Banca Intesa GRUPPO SANPAOLO IMI

Italian Leader with European Dimension

Setting the New Benchmark for Value Creation

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Solid Transaction Rationale: Creation of an Undisputed Italian Leader with European Dimension

The Italian Leader	 Undisputed leader in all segments with market share of ~22% in customers loans and deposits, twice the number two player High incidence of Italian retail representing ~60% of combined revenues Clear leadership in most attractive products Strong capital base and best in-class asset quality
Unique Customer Reach	 Most extensive network in Italy: over 6,100 branches, ~20% market share and ~13 million clients Deep and well-balanced presence (market share >15% in 15 regions and <5% only in 7 provinces), focus on the wealthiest areas of the country (63% branches located in Northern Italy) Strong reinforcement of territory coverage: market share above 20% in 40 provinces out of 103 vs. 9 and 11 pre-combination for Intesa and SPIMI respectively
Complementary Presence in CEE	 Complementary presence in CEE reaching over ~6 million clients in 10 countries through ~1,400 branches⁽¹⁾

Unique positioning allowing to deliver significant in-market synergies and superior sustainable results

(1) Including Ukrsotsbank in Ukraine and Panonska in Serbia (acquisitions underway)





Value Creation	 €1.3bn fully phased-in pre-tax preliminary estimated synergies in 2009 ~75% cost synergies, equivalent to ~9% of combined cost base ~25% revenue synergies, equivalent to ~2% of combined revenue base One-off integration costs conservatively estimated at €1.5bn
Attractive Financial Proposition	 High dividend policy: payout in excess of 60% while maintaining a sound capital base Possibility to return excess capital to shareholders Transaction EPS accretive for both Intesa and SPIMI shareholders

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Key Terms and Clear Corporate Governance

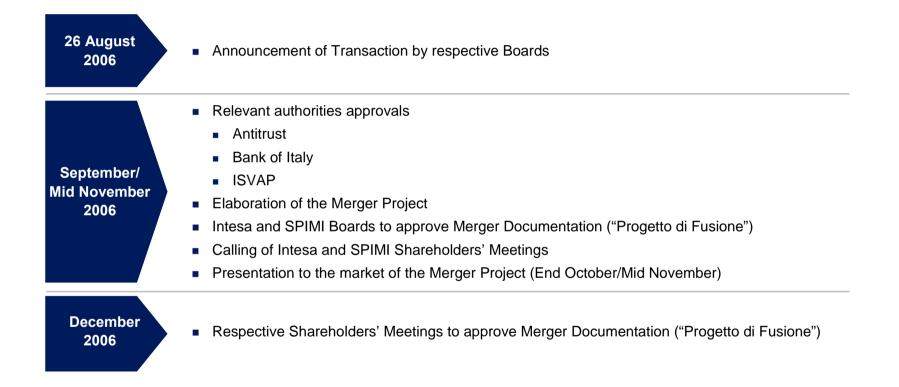
Key Terms and Conditions	 Friendly transaction to be implemented via a merger of equals 3.115 new Intesa ordinary shares for each SPIMI ordinary / privileged share Combined market capitalisation of ~€65bn⁽¹⁾ Conditions: subject to regulatory, Boards and EGM approvals
Clear Corporate Governance	 Legal HQ in Turin, operating HQs in Milan and in Turin Innovative corporate governance proposition with Dualistic Model: Supervisory Board - strategic decisions such as M&A and capital actions Management Board - ordinary administration of the Group Well-defined allocation of responsibilities 1 Chairman at Supervisory Board level (Giovanni Bazoli) and 1 Chairman at Management Board level (Enrico Salza) Empowered CEO: Corrado Passera, part of the Management Board 2 general managers. One of them, Pietro Modiano, deputy to the CEO
Organisational Model	 Reinforcement the "Banca dei Territori" concept: strong ties to local markets fully leveraging on the value of local brands attributing a specific territory to each brand on an exclusivity basis Adoption of a single national brand for Intesa S.p.A. and SPIMI S.p.A. branch networks

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(1) Based on share prices as of 25 August 2006



Transaction Milestones



Timetable is indicative only and could change depending on legal and regulatory considerations

