

Press Release

Anima Alternative with Apheon in the acquisition of Golmar Italia S.p.A.

*The transaction marks the first investment of the Anima Alternative Growth fund,
following its first closing in May 2025.*

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Anima Alternative Sgr subscribed a hybrid capital instrument to support the private equity fund **Apheon** in the acquisition of Golmar Italia S.p.A. ("**Golmar**"), marking the first investment of the Anima Alternative Growth fund.

The acquisition of Golmar, a renowned company in the hygiene and disinfection sector, is part of a growth strategy developed by Apheon to build a leading Italian company in this industry.

Golmar, founded in 1972 by the Golè family, ended the 2024 fiscal year with a turnover of €65 million and operates throughout Italy both directly and through a network of highly specialized agents.

Anima Alternative Sgr structured a hybrid capital investment alongside Apheon, providing the group and its shareholders with a near-equity instrument ideal for supporting Golmar's next phase of development.

This is the first investment of the **Anima Alternative Growth** fund, which completed its first closing in May 2025 with total commitments of €100 million. The investment strategy of Anima Alternative Growth is coherent with the strategy of the Anima Alternative 1 fund, launched in January 2021, which fully invested its capital in 13 companies and has already completed 6 divestments, achieving a DPI (Distributed to Paid-in Capital) of 0.6x on behalf of its investors.

*"The involvement of Anima Alternative allowed to finance a transaction aimed at the growth of the Golmar group with the right capital structure," said **Riccardo Collini, partner at Apheon** "and to provide the new group with the resources it needs to carry out its ambitious growth plans".*

*"We are very pleased to be able to be with Apheon, Golmar and its partners in this project for the further growth of a group that is already a leader in its sector", commented **Andrea Cappuccio, Deputy Head of Investments at Anima Alternative Sgr.** "The ability to provide a tailor-made solution, characteristic of Anima Alternative's approach, has been crucial in quickly building an instrument that is able to respond adequately to both the current and future needs of the new group".*

Anima Alternative Sgr was assisted by Chiomenti, with a team led by partner Davide D'Affronto, senior associate Cettina Merlino, and associates Alessandra Belmonte and Annie Jandoli for banking and finance matters, as well as partner Luigi Vaccaro and counsel Daniele Sacchetti for corporate matters.

Anima

Anima is one of the leading asset management groups in Italy, with total assets under management of more than €200 billion and more than one million clients. It was established through a process of aggregating multiple companies with different and complementary specializations in the asset management and wealth management world. It currently employs over 500 professionals in Italy and manages investment solutions for institutional clients (insurance and financial groups, pension funds, professional pension funds), businesses, or individuals.

Anima Holding is listed on Euronext Milan Stock Exchange since 2014 and wholly owns the operating companies Anima Sgr (mutual funds), Anima Alternative Sgr (private markets) and, since 2024, Kairos Partners Sgr (asset and wealth management boutique). It also owns 80% capital of Castello Sgr, a leading company in the promotion and management of alternative investment products primarily in real estate. Since April 2025 Anima is part of the Banco BPM Group.

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