GENERATIVE AI FOR UTILITIES REINVENTION

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Generative Al

What is it and what's the Value at Stake

The Gen Al Empowered Utilities

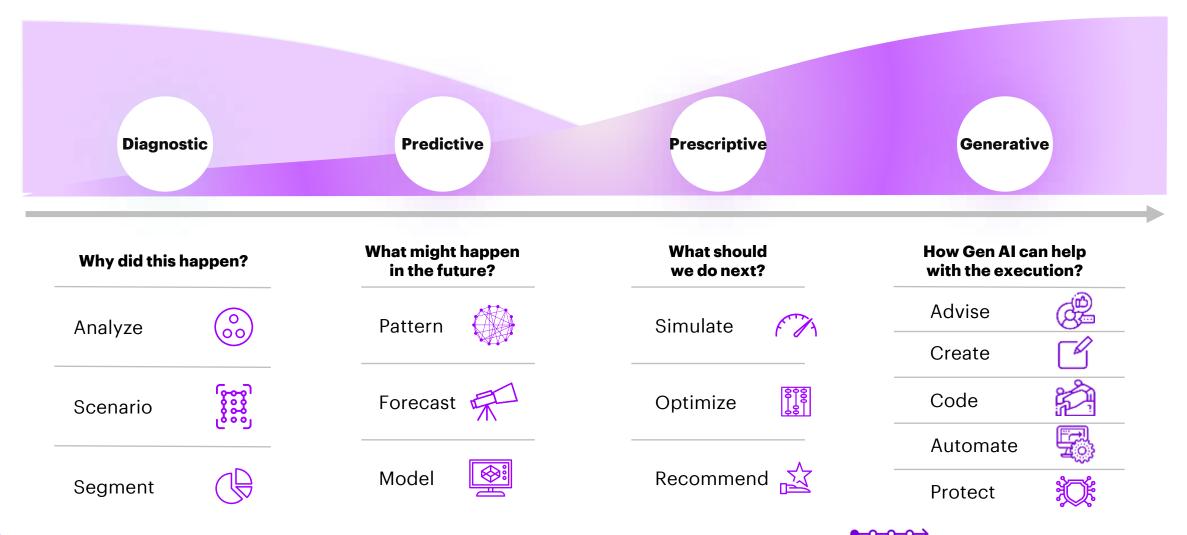
Reimagining through the lens of Gen Al

A Successful Gen Al Journey

4 key ingredients to fully unleash value

WHAT'S GENERATIVE AI?

Gen AI is the latest evolution in analytics and machine learning within the AI Continuum, able to understand contexts and generate new contents miming humans' creativity



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WHY IS GEN AI DIFFERENT FROM OTHER INNOVATIONS?

Gen AI is booming and is showing some peculiarities that proves it is going to radically transform ways of working, business models and the society

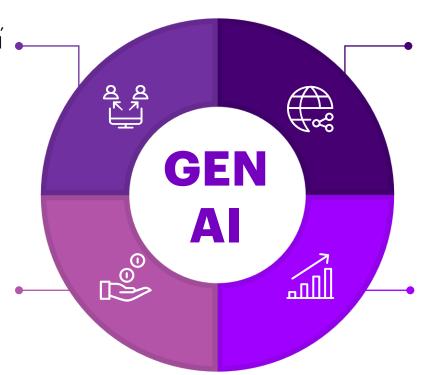
MASSIVE IMMEDIATE USAGE¹

Thanks to incredibly easy access and utilization, ChatGPT (OpenAI) is estimated to have reached **100 million monthly active users** just two months after launch (January 2023), 180 million in April 2024

HUGE INVESTMENTS⁴

Tech players are betting big: Meta \$33B, Microsoft \$13B (in OpenAI), Amazon \$4B e Google \$2B (in Anthropic)

Investments in Gen Al start-ups in 2023 record year, with x6 increase in funding vs. 2022



