



## **Nexi significantly improves ESG ratings**

***S&P and CDP have published their annual ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) ratings for 2021. In both assessments, Nexi SpA's ratings have notably improved, reflecting the strengthened sustainability commitment of the Group.***

The 2021 S&P Global Corporate Sustainability Assessment (Score date: Dec 7, 2021) awards Nexi SpA with a 7-point increase, from 61 in 2020 to 68 (out of 100) this year, and shows an improvement in the company's rating across all three ESG dimensions.

The most significant improvement is in the 'Environmental' score which is mirrored in the recently announced CDP assessment for 2021 disclosing the environmental impact of thousands of companies worldwide. In the second year of participating, Nexi SpA is awarded an 'A-' rating moving from a C rating in 2020.

This improvement within the environmental area is driven by several initiatives launched between 2020 and 2021, e.g. revision of carbon footprint and extension of commitment to also include supply chain emissions, approval of net-zero targets from the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi), environmental certification ISO 14001, and the first TCFD aligned Risk and Opportunities assessment on climate change.

The company has also made good progress in the 'Social' and 'Governance' dimensions. The key 'Social' improvements are driven by publication of the Human Rights commitment and significant improvement in the supplier assessment process and is linked to the People Strategy. The increase in the 'Governance' score reflects continuous efforts to improve transparency and disclosure and is a result of the highest standard of cybersecurity and information security management.

The improved ratings follow two other important milestones the Group achieved in 2021: The inclusion in the FTSE4Good Index and the MIB ESG Index, the first Italian blue-chip ESG index designed to identify major listed Italian issuers that demonstrate best ESG practices.

Nexi continuously strives to achieve further progress within ESG. The recently SBTi approved targets for the Italian perimeter represent a first step in the Group's ambition to reduce its environmental footprint at a global level. This was substantiated in the autumn when [Nexi Group announced its long-term commitment to sustainable development and to become carbon-neutral by 2040.](#)

### **About S&P Global CSA:**

S&P's Global ESG scores are based on the Corporate Sustainability Assessment (CSA), which is an annual evaluation of companies' sustainability practices. It covers over 10,000 companies from around the world. The CSA focuses on sustainability criteria that are both industry-specific and financially material and has been doing so since 1999. All companies are assessed using the industry specific CSA questionnaire and methodology reflecting a company's score compared to its industry peers. The CSA focuses on past and current performance on ESG issues.

### **About CDP:**

Nexi discloses its climate change impact through [CDP](#), a global non-profit that runs the world's leading environmental disclosure platform. CDP drives companies and governments to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions, safeguard water resources and protect forests. Over 13,000 companies with over 64% of global market capitalization disclosed environmental data through CDP



in 2021. This is in addition to the over 1,100 cities, states and regions who disclosed, making CDP's platform one of the richest sources of information globally on how companies and governments are driving environmental change.

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