

### PRESS RELEASE

# APPROVAL OF THE CONSOLIDATED INTERIM REPORT FOR THE NINE-MONTH PERIOD AS OF JANUARY 31, 2022

Strong growth in economic results in each Group Sector and outstanding value generation Nine-month results as of 31/01/2022 compared to 31/01/2021

- Consolidated Revenues and Other Income: Eu 1,757.9 million (+14.6%)
- Consolidated Ebitda: Eu 124.5 million (+35.1%)
- Ebitda margin: 7.1% vs 6.0% as of January 31, 2021
- Consolidated Adjusted Net Profit attributable to the Group<sup>1</sup>: Eu 62.2 million (+43.1%)
- Group Adjusted Net Profit Margin: 3.5% vs 2.8% as of January 31, 2021
- Consolidated NFP<sup>2</sup> active (net liquidity): Eu 177.8 million vs Eu 102.5 million as of January 31, 2021
- About 4,000 human resources as of January 31, 2022 (+20% Y/Y)
- Guidance confirmed for the Fiscal Year as of April 30, 2022, with about 30% Y/Y growth in operating profitability (Ebitda) and about 35% Y/Y growth in net profitability (Group Adjusted Net Profit)

## **Empoli (FI), March 11, 2022**

The Board of Directors of Sesa S.p.A., reference player in Italy in technological innovation and digital services for the business segment, today approved the consolidated Interim Report referring to the 9-month period as of January 31, 2022, in accordance with EU-IFRS accounting standards.

In the first nine months of the Fiscal Year, Sesa Group accelerates its development path with performances higher than the long-term track record (2011-21 Revenues CAGR +10.6%, 2011-21 Ebitda CAGR +13.9%), achieving consolidated Revenues and Other Income for Eu 1,757.9 million (+14.6% Y/Y) with an Operating Profitability (Ebitda) equal to Eu 124.5 million, up by 35.1% Y/Y.

The Group benefited from **investment strategy focused on business segments enabling technological innovation (security, business applications, cloud, digital green, digital platforms)** and from the growth in the Italian Information Technology market, expected to be +6.8% in the two-year period 2022-23, after the +7% achieved in the year 2021 (source Sirmi, January 2022). **Group's ability to attract skills and human resources is confirmed with about 4,000 human resources as of January 31, 2022 increasing by 20%** Y/Y.

Group Consolidated Revenues and Other Income, equal to Eu 1,757.9 million, grew by 14.6% Y/Y, with a significant development of all sectors of the Group:

- VAD Sector, with Revenues and Other Income of Eu 1,372.5 million (+13.1% Y/Y), thanks to the development of the Digital Green and Security business units;
- SSI Sector, with Revenues and Other Income of Eu 419.3 million (+18.1% Y/Y), thanks to the development in the areas with the greatest digital transformation growth (Cloud, Digital Security, Software and Vertical Applications, Managed Services, Digital Engineering);
- Business Services Sector, with Revenues and Other Income of Eu 41.7 million (+24.1% Y/Y), driven by the contribution of the Digital Platforms and Security Solutions business units.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>NFP gross of IFRS 16 liabilities and IFRS 3 liabilities to minority shareholders for M&As. NFP Reported as of January 31, 2022 active for Eu 30.440 thousand, improving from Eu 11.296 thousand as of January 31, 2021







<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Adjusted Net profit attributable to the Group, gross of amortisation of intangible assets (Client lists and Know-how) deriving from Purchase Price Allocation (PPA), net of the related tax effect



Thanks to the growth in Revenues and Other Income (+14.6% Y/Y) and in the added value generated, the Group Consolidated Ebitda increased by 35.1% Y/Y, achieving Eu 124,549 thousand in the 9-month period, with an Ebitda margin equal to 7.09% (vs 6.01% as of January 31, 2021). All sectors of the Group contributed to the growth of the Consolidated Ebitda:

- VAD Sector, with an Ebitda of Eu 66,796 thousand (+38.6% Y/Y, Ebitda margin 4.9% vs 4.0% Y/Y);
- SSI Sector, with an Ebitda of Eu 50,545 thousand (+27.0% Y/Y, Ebitda margin 12.1% vs 11.2% Y/Y);
- Business Services Sector with an Ebitda of Eu 4,821 thousand (+183% Y/Y, Ebitda margin 11.6% vs 5.1% Y/Y).

