

## PRESS RELEASE

## INTESA SANPAOLO HAS FINALISED CONTRIBUTION OF ITS SHAREHOLDING IN NH ITALIA TO NH HOTELES

Turin - Milan, June 30<sup>th</sup> 2014 – Following the approval obtained at the shareholders' meeting of NH Hotel Group S.A. (formerly NH Hoteles S.A., hereinafter "NH") on June 26<sup>th</sup> 2014 regarding the capital increase reserved for Intesa Sanpaolo through the issue of 42,000,000 new ordinary shares of NH at a price of 4.70 euro per share, Intesa Sanpaolo has executed the capital increase by contributing its entire shareholding owned in NH Italia S.p.A., representing 44.5% of the latter's share capital, to NH.

As a result of the execution of the capital increase, Intesa Sanpaolo now holds, directly and indirectly, a shareholding equal to approximately 16% of NH's share capital.

Intesa Sanpaolo's consolidated net income has recorded a positive contribution of 47 million euro from the transaction.