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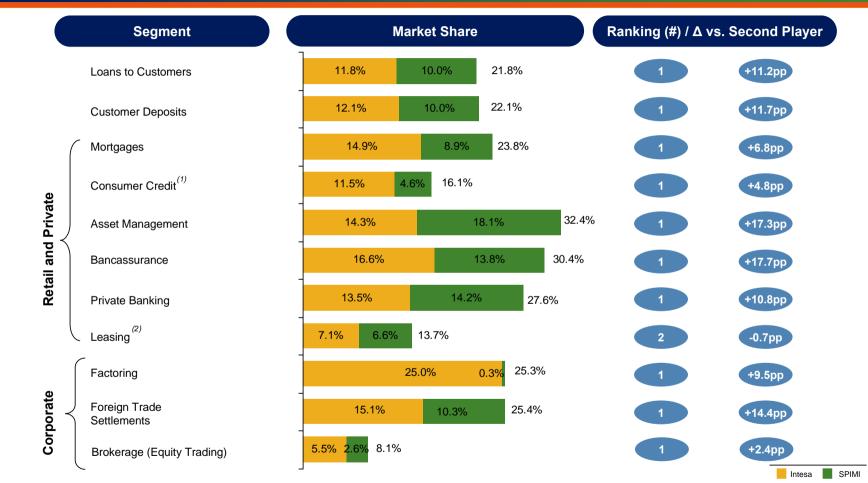
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The Italian Leader



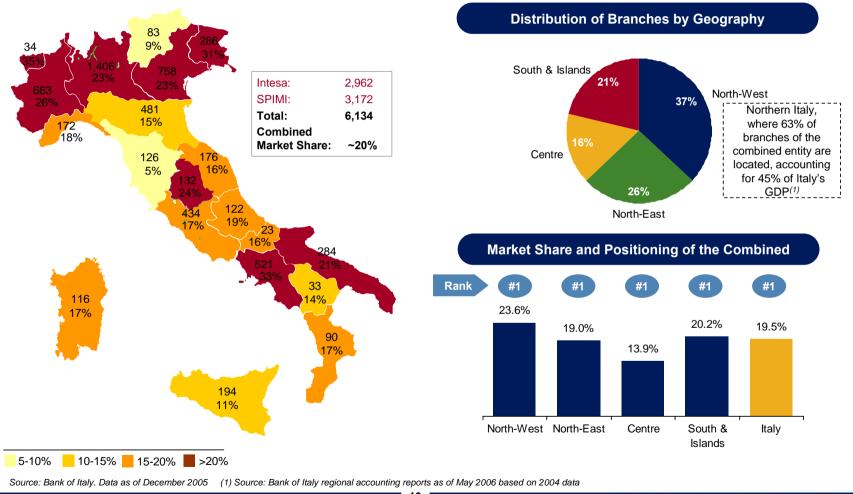
Source: 2005 Annual Reports, Bank of Italy, UIC, IAMA, Assilea, Assifact, Assogestioni, Assofin, Ass. Italiana Private Banking and Thomson Financial. All data as of December 2005 except asset management (June 2006)

Note: Market shares based on the following metrics: for mortgages, consumer credit and leasing new business; for asset management, OICR funds; for bancassurance, life gross written premiums; for private banking, total assets' clients; for factoring, cumulated turnover; for foreign trade settlements, total value of payments; for brokerage, trading volumes in cash segment (1) Including Agos Italinco (2) For leasing market share difference calculated vs. first player



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Unique Customer Reach, Particularly in Wealthiest Areas

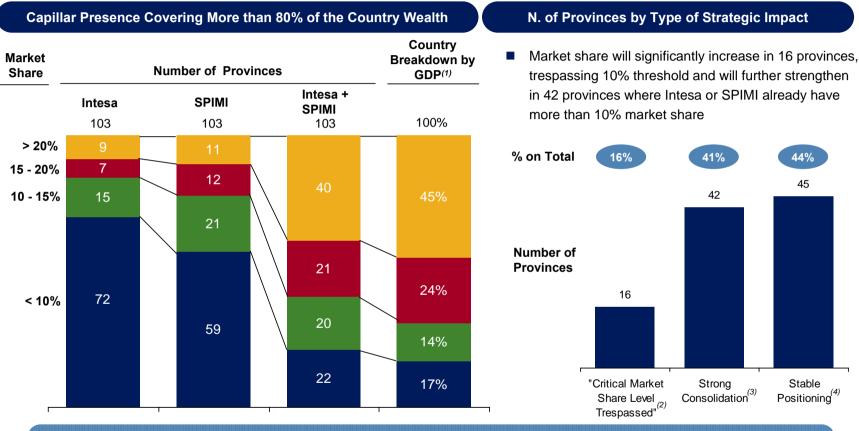


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Strong Complementarity and Strengthening of Networks



