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## NB RENAISSANCE WINS ITALIA DEL MERITO AWARD

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- The award further affirms NB Renaissance's position as one of the most prominent players in Italian private equity

*Milan, Wednesday 12 April 2023* – NB Renaissance is delighted to announce that it has won the *Italia del Merito* Award, bestowed under the patronage of the European Parliament and the Presidency of *Assemblea Capitolina* and in the presence of Nobel Peace Laureate Riccardo Valentini.

Now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year, the *Italia del Merito* Award is one of the most prestigious awards in Italy and recognizes NB Renaissance's leadership in promoting economic growth, digitalization, sustainability and ESG. The jury gave special praise to NB Renaissance for its partnership with family-owned companies and entrepreneurs to drive growth, create new jobs and manage succession. NB Renaissance received further recognition for promoting managerialization, digitalization and sustainability for its portfolio companies. Last but not least, the award recognized NB Renaissance's commitment to ESG and the integration of ESG and sustainability practices by all NB Renaissance portfolio companies.

With respect to ESG practices in specific, the jury commended NB Renaissance for its comprehensive ESG Policy, dedicated ESG team and a PRI Rating at Group level of A+, the highest possible rating. NB Renaissance was further complimented for strengthening the commitment of its portfolio companies to sustainability, from rendering production processes more sustainable, to reporting annually on sustainability at portfolio company level.

The award selection process was extremely rigorous and included over 200 contestants. The jury took into consideration both financial results and ESG factors and gave special attention to the promotion of innovation and Italian excellence, as well as the adoption of best-in-class ESG practices by portfolio companies.

**Fabio Canè, NB Renaissance Senior Partner and Co-Founder** said: "The *Italia del Merito* Award is a testament of our successful partnership with family-owned companies to drive growth and create value through ESG integration. Our portfolio companies have conquered new markets, strengthened their leadership positions and created thousands of new jobs over the last few years, while at the same time expanding their sustainability footprint. We would like to congratulate all of our management teams."

## **NB RENAISSANCE**

NB Renaissance is an investment firm with a focus on companies with high growth potential. NB Renaissance currently manages over €2.3 billion in assets and is invested in 12 companies with an aggregate turnover of approximately €6 billion. The investment strategy is focused on four main investment themes: IT & software, sustainability, healthcare and specialized industrials (high value added intermediate products). Growth initiatives are at the heart of NB Renaissance's value creation model. NB Renaissance partners with entrepreneurs and managers to support the growth path of each portfolio company.