

MARKBASS S.P.A. JOINS THE INTERMONTE VALORE ITALIA INDEX

San Giovanni Teatino (Chieti, Italy), 2nd July 2026 – **Markbass S.p.A.**, a leading company in the design, production and distribution of bass and guitar amplifiers, audio systems, musical instruments and instrument strings, listed on the Euronext Growth Milan market (ISIN code IT0005670960, Ticker: MARK), announces that it has been selected among the one hundred companies listed on Borsa Italiana that make up the Intermonte Valore Italia Index, dedicated to SMEs with a market capitalisation of less than one billion euros and not included in the FTSE MIB.

The Index was created with the aim of enhancing the universe of listed Italian small and medium-sized enterprises, establishing a meeting point between entrepreneurship, capital markets and the national economic system. It contributes to broadening and diversifying investment opportunities compared with traditional indices, offering domestic and international investors representative exposure to Italian entrepreneurial excellence.

The companies are selected according to rigorous technical and financial criteria designed to ensure adequate levels of liquidity, transparency and investability, including: minimum free float, solid governance standards, analyst coverage, financial sustainability and debt levels, as well as representativeness within the Index itself.

The Index is part of PMI2Change, the innovative project launched by Banca Generali on the 1st of July 2026 at Palazzo Mezzanotte, the headquarters of Borsa Italiana, aimed at supporting the growth and competitiveness of Italian entrepreneurs by fostering the development of listed Italian SMEs. The project addresses the issue of limited liquidity and valuation of listed SMEs, helping to create the best conditions for a more efficient match between capital and companies.

The initiative builds on the expertise of Intermonte, a leading Italian operator in the sector with over thirty years of experience in financial markets, particularly in SME research, sales & trading, market making and investment banking, and part of the Banca Generali Group since the beginning of 2025.

Starting from the Index, Banca Generali, together with Investlinx and Intermonte, presented a new actively managed and PIR-compliant ETF that will invest mainly in the universe defined by the Index itself. Banca Generali has committed to supporting the launch of the instrument with an initial fundraising target of 100 million euros in the first few months, with a gradual increase in exposure up to 500 million euros over the medium term. It is therefore estimated that the initiative could help generate new investment flows of 1-2 million euros per day, representing more than 5% of the Index's free float.

“Markbass’ inclusion in the Intermonte Valore Italia Index is an important recognition of the path we have built over the years, first as an industrial company and now as a listed company.



Italian SMEs are often assessed through numbers and size, but their value also stems from their ability to serve highly specific markets, bringing expertise, quality and a distinctive identity. For us, this means seeing a model recognised that combines product innovation, international presence and a constant relationship with musicians and sound professionals. We welcome this inclusion as an incentive to continue our growth path, strengthening our dialogue with the market and the financial community” said **Marco De Virgiliis, CEO and Chairman of Markbass.**

Markbass is synonymous with Italian passion, innovation, and love for music. For over twenty years, the company has designed and crafted bass amplifiers that have redefined industry standards, conquering stages worldwide with a distinctive sound. Thanks to a pioneering vision and cutting-edge technologies, Markbass has established itself as a leading reference in bass amplification. In recent years, the brand has expanded its horizons with the same spirit and meticulous care that have always distinguished it: from guitar amplifiers and a line of entry-level bass amplifiers to electric basses for every level - from beginner instruments for those taking their first steps to high-end instruments made with the finest Italian woods - without forgetting the string lines, designed to ensure expressiveness and reliability in every musical context. From young talents to established artists, the world's top musicians - including legends like Marcus Miller, Richard Bona and Mark King - choose Markbass. Behind every product lies a clear mission: to deliver an authentic sound, inspire creativity, and transform every performance into a unique experience.

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