The contribution of corporate acquisitions to the growth of the period was approximately 55% in terms of operating profitability, thanks to the companies included in the consolidation scope perimeter in the current Fiscal Year: PM Service (May 2021) and Kolme (September 2021) in the VAD sector, Cadlog Group (May 2021), Cimtech Gmbh (May 2021), Fen Wo Shangai Ltd (May 2021) and Datef (November 2021) in the SSI Sector, IFM Infomaster (May 2021), Tecnikè (May 2021), Digital Storm (May 2021), A Plus (December 2021) and Citel (January 2022) in the Business Services Sector. The acquisitions of Omigrade in the Business Services sector and of Adacto in the SSI sector, realized after January 31, 2022, will be consolidated starting from March 2022.

Group Consolidated Operating Result (Ebit) is equal to Eu 89,037 thousand, up by 39.4%, after amortizations for total Eu 30,336 thousand (+38.5% Y/Y) and provisions and other non-monetary costs for Eu 5,176 thousand (down by -19.5% Y/Y).

Group Consolidated Adjusted Operating Result (Ebit Adjusted gross of amortizations of client list and know-how recorded following the PPA process, equal to Eu 8,403 thousand) reached a total amount of Eu 97,440 thousand, up by 41.5% Y/Y (Ebit Adjusted margin equal to 5.5% vs 4.5% as of January 31, 2021).

Group Consolidated Profit before taxes as of January 31, 2022 reached Eu 84,453 thousand, up by 35.1% Y/Y, after net financial charges of Eu 4,584 thousand as of January 31, 2022, increasing from Eu 1,367 thousand as of January 31, 2021 also following the unfavourable trend in foreign exchanges. Group Consolidated Net profit after minorities (EAT attributable to the Group) is equal to Eu 56,262 thousand, up by 40.9% Y/Y.

Group Consolidated Adjusted Net profit after minority interests (Adjusted EAT attributable to the Group, gross of amortizations of client lists and know-how recorded following PPA process, net of the related tax effect, equal to Eu 5,981 thousand) is equal to Eu 62,243 thousand, up by 43.1% Y/Y (Group Adjusted Net Profit margin equal to 3.5% compared to 2.8% Y/Y).

Consolidated Net Financial Position<sup>2</sup> is active (cash & liquidity) for Eu 177,753 thousand, improving from Eu 102,521 thousand as of January 31, 2021. The Net Financial Position Reported (net of IFRS 3 and IFRS 16 liabilities)<sup>2</sup> as of January 31, 2022 is active for Eu 30,440 thousand, improving from Eu 11,296 thousand as of January 31, 2021, thanks to an operating cash flow for about Eu 130 million in the last 12 months, net of investments for about Eu 90 million, mainly relating to M&As, and about Euro 20 million related to dividends and buy back. In the period under review the consolidated Shareholders' Equity was further strengthened and amounted to Eu 309,542 thousand as of January 31, 2022, increasing from Eu 282,576 thousand as of January 31, 2021.

Considering the positive results achieved in the first 9 months, the expected contribution from external leverage and the growth in digital transformation demand of reference markets, the Group confirms the guidance for the Full Year as of April 30, 2022, with about 30% growth Y/Y in operating profitability (Ebitda) and about 35% in net profitability (Group Adjusted Net Profit).









The Group will continue to sustain the development of skills, human resources and business applications, aiming at continuing the long-term growth track record in the coming years, generating sustainable value for all stakeholders.

