

## **NEXTCHEM OPENS A NEW REGIONAL OFFICE IN ABU DHABI TO ADVANCE ENERGY TRANSITION IN THE MIDDLE EAST WITH ITS PORTFOLIO OF SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES**

Abu Dhabi, 23 September 2025 – **NEXTCHEM** (MAIRE), a leader in technological solutions to industrialize the energy transition, today announced the opening of its new regional office in Abu Dhabi, marking a major milestone in the company's strategic expansion across the Middle East.

**NEXTCHEM**, part of **MAIRE** Group, a multinational engineering player in the downstream energy services with solid Italian roots. The group is present in 50 countries with more than 10,200 people and a track record of over 1,500<sup>1</sup> projects completed worldwide.

MAIRE has been active in the UAE since the late 1990s through its engineering & construction business unit **TECNIMONT**, with several strategic projects executed in the Gulf area to support its economic and social development. **TECNIMONT** and **NEXTCHEM** are both currently working on ADNOC's Hail and Ghasha onshore development, which is one of the most important initiatives globally to decarbonize the gas processing industry. The Group is also active in Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Oman with other several strategic initiatives. **NEXTCHEM**, which heads MAIRE's Sustainable Technology Solutions (STS) business unit, is now strengthening its footprint in the region with its cutting-edge portfolio of technologies and innovative solutions supporting decarbonization across three business lines: Sustainable Fertilizers & Nitrogen-Based Fuels, Low-Carbon Energy Vectors, and Sustainable Materials and Circular Solutions.

The opening event was attended by the Members of the **MAIRE's Board of Directors** together with **senior executives of NEXTCHEM** as well as the **CEO of BOROUGE Group Mr. Hazeem Al Suwaidi** and other ADNOC officials, **H.E. Lorenzo Fanara, the Italian Ambassador to the UAE**, and **Mr. Youssef Al Nowais, MAIRE's long-term industrial partner and shareholder**.

"The opening of **NEXTCHEM's** regional offices underscores our long-term commitment to the UAE and the wider Middle East region," said **Mohammed Nafid, Middle East STS Region Vice President**. "Building on two decades of trusted engineering know-how through **TECNIMONT**, we are now bringing **NEXTCHEM's** technology portfolio to support the decarbonization objectives of our clients. Customers are looking for partners that can combine proven project delivery with innovative, competitive, economically viable technological solutions," added **Nafid**, "Our Abu Dhabi base will allow us to work even more closely with stakeholders to reinforce the region's global leadership in the energy transition —project by project."

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<sup>1</sup> Including plants delivered by the sister companies since their establishment.

**NEXTCHEM** is the MAIRE's company dedicated to Sustainable Technology Solutions. It provides innovative solutions across three business lines: Sustainable Fertilizers & Nitrogen-Based Fuels, Low-Carbon Energy Vectors, and Sustainable Materials & Circular Solutions. At the forefront of innovation, NEXTCHEM is dedicated to shaping a low-carbon future.

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**MAIRE S.p.A.** is a leading technology and engineering group focused on advancing the Energy Transition. We provide Integrated E&C Solutions for the downstream market and Sustainable Technology Solutions through three business lines: Sustainable Fertilizers, Low-Carbon Energy Vectors, and Circular Solutions. With operations across 50 countries, MAIRE employs nearly 10,200 people, supported by around 50,000 professionals involved in its projects worldwide. MAIRE is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange (ticker "**MAIRE**"). For further information: [www.groupmaire.com](http://www.groupmaire.com).

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