

## PRESS RELEASE

### IGD SIIQ SPA receives the “CNCC Design Award” for the ESP Shopping Center

Bologna, 10 April 2018. **IGD - Immobiliare Grande Distribuzione SIIQ S.p.A.**, one of the main players in Italy's retail real estate market and listed on the STAR segment of the Italian Stock Exchange, announces that the ESP Center in Ravenna received the "CNCC Design Award" for "Refurbishment" during the "Deep Renovation" Convention held in Milan on 5 April. This award seeks to reward the new projects and refurbishments of the centers affiliated with the *Consiglio Nazionale dei Centri Commerciali (CNCC)* which stand out for architectural quality, technical merits and sustainability. More in detail, the jury evaluated architecture, technical structure (relating to mechanical, electrical, transportation, lighting and sound systems), as well as economic, environmental and social sustainability.

Opened in 1998, the ESP Center was restyled in 2013 and expanded in 2017 to its current GLA of 47,000 m<sup>2</sup> which accommodates 100 stores and an Extracoop, the new format of the Coop Alleanza 3.0 hypermarket.

The jury recognized two cornerstones of the project: the architectural format and the focus on sustainability. With regard to the former, the extension was conceived with a view to harmoniously integrating the architecture and the retail space of the new and old parts, in order to provide visitors with a seamless and effective journey. The consistency of the spaces was guaranteed by explicit architectural details, but above all by the flooring which recalls the original colors and materials. With regard to the latter, consistent with IGD's approach, much attention was paid to sustainability: LED lighting was used, a system for harvesting rainwater, for uses other than drinking, was installed, a new bike path was built which connects with the city's network of bike paths, 4 columns with charging stations for electric cars were added and solar panels were installed on the roof of the new building. The commitment to energy efficiency is also confirmed by the UNIENISO14001 certification that the Center received at the beginning of 2018 and the process begun to obtain Breeam In-Use certification by the beginning of 2019. Significant results have been recorded: in the 10 months since the opening the number of center visitors has increased by more than 30% and excellent energy efficiency has also been reported.

*“Over the past few years we have worked on an ambitious program to update our shopping centers and make them even more appealing to visitors through restyling, refurbishment and extensions. In addition to the good commercial results we have achieved, it's great to receive awards like this one which comes in the wake of Centro Sarca's ranking as one of the 4 international finalists at the MAPIC Awards 2016 as a result of the extensive restyling completed by IGD”,* Roberto Zoia, IGD SIIQ's Director of Asset Management and Development, commented.



#### **IGD - Immobiliare Grande Distribuzione SIQ S.p.A.**

Immobiliare Grande Distribuzione SIQ S.p.A. is one of the main players in Italy's retail real estate market: it develops and manages shopping centers throughout the country and has a significant presence in Romanian retail distribution. Listed on the Star Segment of the Italian Stock Exchange, IGD was the first SIQ (Società di Investimento Immobiliare Quotata or real estate investment trust) in Italy. IGD has a real estate portfolio valued at circa €2,228.23 million at 31 December 2017, comprised of, in Italy, 25 hypermarkets and supermarkets, 23 shopping malls and retail parks, 2 plots of land for development, 1 property held for trading and an additional 6 real estate properties. Following the acquisition of the company Winmark Magazine SA in 2008 14 shopping centers and an office building, found in 13 different Romanian cities, were added to the portfolio. An extensive domestic presence, a solid financial structure, the ability to plan, monitor and manage all phases of a center's life cycle, leadership in the retail real estate sector: these qualities summarize IGD's strong points.

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