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NB AURORA: PERFEZIONATA LA CESSIONE DEL 49,9% DEL PROPRIO PORTAFOGLIO DI PARTECIPAZIONI AL FONDO DI INVESTIMENTO NB AURORA CO-INVESTMENT FUND II

Lussemburgo, 19 ottobre 2023 – NB Aurora S.A. SICAF-RAIF (di seguito “**NB Aurora**” o “**Società**”), quotata in Italia sull’Euronext MIV Milan-Segmento Professionale, organizzato e gestito da Borsa Italiana S.p.A., e con una strategia di investimento in PMI italiane di eccellenza non quotate – facendo seguito al comunicato stampa del 6 settembre 2023 – annuncia che in data odierna è avvenuto il perfezionamento (i.e. *closing*) dell’operazione di cessione del 49,9% del proprio portafoglio di partecipazioni (il “**Portafoglio**”), al fondo di investimento di tipo chiuso denominato **NB Aurora Co-Investment Fund II S.C.A SICAV RAIF**, anch’esso gestito da Neuberger Berman AIFM S.à r.l., la società di gestione di NB Aurora, e sottoscritto da terzi investitori professionali.

Tale operazione ha una valenza strategica per NB Aurora, poiché da un lato consentirà alla Società di realizzare parte del valore generato dal portafoglio sino ad ora generando una plusvalenza che sarà destinata alla distribuzione di un dividendo e, dall’altra, permetterà di raccogliere nuove risorse finanziarie che verranno impiegate per continuare a sostenere i progetti di espansione di PMI italiane non quotate leader nelle loro nicchie di mercato e con un elevato potenziale di crescita.

Nel dettaglio l’operazione ha previsto il trasferimento della partecipazione diretta pari al 49,9% in NB Aurora Holdings S.à.r.l. e della partecipazione diretta pari al circa 4,8% delle quote emesse dal fondo MIC Co-Invest SCSp.

La cessione della suddetta quota di minoranza del Portafoglio è avvenuta ad un prezzo pari a circa Euro 144,2 milioni, determinato sulla base del *net asset value* (NAV) del Portafoglio al 31 marzo 2023, integrato del costo di acquisto relativo all’investimento in Finlogic S.p.A. e ai due ultimi aumenti di capitale in Blu Club S.r.l. (veicolo che detiene la partecipazione in BluVet), operazioni perfezionate successivamente a tale data e non comprese nel predetto NAV di riferimento.

Si ricorda che la congruità del prezzo è stata supportata dalla *fairness opinion* di PricewaterhouseCoopers..

Per maggiori informazioni in merito all'operazione si rinvia ai comunicati della Società del 16 giugno 2023 e del 25 luglio 2023.

Definizioni:

net asset value: valore del patrimonio sottratte le passività.

NB Aurora

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