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# Capital increase reserved for institutional investors approved

Salcef Group S.p.A. approved a share capital increase reserved for institutional investors aimed at supporting its M&A strategy and meeting the free float requirements to join the STAR segment

Accelerated bookbuilding procedure launched for the placement of new shares reserved for institutional investors

Rome, 30 September 2021 - The Board of Directors of Salcef Group S.p.A. ("**Salcef**" or the "**Company**"), listed on the MTA segment of the Italian Stock Exchange, today approved to execute the power under Article 2443 of the Civil Code, granted by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of 5 October 2020, to increase the divisible paid-in share capital, with exclusion of pre-emption rights as per Article 2441, paragraph 4, second period of the Civil Code, for a maximum nominal amount of Euro 50,000,000.00, by issuing a maximum 2,000,000 new ordinary shares, without par value (the "**Share Capital Increase**").

The newly-issued shares will be offered for subscription through an accelerated bookbuilding procedure by means of private placement reserved for qualifying investors (as per Article 2, paragraph 1, letter e), of Regulation (EU) 2017/1129 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017, the "**Prospectus Regulation**") (the "**Qualifying Investors**") in the European Economic Area and institutional investors overseas (excluding the United States of America, Canada, Japan, South Africa and any other country or jurisdiction in which the offer or sale of such shares is prohibited by law or in the absence of exemptions) (the "**Accelerated Bookbuilding**"), without publication of a public offering and listing prospectus in view of the exemptions provided for in the applicable regulations.

#### **Reasons for and use of the Share Capital Increase**

The proposed transaction will allow the Company to quickly and efficiently find risk capital to be used to continue its growth and expansion plan, also through acquisitions, in line with the strategic quidelines.

Furthermore, the proposed Share Capital Increase pursues the purpose, consistent with the attribution to the Board of Directors of the power, pursuant to art. 2443 cc, to increase the share capital resolved by the extraordinary shareholders' meeting of 5 October 2020, to broaden the shareholder base, with a consequent increase in the free float and liquidity of Salcef stock. Anyhow, in case the Share Capital Increase

The Salcef Group has been operating for over 70 years in the development and innovation of sustainable mobility infrastructures. It is a global player in the maintenance, renewal, construction and electrification of railway and urban transport infrastructure, as well as in the construction and sale of railway machines and the production of reinforced concrete structures. Maintenance and renewal of railway and urban infrastructure form the core business and account for 71% of volumes. Established in 1949, Salcef has been controlled by the Salciccia family since 1975 and it is currently led by brothers Gilberto and Valeriano Salciccia, in the roles of Chairman and Chief Executive Officer respectively. The Group has 6 Operative Business Units and is present on 4 continents. It employs more than 1,400 highly specialized resources and in 2020 recorded revenues for 340 million euro. The Salcef Group is based in Italy and since December 2020 it has been listed on the "Mercato Telematico Azionario" of the Italian Stock Exchange (Borsa Italiana: SCF; Reuters: SCFG.MI; Bloomberg: SCF:IM).







is not fully subscribed, the aforementioned power will remain valid and may be exercised for the residual part under the terms and conditions set forth therein.

The transaction, together with the additional actions that may be implemented, is also functional to support the prerequisites for the possible access of Salcef's share to the STAR segment of the *Mercato Telematico Azionario*. This transition, if carried out, would allow the Company to further increase its visibility towards Italian and foreign investors, in consideration of the specific characteristics of this Segment and its challenging requirements in terms of liquidity, transparency and corporate governance. In order to align the governance of the Company to the Corporate Governance Code adopted by Borsa Italiana and to the best practices of companies with shares listed on the STAR segment, today the Board of Directors has integrated the composition of the Control and Risk Committee, following the resignation of the director Alessandro Di Paolo as a member of such Committee, appointing the independent director Bruno Pavesi. In light of the above, today the Board also resolved to approve, under the conditions required by Borsa Italiana, the submission of the request for transfer of Salcef's share to the STAR segment of the *Mercato Telematico Azionario*.

#### **Terms of the transaction**

The placement price of the newly issued shares from the Share Capital Increase will be determined, upon completion of the Accelerated Bookbuilding, on the basis of the criteria established by the Board of Directors. The Independent Audit Firm KPMG issued its opinion on the criteria for determining the price as per Article 2441, paragraph 4, second period of the Civil Code. The bookbuilding activity begins immediately and may be completed at any time. The final terms will be promptly announced to the market.

In the context of the transaction, as per the practice for similar transactions, the Company has entered into 120-day lock-up commitments, as well as on behalf of the controlling shareholder Finhold S.r.l. into 90-day lock-up commitments.

## **Documentation relating to the Share Capital Increase**

The documentation relating to the Share Capital Increase will be made available on the "eMarket Storage" authorised storage mechanism (www.emarketstorage.it) and on the Company's website (<a href="www.salcef.com">www.salcef.com</a>, Investor Relations/2021 Share Capital Increase).

Banca Akros and Intesa Sanpaolo are acting as Joint Global Coordinator and Joint Bookrunner of the Accelerated Bookbuilding.





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