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### **PRESS RELEASE**

## **NB AURORA: COMPLETION OF THE SALE OF THE WHOLE SHAREHOLDING HELD IN CLUB DEL SOLE TO THE EQUITY CLUB AND SIMULTANEOUS REINVESTMENT TO SUPPORT THE GROUP’S FURTHER GROWTH PLAN**

*Luxembourg, 15 May 2024*

NB Aurora S.A. SICAF-RAIF (“**Aurora**”), a permanent capital vehicle listed on the Italian Stock Exchange Euronext MIV professional segment, following the press release of 28 March 2024, announces the completion of the sale of its whole shareholding in Club del Sole (“**Club del Sole**”, the “**Company**” or the “**Group**”) to The Equity Club (“**TEC**”), a club deal initiative promoted by Mediobanca together with Roberto Ferraresi and Filippo Penatti, through the controlled vehicle First Club S.r.l., and simultaneous reinvestment to support the Group’s further growth plan.

Aurora – along with some co-investors – invested in Club del Sole in December 2018, supporting the Group in becoming today the leading Italian player in the open-air hospitality, with 23 camping-villages (12 of which acquired since the investment) managed across 7 regions in North-Central Italy. Founded in 1974 by the Giondi Family, the Group has undergone significant growth over the years, achieving a 2023 turnover of approximately EUR 100 million (compared to about EUR 43 million at the time of investment) and an EBITDA *margin* greater than 30%.

The total value of the transaction for the sale of the whole stake is approximately EUR 109 million, of which approximately EUR 70 million related to the funds managed by Neuberger Berman AIFM S.á r.l. (approximately EUR 35 million related to Aurora).

At the same time, together with other funds managed by Neuberger Berman AIFM S.á r.l. and certain co-investors, Aurora reinvested in the Group EUR 61 million, of which approximately EUR 38 million related to Aurora, through the subscription, together with TEC, of a significant capital increase designed to support the Company’s further growth. The Giondi Family, which founded Club del Sole in 1974, will continue to hold the majority of the share capital and lead the industrial project.

### **Aurora**

Aurora is the first permanent capital vehicle to be listed in Italy on the Euronext MIV Milan - Professional Segment. It was created with the aim of making growth capital investments in unlisted Italian SMEs, channelling financial resources to support their growth and internationalisation. Aurora’s investment target is SMEs of excellence, leaders in market niches with high added value and high growth potential, a turnover of between EUR 30 and 300 million and a strong propensity to export. The Aurora team works in partnership with entrepreneurs, supporting them in implementing their medium- to long-term growth plans. The investment strategy is focused on five verticals: made in Italy, healthcare, environmental & sustainability, tech growth & digital transformation, specialised industrial manufacturing & business services. Aurora is invested in 14 companies with an aggregate turnover of EUR 2.9 billion and over 19,000 employees.

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