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# LEONARDO AND ENGINEERING, TOGETHER TO ACCELERATE THE COUNTRY'S DIGITAL TRANSITION

- A strategic partnership Agreement has been signed to support digitalization and cybersecurity strategies of Private Sector and Public Administration
- Alessandro Profumo, CEO of Leonardo: "Combining the skills of two leading companies allows us to develop joint solutions in the field of Digital Transformation able to create value for the country"
- Maximo Ibarra, CEO of Engineering: "Proud of the partnership that engages two Italian excellences with strong human capital in the growth of our country to speed up the digital transition processes"

Rome, 20/09/2022 - Leonardo and Engineering have signed a MoU (Memorandum of Understanding), starting a strategic collaboration to identify projects and business opportunities to be developed jointly in the field of Digital Transformation and Cybersecurity. Under the agreement, the Defense, Health, Finance, Public Administration and Infrastructure sectors are the main areas in which to implement the partnership with the aim of accelerating the country's digital transition and growth.

The MoU activates a highly collaborative relationship that will lead the two companies, whenever they identify common areas of collaboration, to **design and implement solutions** that **meet** the increasingly challenging needs of the market as they are based on the most innovative and strategic frontier technologies, including **Al**, **Big Data**, **Digital Twin**, **Cloud**, **Quantum computing and IoT**.

**Leonardo**, a global leader in the Aerospace, Defence & Security (AD&S) sector, and **Engineering**, a leader in digital transformation processes for companies and PA, are in fact sharing technological and business expertise to **accompany**, **speed up and secure digitization processes** in the market sectors in which the two companies operate, so as to make available to the country their consolidated technological know-how also in terms of economic and environmental sustainability.

Alessandro Profumo, CEO of Leonardo, highlights: "With the signing of the agreement, the distinctive excellences of two leading players in their respective business sectors are brought together. The combination of Leonardo and Engineering's know-how will allow the development of joint solutions in the field of sustainable Digital Transformation, capable of creating value for the country. The partnership is part of Leonardo's commitment to promote an innovative ecosystem on transversal technological strands, one of the guidelines on which the Be Tomorrow 2030 strategic plan is based. The commitment with Engineering takes on particular value in light of the rapid evolution of the technological context of the country which requires the search for cutting-edge solutions".

Maximo Ibarra, CEO of Engineering, comments: "The challenges we are experiencing must be faced by creating synergies and innovative partnerships for the market and for people. The MoU signed with Leonardo makes us particularly proud because it was designed to put the commitment of two Italian excellences with strong human capital at the service of the country. As a Digital Transformation company that has the ambition to be a strategic asset for companies and PAs, we sign this partnership, sharing technological skills and cross-cutting knowledge, to support players from all markets in digitization processes in which Cybersecurity strategies are also an integral part of a sustainable and inclusive Digital Transformation".





The collaboration between Leonardo and Engineering on the Research & Development front will also be central, to encourage the use of cutting-edge technologies in digital solutions capable of anticipating the rapid changes in the market through the launch of the collaboration between the Leonardo Labs network and the Engineering's Research Centers. At the same time, the commitment of Leonardo and Engineering, companies with a high rate of human capital, will be equally crucial in pooling their respective excellences to create training paths on highly innovative issues.

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#### Leonardo

Leonardo, a global high-technology company, is among the top world players in Aerospace, Defense and Security and Italy's main industrial company. Organized into five business divisions, Leonardo has a significant industrial presence in Italy, the United Kingdom, Poland and the USA, where it also operates through subsidiaries that include Leonardo DRS (defense electronics), and joint ventures and partnerships: ATR, MBDA, Telespazio, Thales Alenia Space and Avio. Leonardo competes in the most important international markets by leveraging its areas of technological and product leadership (Helicopters, Aircraft, Aerostructures, Electronics, Cyber & Security Solutions and Space). Listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (LDO), in 2021 Leonardo recorded consolidated revenues of €14.1 billion and invested €1.8 billion in Research and Development. The companyhas been part of the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) since 2010 and has been confirmed among the global sustainability leaders in 2021. Leonardo is also included in the MIB ESG index

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### **Engineering**

Engineering Group is the Digital Transformation Company, leader in Italy and expanding its global footprint, with around 12,000 associates and with over 40 offices. The Engineering Group, consisting of over 20 companies in 12 countries, has been supporting the continuous evolution of companies and organizations for more than 40 years, thanks to a deep understanding of business processes in all market segments, fully leveraging the opportunities offered by advanced digital technologies and proprietary solutions.

It integrates best-of-breed market solutions, managed services, and continues to expand its expertise through M&As and partnerships with leading technology players. The Group strongly invests both in innovation, through its R&I division, and in human capital, with the internal IT & Management Academy. Engineering is a key player in the creation of digital ecosystems that bridge the gap between different markets, while developing composable solutions that ultimately foster a continuous Business transformation.

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