by the Bank or in collaboration with other entities in Italy and further afield. These include permanent and temporary exhibitions showcasing the Bank’s impressive artistic heritage at the Gallerie d’Italia, the Group’s museums located in Milan, Naples, Vicenza and soon Turin.

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