UNSTOPPABLE MARKET ECOSYSTEM EXPANSION²

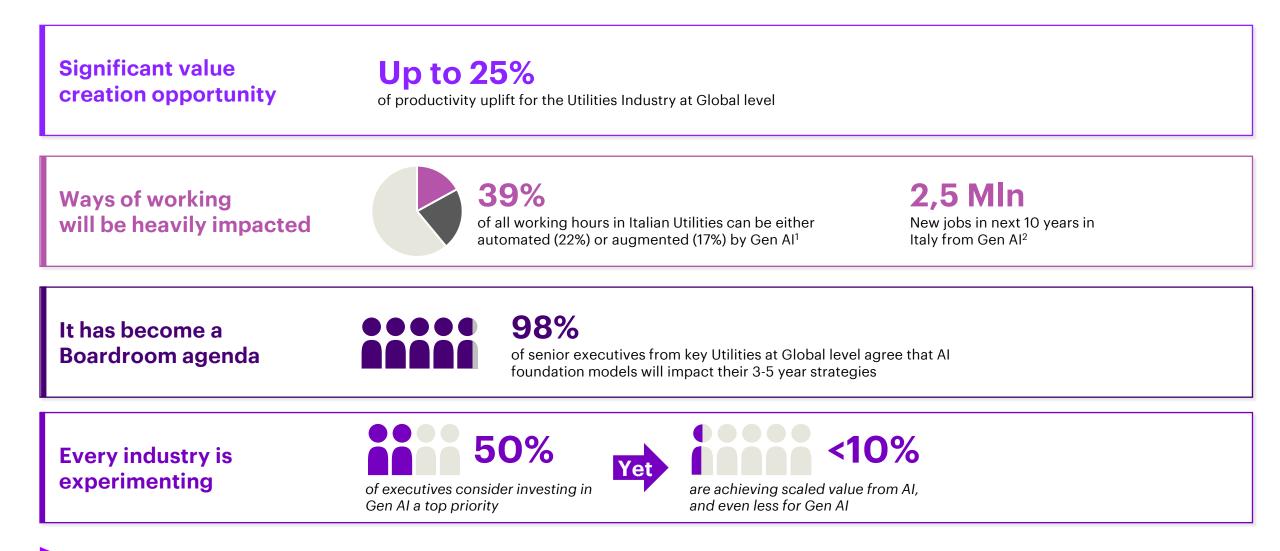
~\$640 Billion the market size of Artificial Intelligence valued in 2028, from ~\$140 Billion of 2023

INCREDIBLY FAST EVOLUTION³

In February 2024 - **about a year after the release of ChatGPT 3.5 – was released Sora**, a model for text-to-video generation, and **Dall-E 3** (released in September 2023) which can generate incredibly accurate images from text

ENTERING THE ERA OF GEN AI: WHY IS IT SO IMPORTANT?

Gen AI, being a disruptive (not incremental) innovation, represents a huge opportunity for Italian Companies to improve their productivity



Source: (1) Accenture Research Growth & Strategy: Generative AI impact on Country Occupations, 2023 | (2) Audizione informale di Accenture alla Camera dei Deputati (Commissione Lavoro) sul rapporto tra Intelligenza Artificiale e mondo del lavoro | All the other data's sources: Accenture POV: Generative AI – Utilities Industry Narrative, Oct 2023

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RISKS AND ISSUES TO MANAGE?

Evidences highlight a set of risks to be accurately managed through a structured governance

	«Silos» effect: highly decentralized development of
$\leftarrow \mid \rightarrow$	PoCs by different business units/area, with
	overlapping investments and unexploited synergies



Ethics and responsibility concerns - including health & safety concerns, potential harm to environment, social bias – in an evolving regulatory framework



Uncontrolled usage of Gen Al by employees: 28% of workers use Gen Al at work, 50% of them without any approval from supervisors



Intellectual property protection of both proprietary and third parties' data and output



Quality and trust: Gen AI frequently producing output that seems apparently reasonable although providing incorrect information



Autonomous Gen Al-based solution evolution: deep learning mechanisms requires continuous monitoring to ensure alignment with business objectives



