

## **Paolo Gallo honored at the 2024 UNCA Awards in New York for Commitment to Sustainability and Energy Transition**

New York, December 16, 2024 – The CEO of Italgas, Paolo Gallo, was awarded a Special Mention in New York at the 2024 UNCA Awards, a prestigious ceremony organized by the United Nations Correspondents Association. The initiative aims to highlight personalities from the world of communication and business who have stood out for their contributions to global issues such as climate change and international crises.

Paolo Gallo received the Special Mention in the presence of the UN Deputy Secretary-General, Amina J. Mohammed. The award adds to a legacy of notable recipients, which in previous years has included figures such as Bill Clinton, Richard Branson, Ted Turner, Jeffrey Sachs, Nicolas Cage, Stevie Wonder, and Michael Douglas.

During the ceremony, Italgas' efforts to promote sustainability through the digital transformation of gas distribution networks and the adoption of innovative technologies were highlighted. These initiatives have contributed to reducing emissions and improving energy efficiency. Additionally, the effectiveness of Italgas' model in the energy sector was recognized, acknowledging its significant role in advancing global goals for a transition to a net-zero emissions economy.

“This recognition is a tribute to the collective work of the entire Italgas team, which has placed sustainability at the core of our mission, inspiring and guiding every strategic decision,” **said Paolo Gallo, CEO of Italgas**. “Our commitment is to shape a safe, sustainable, and competitive energy transition by progressively integrating natural gas with renewable, zero-carbon solutions such as biomethane and hydrogen, while significantly reducing methane emissions. Our leadership in this area was recently reaffirmed at COP29, where UNEP awarded us the Gold Standard for methane emissions reduction for the fourth consecutive year. Innovation, sustainability, and social responsibility are the pillars on which to build a better future, and we will continue to invest in them with determination and vision.”