PUTTING LIFE INTO BANKING

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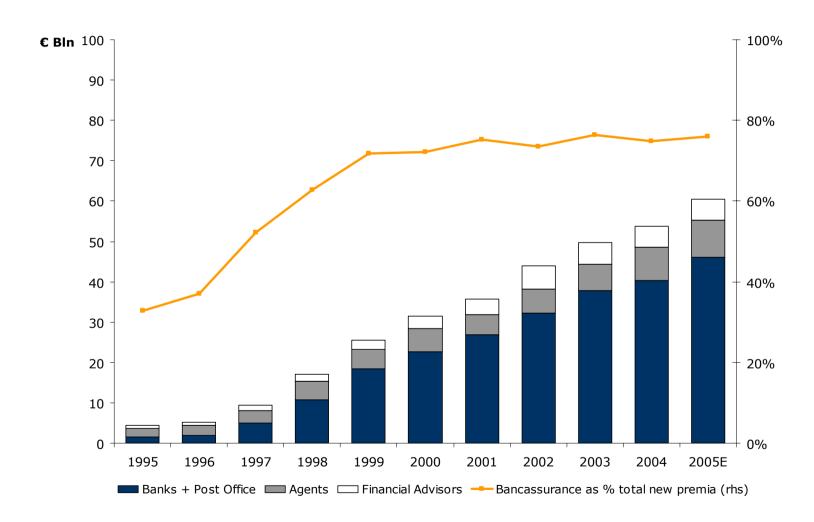
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- Plenty of life in Sanpaolo IMI

New business premia



Structural drivers

From tightly regulated to a deregulated banking industry

From state ownership **to** public companies

From the lira **to** the euro

Key outcomes

Increase in competition

From 15,500 branches (in 1989) **to** 31,500 (as at 12/05)

Focus to value creation

From 75% state controlled **to** more than 80% assets in public companies

Change in business environment

From an average interest rate differential between Italian and German government bonds of 340 basis points between 1992 and 1998 to just 25 basis points between 1999 and 2005

From traditional banking to providing financial services

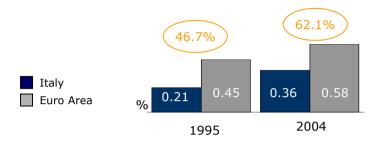
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Lower borrowing costs have given an opportunity to develop the domestic personal credit market

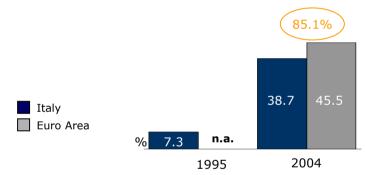
Explosive growth in mutual funds as an alternative savings vehicle to domestic government bonds

Life also used as part of a broader product offering for customer savings

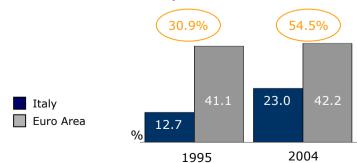
Household lending / GDP



Mutual funds / GDP



Technical reserves / GDP



- Life market still structurally underpenetrated
- Domestic savings rate in Italy remains very healthy and stable
- Defensive asset mix in household financial assets with high level of liquidity
- Significant proportion of financial, unit and index linked, products in reserves
- Low insurance content to many policies

As well as new market needs emerging

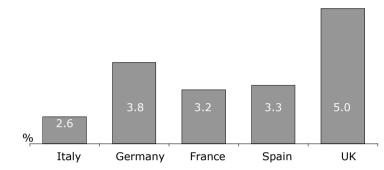
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Structural underpenetration in non-life insurance

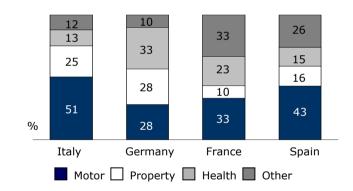
Underpenetration in P&C particularly evident if motor insurance is stripped out

Supplementary pension industry in its infancy but pressing need for personal pension saving

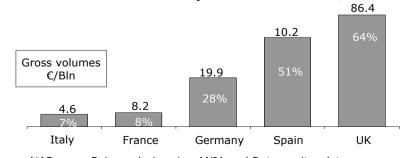
Non-life insurance as a % of GDP - as at 31/12/2004



Breakdown of non life premia by type - as at 31/12/2004



Pensions as a % of life products - as at 31/12/2004*

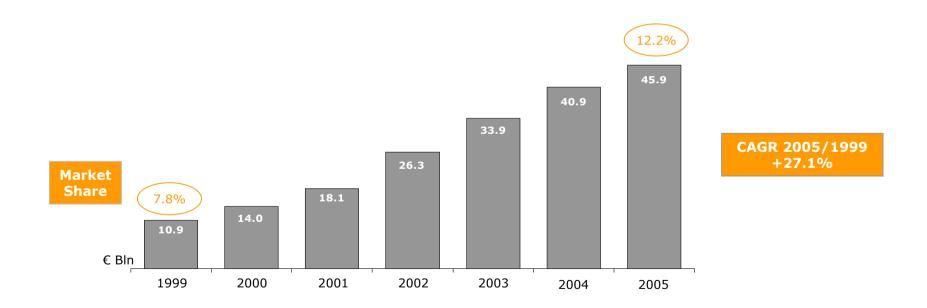


(*)Source: Bain analysis using ANIA and Datamonitor data

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Technical reserves (Sanpaolo IMI Group)