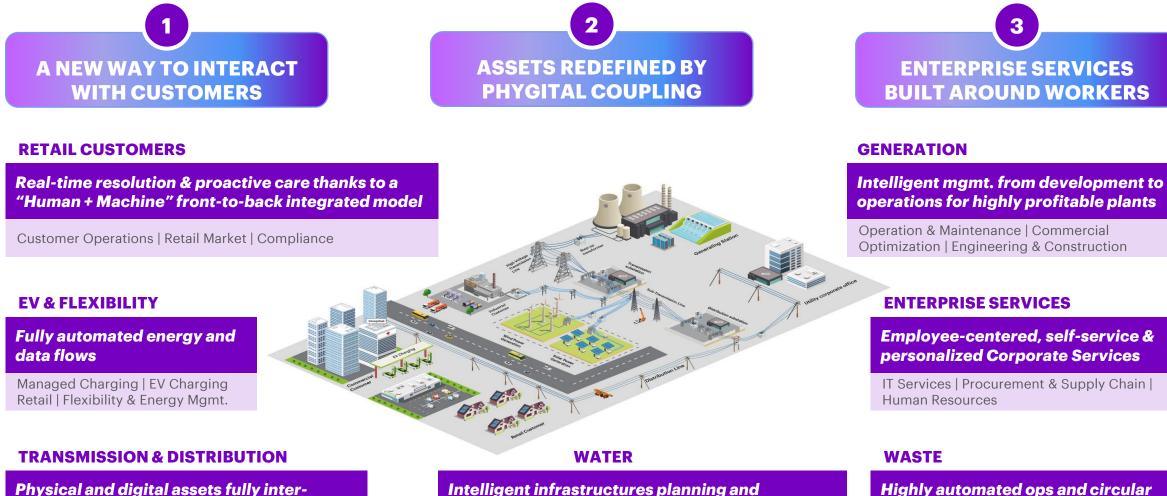
Potential limitation to innovation and perpetuation of the past, since new contents are based on existing info and patterns



Resistance to change and status-quo protection by people

THE GEN AI EMPOWERED UTILITIES: OUR VISION

Gen AI brings disruption along the whole value chain, through 3 main archetypes



connected for a highly efficient ecosystem

Asset Management | System Operations | Work Management

Intelligent infrastructures planning and maintenance for efficient management of water

Infrastructures Simulations & Planning | Water Quality Assessment | Infrastructures Monitoring and Maintenance **Employee-centered**, self-service &

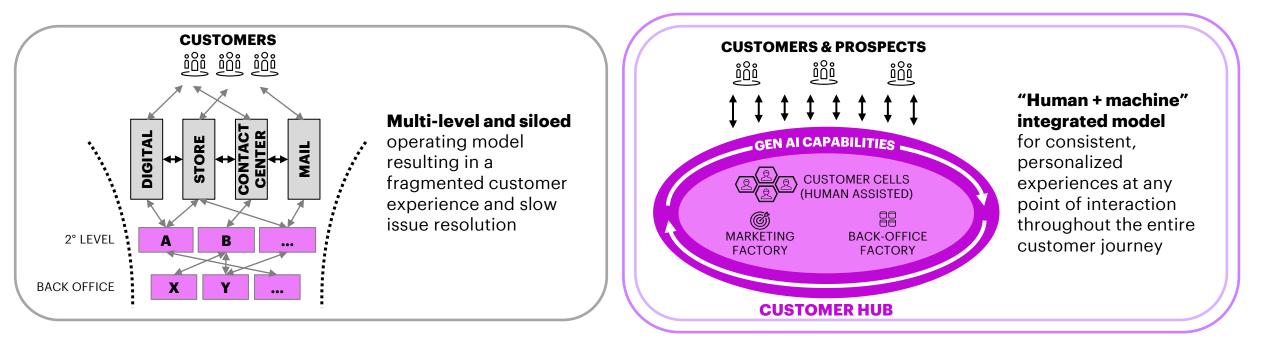
Highly automated ops and circular waste valorization

Logistics & Transportation | Waste Sorting | Chemical Analysis (e.g. Waste-to-Energy)

ARCHETYPE 1: A NEW WAY TO INTERACT WITH CUSTOMERS

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Proactive, hyperpersonalized caring, marketing and sales



