



# Independent auditor's report on the consolidated sustainability report in accordance with article 14-bis of Legislative Decree No. 39 of 27 January 2010

To the shareholders of Esprinet SpA

### **Conclusion**

In accordance with articles 8 and 18, paragraph 1, of Legislative Decree No. 125 of 6 September 2024 (hereinafter also the "Decree"), we have undertaken a limited assurance engagement on the consolidated sustainability report of the Esprinet Group (hereinafter also the "Group") for the year ended 31 December 2024 prepared in accordance with article 4 of the Decree, presented in the specific section of the consolidated report on operations.

Based on the work performed, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that:

- the consolidated sustainability report of the Esprinet Group for the year ended 31 December 2024 is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the reporting criteria adopted by the European Commission pursuant to Directive (EU) 2013/34/UE (European Sustainability Reporting Standards, hereinafter also the "ESRS");
- the information set out in paragraph "2.5 European Taxonomy" of the consolidated sustainability report is not prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with article 8 of Regulation (UE) No. 852 of 18 June 2020 (hereinafter also the "Taxonomy Regulation").

### Basis for conclusion

We conducted our limited assurance engagement in accordance with the Standard on Sustainability Assurance Engagements - SSAE (Italia). The procedures performed in a limited assurance engagement vary in nature and timing from, and are less in extent than for, a reasonable assurance engagement. Consequently, the level of assurance obtained in a limited assurance engagement is substantially lower than the assurance that would have been obtained had a reasonable assurance engagement been performed. Our responsibilities under the Standard are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Limited Assurance Conclusion on the Consolidated Sustainability Report* section of this report.

We are independent in accordance with the principles of ethics and independence applicable to assurance engagements on consolidated sustainability reporting under Italian law.

Our firm applies International Standard on Quality Management 1 (ISQM Italia 1), which requires the firm to design, implement and operate a system of quality management including policies or procedures regarding compliance with ethical requirements, professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements.

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We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our conclusion.

### Other matters

The comparative information presented in the consolidated sustainability report in relation to the year ended 31 December 2023 was not subjected to any assurance procedures.

## Responsibilities of the directors and the board of statutory auditors of Esprinet SpA for the consolidated sustainability report

The directors of Esprinet SpA are responsible for developing and implementing the procedures adopted to identify the information included in the consolidated sustainability report in accordance with the provisions of the ESRS (hereinafter the "materiality assessment process") and for describing those procedures in the "1.4 Managing impacts – risks – opportunities"- IRO 1 of the consolidated sustainability report.

The directors are also responsible for preparing the consolidated sustainability report, which contains the information identified through the materiality assessment process, in accordance with the provisions of article 4 of the Decree, including:

- its compliance with the ESRS;
- its compliance with article 8 of the Taxonomy Regulation of the information set out in paragraph "2.5 European Taxonomy".

That responsibility involves designing, implementing and maintaining, in the terms prescribed by law, such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a consolidated sustainability report in accordance with article 4 of the Decree that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. That responsibility also involves selecting and applying appropriate methods for processing the information, as well as developing hypotheses and estimates about specific items of sustainability information that are reasonable in the circumstances.

The board of statutory auditors is responsible for overseeing, in the terms prescribed by law, compliance with the Decree.

## Inherent limitations in the preparation of the consolidated sustainability report

For the purpose of reporting forward-looking information in accordance with ESRS, the directors are required to prepare such information on the basis of assumptions, described in the consolidated Sustainability Report, about future events and possible future actions by the Group. Because of the uncertainty connected with any future event, in terms both of occurrence and of the extent and timing of occurrence, variances between actual results and forward-looking information may be significant.





The disclosure provided by the Group about Scope 3 emissions is subject to greater inherent limitations compared with Scope 1 and 2 emissions, because of the poor availability and relative accuracy of the information used to define both qualitative and quantitative information on Scope 3 emissions related to the value chain.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the limited assurance conclusion on the consolidated sustainability report

Our objectives are to plan and perform procedures to obtain limited assurance about whether the consolidated sustainability report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a limited assurance report that contains our conclusion. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the consolidated sustainability report.

As part of our engagement designed to achieve limited assurance in accordance with the Standard on Sustainability Assurance Engagements - SSAE (Italia), we exercised professional judgement and maintained professional scepticism throughout the engagement.

### Our responsibilities include:

- performing risk assessment procedures to identify the disclosures where a material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, is likely to arise;
- designing and performing procedures to verify the disclosures where a material misstatement is likely to arise. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- directing, supervising and performing a limited assurance engagement on the consolidated sustainability report and assuming full responsibility for the conclusion on the consolidated sustainability report.

### Summary of the work performed

An engagement designed to obtain limited assurance involves performing procedures to obtain evidence as a basis for our conclusion.

The procedures performed were based on our professional judgement and included inquiries, primarily of personnel of Esprinet SpA responsible for the preparation of the information presented in the consolidated sustainability report, analyses of documents, recalculations and other procedures designed to obtain evidence considered useful.





We performed the following main procedures:

- we understood the Group's business model and strategies, and the environment in which it operates with reference to sustainability issues;
- we understood the processes underlying the generation, collection and management of the qualitative and quantitative information included in the consolidated sustainability report;
- we understood the process implemented by the Group to identify and assess the material impacts, risks and opportunities, in accordance with the double materiality principle, related to sustainability issues and, based on the information thus obtained, we considered whether any contradictory items emerged that could point to the existence of sustainability issues not considered by the Company in the materiality assessment process;
- we identified the disclosures where a material misstatement is likely to arise;
- we defined and performed procedures, based on our professional judgement, to address the risks of material misstatement identified;
- we understood the process implemented by the Group to identify the eligible economic
  activities and to determine whether they are aligned in accordance with the provisions of the
  Taxonomy Regulation, and we verified the related disclosures in the consolidated
  sustainability report;
- we reconciled the information reported in the consolidated sustainability report with the
  information reported in the consolidated financial statements in accordance with the
  applicable financial reporting framework, or with the accounting information used for the
  preparation of the consolidated financial statements, or with management accounting
  information;
- we verified the structure and presentation of disclosures included in the consolidated sustainability report in accordance with the ESRS;
- we obtained management's representation letter.

Milan, 27 March 2025

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Signed by

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