The Chairman Paolo Castellacci and the Chief Executive Officer Alessandro Fabbroni commented on the results as of January 31, 2022 as follows:

"We continue to boost our development path thanks to the investments in skills and technology solutions, enabling the digital evolution of Enterprises and Organizations. We develop our long-term growth industrial strategy, by enlarging and attracting digital skills and human resources, to support organizations evolution towards digital and sustainable models", stated Paolo Castellacci, Chairman and founder of Sesa.

"The results as of January 31, 2022 confirm our successful strategy focused on skills and human resources development. Under an international scenario of growing uncertainty, Sesa Group ability to support digitalization and enable corporate business model continues to be crucial, thanks to its industrial aggregation model oriented to sustainable long-term value generation for all stakeholders", stated Alessandro Fabbroni, CEO of Sesa.

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Here attached you can find the following exhibits (in thousand Euros):

Exhibit n. 1 - Reclassified Consolidated Income Statement as of January 31, 2022

Exhibit n. 2 - Reclassified Consolidated Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2022

Exhibit n. 3 - Consolidated Income Statement as of January 31, 2022

Exhibit n. 4 - Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as of January 31, 2022

Exhibit n. 5 - Segment Information as of January 31, 2022

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This press release is also available on the company's website www.sesa.it, as well as on the authorized storage mechanism eMarket Storage consultable at the website www.emarketstorage.com.

**Conference Call**: Friday March 11, 2022 at 4.00 pm (CET), Sesa S.p.A. will hold a conference call with the financial community, during which the Group's economic and financial results will be discussed. You can connect by dialing the following telephone numbers: from Italy +39 02 8020911, from the United Kingdom +44 121 2818004, from the USA +1 718 7058796 (local international number), 1 855 2656958 (toll free). Before the telephone conference it will be possible to download the slides of the presentation from the Investor Relations page of the Sesa website, http://www.sesa.it/it/investor-relations/presentazioni.html.

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Alessandro Fabbroni, in his capacity as manager in charge of preparing Corporate Financial Information, declares pursuant to paragraph 2 of article 154 bis of the Consolidated Finance Act, that the accounting information contained in this press release matches the information included in the accounting books and records.

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Sesa S.p.A., with Headquarters in Empoli (Florence), is the operating holding company of a Group with presence on the whole Italian territory and foreign countries as Germany, Switzerland, Austria, France, Spain, Romania and China. Sesa Group represents the reference player in Italy in technological innovation and digital services for the business segment, with consolidated revenues of Euro 2,037 million and 3,500 employees as of April 30, 2021.

Sesa Group has the mission of offering technological solutions, digital services and business applications, to support the digital transformation ad the innovation path of Enterprises and Organizations. Thanks to the skills and specialization of its human resources, Sesa Group operates in the value-added segments of Information Technology, such as Security, Cloud, Managed Services, ERP & Vertical Solutions, Customer Experience, Business Process Management, Digital Platform, Digital Engineering Solutions.

Sesa Group operates through four main business Sectors:

- VAD (Value Added Distribution), with revenues of about Euro 1,600 million and 425 human resources as of April 30, 2021
- SSI (Software and System Integration), with revenues of about Euro 480 million and 2,500 human resources as of April 30, 2021
- Business Services, with revenues of about Euro 47 million and 410 human resources as of April 30, 2021
- Corporate, with revenues of about Euro 20 million and 200 human resources as of April 30, 2021.

Sesa Group pursues the sustainable development strategy for the benefit of all Stakeholders, with a track record in the period 2011-2021 of continuous growth in employment, revenues (CAGR revenues 2011-2021  $\pm$  10.6%) and profitability (CAGR Ebitda 2011-2021  $\pm$  13.9%).