Integrated front-to-back

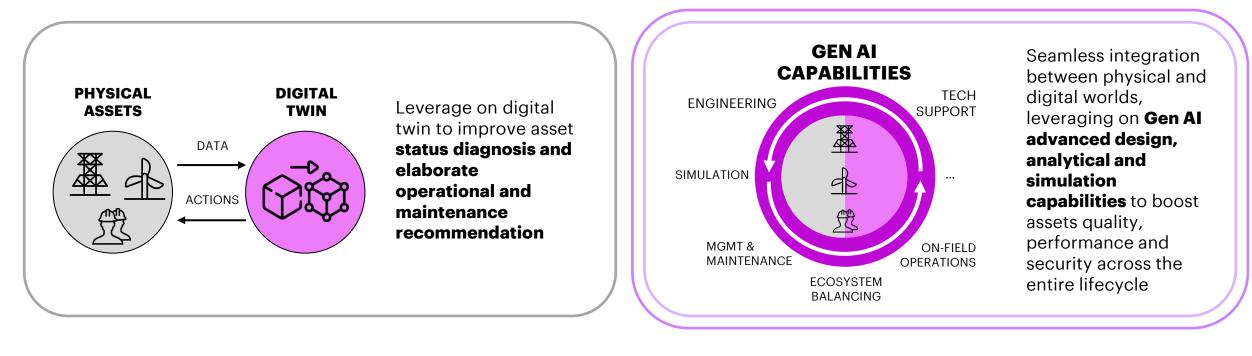
model for high-value real-time interactions



ARCHETYPE 2: ASSETS REDEFINED BY PHYGITAL COUPLING

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Advanced simulation capabilities to boost assets performance Security and safety

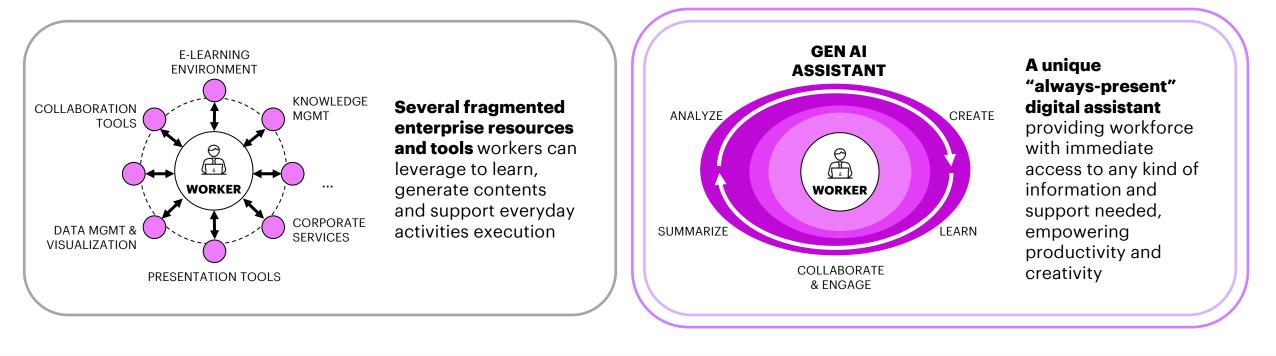
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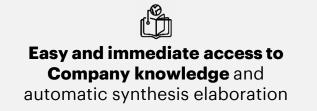


ARCHETYPE 3: ENTERPRISE SERVICES BUILT AROUND THE WORKER

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Deliverable creation automation and/or

augmentation

Real-time support from Corporate Services and quick issue resolution

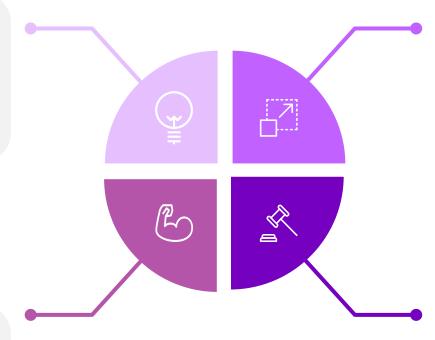
4 INGREDIENTS TO FULLY UNLEASH THE VALUE OF GEN AI

1. ADOPT A REINVENTOR MINDSET

Continuously re-imagine business models and ways of working, exploiting Gen AI potential and synergies with ecosystem partners

4. RESHAPE WORKFORCE AND PREPARE WORKERS

Define new roles and re-skill your people, while building a liquid workforce to rapidly shift roles in response to technologic and organizational evolution



