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doValue and Weltix accelerate innovation in securitisations with the first tokenised issuance under their strategic partnership

The transaction, worth €10 million, is the first concrete application of the partnership announced in June and marks an important step in the use of DLT in NPL securitisation transactions

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Just over a month after doValue and Weltix announced their strategic partnership to apply Distributed Ledger Technology – DLT to securitisation transactions, on 3 August the project reached a significant operational milestone with the completion of a first tokenised issuance as part of an NPL securitisation.

doValue S.p.A., a European financial services operator, and **Weltix S.p.A.**, the infrastructure authorised by CONSOB as DLT register manager, have concretely implemented the industrial vision presented by the two companies last June, demonstrating doValue's ability to translate that vision very rapidly into an operational and regulated solution, applied to a real market transaction.

The doValue Group, through its subsidiary **doNext S.p.A**., handled the incorporation of the special purpose vehicle and acts as *Master Servicer, Corporate Servicer Provider, Calculation Agent*, Representative of the Noteholders and *Paying Agent*, bringing to bear its experience in the structuring and management of securitisation transactions. **Teda Service S.r.l.** acts as Special Servicer of the transaction and coordinated the club deal of investors. **Weltix S.p.A.** acted as **DLT register manager**, ensuring the issuance, management and digital circulation of the financial instruments in compliance with the Italian rules introduced by the FinTech Decree, with legal support from Simmons & Simmons and technological support from **BlockInvest**. Legal advice on the transaction was provided by **Intellexia Sta S.r.l.** with a team led by *managing partner* Vanessa Solimeno**.**

The use of DLT allows the notes to be created directly in digital format, with no need for subsequent dematerialisation, making the processes of issuing, managing and transferring the notes more efficient. The infrastructure developed by Weltix also enables greater traceability of transactions, digital governance of the entire life cycle of the financial instrument and faster settlement than traditional models.

The transaction confirms the market's growing interest in the use of DLT in structured finance and represents a further step towards the digitalisation of securitisations.

***Armando La Morgia**, Chief Business Development Officer of doValue Italy, stated: «Just a few weeks after launching the partnership with Weltix, we have already moved from design to the execution of the first transaction on the market. With this result, doValue confirms the central role that technology plays in the value-added services it offers its clients. The tokenisation of securitisations is the natural evolution of the sector and we are proud to have delivered one of the first operational applications of this model in Italy».*

***Antonio Chiarello**, Founder and CEO of Weltix, stated: «Tokenisation will revolutionise the world of securitisations and the way in which all the players involved interact with one another. With CONSOB authorisation as DLT register manager, Weltix allows financial instruments to be born digital: no subsequent* *dematerialisation, native traceability and faster settlement, within the scope of the FinTech Decree. Our work with doValue shows how different operators can join forces to accelerate innovation in the market, and this transaction with Teda demonstrates that DLT generates tangible value for issuers, intermediaries and investors».*

***Francesco Caggiano**, Sole Director of Teda Service S.r.l., stated: «This transaction confirms that DLT is no longer merely a theoretical prospect, but a concrete tool capable of redesigning structured finance processes. As Special Servicer, we have had the opportunity to use a digital infrastructure that makes the management of the receivables more efficient and programmable, and through which we will be able to test the benefits of tokenisation in the field: greater transparency in portfolio management, faster settlement times, transparency of all corporate documentation with genuine accessibility, and a level of traceability that simplifies dialogue with investors throughout the entire life cycle of the transaction».*

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doValue

The doValue Group is a European financial services operator that offers innovative products across the entire credit life cycle, from origination through to recovery and alternative asset management. With more than 25 years of experience, it operates in 14 European countries, including Italy, Germany, Greece and Spain. The doValue Group contributes to economic growth by fostering the sustainable development of the financial system and offers an integrated range of credit management services: servicing of Non Performing Loans (NPL), Unlikely To Pay (UTP), Early Arrears, Performing Loans, Master Legal, Due Diligence, financial data processing, Master Servicing activities and specialised asset management in investment solutions, dedicated to institutional investors and focused on the non-performing and illiquid credit segment. doValue's shares are listed on Euronext STAR Milan (EXM).

Weltix

Weltix is the first integrated infrastructure for the digital management of private assets in Italy, thanks to its three authorisations: Consob, the Bank of Italy and MIMIT. Its regulated platform offers placement services, natively digital fiduciary services and tokenisation of financial instruments on DLT registers under Consob authorisation, enabling banks, intermediaries and private investors to manage unlisted financial instruments in a digital, compliant and scalable way across three business lines: 1. Regulated placement (EU Reg. 2020/1503, Consob Authorisation no. 22966) 2. Fiduciary custody and integrated tax management (MIMIT Authorisation 10/03/2020) 3. Tokenisation of financial instruments and DLT register management (Consob Authorisation no. 23641) With a plug & play approach, Weltix enables banks, intermediaries, funds and issuers to immediately adopt technology for the management of private assets.

Teda Service

Teda Service S.r.l. has specialised in special servicing and credit management activities within securitisation transactions since 2016. The company holds the licence under Article 115 of the Italian Consolidated Law on Public Security (TULPS) for the exercise of debt collection activities on behalf of third parties and supports investors and originators in the management and value enhancement of non-performing loan portfolios, ensuring oversight of the entire servicing process throughout the life cycle of the transactions.

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