



PRESS RELEASE

NextFreight and DocFinance Strengthen Integration to Optimize Treasury and Financial Flow Management with MasterSPED® Software

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NextFreight renews its collaboration with **DocFinance** through the integration of the MasterSPED® software, offering an innovative and more intuitive structured management of corporate treasury, with the ability to have a clear, real-time, or forecasted view of cash flows.

This system enables companies to efficiently control income and expenditures, ensuring more informed and optimized forecast-based financial management. Thanks to this collaboration, companies in the logistics and transportation sectors can rely on a system perfectly integrated with their ERP management software, which facilitates the acquisition of data such as due dates, charts of accounts, and master data directly from the company's ERP. The bidirectional integration with banks also allows for automated reporting and immediate, error-free management of bank transactions.

Operational and strategic benefits of the integration:

- Structured management of cash flows with real-time or forecasted visibility of income and expenditures;
- Prospective view of financial flows for more effective financial planning;
- Optimization of cash flow management in a forecast-based perspective, ensuring more informed and strategic control of corporate financial resources;
- Automated and bidirectional data exchange between the company's ERP system and DocFinance, now including orders and delivery notes in addition to invoices.

The enhanced integration aims to be a reference point for companies seeking an effective and advanced solution for managing their operational finance. This collaboration represents a step forward toward the complete automation of corporate treasury and financial management, offering a global and precise view of corporate liquidity, and aligns perfectly with Circle Group's industrial plan, Connect 4 Agile Growth, which aims to strengthen the Group's digital integration and process automation.

DocFinance, a leader for over 30 years in corporate finance, stands out for its treasury solution, an essential tool for managing financial operations between companies and banks. The software not only automates cash collection and payment flows but also provides a bidirectional interface that allows for the exchange of information with the company's ERP



system. In addition to invoices, the platform now also supports the exchange of data related to orders and delivery notes, ensuring a fully automated and comprehensive management of financial operations.

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*Founded in Genoa in 2012, **Circle S.p.A.** is the Innovative SME at the head of the **CIRCLE Group**, the Group specialising in the analysis and development of products for the **innovation and digitalisation of the port and intermodal logistics sectors and in the international consultancy on topics concerning the Green Deal and energy transition.***

*In addition to Circle, the Group includes the software houses **Info.era**, **NEXT Freight** (formerly 'Adele Project') and **Cargo Start**, acquired at the end of 2017, July 2019 and December 2022 respectively, the consulting companies **Magellan Circle** and **Magellan Circle Italy**, the **NewCo NEXT Customs**, as well as the subsidiary **ACCUDIRE**.*

*The synergies between the individual components of the CIRCLE Group have made it possible to expand the portfolio of solutions offered in the areas of IoT, Optimisation, Digital Twin, Big Data and Process Automation, and to strengthen the software products: **Milos®** - a suite aimed at all players in intermodal logistics such as inland terminals, port terminals, ports, MTOs and maritime agencies -, the Extended Port Community System, the **Master SPED®** and **Milos® Global Supply Chain Visibility** solutions, dedicated respectively to freight forwarding and logistics and to trade and industry, as well as **Star Tracking®**, an airport-to-airport tracking solution.*

*To complete the offer in the Supply Chain area, the so-called '**Federative Services**' able to make the migration of customers towards a digital business model more efficient and offered in cloud mode.*

*Through **Magellan Circle** (with offices in Porto and Brussels) and **Magellan Circle Italy**, Circle operates in the field of advocacy at European Institutions, supporting Public Bodies and Companies by identifying their positioning at a European level (**Strategic Communication and Advocacy**) and funding opportunities (**Eu Funding Accelerator**), with a vertical focus on Green Deal and energy transition issues.*

*The acquisition of the 51% of shares of **Cargo Start** in December 2022, a company specialising in the development and sale of innovative technological products and services for air cargo, allowed Circle to strengthen its offering in a rapidly expanding segment that is strategic to the **Connect 4 Agile Growth** industrial path.*

*Circle leads the **Log@Sea** business network, which is instrumental in enhancing the offer of advanced **Gate Automation** solutions aimed at port and intermodal nodes.*

*In December 2023, Circle subscribed to a capital increase equal to 20% of the share capital of ACCUDIRE, an Innovative Startup from Veneto that provides a **Collaborative Digital Platform** capable of helping players along global Supply Chains in the exchange of information and in the management of document flows accompanying goods shipments, starting first and foremost with the **e-CMR** (or electronic waybill, part of an international standard and transposition law just approved by the Italian Parliament).*

*Finally, in February 2024 Circle established the NewCo **NEXT Customs**, dedicated to digital customs optimisation services and functional to the continuation of initiatives aimed at the harmonisation of customs processes, a highly strategic area for the evolution of the **Connect 4 Agile Growth** path.*

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