Sesa Group strategy of long-term value generation for all stakeholder is based on human resources skill development, environmental sustainability and social responsibility. In Year 2021 Sesa introduced in its corporate bylaw the sustainable growth as Board of Directors priority. Sesa S.p.A. is listed on the Euronext STAR Milan (ISIN Code: IT0004729759).

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Exhibit 1 – Reclassified Consolidated Income Statement of Sesa Group as of January 31, 2022 (thousands of Euros). Results as of 31/01/2022 approved by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2022 anaudited

Reclassified Income Statement	31/01/2022 (9 months)	%	31/01/2020 (9 months)	%	Change 2022/20
Revenues	1,739,121		1,523,733		14.1%
Other income	18,757		10,546		77.9%
Total Revenues and Other Income	1,757,878	100.0%	1,534,279	100.0%	14.6%
Purchase of goods	(1,345,459)	76.5%	(1,207,122)	78.7%	11.5%
Costs for services and leased assets	(141,736)	8.1%	(115,908)	7.6%	22.3%
Personnel costs	(142,449)	8.1%	(116,120)	7.6%	22.7%
Other operating charges	(3,685)	0.2%	(2,920)	0.2%	26.2%
Total Purchase of goods and Operating Costs	(1,633,329)	92.9%	(1,442,070)	94.0%	13.3%
Ebitda	124,549	7.09%	92,209	6.01%	35.1%
Amortisation tangible and intangible assets (sw)	(21,933)		(16,907)		29.7%
Accruals to provision for bad debts and risks and other non-monetary costs	(5,176)		(6,426)		-19.5%
Adjusted Ebit <sup>*</sup>	97,440	5.5%	68,876	4.5%	41.5%
Amortisation client lists and technological know-how (PPA)	(8,403)		(4,998)		68.1%
Ebit	89,037	5.1%	63,878	4.2%	39.4%
Net financial income and charges	(4,584)		(1,367)		235.3%
Ebt	84,453	4.8%	62,511	4.1%	35.1%
Income taxes	(24,305)		(18,597)		30.7%
Net profit	60,148	3.4%	43,914	2.9%	37.0%
Net profit attributable to the Group	56,262	3.2%	39,925	2.6%	40.9%
Net profit attributable to non-controlling interests	3,886		3,989		-2.6%
Adjusted Ebt*	92,856	5.3%	67,509	4.4%	37.5%
Adjusted Net profit*	66,129	3.8%	47,472	3.1%	39.3%
Adjusted Net profit attributable to the Group*	62,243	3.5%	43,483	2.8%	43.1%

<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted Ebit and Adjusted Ebt before amortisation and depreciation of intangible assets (Client lists and Know-how) recorded following the Purchase Price Allocation (PPA). Adjusted Net profit and Adjusted Net profit attributable to the Group before amortisation and depreciation of intangible assets (Client lists and Know-how) recorded following the Purchase Price Allocation (PPA), net of tax effect.









Exhibit 2 – Reclassified Consolidated Balance Sheet of Sesa Group as of January 31, 2022 (thousands of Euros). Results as of 31/01/2022 approved by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2022 anaudited

Reclassified Balance Sheet	31/01/2022	31/01/2020	30/04/2021
Intangible assets	198,876	114,416	142,826
Property, plant and equipment (rights of use included)	106,189	94,964	99,942
Investments valued at equity	13,938	13,273	13,850
Other non-current receivables and deferred tax assets	30,257	28,269	27,921
Total non-current assets	349,260	250,922	284,539
Inventories	127,820	94,276	86,920
Current trade receivables	520,846	550,284	355,781
Other current assets	101,550	74,373	63,395
Other Current assets	750,216	718,933	506,096
Payables to suppliers	541,573	481,741	366,101
Other current payables	177,333	146,840	142,690
Short-term operating liabilities	718,906	628,581	508,791
Net working capital	31,310	90,352	(2,695)
Non-current provisions and other tax liabilities	57,142	30,667	38,273
Employee benefits	44,326	39,327	40,897
Non-current net liabilities	101,468	69,994	79,170
Net Invested Capital	279,102	271,280	202,674
Shareholders' Equity	309,542	282,576	297,355
Liquidity and current financial receivable	(407,819)	(356,933)	(426,905)
Financing current and not current	230,066	254,412	229,548
Net Financial Position	(177,753)	(102,521)	(197,357)
Financial liabilities for rights of use IFRS 16	43,172	42,092	43,871
Liabilities to minorities shareholders for M&A <sup>3</sup>	104,141	49,133	58,805
Net Financial Position Reported	(30,440)	(11,296)	(94,681)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Non-interest bearing payables and commitments to minority shareholders for the purchase of company shareholdings (deferred prices, Earn Out, Put Option)







