

**MONDADORI GROUP INCREASES ITS STAKE IN
EDIZIONI STAR COMICS TO 75.5%**

Acquisition of an additional 24.5% stake in the share capital of the comic book publisher

Segrate, 3 March 2025 - The Mondadori Group announces the completion today, through its subsidiary Mondadori Libri S.p.A., of the acquisition of a further 24.5% stake in Edizioni Star Comics S.r.l., Italy's leading comic book publisher.

As a result of this operation, Mondadori Libri S.p.A. has now brought its stake in the publishing house to 75.5%, from the former 51%.

The increase in the stake in Edizioni Star Comics was carried out through the exercise of the call option envisaged by the agreement signed and disclosed to the market on 6 June 2022, which gave the Mondadori Group the right to acquire the remaining 49% stake in the company in two tranches of 24.5% each, exercisable in 2025 and 2028.

The provisional purchase price, paid fully in cash today, is € 5 million, determined on the basis of the average EBITDA for the three-year period 2022-2024 as well as the net financial position over the twelve months prior to the closing date (amounting to € 2.5 million). This provisional price may be adjusted following the approval of the 2024 financial statements.

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