

Taking companies to the next level

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SB Italia becomes Havant: a new identity to accelerate international growth.

Argos, an independent European private equity group, is pleased to announce that its portfolio company SB Italia, a leading Italian group in digital innovation, is adopting a new identity and will now operate under the name Havant.

This strategic rebranding marks the opening of a new phase of development, reflecting the Group's increased scale, the expansion of its offering and its growing international footprint. While the name evolves, Havant remains firmly anchored in the same values, expertise and long-term vision that have guided the company for more than twenty years.

A clear ambition: scaling innovation internationally

Havant embodies the identity of a mature, solid and forward-looking group, positioned to lead technological innovation in increasingly complex and fast-evolving environments.

The new brand expresses a clear ambition: to support companies and institutions in their most critical transformation challenges, at scale and across borders.

"This renewal marks a turning point in our history," says **Pietro Lanza, Managing Director and Board Member**. "Havant is the symbol of our international vocation and our commitment to anticipating the needs of a global market. The new payoff, 'shaping innovation,' reflects our dedication to putting the most advanced technologies and our expertise at the service of companies and institutions looking to the future."

Growth powered by digital transformation and artificial intelligence

The transition to Havant is the culmination of a long-term growth strategy driven by a clear conviction: digital transformation must be a structural lever of competitiveness, efficiency and sustainability.

Havant positions itself as a key player in process digitalisation, information management and valorisation, and the practical application of artificial intelligence to support decision-making, compliance and data governance. This position is built on the integration of technologies, sector expertise and robust methodologies, enabling the Group to deliver scalable, secure and future-proof solutions.

Beyond growth in size, Havant's evolution strengthens its ability to operate internationally, engage with advanced technology ecosystems and guide clients through complex innovation journeys — from intelligent automation to advanced information management and AI governance models.

Responsible innovation

Havant's development is grounded in a responsible and inclusive approach to innovation, placing people, skills development and long-term value creation at the core of its strategy.

A reliable and long-term partner, Havant combines Italian know-how with a European outlook, contributing to the definition of new standards in digital transformation.

The new identity also reinforces the values that have always characterised the group — innovation, reliability and solidity — within a broader vision focused on sustainability and long-term impact. Digitalisation is promoted as a powerful lever to optimise processes, reduce environmental footprint and support sustainable growth.

"Our evolution reflects a choice of responsibility and foresight," says **Massimo Missaglia, Founder and CEO**. "We believe that digital transformation is a fundamental lever to increase efficiency, reduce consumption, and promote sustainable growth. With Havant, we reinforce our role as a strategic partner for businesses and public administrations, both in Italy and in the most advanced international markets, valuing people and building solid alliances."

Argos' perspective

Andrea Pavesi, Partner at Argos, commented: "The transformation of SB Italia into Havant perfectly illustrates our ambition to support companies in scaling their platforms and accelerating their international development. Havant has built a strong positioning at the intersection of digital transformation, information management and AI, underpinned by a clear strategic vision and solid execution capabilities. We are proud to support the management team in this new phase of growth."

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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 over 2.3bn€ assets under management, 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 €15m 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 aims at shaping European sustainable leaders by accelerating their 'grey-to-green' transition.

About Havant

www.havant.com

With a workforce of over 400 professionals, Havant confirms its status as a sector benchmark, offering a comprehensive integrated platform for process digitalization, security, and regulatory compliance. The company's portfolio is anchored by the Docsweb suite, a leading platform for IDP (Intelligent document processing), BPM, and Workflow Management.

This ecosystem integrates a robust array of services, including:

- AgileSign (Electronic Signature)
- Fattura Semplice (Tax document management repository)
- Digital Preservation & AI-Docs (Artificial Intelligence)
- SmartEX (Expense management)
- Vertical & Mobile ERP, Analytics, and Data Governance
- IT System Management and Cybersecurity

A Commitment to Sustainability and ESG

Havant's launch builds upon a strong foundation of recognized excellence. In 2025, the company achieved significant accolades that underscore its concrete commitment to sustainability, inclusion, and ESG principles:

- 1st Place: Top ICT Sustainability 2025
- EcoVadis Silver Sustainability Rating
- UNI/PDR125 Certification Renewal (Gender Equality)

These recognitions highlight Havant's dedication not just to technological advancement, but to responsible and inclusive corporate growth.