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NB AURORA SOTTOSCRIVE UN ACCORDO PER L'ACQUISIZIONE DEL 30% DI VENETA CUCINE, LEADER IN EUROPA NEL SETTORE DELLE CUCINE componibili

Lussemburgo, 5 maggio 2021 - NB Aurora S.A. SICAF-RAIF ("NB Aurora"), quotata in Italia sul mercato MIV - Segmento Professionale ("MIV") organizzato e gestito da Borsa Italiana S.p.A., con l'obiettivo di acquisire partecipazioni in PMI italiane di eccellenza non quotate, annuncia di aver sottoscritto in data odierna - attraverso il veicolo NB Aurora Holdings S.à r.l. ("NB Aurora Holdings") - un contratto di acquisizione avente ad oggetto l'acquisto di una quota di minoranza nel capitale sociale di Veneta Cucine S.p.A. ("Veneta Cucine").

Il contratto prevede in particolare che un veicolo neo-costituito e controllato da NB Aurora Holdings ("Newco") venga a detenere il 30% del capitale sociale di Veneta Cucine, acquisendo le relative azioni da alcuni soci a fronte di un corrispettivo di Euro 36 milioni comprensivo dei costi di transazione. L'investimento di NB Aurora in Newco avverrà facendo integralmente ricorso a mezzi propri.

Il completamento dell'operazione - soggetto al previo avveramento delle relative condizioni sospensive, tra cui il rilascio di autorizzazione *antitrust* - è previsto entro la fine del secondo trimestre del 2021.

A partire dalla data odierna e per un periodo di 18 (diciotto) mesi successivi al completamento dell'operazione, NB Aurora Holdings avrà il diritto di sindacare, in una o in più tranches, una partecipazione di minoranza di Newco (e indirettamente di Veneta Cucine).

Azienda familiare con oltre 50 anni di storia, Veneta Cucine è leader nella progettazione, produzione e realizzazione di cucine, living e complementi d'arredo, una eccellenza industriale italiana che è riuscita negli anni a trasformarsi in gruppo internazionale con un modello di gestione manageriale diventando oggi la più grande piattaforma italiana di mobili per cucina. Fondato nel 1967, in provincia di Treviso, il Gruppo impiega oltre 500 persone grazie alle quali progetta, produce, gestisce, amministra e distribuisce cucine di alta qualità che sposano artigianalità e innovazione. Con oltre 200 negozi monomarca in Italia e una rete di distribuzione molto estesa di più di 1.000 rivenditori qualificati in Europa, Asia, Africa, Nord

America e Sud America, Veneta Cucine ha realizzato, nel 2020, un fatturato di circa 220 milioni di euro. Sempre nel 2020, in un periodo particolarmente complicato a livello globale a causa della pandemia, il Gruppo ha aperto 15 nuovi negozi monomarca a livello globale.

NB Aurora

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