

*Documentation Financière*

Information Memorandum  
(*Dossier de Présentation Financière*)

**Name of the Programme:**

INTESA SANPAOLO, French *Certificats de Dépôt*

**Name of the Issuer:**

INTESA SANPAOLO, acting through its London Branch

**Type of Programme:**

French *Certificats de Dépôt* Programme

**Maximum outstanding of the Programme:**

EUR 15,000,000,000

**Guarantor : none**

**Ratings:**

A-1+ Standard & Poor's, P-1 Moody's, F1+ Fitch Ratings

**Arranger:**

Société Générale

**Issuing and Paying Agent (Agent Domiciliataire)**

Société Générale

**Dealers:**

BNP Paribas, Calyon, ING Wholesale Banking, HSBC (France),  
Intesa Sanpaolo, and Société Générale

**Date of signature:**

8 October 2009

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A l'attention du chef de service

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## **FRENCH SECTION**

### **I. SOMMAIRE DU PROGRAMME**

#### **DESCRIPTION DU PROGRAMME DE *Certificats de Dépôt***

Articles D. 213-9, II, 1<sup>o</sup>, et 213-11 du Code Monétaire et Financier et Art. 1 de l'arrêté du 13 février 1992 modifié.

**1.1 Nom du Programme :** Intesa Sanpaolo French *Certificats de Dépôt*

**1.2 Type de programme :**

Programme de Titres de Créances Négociables (*Certificats de Dépôt*) de droit français, conformément aux articles L.213-1 à L.213-4 et D.213-1 à D.213-14 du Code Monétaire et Financier et à toutes les réglementations applicables.

A partir du 23 mars 2009, il n'y aura plus d'émission au titre du programme Banca Intesa (France) et l'encours en vie de ce programme sera transféré au programme Intesa Sanpaolo French *Certificats de Dépôt*.

**1.3 Nom de l'Emetteur :** Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A., succursale de Londres

**1.4 Type d'émetteur :** Institution Financière

**1.5 Objet du Programme :**

Afin de satisfaire aux besoins généraux de financement de Intesa Sanpaolo, "l'Emetteur" et de ses filiales, l'Emetteur procèdera à l'émission périodique de *Certificats de Dépôt*, conformément aux articles L.213-1 à L.213-4 et D.213-1 à D.213-14 du Code Monétaire et Financier et à toutes les réglementations applicables.

**1.6 Plafond du Programme :**

L'encours maximal des *Certificats de Dépôt* émis aux termes du Programme s'élèvera à 15 milliards d'Euros ou sa contre-valeur en toute autre devise autorisée à la date d'émission.

**1.7 Forme des titres :**

Les *Certificats de Dépôt* sont des titres de créances négociables, émis au porteur et sont inscrits en compte auprès d'intermédiaires autorisés conformément à la législation et à la réglementation française en vigueur.

**1.8 Rémunération :**

La rémunération des *Certificats de Dépôt* est libre.

Cependant, l'Emetteur s'engage à informer préalablement à l'émission d'un *Certificat de Dépôt* la Banque de France lorsque la rémunération est liée à un indice ou varie en application d'une clause d'indexation qui ne porte pas sur un taux usuel du marché interbancaire, monétaire ou obligataire.

Le Programme permet également l'émission de *Certificats de Dépôt* dont la rémunération peut être fonction d'une formule d'indexation ne garantissant pas le remboursement du capital à leur échéance, à l'exclusion, compte tenu de la réglementation actuelle, de celle liée à un événement de crédit. La confirmation de l'emetteur relative à une telle émission mentionnera explicitement la formule de remboursement et la fraction du capital garanti.

**1.9 Devises d'émission :**

Les *Certificats de Dépôt* seront émis en Euro ou dans toute autre devise autorisée par la législation française en vigueur au moment de l'émission.

**1.10 Échéance :**

L'échéance des Certificats de Dépôt sera fixée conformément à la législation et à la réglementation française, ce qui implique qu'à la date des présentes ladite échéance ne peut être inférieure à un jour ni supérieure à 365 jours (366 jours lors d'une année bissextile).

Les Certificats de Dépôts peuvent être remboursés avant maturité en accord avec les lois et les réglementations applicables en France. L'option de remboursement anticipé, s'il y a lieu, devra être spécifiée explicitement dans le formulaire de confirmation de toute émission concernée de Certificats de Dépôts.

**1.11 Montant minimal des émissions :**

Le montant unitaire, déterminé au moment de chaque émission, sera au moins égal à 200.000 Euros ou à la contre-valeur de ce montant en devises.

**1.12 Dénomination minimale des titres :**

200 000 Euros

**1.13 Rang :**

Les Certificats de Dépôt constitueront des obligations directes, non assorties de sûreté et non subordonnées de l'Emetteur, venant au moins à égalité de rang avec les autres obligations actuelles et futures, directes, non assorties de sûreté ,non garanties et non subordonnées de l'Emetteur.

