

## ENEL X AND RETE SICOMORO SIGN PARTNERSHIP FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECTS

- *Energy communities, efficiency and electric mobility at the heart of the agreement between Enel X and Rete Sicomoro*

**Rome, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022** - Initiatives to promote the creation of energy communities, the upgrading of public and private buildings and the development of electric mobility: these are the aims of the protocol signed by Enel X, Enel's global business line dedicated to innovation and digital solutions, and Rete Sicomoro, an association devoted to training projects and activities within the ecclesiastical and religious world. The agreement aims, in particular, to involve Catholic organizations, offering solutions for the different types of facilities they manage, such as parishes, health and social care facilities, institutes and schools, but also as part of broader initiatives such as the creation of energy communities.

*"Achieving the challenging goals of the energy transition requires ever-greater environmental awareness," said **Augusto Raggi**, Head of Enel X Italia. "Today, the concept of sustainability must also translate into a different way of generating and using energy, one that is more ecological and at the same time more efficient, in terms of both consumption and travel. This is why we are pleased to be working with a partner such as Rete Sicomoro, convinced we are setting out on a virtuous common path in which cutting-edge technology is always at the service of environmental awareness."*

*"Thanks to the teachings of Pope Francis and the encyclical Laudato si', the theme of environmental sustainability is felt very closely within dioceses, parishes, congregations, parochial schools, religious non-profit organizations," added **Enrico Albertini**, Director of Rete Sicomoro. "To give only one example among many, at the last Social Week of Italian Catholics, the creation of energy communities through the use of renewable energy sources was indicated as a path for conversion and generation by the faithful."*

Specifically, the agreement provides for a number of projects and activities, mainly in three areas: the creation and management of energy communities, encouraging the sharing of electricity produced from renewable sources, in part as a result of awareness-raising activities and the involvement of key stakeholders and public/private entities; collaborations aimed at energy efficiency, both through the upgrading of public and private buildings (optimizing energy consumption through new photovoltaic systems) and through exploiting possible synergies with trade associations and research bodies; initiatives in the field of electric mobility, with incentives for the use of electric vehicles, the organization of training events for religious and ecclesiastical bodies and stakeholders, and the evaluation of possible agreements with public and private stakeholders.

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in order to provide people, communities, institutions and companies with an alternative model that respects the environment and integrates technological innovation into daily life. Each solution has the power to transform the goals of decarbonization, electrification and digitalization into sustainable actions for all, in order to build a more sustainable and efficient world together.

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