"Banca dei Territori" organisational model with strong brands will help to maximize local reach

Source: Istat, Bank of Italy. Data as of December 2005

(1) Calculated on the basis of GDP per province

Including provinces where: (i) combined entity market share between 10% and 30%; (ii) market share before merger of stronger bank (between Intesa and SPIMI) <10%; (iii) increase >25% in the market share of the stronger bank
 Including provinces, not included in the previous group, where: (i) increase >25% in the market share vs. the previous market share of the stronger bank and (ii) combined entity market share between 10% and 50%

(4) Provinces where neither conditions listed in (2) nor in (3) are satisfied





Complementary Presence in CEE

Combined Presence in CEE



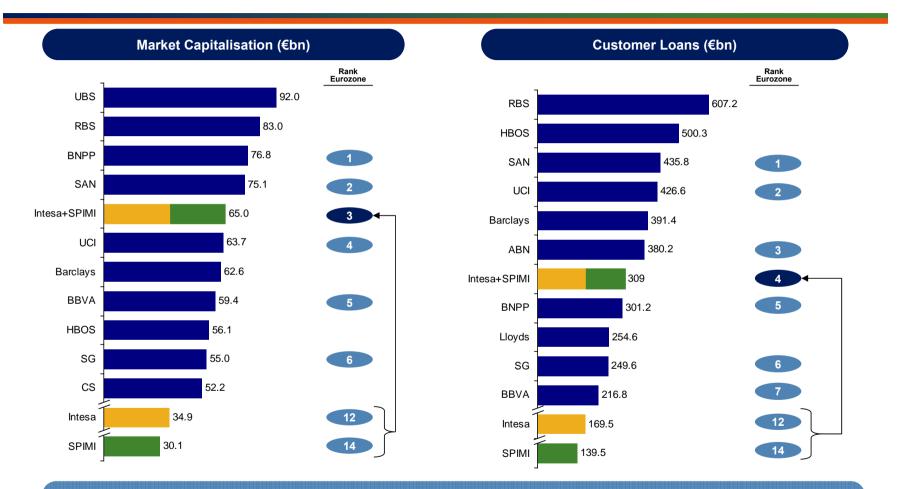
Good complementarity, with presence in 10 countries, total assets of over €25bn and ~1,400 branches⁽¹⁾

Source: Annual reports, public information. Market shares and rankings calculated on total assets (1): Including Ukrsotsbank in Ukraine and Panonska in Serbia (acquisitions underway)





Leading European Player with Enhanced Strategic Options



The combined entity will be positioned amongst top 5 banks throughout Eurozone

Source: FactSet. 2005 Annual Reports. Prices as of 25 August 2006

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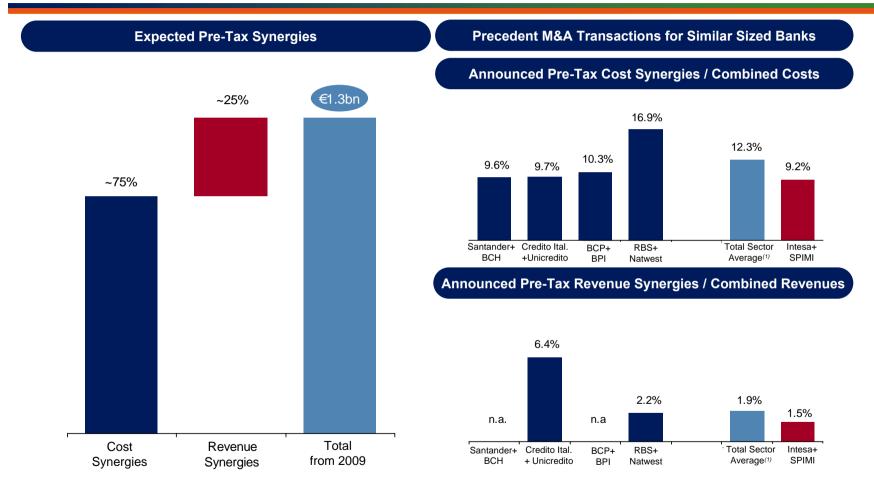
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Expected Synergies (€1.3bn in 2009) Achievable Given Proven Track-Record in Integration and Transaction Characteristics (Domestic MOE)



