

## PRESS RELEASE

### ACEA WAY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM WON THE COMPASSO D'ORO AWARD

**The technological platform for the sustainable management of the water cycle, created by the ACEA Group with NTT DATA Italia, awarded for the reduction of waste**

**Rome, 21 June 2024** – Yesterday evening at the ADI Design Museum ACEA Waidy® Management System received the **Compasso d'Oro Award**, established in 1954 and now in its XXVIII edition, which aims to enhance the idea of quality of projects and Made in Italy design. WMS, the technological platform for the sustainable management of the water cycle, created by **ACEA** in collaboration with **NTT DATA Italia**, was awarded for "the reduction of waste of an increasingly precious resource, pursued through the most advanced technologies and the responsible involvement of citizens. *A virtuous practice of building a responsible community carried out by a public entity capable of renewing its role as manager of a service.*"

The recognition, one of the most prestigious nationally and internationally in the field of design, is the result of a three-phase process: after the inclusion of the best solutions, last November, in the **ADI Design Index**, the selection of products and services created by the Association for Industrial Design (ADI) to highlight the best of Italian design, specialists in the individual sectors has started the evaluation phase with a process that involved an observatory of around 150 experts, leading up to the presentation - which took place yesterday evening - of the results in front of an international jury. In November ACEA Waidy® Management System, which was included in the index in the "Service Design" category, had also obtained the **Design Excellence Award in Lazio**, awarded to companies and designers published in the index that operate in the region.

With design curated by Tangity, design studio of NTT DATA, ACEA Waidy® Management System is a scalable, secure and adaptable cloud solution for the predictive maintenance of the integrated water network, with the aim of offering an advanced tool to support management of the integrated water cycle and to protect the water resource. In the management of the infrastructures of the Acea Group companies, it has made it possible to reduce losses, in a single district, by up to 35% and the failure rate by up to 25%. You can find more information about the ADI platform at [https://www.adi-design.org/2023\\_s00570](https://www.adi-design.org/2023_s00570)

*"This recognition - declared **Giovanni Papaleo, Deputy General Manager Operations of ACEA** - represents an important milestone in the development path of the innovative platform, which has seen us face continuous challenges. The award confirms the validity of our work and motivates us to continue on the path of innovation in the management of water resources, always with particular attention to aspects of environmental sustainability".*

*"We are extremely honored to receive this prestigious recognition, tangible proof of our commitment to creating products that not only solve problems, but do so in a functional and sustainable way. Our goal has always been to develop technologies that have a positive impact on the environment and society. This recognition motivates us to continue on this path and push the boundaries of innovation even further", declared **Roberto Roggero, Head of Tangity Design and Engineering Studio**.*



**ACEA** is one of Italy's leading industrial groups, listed on the stock exchange since 1999. It is involved in the integrated water service, electricity distribution, public and artistic lighting, power and gas sales, power generation mainly from renewable sources, and waste treatment and valorisation. It is a leading national provider in the water sector, providing water to approximately 10 million individuals, is among the leading Italian players in energy distribution, and is among the largest operators in the environment sector in Italy, managing approximately 1.8 million tons of waste annually.

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