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Exhibit 3 – Consolidated income statement as of January 31, 2022 (thousands of Euros). Results as of 31/01/2022 approved by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2022 anaudited

## Period ended January 31

(Euro thousands)	2022	2020				
Revenues	1,739,121	1,523,733				
Other income	18,757	10,546				
Consumables and goods for resale	(1,345,459)	(1,207,122)				
Costs for services and rent, leasing, and similar costs	(144,117)	(118,351)				
Personnel costs	(142,449)	(116,120)				
Other operating costs	(6,480)	(6,903)				
Amortisation and Depreciation	(30,336)	(21,905)				
Operating Result	89,037	63,878				
Share of profits of companies valued at equity	1,398	1,718				
Financial income	3,901	7,527				
Financial expenses	(9,883)	(10,612)				
Profit before taxes	84,453	62,511				
Income taxes	(24,305)	(18,597)				
Profit for the period	60,148	43,914				
of which:						
Profit attributable to non-controlling interests	3,886	3,989				
Profit attributable to the Group	56,262	39,925				
Earnings per share (in Euro)	3.64	2.59				
Earnings per share diluted (in Euro)	3.63	2.58				









Exhibit 4 – Consolidated statement of financial position as of January 31, 2022 (thousands of Euros). Results as of 31/01/2022 approved by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2022 anaudited

Period ended (Euro thousands) 31 January2022 30 April 2021 Intangible assets 198,876 142,826 Right of use 55,411 55,220 Property, plant and equipment 50,778 44,722 Investment property 290 290 Investments valued at equity 13,938 13,850 14,735 12,987 Deferred tax assets Other non-current receivables and assets 15,232 14,644 Total non-current assets 349,260 284,539 Inventories 127,820 86,920 Current trade receivables 520,846 355,781 Current tax receivables 15,152 6,001 Other current receivables and assets 88,717 57.634 Cash and cash equivalents 405,500 426,665 Total current assets 1,158,035 933,001 **Total assets** 1,507,295 1,217,540 Share capital 37,127 37,127 Share premium reserve 33,144 33,144 Other reserves (54,910)(19,421)Profits carried forward 271,934 227,776 **Total Group Equity** 287,295 278,626 Equity attributable to non-controlling interests 22,247 18,729 **Total Equity** 309,542 297,355 107,343 Non-current loans 128,554 Non-current financial liabilities for right of use 32,569 33,626 Non current liabilities to minorities shareholders and Earn Out for M&A<sup>4</sup> 78,547 47,838 Employee benefits 44,326 40,897 Non-current provisions 3,516 2,284 Deferred tax liabilities 53,626 35,989 Total non-current liabilities 319,927 289,188 **Current loans** 122,723 100,994 Current financial liabilities for right of use 10,603 10,245 Current liabilities to minorities shareholders and Earn Out for M&A4 25,594 10,967 Payables to suppliers 541,573 366,101 Current tax payables 25,228 7,403 Other current liabilities 152,105 135,287 Total current liabilities 877,826 630,997 Total liabilities 1,197,753 920,185

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>For the purposes of a better representation of the Group's balance sheet, starting from 31 July 2021, payables and commitments for the purchase of shareholdings from minority shareholders have been recorded in a specific item of the balance sheet, separating this amount from non-current loans. Payables and commitments for the purchase of equity investments with minority shareholders include non-interest bearing payables and commitments for deferred payments for company acquisitions (Earn Out, Put Option, deferred prices). For a comparative analysis of meaning, the balance sheets at 31 January 2021 and 30 April 2021 have been reclassified consistently.





