

PRESS RELEASE

ANIMA GROUP ACQUIRES HALLDIS' ACTIVITIES

Milan, 7 *August 2024* - Anima Holding S.p.A. (EXM:ANIM) announces the acquisition, by its subsidiary Castello SGR ("Castello"), of the operating business unit of Halldis S.p.A. ("Halldis"), a company active in the professional management of residential properties offered for rental. The acquisition took place through a recently established instrumental company, Vita Srl ("Vita").

The cash consideration amounts to €2.6 million. Additionally, Halldis has acquired a 21% stake in the instrumental company Vita. On this stake, a *put and call* mechanism is envisaged after the end of a five-year lock-up period; its value will be based on the EBITDA generated in the twelve months prior to the exercise of the option.

As of December 31, 2023, Halldis had 534 real estate units under management in primary Italian tourist destinations, with revenues of ca. €9 million and profitability in sharp recovery after the serious industry crisis brought about by the pandemic, followed by a restructuring plan implemented by the owners and management.

In a vigorously growing market characterized by the presence of medium and small operators Castello, thanks to the solid experience gained in the residential and hospitality sector but also to the operational efficiency and scalability of Halldis' business model, aims to acquire a leadership position featuring excellent synergies with the existing business, with the goal of offering investors integrated solutions of Assets-, Fund-, and Property management.

CompassRock Real Estate, an established international company in the reference sector, has been selected as the industrial partner for the new business and has acquired 2.95% of Vita as part of the collaboration agreement.

ANIMA is a leading Italian independent asset management operator, with €197.8 billion of assets under management at the end of June 2024. A synthesis of different complementary paths and specializations, ANIMA nowadays offers one of the largest ranges of investment solutions available on the market, addressed to institutional as well as retail and private investors. The Group promotes and manages open and closed-end investment schemes, SICAVs, the Arti & Mestieri pension fund as well as private wealth and institutional asset management services. For further information, please visit <u>www.animaholding.it</u>

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