**TÜV Rheinland acquires HON Consulting Srl**

Acquisition of Italian Functional Safety and Cybersecurity consulting company strengthens non-statutory service business / HON Consulting Srl is highly specialized in machine reliability and safety / Expansion of the service portfolio of TÜV Rheinland in Italy

**Cologne, Germany, 13 November 2023.** TÜV Rheinland has acquired HON Consulting Srl, a company specialized in Functional Safety and Cybersecurity services for machinery and plants based in Prato, Italy, in a strategic move to strengthen its services in the non-statutory markets. The acquisition was completed on November 8, 2023, with TÜV Rheinland Italia Srl assuming the role of the acquirer and sole shareholder.

Located in the Tuscany region, HON is an established and independent consulting company. HON’s experts are highly specialized in machine safety, functional safety, cybersecurity and compliance management. TÜV Rheinland will significantly expand and strengthen its portfolio in Italy.

Founded in 2014, HON Consulting currently employs about 40 people and serves Italian and International customers. “HON’s services are highly complementary to the current offer of TÜV Rheinland in Italy. Both existing and future customers will benefit from the acquisition,” says Paolo Caglio, Country Manager Italy of TÜV Rheinland.

HON founders and partners say that “TÜV Rheinland is an excellent new home for the HON business, where it can realize its exciting growth potential and continue to create customer value.”

Gareth Book, Regional Manager of TÜV Rheinland’s Industrial Services & Cybersecurity business in Western Europe, emphasizes the wide-ranging experience of the staff of HON: “The acquisition adds expertise to our strong technical competence and personnel background, and consolidates our position as a key partner in the industry”.

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