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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **ACEA ANNOUNCES LAUNCH OF "BENCHMARK" GREEN BOND ISSUE**

#### **FURTHER STRENGTHENING OF SUSTAINABLE FINANCE**

**Rome, 16 January 2023** - ACEA SpA (the "**Company**") announces, pursuant to the Board of Directors' resolution of 13 January 2023, the launch of a Green Bond issue for a "benchmark" amount (the "**Bonds**") and a tenure of 8 years. The bonds are being issued under the Green Financing Framework and the €5,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Notes (EMTN) programme, in accordance with the Base Prospectus supplemented on 13 January 2023.

The Bonds are restricted solely to Italian and international institutional investors (excluding investors located in the United States of America or who are "U.S. persons", as defined in the U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended).

The Bonds will be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's regulated market and the final conditions applicable to the offer, to be established following completion of the bookbuilding process, will be announced by the Company as soon as they are available.

The proceeds from the issue will be used to finance specific sustainability projects. These include projects relating to the resilience of the electricity distribution system, energy efficiency, e-mobility, development of circular economy, increased production of renewable energy and the protection of water resources.

The transaction will be managed by Bank of America, Goldman Sachs, Intesa SanPaolo IMI, JP Morgan and UniCredit.

Moody's Investors Service and Fitch Ratings have assigned the Company long-term debt ratings of Baa2 (Negative outlook) and BBB+ (Stable outlook), respectively.

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