



## Dear investor,

Ongoing geopolitical tensions, coupled with the urgent need to address climate change through decarbonisation, are reshaping global energy strategies. It has never been more critical for Europe to build a more independent and resilient energy system. During her presentation of the Clean Industrial Deal in February 2025, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen highlighted that Europe's dependence on imported fossil fuels is the primary driver behind rising and volatile energy prices.

### An unprecedented investment programme

As the owner of two system operators in Belgium (Elia) and Germany (50Hertz), we at Elia Group are fully committed to accelerating the energy transition. We are strengthening Europe's energy security, the competitiveness of its businesses, and its climate work by building a sustainable, low-carbon electricity system for its citizens.

Our strategic locations near the North and Baltic seas – Europe's prime hubs for renewable energy – puts us in an excellent position for long-term, sustainable growth in the decades ahead. We are further enhancing our growth potential by leveraging our unique technical expertise in electricity transmission to expand into new markets through value-creating, lower-CAPEX activities.

Decarbonisation goes hand in hand with electrification: it requires the timely readiness of extensive new grid infrastructure. To achieve this, we are undertaking an unprecedented €26.8 billion investment programme over the next three years, which will see €7.5 billion being allocated to our activities in Belgium and €19.3 billion being allocated to our activities in Germany.

#### A diverse funding toolkit

To support our ambitious investment plan, on 7 March 2025, we announced a  $\leq$ 2.2 billion equity package. This included a secured agreement to raise  $\leq$ 850 million through the private placement of new shares to a specific group of investors.

This private placement – also known as a PIPE – includes Atlas Infrastructure and the Future Fund; Blackrock; CPP Investments; and our reference shareholder, Publi-T/NextGrid holding. Their commitment reflects their strong confidence in our vision, equity story, and long-term growth potential.

# Today, we are announcing the second part of the equity package: a €1.35 billion rights issue. Our cornerstone investors, mentioned above, have already committed to participating in this issue on a pro-rata basis, following the PIPE. As a result, over 55% of the rights issue has already been secured, significantly reducing its level of risk.

As a leading multinational owner of grid operators with a proven growth strategy, this rights issue will allow us to continue investing in critical infrastructure, ensuring clean energy competitiveness for the benefit of the societies we serve.

We thank you in advance for your trust and will do our utmost to execute our projects as efficiently as possible, maximising value for our shareholders

#### **Bernard Gustin**

CEO of Elia Group

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In addition, The Group's future profits will in part depend on its ability to realise its contemplated investment programme and the anticipated organic growth of its regulated asset base (RAB). Moreover, a downgrade in Elia Group's, Elia Transmission Belgium's and/or Eurogrid GmbH's credit rating could affect their ability to access capital markets as well as impact their financial position and refinancing capacity.

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