2. BUILD A FLEXIBLE MODEL TO BRING GEN AI AT SCALE

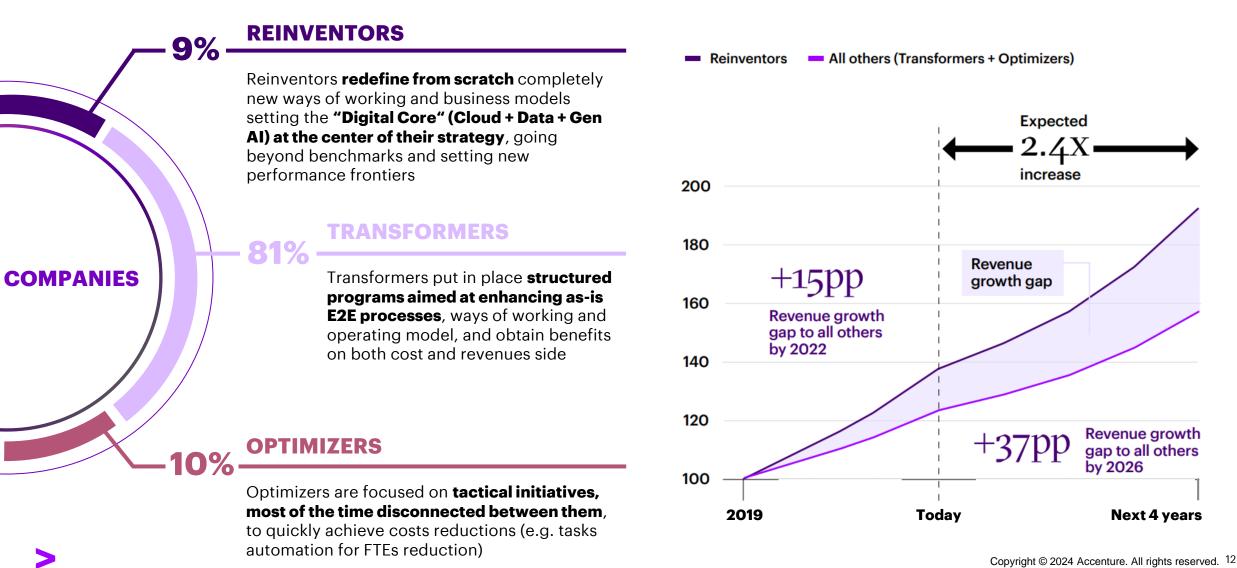
Ensure the right balance between business demand for speed, technology evolution and company need for industrialization, efficiency and governance

3. MAKE SURE GEN AI IS USED RESPONSIBLY

Take intentional actions to design, deploy and use Gen AI to create value and build trust while protecting from potential Gen AI risks

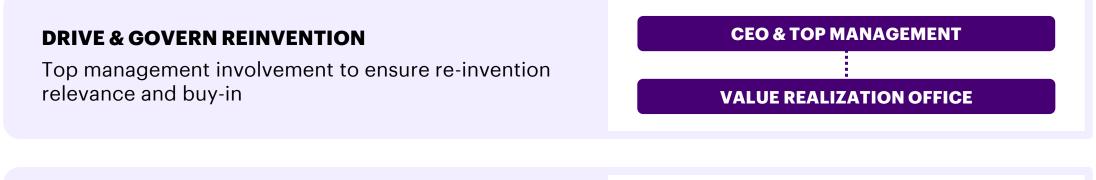
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GEN AI HUB

Intersection of internal AI specialized skills and external partners to realize innovation efficiently at scale



