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The project is designed by In-Site, one of Italy's leading companies in the design of next-generation data centers.

Treviolo (BG), December 5, 2025 – Planetel has officially launched construction of its new Data Center in Padua, designed by In-Site, an integrated engineering and architecture firm specializing in complex technological infrastructures. The initiative is part of a broader redefinition of Italy's digital geography and underscores the strategic role of North-Eastern Italy in the country's digital transformation. With this project, In-Site further confirms its leadership in the design of advanced digital infrastructures, adopting an approach focused on the reuse of decommissioned sites as cutting-edge hubs for the data economy—ushering in a new season of industrial regeneration and technological innovation.

In line with the objectives of limiting land consumption and enhancing existing building assets set out in the regional "Veneto 2050" framework (Regional Law 14/2019), the project involves the redevelopment of a former industrial complex located in Padua's Industrial and Agricultural Zone (ZAI). Veneto stands among the most dynamic Italian regions in urban regeneration: over the past five years, it has activated more than €400 million in investments, targeting a portfolio of approximately 11,000 decommissioned industrial sheds (estimated value €3.9 billion) ready for transformation.

Padua is a historic Internet exchange hub, thanks to the presence of VSIX and a well-established infrastructure network and already hosts seven active data centers. Planetel's decision further reinforces this central role and opens a new phase of infrastructure development aligned with the growing demand for cloud and edge services. The Data Center will cover a total surface area of 1,200 square meters and will also include office space and customer areas—confirming an approach that puts people and services, not just machines, at the heart of the infrastructure.

Construction is scheduled for completion by November 2026. The total investment, amounting to approximately €7 million, reflects Planetel's commitment to strengthening its infrastructure presence in North-Eastern Italy.

From a technical standpoint, the facility is designed according to the highest international standards (ANSI/TIA-942 and ISO/IEC 22237) and Tier III requirements, ensuring reliability, security and operational continuity. It features 2N redundancy on generators, electrical and mechanical systems, with an IT load of 1 MW and capacity for up to 120 racks. Connectivity is ensured by a proprietary dual optical ring delivering 400×2 Gb/s. This brownfield redevelopment boasts a designed PUE of less than 1.23, zero-water-consumption cooling systems, and rooftop photovoltaic integration. Security is guaranteed by a 24/7 manned Network Operations Center (NOC), with advanced surveillance systems and dedicated personnel.

The Data Center will be interconnected with major operators and the strategic nodes of VSIX Padua and MIX Milano, with the option to activate third-party optical circuits, enabling an open and high-performance ecosystem. Security will be overseen by the 24/7 active NOC with monitoring and dedicated surveillance systems. The project embodies the concept of edge infrastructure: a distributed ecosystem that reduces latency, enhances resilience and integrates the new hub with major national and international nodes. Conceived as a laboratory of innovation, it is designed to host new technologies, artificial intelligence applications and advanced digital services.

The initiative forms part of Planetel's long-standing strategy of investing in resilient, locally rooted infrastructures. *"With the Padua Data Center," comments Planetel CEO Bruno Pianetti, "we are bringing to life an infrastructure that meets the highest technological standards while also serving as a sustainable, secure and local hub for businesses, institutions and citizens. Our goal remains to support local communities in their digital transition, strengthening a development model rooted in innovation and sustainability."*

Pietro Matteo Foglio, CEO & Founder of In-Site, adds: *"A Data Center is not merely the place where data resides—it is where the digital world meets people. With this project in Padua, we give tangible form to the DataSpace vision, In-Site's research lab created to reinvent digital infrastructures: distributed, resilient and fully integrated into local territories, capable of transforming data space into a shared collective resource."*

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Holding company of the Group of the same name that offers telecommunication services at national level, **Planetel S.p.A.** has developed a proprietary fibre optic network for the ultra-broadband connectivity of about 310 municipalities and provides TLC/IT services to over 54,910 customers in Lombardy, Veneto and Campania, through a multi-channel approach. Among the first Italian Internet Service Providers (ISP and WISP) to gradually develop its position in the telecommunication and system integration market, the company has been able to stand out on the territory as a single player offering integrated digital solutions, ASP / Cloud services and other IT solutions. Planetel, formerly a national phone operator, can now provide Business, Wholesale and Residential customers with fibre optic network connections, with the most advanced ultra-broadband connectivity and integrated communication solutions with FTTH-FTTP (Fibre to the Home – Fibre to the Premises) network architectures; its offer covers the entire value chain of ICT services that allows companies to accelerate their digitization process and time-to-market. Planetel's primary assets include a fibre optic network of approximately 3,382 Km. – CLOUD infrastructure in 4 Datacentres – 127 Planetel Points in 106 Municipalities – 1,248 Cabinets on the ground, etc.

Planetel's main goal is the strategic development of a proprietary ultra-high-speed Backbone – up to 1.4Tb/s – which will allow more stable, faster and more secure connections with a guarantee of greater continuity of service for its customers.

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In-Site is an integrated engineering company based in Milan, founded in 2006 by Pietro Matteo Foglio, specializing in the design and construction of Data Centers and complex technological infrastructures. Its vision is rooted in the concept of digital humanism: transforming Data Centers into civic works—data spaces capable of generating value for communities and territories. In 2025, drawing on In-Site's expertise, DataSpace was established: a research and development hub dedicated to the Data Centers of the future, exploring practical models of sustainable and distributed digital infrastructures.

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