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Sonae Sierra has signed a new leasing service contract with Helios Immobiliare in Italy

- Sonae Sierra will provide exclusive leasing services for the requalification of the former IP area, owned by Helios Immobiliare in La Spezia
- End of works is foreseen for spring 2015

Sonae Sierra, the international shopping centre specialist, has announced the signing of a leasing service contract with Helio Immobiliare Group for former IP Area, in Fontevivo district in La Spezia. The structure is part of a wider project of urban requalification, with a particular focus on the reconversion of the former IP refinery area, and involves the construction of a two levels building which will offer about 11.000 m² of GLA. Works are expected to begin next September and will end on spring 2015.

"This contract will confirm our strong commitment to further strengthen our service provider activity for all business' sectors" commented **José Maria Robles, General Manager of Property Management of Sonae Sierra in Italy**. *"This is an important project, both for its strategic position and for the land requalification it will promote. Moreover, the project will be able to complement different entities, giving a key role to shopping and entertainment, too".*

"We are very proud of this opportunity to continue our cooperation with a valuable international partner such as Sonae Sierra. Thanks to their proven experience in the shopping centre sector and after the positive experience represented by Le Terrazze Shopping Centre, we are sure that they'll be able to provide significant added value to this new project under development within the wider requalification and reconversion plan of the former IP refinery" added **Sandro Bordigoni from Helios Immobiliare**.

Sonae Sierra, www.sonaesierra.com, is the international Shopping Centre specialist, with a passion for creating innovative shopping experiences. The Company owns 47 shopping centres and is present in 11 countries: Portugal, Spain, Italy, Germany, Greece, Romania, Croatia, Morocco, Algeria, Colombia and Brazil. Sonae Sierra manages more than 70 Shopping Centres with a market value of more than 5.8 billion euros, and a total Gross Lettable Area (GLA) of about 2.3 million m² with about 8,500 tenants. In 2012, the Company welcomed 426 million visits in the shopping centres it manages. Currently, Sonae Sierra has 7 projects under development, including 4 for clients, and 7 new projects in pipeline.