

PRESS RELEASE

**NEXTALIA SGR SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES FUNDRAISING FOR NEXTALIA VENTURES, HITTING 150 MILLION EURO HARD CAP**

**NEXTALIA SGR AUM RISE TO 1.3 BILLION EURO WITH THE CLOSING OF THE THIRD FUND SINCE INCEPTION**

*Milan, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024* – Nextalia SGR S.p.A. announces the completion of the fundraising for "**Nextalia Ventures**," a closed-end alternative fund for professional investors (the "**Fund**"), just six months after the start of marketing.

The Fund reached its hard cap target of Euro 150 million, securing subscriptions from a prominent investor base composed of:

- 40% from pension funds and institutional investors;
- 30% from Italian banking and insurance groups;
- 30% from family offices and entrepreneurs (including the commitment of Nextalia SGR).

VenturItaly II, CDP Venture Capital SGR's new fund of funds dedicated to investing in highly innovative companies, is among the investors in the Fund.

**Nextalia Ventures' investment strategy** focuses on technology **startups and scale-ups** in the **early growth and mid-growth stages**, operating in Italy, Europe (including the UK), and the United States. The Fund aims to position itself as the go-to partner for entrepreneurs developing **innovative solutions in the B2B Software and Services sectors**, with a particular focus on Fintech, Insurtech, Edtech, Agritech, and Healthtech. Nextalia Ventures will also focus on investments that promote environmental sustainability, social inclusion, education, and the responsible use of technology, believing that **technological innovation can be a powerful driver of concrete and sustainable change**.

The Fund is managed by an **investment committee chaired by Francesco Canzonieri**, together with Investment Team Co-Heads **Attilio Mazzilli** and **Sergio Zocchi** and Partner **Federico Lonoce**. The Investment Team also draws on the expertise of Investment Director **Fiammetta Mataloni** and Investment Analyst **Federico Valla**.

**Francesco Canzonieri**, CEO of Nextalia SGR, commented: "Reaching the hard cap target in such a short time, thanks to the renewed trust of investors, confirms Nextalia's role as a key player in the Italian market. Nextalia Ventures is a key milestone in our growth strategy, allowing us to contribute to building the technological infrastructure essential to the country's economy, always with the aim of creating value for our investors. Investments in technology lead to a virtuous circle, stimulating innovation and renewing the entrepreneurial system, and Nextalia can be the strategic partner of choice to attract the attention of other international investors as well."

"The exceptional outcome of Nextalia Ventures – commented **Attilio Mazzilli** and **Sergio Zocchi**, Co-Heads of Nextalia Ventures – will allow us to support visionary entrepreneurs in key technology sectors. We are confident that our collaborative approach and the experience of the team will be instrumental in accelerating the growth of the companies we invest in, promoting innovative and sustainable solutions. The Fund will operate with an international investment perspective, recognizing that the technology sector is not limited by national borders but is easily scalable globally."

Nextalia and the Investment Team will be supported by a select group of Strategic Advisors, international professionals with unique strategic, technical, and commercial knowledge of the Fund's sectors of interest.

Nextalia has been assisted by Giovannelli e Associati for regulatory matters and by Gatti Pavesi Bianchi Ludovici for tax matters.

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