

PRESS RELEASE

AUTHORIZED BY THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK THE MERGER BY INCORPORATION OF THE CONSORZIO OPERATIVO GRUPPO MONTEPASCHI INTO BMPS

EXPECTED AT THE BEGINNING OF DECEMBER THE COMPLETION OF THE TRANSACTION, IN LINE WITH THE 2022-2026 BUSINESS PLAN

Siena, 27 October 2022 - Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A. (“**BMPS**”) announces that on 25 October 2022 it has obtained the authorization from the European Central Bank to the merger by incorporation into BMPS of Consorzio Operativo Gruppo Montepaschi S.C.p.A. (“**COG**”), the information technology services company of the Group. The transaction is expected to be completed at the beginning of December 2022.

Therefore, it is confirmed that also this action of the 2022-2026 Business Plan is in line with the expected timing.

It is also hereby announced that, pursuant to Article 70, paragraph 7, letter a) of the regulations adopted by CONSOB with the Resolution No. 11971 of 14 May, 1999, as subsequently amended, a copy of the following documents relating to the merger by incorporation of the COG into BMPS is available, in accordance with the law, on the authorized storage mechanism eMarket STORAGE at www.emarketstorage.com:

- the plan for the merger by incorporation of the COG into BMPS;
- the financial statements of BMPS and the COG as at 31 December 2021, adopted as the reference balance sheets of the companies participating in the merger.

The aforementioned documentation, together with the financial statements of BMPS and COG for the financial years ended, respectively, as at 31 December 2020 and as at 31 December 2019 is also available on the website www.gruppomps.it in the Investor Relations section and it has been filed at the registered office of BMPS in Siena, Piazza Salimbeni 3 and at the registered office of the COG in Siena, via Bettino Ricasoli 60.

This press release shall be regarded as a notice to shareholders pursuant to Article 2505, paragraph 3 of the Italian Civil Code.

The execution of the merger deed and the effective date of the legal effects of the merger will be announced in a subsequent communication to the market.

The information of this press release will also be published in the national daily newspaper “*Il Sole 24 Ore*”.

This press release will be available on the website at www.gruppomps.it

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