**1.14 Droit applicable :**

Tout Certificat de Dépôt émis dans le cadre de ce Programme sera régi par le droit français. Tous les litiges auxquels l'émission des Certificats de Dépôt pourraient donner lieu seront régis par le droit français et interprétés selon le droit français.

**1.15 Listing :**

Non.

**1.16 Système de règlement livraison d'émission :**

Les Certificats de Dépôt seront émis en Euroclear France.

**1.17 Notation :**

Les agences de notation Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service Ltd et Fitch Ratings ont respectivement attribué les notations A-1+, P-1 et F1+ au Programme.  
Les lettres de notation figurent à l'Annexe III.

**1.18 Garant :**

Le Programme ne bénéficie d'aucune garantie.

**1.19 Agent Domiciliataire :**

L'Emetteur a désigné Société Générale en qualité d' « Agent Domiciliataire » pour le Programme. L'Emetteur peut décider de remplacer l'Agent Domiciliataire d'origine ou de nommer d'autres Agents Domiciliataires et, dans cette hypothèse, mettra à jour la Documentation Financière conformément à la réglementation en vigueur.

**1.20 Arrangeur :**

Société Générale

**1.21 Mode de placement :**

par les Agents Placeurs suivants : BNP Paribas, Calyon, ING Bank N.V., HSBC (France), Intesa Sanpaolo, et Société Générale.

L'Emetteur pourra ultérieurement remplacer un Agent Placeur ou nommer d'autres Agents

Placeurs; une liste à jour desdits Agents Placeurs sera communiquée aux investisseurs sur demande déposée auprès de l'Emetteur.

## **1.22 Restrictions à la vente :**

### Restrictions Générales

Aucune mesure n'a été ou ne sera prise par l'Emetteur, chaque Agent Placeur, chaque souscripteur initial et chaque détenteur subséquent de Certificats de Dépôt émis dans le cadre du Programme aux fins de permettre une offre au public des Certificats de Dépôt, ou la détention ou la distribution de la Documentation Financière ou de tout autre document relatif aux Certificats de Dépôt, dans un pays ou un territoire où des mesures sont nécessaires à cet effet.

Chaque Agent Placeur ou chaque souscripteur initial s'est engagé et chaque détenteur subséquent de Certificats de Dépôt devra, dans la mesure du possible, à sa connaissance, s'engager à respecter les lois et règlements en vigueur dans chaque pays ou territoire où il achète, offre ou vend les Certificats de Dépôt ou dans lequel il détient ou distribue la Documentation Financière ou tout autre document relatif au Certificats de Dépôt et à obtenir tout consentement, accord ou permission nécessaire à l'achat, l'offre ou la vente de Certificats de Dépôt conformément aux lois et règlements qui lui sont applicables et à ceux du pays ou territoire où il réalise cet achat, offre ou vente et ni l'Emetteur, ni aucun Agent Placeur, ni aucun souscripteur initial ou détenteur subséquent de Certificats de Dépôt n'encourent de responsabilité à ce titre.

Aucun Agent Placeur, ni aucun souscripteur initial ou détenteur subséquent de Certificats de Dépôt n'offrira, ne vendra ni ne remettra, directement ou indirectement, les Certificats de Dépôt ou distribuera la Documentation Financière ou tout autre document relatif aux Certificats de Dépôt, dans un pays ou territoire sauf dans des conditions où toutes les lois et règlements applicables seront respectés et ne mettront aucune obligation à la charge de l'Emetteur.

### France

Chaque Agent Placeur, chaque souscripteur initial a déclaré et garanti et chaque détenteur subséquent de Certificats de Dépôt devra déclarer et garantir à la date à laquelle il achète les Certificats de Dépôt, qu'il respecte les lois et règlements en vigueur relatifs à l'offre, le placement ou la revente des Certificats de Dépôt ou la distribution des documents liés, en France.

Pour les autres pays, merci de vous référer au § 1.22, *English Section* (§1.22 de la section en anglais).

## **1.23 Taxation :**

L'Emetteur ne s'engage pas à indemniser les détenteurs de Certificats de Dépôt en cas de prélèvement de nature fiscale en France ou à l'étranger, sur toutes sommes versées au titre des Certificats de Dépôt, à l'exception des droits de timbres ou droit d'enregistrement dus par l'Emetteur en France.

## **1.24 Implication d'autorités nationales :**

Banque de France

## **1.25 Coordonnées des personnes assurant la mise en œuvre du Programme :**

Des informations sur Intesa Sanpaolo peuvent être obtenues auprès de :

- Site web de Intesa Sanpaolo : [group.intesasanpaolo.com](http://group.intesasanpaolo.com)

- Succursale de Londres  
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Royaume-Uni

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Treasury Department – London Branch  
e-mail: paolo.comboni@intesasanpaolo.com  
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Fax: +44.20.7651.3207

## **1.26 MISE A JOUR ET COMMUNICATION DE LA DOCUMENTATION FINANCIÈRE :**

Merci de vous référer au § 1.26, *English Section* (§ 1.26 de la section en anglais)

## **II. INFORMATION CONCERNANT L'EMETTEUR**

Article D. 213-9, II, 2<sup>o</sup> du Code Monétaire et Financier et Art. 2 de l'arrêté du 13 février 1992 modifié.

