

It has been verified that the organization  
**I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT**

Legal and operational headquarters:  
**SILVIO PELLICO STREET, 2, 33031 BASILIANO (UD)**

was subject to an independent verification according to the Guideline

**ISO 20400:2017**

**Sustainable Procurement Guidance**

This Assurance Statement is valid for the following scope

**Planning and construction of infrastructure works, special foundation works, maritime works, galleries, microtunnels and guided perforations.  
Construction of guided works.**

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This attestation is not valid without the detail regarding the purpose, objectives, criteria, and conclusions of the verification available on pages 2 to 3 of this document.

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**Attached to ATTESTATION number IT23/99005463**

SGS Italia S.p.A. (hereinafter SGS) has been engaged by the Management of I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT to independently verify the level of maturity of the company's Sustainable Procurement Process as per the international guideline "ISO 20400:2017 Sustainable Procurement Guidelines".

SGS's responsibility in carrying out the assignment, in accordance with the conditions, agreed with the Organization, is assumed solely by the Management of I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT.

Responsibility for the information on which SGS has performed this verification lies solely with the Management of I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT.

This Assurance Statement is intended solely for the Interested Parties of I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT.

**VERIFIER INDEPENDENCE AND QUALITY CONTROL**

SGS declares its independence from I.CO.P. SPA SOCIETA' BENEFIT and believes that there is no conflict of interest with the Organization, its subsidiaries, and Interested Parties.

SGS operates according to a quality management system that includes documented directives and procedures on compliance with ethical and professional principles.

**VERIFICATION METHODOLOGY**

In accordance with the indications formulated in ISO, which do not allow the issuance of certifications referring to guidelines, SGS, within the framework of the ISO20400:2017 guidelines, carries out a verification activity resulting in the issuance of an assurance statement independently verifying the adoption of the ISO20400:2017 guidelines by the Organization as a reference model for sustainability and sustainable procurement initiatives.

The "SGS ISO20400 Gap Analysis Tool v.2.0" was the tool used for this analysis. This approach, designed in line with the structure of the ISO20400:2017 guidelines, involves an assessment of sustainable procurement requirements according to 4 basic macro-areas, which form the very structure of the guideline: "Fundamentals, Policy & Strategy, Organizing the Procurement Function, Procurement Process."

Developed in consistency with other SGS approaches aimed at assessing the maturity of sustainability management models (e.g., ISO 26000:2010 - Guidance on social responsibility), the tool enables assessment of the key requirements of the ISO20400:2017 guidelines.

The verification team was chosen based on each member's technical expertise, experience, and qualification about the different aspects assessed.

The verification activities were carried out in September 2023, involving different functions of the Organization.

This Assurance Letter does not refer to a specific period of validity but refers to what was assessed during the verification.

**CONCLUSIONS**

Based on the work done, it was verified that the overall level of maturity of the sustainable procurement process concerning the international guidelines ISO 20400:2017 - Sustainable Procurement Guidance, stands in the rating scale at Grade 2 (\*).



\*Assignment of maturity grade is based on a scale of 1 to 5, where:

Grade – 1 Unware
Grade - 2 Basic
Grade - 3 Strategic
Grade - 4 Embedded
Grade – 5 Advanced