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Press release

On 9 May 2022, the Supervisory Board of Alperia S.p.A. approved the Company's Financial Statements as at 31 December 2021 and the Alperia Group's Consolidated Financial Statements as at 31 December 2021, as drafted and approved by the Management Board of the Company on 14 April 2022.

On that occasion, the Supervisory Board, in consideration of Alperia S.p.A.'s net profit of around \in 31.4 million, also approved the Management Board's proposal for the allocation of the Company's 2021 profit and, therefore, to submit to the Shareholders' Meeting the distribution to shareholders of an amount of \in 29.8 million as dividends and the allocation of around \in 1.6 million to the legal reserve. The Supervisory Board also approved the Management Board's proposal to submit to the Shareholders' Meeting extraordinary distribution of a further \in 0.2 million of retained earnings generated in previous years.

The proposed amount of dividends therefore amounts to a total of € 30.0 million.

Finally, the Supervisory Board also approved the Group's Consolidated Non-Financial Statement (the so-called Sustainability Report) in the form of a separate report, pursuant to Legislative Decree 254/16.

Mauro Marchi, Chairman of the Supervisory Board said: "The Alperia Group plays a strategic role in the development of our region thanks to the ongoing commitment of its more than 1,200 employees. The economic value generated for shareholders is the result of careful investment planning and at the same time the selection of business activities in line with the Business Plan.

The main strategic objectives achieved through the implementation of the Sustainability Plan 2017-2021 are worth mentioning: more than € 500 million in investments in measures to improve plant performance, revamping of a number of hydroelectric plants (Cardano, Bressanone, Lana and Lasa), expansion and renovation of primary substations, increase in underground networks from 67% (2017) to the current 74% in 2021, expansion of the district heating networks in

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Recent months have seen a significant change in perspective. The Alperia Group is a contender to take a leading role at local level in the application of the principles set out in the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (*Piano Nazionale di Ripresa e Resilienza - PNRR*) by promoting projects useful for the growth of the South Tyrolean economy and through constantly raising senior management awareness on implementing the complete integration of sustainability principles in business strategies.

However, it must also be noted that the current year 2022 has seen significantly lower water supplies (as a result of less snow and rain) and that the effects of the global spread of Covid-19 and the war in Ukraine have created a climate of uncertainty for energy markets and unprecedented price volatility. Therefore, a significant increase in net financial debt for the end of 2021 and increasing during the first months of 2022 should also be interpreted in light of this.

Wolfram Sparber, Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board said: "The competent bodies will shortly be asked to approve the new 2022-2027 Sustainability Plan, where the guiding principles will be focused on the objectives of competitiveness, safety and sustainability according to the climate strategy of the Autonomous Province of Bozen/Bolzano. We will be called upon to interpret the unprecedented geopolitical challenges to make a serious and measurable contribution to the energy transition by adopting ESG criteria, agreeing on performance indicators and periodically measuring results to make our business path as clear as possible to shareholders, stakeholders and all citizens."

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