Source: Newsrun, Annual reports, Websites

(1) Includes domestic and European transactions involving banks with similar sizes: BP Verona+BP Novara, Intesa+Comit, CAER+Casse Venete, Credito Italiano+Unicredito, Cariplo+BAV, BCP+BPI, DnB+Gjensidige, CA+CL, Halifax+BoS, DnB Bank+Real Danmark, RBS+Natwest, BBV+Argentaria, Santander+BCH, Vereinsbank, Bank Austria+Creditanstalt



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Cost Synergies: Key Actions (Examples)

IT	 Unification of IT systems Rationalisation of hardware and software management and telecommunication systems Rationalisation of info providers
Back-Office and Support Structures	 Integration of back-office structures at centralized and local level Alignment to best practice
Central Functions	 Integration and rationalisation
Administrative Expenses	 Unification of purchase functions Contract renegotiation Economies of scale
Product Companies	 Integration of product companies operating in the same business

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Commercial Effectiveness Increase	 Strengthened market shares per province leading to an increase of cross-selling and share-of-wallet Improved pricing competitiveness
Best Practice	 Alignment to internal best practice in terms of productivity and/or margins thanks to product
Alignment	sharing, IT, commercial approach

Already assumed revenue attrition due to diversification of debt exposure by corporate customers





- Rationalisation of branch network
- Rationalisation of securities services management functions
- Improvement in operating and credit risk management
- Improvement in access to capital markets
- Scope synergies in product innovation



Restructuring Charges Preliminarily Estimated at €1.5bn

- Investments to increase efficiency of operating, governance and control structures, which will be unified following the integration
- Branch network rebranding
- Unification of IT systems
- Training of employees operating in ICT/technology area
- Training of commercial personnel to share best distribution practices throughout the group

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Increasing investments in human resources, products development and innovation



Preliminary Net Income

Pro-Forma 2005 (Net Income adjusted for main extraordinary items)

Pro-Forma 2009E (based on previous year analyst consensus growth assumptions including preliminary estimated

synergies)

CAGR '05A-'09E

Net Income



~€7bn

~13%

- EPS accretive including synergies for both Intesa and SPIMI shareholders
- 2009E EPS accretion to the combined entity of ~13%
- High dividend pay-out policy (60%) while keeping sound capital base
- Possibility to return to shareholders excess capital



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Divisional Model With Clearly Identified Business Areas

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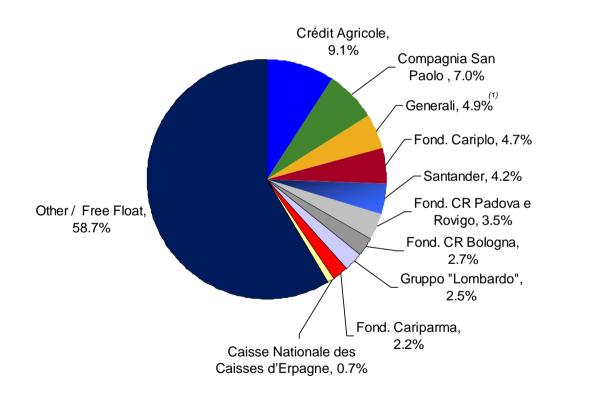




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Combined Shareholders Base

Combined Shareholders' Base



- Well diversified reference shareholders' base, holding in total 41% of capital
- Large free-float, amounting approximately to 59%
- Combined entity would benefit from a higher weighting in key domestic and international indices, compared to Intesa and SPIMI stand-alone

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Source: Company data. Combined calculated including conversion of SPIMI preferred shares and excluding Intesa saving shares. Including only shareholders from respective shareholders' agreements. (1) For Generali, taking into account also 2.1% stake on total capital of SPIMI

