

Directa Plus plc

("Directa Plus" or the "Company")

Directa Plus awarded "Rising Star" by Company Excellence 2021 Awards

Directa Plus (AIM: DCTA), a leading producer and supplier of graphene nanoplatelets based products for use in consumer and industrial markets, is pleased to announce that it was awarded a special mention as a Rising Star in this year's Company Excellence Awards hosted by the Italian Stock Exchange and sponsored by Harvard Business Review Italy, the management consultants GEA and ARCA, the Milan based fund managers.

The panel of judges included Gabriele Galatieri, president of Generali Insurance, Patrizia Grieco, president of the banking conglomerate Monte dei Paschi di Siena and Raffaele Jerusalmi, CEO of the Italian Stock Exchange.

Directa received the award on the 10th of November during a ceremony inside Palazzo Mezzanotte, the Italian Stock Exchange.

Commenting, Giulio Cesareo, Founder and CEO of Directa Plus said: "We are delighted to have obtained the special mention as a Rising Star in these awards, being recognized as a leader in moving a sustainable graphene technology to the market. Winning such a prestigious award, as voted and recognised by business leaders in Italy is a real honour and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the whole Directa team for their continued hard work."

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About Directa Plus

Our focus is principally on the two sectors in which we have strong commercial advantage through developed and launched products and a technological lead: environmental (based on our Grafysorber[®] product), textiles (based on our G+[®] products) and, more recently, lithium-sulphur

batteries. In addition, we will continue to pursue opportunities in elastomers and composites (including tyres and asphalt), also using our $G+^{\ensuremath{\circledast}}$ products. All our products are hypoallergenic, nontoxic and sustainably produced.

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