



## **AGREEMENTS**

### **CONFINDUSTRIA, FBK AND INFN CREATE THE GAIA-X HUB ITALIA ASSOCIATION**

The Gaia-X Hub Italia Association was established on 3 December, with the aim of promoting the data ecosystem in the country. The initiative, shared with the Ministries of Economic Development, of Innovation and Digital Transition and of University and Research, sees among the founding members Confindustria, the Bruno Kessler Foundation (FBK) and the INFN. The Hub will represent the reference point for Italian companies and organizations interested in developing projects based on data enhancement, following principles such as interoperability, privacy and control of proprietary data. The project will lead to the creation of a series of data spaces divided by sector, industries or supply chains, in which companies and other public or private entities will be able to autonomously share data, information and services with each other. The Hub will also be a point of connection with the national counterparts of Gaia-X at the European level, to lead to the development of a broader continental ecosystem of federated, sovereign and fully operational data. The project was illustrated on December 3 in Milan as part of CONNEXT 2021, by the founding members and government representatives. ■