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*Testo del comunicato*

ASTM updates its Sustainability-Linked Financing Framework. Moody's assigns ASTM's new framework a Sustainability Quality Score of SQS2 (Very Good). ASTM signs €450m Sustainability-Linked Back-Up Revolving Credit Facility

## ASTM UPDATES ITS SUSTAINABILITY-LINKED FINANCING FRAMEWORK

### MOODY'S ASSIGNS ASTM'S NEW FRAMEWORK A SUSTAINABILITY QUALITY SCORE OF SQS2 (VERY GOOD)

### ASTM SIGNS €450M SUSTAINABILITY-LINKED BACK-UP REVOLVING CREDIT FACILITY

- **ASTM'S Sustainability-Linked Financing Framework is aligned with the main international reference standards.**
- **The new SLFF incorporates Targets for the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs):**
  - **KPIs 1&2: reduction of direct and indirect Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions;**
  - **KPI 3: installation of EV charging stations in 100% of ASTM network service areas by 2026.**
- **Moody's states that ASTM's:**
  - **KPIs are relevant, core and material to business;**
  - **Alignment with ICMA SLBP and SLLP is "Best Practices",**
  - **Contribution to sustainability is "Significant",**
- **New €450M RCF with a 5-year tenor adds to ASTM's financial flexibility.**

*Tortona, 19 May 2023.* **ASTM S.p.A.**, a world leader in the management of motorway networks and in the design and construction of major infrastructure works, published last Friday May 12 its updated **Sustainability-Linked Financing Framework** ("SLFF"), evidencing how sustainability is integrated into the Group's business and financing strategy.

**Moody's Investor Service** provided a Second Party Opinion ("SPO") which assigned ASTM's SLFF a Sustainability Quality Score of **SQS2** (Very Good), based on its alignment with the International Capital Market Association's (ICMA) Sustainability-Linked Bond Principles (SLBP) 2020 and Loan Market Association (LMA) Sustainability-Linked Loan Principles (SLLP) 2023 and ASTM's contribution to sustainability. Both the SLFF and the SPO are available on the Company website (<https://www.astm.it/en/sustainable-finance/>).

In the updated SLFF ASTM has selected targets for three Key Performance Indicators ("KPI"):

- **KPI 1.** reduction of GHG emissions classified as Scope 1 and 2 by 54% by 2030, compared to a 2020 baseline;
- **KPI 2.** reduction of GHG emissions classified as Scope 3 by 11.1% by 2030, compared to a 2021 baseline;
- **KPI 3.** installation of electric vehicle charging stations in 100% of Service Areas along the motorway networks managed by ASTM Group in Italy and Brazil by 2026;

ASTM has also established KPI 1 intermediate targets for 2026 and 2028 and a KPI 2 intermediate target for 2028. ASTM's CO<sub>2</sub> emission reduction targets have been validated by Science Based Target initiative (SBTi). BNP Paribas, Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank and UniCredit acted as Joint Sustainability Structuring Advisors for the update of the SLFF and the related SPO.

### **€450 Million Sustainability-Linked Revolving Credit Facility**

On 16 May 2023 ASTM has signed a 450 million euro, 5-years tenor, Backup Committed Sustainability-Linked Revolving Credit Facility ("RCF") which further strengthens the Group's liquidity profile and adds to its financial flexibility.

Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, Intesa Sanpaolo (IMI Corporate & Investment Banking Division) and UniCredit acted as Underwriters and Joint Sustainability Coordinators for the RCF.

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