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## **Ardian strengthens its commitment to Dedalus, driving the next phase of growth with a new investment and the appointment of a new Group CEO**

- Ardian agreed to increase its stake in Dedalus to 92%, with founder Giorgio Moretti retaining a 6% stake in the Company and remaining board member
- Alberto Calcagno appointed Group CEO and Andrea Fiumicelli made Chairman

A consortium led by Ardian, a world leading private investment house, has agreed to acquire an additional 19% stake in Dedalus, a leading European player in the healthcare software industry, from founder Giorgio Moretti. Subject to customary authorizations by the competent authorities, upon completion of the transaction, the consortium led by Ardian will indirectly hold a 92% stake in the Company, with Moretti retaining a 6% stake and a seat in the board.

The agreement aims to support Dedalus through a new phase of expansion.

As part of this growth plan, Alberto Calcagno, former CEO of Italian ICT company Fastweb, which has seen significant constant growth over the past 10 years, has been appointed as new CEO, effective from October 18.

Andrea Fiumicelli, who has managed Dedalus over the last few years and contributed significantly to the company's further development through several strategic M&A deals, has been appointed Chairman.

*"Ardian is fully committed to supporting Dedalus throughout its next period of growth, in which it aims to serve its clients and deliver its mission of improving healthcare for over 500 million patients globally. Ardian and I want to thank Giorgio Moretti for his vision and execution since our initial investment".*

- MARCO BELLINO • MANAGING DIRECTOR, ARDIAN BUYOUT

*"After a long journey that began in Florence 40 years ago, the time has come for Dedalus to expand. This agreement will help the company to further invest in innovation, in line with our mission. Alberto Calcagno will bring strong skills and new energy to the Group's operations and future strategic development. I will remain a shareholder in Dedalus, together with my longtime partner Three Hills, fully supporting the new CEO and the company's project".*

• GIORGIO MORETTI • FOUNDER, DEDALUS

*"I am very happy to join Dedalus to drive its ambitious growth plans. Today, the healthcare software industry is privileged to have the responsibility of leading on critical digital transformation to improve the well-being of millions of patients. Dedalus' mission is to accelerate and deliver this change as soon as possible".*

• ALBERTO CALCAGNO • NEW CEO, DEDALUS

*"In the last four years we have successfully re-designed our software portfolio and established sales and delivery operations in 25 countries. This new governance structure strengthens our commitment to our mission and future clients. We aim to deliver faster innovation and high-quality services, be the best employer in the sector and serve our shareholders' ambitions".*

• ANDREA FIUMICELLI • NEW CHAIRMAN, DEDALUS

Ardian has invested in Dedalus in several stages since 2016, supporting a strong M&A strategy which has seen the Company become a pan-European leader in its sector.

## **ABOUT ARDIAN**

Ardian is a world-leading private investment house, managing or advising \$156bn of assets on behalf of more than 1,470 clients globally. Our broad expertise, spanning Private Equity, Real Assets and Credit, enables us to offer a wide range of investment opportunities and respond flexibly to our clients' differing needs. Through Ardian Customized Solutions we create bespoke portfolios that allow institutional clients to specify the precise mix of assets they require and to gain access to funds managed by leading third-party sponsors. Private Wealth Solutions offers dedicated services and access solutions for private banks, family offices and private institutional investors worldwide. Ardian's main shareholding group is its employees and we place great emphasis on developing its people and fostering a collaborative culture based on collective intelligence. Our 1,050+ employees, spread across 16 offices in Europe, the Americas, Asia and Middle East are strongly committed to the principles of Responsible Investment and are determined to make finance a force for good in society. Our goal is to deliver excellent investment performance combined with high ethical standards and social responsibility.

At Ardian we invest all of ourselves in building companies that last.

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## **ABOUT DEDALUS**

Founded in 1982 in Florence by Giorgio Moretti, Dedalus Group is the leading healthcare and diagnostic software provider in Europe, supporting globally the digital transformation of 6700 Healthcare Organisations and 5700 Labs and Diagnostic centres worldwide, processing its solutions for more than 540 millions of population worldwide. Dedalus offer supports the whole continuum of care, offering open standards-based solutions serving each actor of the Healthcare Ecosystem to provide better care in a healthier planet. Life Flows through our software.

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