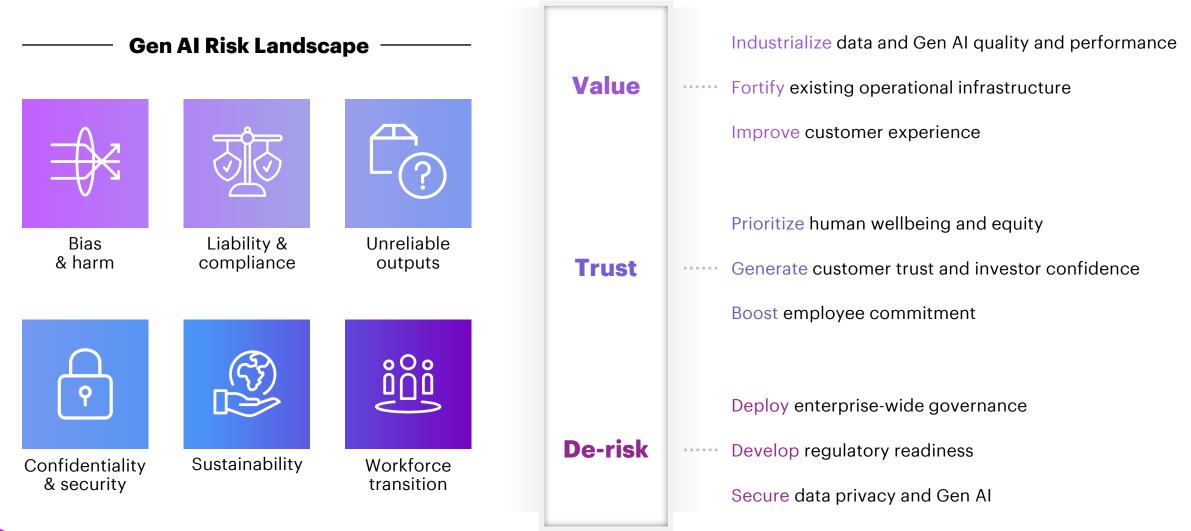
GEN AI SPOKES AND BUSINESS UNITS

Support business in generating innovative ideas, quickly realize prototypes and shape AI solutions



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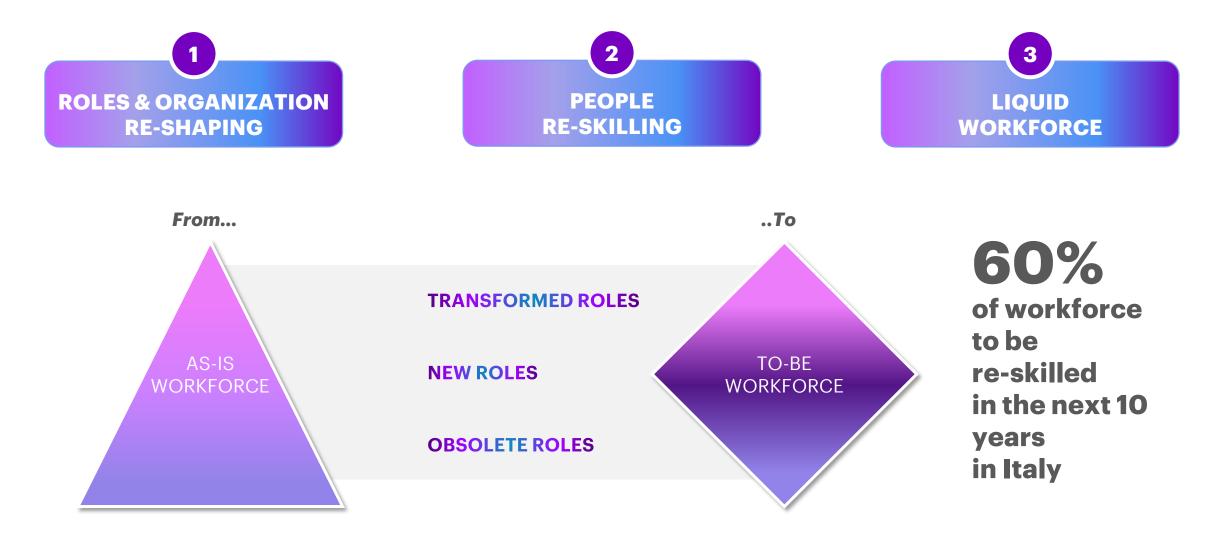
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KEY TAKE AWAYS



Gen AI is a highly disruptive factor, a **unique opportunity for Italy to fill productivity gap, impacting the entire Utilities value chain** business and operating models



To fully benefit from Gen AI potential (and achieve more than some incremental enhancements), it is fundamental to **adopt a "Reinventor" mindset and make sure CEO and Top Management are on the driving sit** of Companies reinvention



Key success factor for this reinvention is the ability to **build ecosystem partnerships** at cross-industry level (e.g. JVs, Open Innovation models, collaborations with Tech players) to leverage on complementary capabilities, re-imagine the Utility of tomorrow and accelerate business value



In this phase, **trust is key**. Make sure customers, employees and all other stakeholders' priorities and concerns are adequately addressed can boost reinvention and be a sustainable competitive advantage for the next years

