

TERNA: CEPAGATTI (PE) CONFIRMED AS THE SITE OF THE NEW CONVERTER SUBSTATION OF THE ADRIATIC LINK

The decision is the result of public engagement, the analysis of the comments received and the results of additional surveys conducted by Terna on the relevant issues

Terna will invest approximately €1 billion for this project

Rome, 1 April 2022 – Following public engagement initiatives, the analysis of the comments received and the results of additional surveys conducted by Terna in the affected area, Cepagatti, in the province of Pescara, has been identified as the site of the new converter substation in Abruzzo to serve the Adriatic Link, the direct current undersea power line that will connect Abruzzo and Marche.

The definitive location of the new substation was announced today during an online community information event, in which Terna's engineers also provided information on the other location solutions in the province of Pescara: Città Sant'Angelo as the landing point of the undersea cable, and an area in the municipality of Cappelle sul Tavo for the 26 km section of underground cable that connects to the converter substation.

The selection of these definitive solutions is the result of a long process of engagement and dialogue with the region which, from December 2020 to today, translates into over 90 meetings with regional and municipal authorities, associations and citizens.

Approximately 250 km long, 210 of which are undersea, the Adriatic Link will improve the electricity exchange capacity between the various regions of the country, above all between the Centre-South and the Centre-North, thanks to the increase in power of approximately 1,000 MW, improving the efficiency, reliability and resilience of the transmission grid, specifically in Abruzzo.

The project, in which Terna will invest over €1 billion and involves around 120 direct and satellite companies, is at the forefront of technology and environmental sustainability and will serve to push the development and integration of renewable sources, contributing to the decarbonisation of the Italian electricity system in line with the goals and targets in the Integrated National Energy and Climate Plan (NECP).