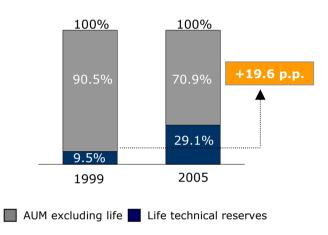
- Sanpaolo IMI increased its reserves by 27.1%, a run rate of 10% more than the market
- Competitive advantage derived from proven strength in distribution of asset management products and close operational ties of an in-house insurance company



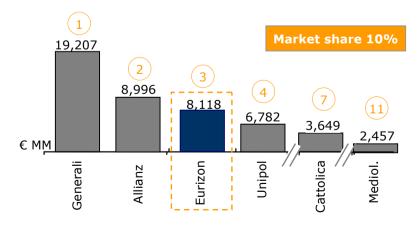
- Technical reserves now account for 29% of total AUM, compared to less than 10% in 1999
- Life revenues now account for ~ 10% of total Group revenues

- The Group is a major player in the Italian life insurance business:
 - third in terms of gross premia
 - second in terms of technical reserves
 - market leader in bancassurance

Group assets under management



Life insurance – Gross underwriting volumes(*)



(*) Gross premia (Source: ANIA) and Irish Business as at 31/12/2005

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2002	2003			2004	2005	2006	
	Sale of the shareholding in Adriavita	Acquisition of Noricum minorities		Acquisition of Fideuram Vita minorities and set up of AIP	Call option on Egida	Resolution to merge Egida and Fideuram Assicurazioni*	
Transferral of SP Invest to B. Fideuram						Set up of MOP	
	Merger of BdN AM into SPIAM	Acquisition of Eptaconsors minorities	Sale of EPTASIM trading business			Conferral of SPIAM to Eurizon	
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Eurizon

Eurizon is strategically positioned to unlock value and exploit market opportunities:

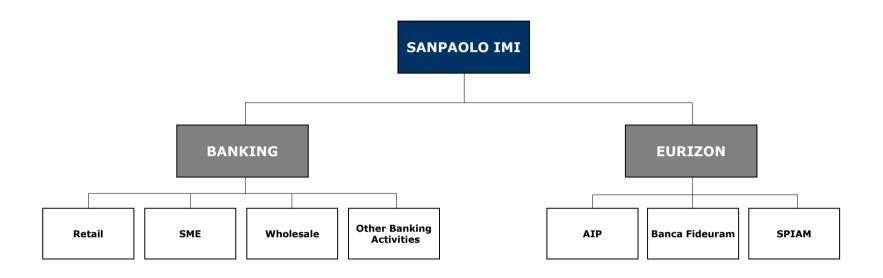
- a complementary multi-business group enabling economies of scale and scope
- a high quality and high profile management team
- an optimal relationship between distribution and production
- greater market visibility for these assets
- a transparent model for capital management
- necessary critical mass and model to take strategic opportunities

Total net assets under management € 182 bln*

- First player in the Italian asset management market
- Third player in the Italian life insurance market
- Strongest PFA network, with high brand recognition

Eurizon further simplifies and clarifies the Group structure

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Banking Activity	Contribution*		
Total operating income	84.7%		
Pre-tax operating profit	78.9%		
Net income	77.1%		

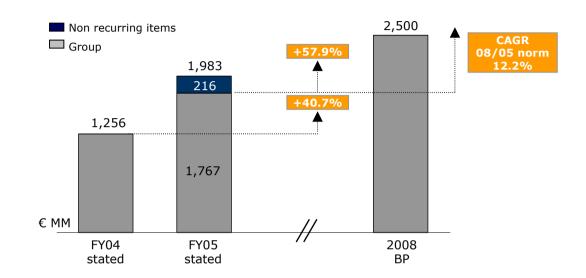
Eurizon	Contribution*		
Total operating income	15.3%		
Pre-tax operating profit	21.1%		
Net income	22.9%		

^{*} As at 31/03/2006, excluding Corporate Centre

The Group is on track to meet objectives

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Well on track to meet target of doubling net profit



Core Banking Activity is the driver to the business plan

Net profit	2004	2005 N*	BP 08	Var 05N*/	CAGR 2008-
	€/bln	€/bln	€/bln	2004 (%)	2005N* (%)
Banking Activity	1.20	1.56	2.17	30.0	11.6

- Plenty of life in Sanpaolo IMI ...
- \dots and in a market still full of opportunities \dots
- \dots we are looking to stay ahead of the curve \dots
- ... Our recent results show we are well on track to meet our targets.