

Bludigit Strengthens Its International Presence Through a Partnership with Azerigas for Network Digitalization and Monitoring

Milan, 27 December 2024 – Bludigit, the digital company of the Italgas Group, is consolidating its international presence through a strategic partnership with Azerigas Production Union, the SOCAR group company responsible for the distribution and supply of natural gas in the Republic of Azerbaijan, serving approximately 2.6 million users.

The agreement between the two companies aims to support Azerigas in its digital transformation journey by implementing advanced technologies for gas leak detection and providing strategic digital consulting services.

Among the key activities offered by Bludigit is the Gas Leak Detection service using Picarro technology, currently the most advanced system in the field of gas network monitoring. This solution enables precise and timely identification of leaks. By deploying two vehicles equipped with state-of-the-art gas analyzers, which are already operational in Baku, more than 2,400 kilometers of the gas distribution network in the Azerbaijani capital will be monitored. This strategic activity will help reduce fugitive emissions, improve infrastructure safety, and enhance the overall sustainability of the system.

Bludigit's support also extends to conducting an in-depth analysis of the current state of digitalization of Azerigas's assets and processes. This initiative allows for the development of a digital roadmap that will lead to a more efficient operational model, enhancing both service quality and operational performance.

*“This collaboration reaffirms Bludigit’s role as an international leader in the digitalization of energy networks” - said **Marco Barra Caracciolo, CEO of Bludigit**. “Thanks to our state-of-the-art technologies and solid expertise, Azerigas will effectively tackle modernization challenges, detect leaks with exceptional accuracy, and further strengthen the safety of its infrastructure. This is a strategic project that will significantly contribute to Azerigas’s digital transformation and to managing its network in an increasingly sustainable way”.*