1,507,295



1,217,540

**Total Equity and liabilities** 



Exhibit 5 – Segment Information (VAD, SSI, Business Services, Corporate) as of January 31, 2022 (thousands of Euros). Results as of 31/01/2022 approved by the Board of Directors on March 11, 2022 anaudited

	Period ended January 31, 2022					Period ended January 31, 2020				
(Euro thousands)	VAD	SSI	BS	Corporate	Group	VAD	SSI	BS	Corporate	Group
Total Revenues and Other Income	1,372,528	419,301	41,701	17,112	1,757,878	1,213,910	355,148	33,614	16,562	1,534,279
Change Y/Y	13.1%	18.1%	24.1%	3.3%	14.6%					
Gross Margin	115,732	268,323	37,306	16,904	412,419	88,938	218,994	27,043	16,394	327,157
Opex	(48,936)	(217,778)	(32,485)	(14,517)	(287,870)	(40,738)	(179,185)	(25,337)	(13,901)	(234,948)
Ebitda	66,796	50,545	4,821	2,387	124,549	48,200	39,810	1,706	2,493	92,209
Ebitda Margin	4.9%	12.1%	11.6%	13.9%	7.1%	4.0%	11.2%	5.1%	15.1%	6.0%
Change Y/Y	38.6%	27.0%	183%	-4.3%	35.1%					
D&A	(3,302)	(16,216)	(2,064)	(351)	(21,933)	(3,039)	(12,412)	(1,137)	(319)	(16,907)
Provisions and other non- monetary costs	(1,524)	(1,268)	(3)	(2,381)	(5,176)	(2,366)	(1,530)	(83)	(2,447)	(6,426)
Ebit Adjusted	61,970	33,061	2,754	(345)	97,440	42,795	25,867	486	(273)	68,876
Ebit Adjusted margin	4.5%	7.9%	6.6%	-2.0%	5.5%	3.5%	7.3%	1.4%	-1.6%	4.5%
Change Y/Y	44.8%	27.8%	467%	26.5%	41.5%					
PPA-related amortisations	(942)	(5,936)	(1,525)	0	(8,403)	(343)	(4,361)	(217)	(77)	(4,998)
Ebit	61,028	27,125	1,229	(345)	89,037	42,452	21,507	269	(350)	63,878
Ebit Margin	4.4%	6.5%	2.9%	-2.0%	5.1%	3.5%	6.1%	0.8%	-2.1%	4.2%
Net Financial Charges	(3,009)	(1,258)	(295)	(22)	(4,584)	293	(1,449)	(227)	16	(1,367)
Income Taxes	(16,286)	(7,582)	(169)	(268)	(24,305)	(11,898)	(6,528)	(28)	(143)	(18,597)
Eat	41,733	18,285	765	(635)	60,148	30,847	13,530	14	(477)	43,914
PPA net of tax effect	671	4,225	1,085	0	5,981	244	3,104	154	55	3,558
Minorities	(668)	(3,053)	(165)	0	(3,886)	(330)	(3,643)	(16)	0	(3,989)
Group Eat Adjusted	41,736	19,457	1,685	(635)	62,243	30,761	12,990	152	(422)	43,481
Group Eat Adjusted Margin	3.0%	4.6%	4.0%	-3.7%	3.5%	2.5%	3.7%	0.5%	-2.5%	2.8%
Change Y/Y	35.7%	49.8%	1005%	50.5%	43.1%					





