

Press release
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**SB Italia, supported by Argos, strengthens its European footprint
with the acquisition of Archive-IT.**

- **This is the group's fourth acquisition since Argos took a majority stake in 2022.**
- **The integration of Archive-IT marks a significant step forward in SB Italia's expansion strategy, strengthening the company's leadership and enriching its portfolio with innovative software solutions.**

SB Italia, a leading company in digital transformation and a benchmark in process digitalisation solutions, further strengthens its international presence with the acquisition of Archive-IT, a European company renowned for its expertise in advanced digital archiving solutions, secure storage services, digitalisation, and intelligent document management.

This marks the company's fourth acquisition since 2022 and a major step in accelerating its European expansion and proprietary software growth strategy. Following this acquisition, the group now operates across 5 countries, with a team of over 350 employees. Over the past three years, SB Italia has more than doubled its revenues and EBITDA, reaching a revenue base exceeding €60 million.

Argos has supported SB Italia's buy-and-build strategy since its acquisition in October 2022. This acquisition follows those of Itagile and Doxinet in 2024, and Seta in 2025, reinforcing SB Italia's targeted M&A approach. The acquisition enhances SB Italia's proprietary SaaS offering, unlocks cross-selling and operational synergies, and supports clients' digital transitions in key sectors.

Today, SB Italia is recognised as a point of reference in digital transformation and as a leading player in this industry. Its strong market position is supported by the trust of numerous top-tier clients, such as Gruppo San Donato, Humanitas, UniCredit, BNP Paribas, Schneider Electric, PwC, KPMG, Randstad, and Manpower – and by continuous investment in skill development, technological research, and internal process optimisation.

Andrea Pavesi, Partner at Argos said: "We are proud to support SB Italia and we have backed the company's ambitious growth strategy since day one. Archive-IT is a natural addition to the group, expanding its reach, technology stack, and ability to serve regulated markets."

Headquartered in the Netherlands, Archive-IT has built a solid footprint across Europe (The Netherlands, Germany, France, and Belgium), serving over 1,000 organisations in highly regulated sectors such as healthcare, public sector, legal and pharmaceutical. Its proprietary SaaS suite – including Virtual Archive, AIR and E-Content – enables compliant archiving, process digitalisation, and leverages OCR and AI-based indexing technologies.

Pietro Lanza, General Manager and Managing Director of SB Italia, states: "The acquisition of Archive-IT goes far beyond a simple business expansion; it represents a strategic move toward the creation of a European operator capable of bringing together complementary expertise, cultures, and technological solutions."

Massimo Missaglia, CEO and Founder of SB Italia, adds: "Archive-IT adds both technological depth and market access. Together, we are building a powerful end-to-end platform to simplify and automate business-critical processes."

Paul de Meulemeester, CEO & co-owner of Archive-IT Group concludes: "Becoming part of SB Italia presents an opportunity to accelerate Archive-IT's growth and broaden its impact across the European market for digitalisation and information management. We share the same core values — innovation, security and customer-centricity — and this alliance will enable the delivery of more advanced, internationally integrated solutions. By combining our expertise, we will create strong industrial and cultural synergies that generate additional value for our clients."

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About Argos

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One firm, two strategies. Argos is an independent European private equity group that supports the growth of mid-sized businesses and backs their management teams.

With €2bn in assets under management, over 35 years of experience and more than 100 businesses assisted, Argos operates from offices in Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, Geneva, Luxembourg, Milan,

and Paris. The group seeks to acquire majority stakes and invests between €10m and €100m in each investment of its two strategies:

- The Argos Mid-Market fund unlocks business potential and helps companies make it to the next level.
- The Argos Climate Action fund (SFDR art. 9) aims at shaping European sustainable leaders by making their 'grey-to-green' transition.

About SB Italia

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SB Italia, a leading group in Italy in Digital Innovation, supports companies in their digital transformation with innovative and sustainable solutions designed to optimize processes, reduce costs, and increase productivity. With over 300 professionals, the Group offers an integrated platform for process digitization, security, and regulatory compliance, establishing itself as a benchmark in the sector.

The Docsweb suite, one of the leading platforms for Smart Enterprise Content Management, BPM, and Workflow Management, integrates AgileSign, the global eSignature platform; Fattura Semplice, the centralized repository for all accounting documents from the Cassetto Fiscale; the Digital Preservation service; and advanced solutions for digital identity, qualified signatures, time stamps, legal certifications, and AI-Docs, the Artificial Intelligence platform. SB Italia also offers solutions for digitizing expense reports (SmartEX), AI, Analytics, Data Governance, ERP for the textile industry (Panthera Textile), mobile CRM and ERP (Agevole), IT System Management, and Cybersecurity.

In 2024, the group received significant recognitions, such as ninth place in the Top ICT Sustainability 2024, the EcoVadis Silver Sustainability Rating, and the renewal of the UNI/PDR125 certification, confirming its commitment to sustainability, gender equality, and ESG principles.