### **2.1 Dénomination sociale : Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.**

### **2.2 Forme juridique :**

L'Emetteur est constitué en Italie sous la forme de société par actions.  
Il est régi par le droit italien et relève de la compétence des tribunaux italiens.

### **2.3 Date de constitution :**

10 octobre 1925

### **2.4 Siège social :**

Piazza San Carlo, 156  
10121 Turin  
ITALIE

### **2.5 Numéro d'immatriculation, et lieu d'enregistrement :**

L'Emetteur est enregistré au Registre des Entreprises de Turin sous le numéro 00799960158. Il est aussi enregistré auprès du Registre National des Banques sous le numéro 5361 et est la maison mère de "Gruppo Intesa Sanpaolo" (le "Groupe").

### **2.6 Objet social résumé :**

L'objet de Intesa Sanpaolo est la collecte de dépôts et l'exécution de toutes formes de prêts, à la fois directement et par l'intermédiaire de ses filiales. La société peut, conformément aux lois et règlements applicables et sous réserve de l'obtention des autorisations nécessaires, directement et par l'intermédiaire de ses filiales, offrir tous services financiers et bancaires, y compris l'établissement et la gestion de plans de retraite ouverts et fermés. La société peut aussi exécuter toutes autres transactions qui contribuent ou qui sont liées à la réalisation de son objet social.

### **2.7 Description des principales activités de l'Emetteur**

(I et II du 3<sup>o</sup> de l'article 2 de l'arrêté du 13 février 1992 modifié)

L'activité du groupe Intesa Sanpaolo est organisée en secteurs d'activités :

- La Division " **Banca dei Territori**" – qui comprend les filiales bancaires italiennes- sert 11,1 millions de clients grâce à 5 971 agences et son business modèle s'attache à maintenir et développer les marques régionales, renforcer la couverture locale commerciale et les relations avec les particuliers, les artisans et les PME.
- La Division Banque d'Investissement a pour mission de soutenir la croissance durable et constante des activités et des institutions financières sur le moyen/ long terme sur une base nationale et internationale, agissant comme « global partner » avec une compréhension en profondeur des activités et des institutions financières et une palette complète de services.
- La Division des filiales à l'étranger, est responsable des activités en dehors de l'Italie. Elle opère au travers de filiales et de banques commerciales détenues en partie, et offre des directives, de la coordination et de l'aide aux filiales à l'étranger actives en matière de

banque de détail et commercial.

- L'activité de Finance publique est responsable de la clientèle du gouvernement, des entités publiques, des autorités locales, des services publics, des entrepreneurs, des structures de santé publiques et privées, des activités qui se développent en matière de prêts et opérations bancaires au jour le jour, financements de projets, titrisation, conseils financiers, dans le but de favoriser la coopération entre les entités publiques et privées et de soutenir les initiatives et les projets d'investissement dans les larges infrastructures , la santé, la recherche et les services publics en général.
- Eurizon Capital est la société de gestions du Groupe.
- Banca Fideuram est la société du groupe spécialisée dans la collecte de fonds, réalisée par le réseau de conseillers financiers et 97 agences au service de la clientèle à moyen fort potentiel d'épargne.

Pour plus de détails se référer au § 2.7, *English Section*.

## **2.8 Capital ou équivalent:**

### **2.8.1**

#### **Montant du capital souscrit et entièrement libéré :**

Au 30 juin 2009 Le capital souscrit et libéré de Intesa Sanpaolo, se montait à € 6 646 547 922,56 et était composé de 12 781 822 928 actions de € 0,52 chacune comprenant 11 849 332 367 actions ordinaires et 932 490 461 actions d'épargne non convertibles.

### **2.8.2**

#### **Montant du capital souscrit et non entièrement libéré :**

Non applicable

## **2.9 Répartition du capital :**

Au 30 juin 2009, les actionnaires (détenant plus de 5%) d'Intesa Sanpaolo sont :

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Compagnia di San Paolo | 9,888% |
| Crédit Agricole S.A.   | 5,982% |
| Assicurazioni Generali | 5,077% |

## **2.10 Marchés réglementés où les actions de l'Emetteur sont négociées :**

Les actions Intesa Sanpaolo sont cotées à la Bourse d'Italie.

## **2.11 Conseil de Surveillance et Directoire :**

Ci-après figurent les noms des membres du Conseil de Surveillance de Intesa Sanpaolo, au 30 juin 2009:

|                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| Giovanni BAZOLI  | Président      |
| Antoine BERNHEIM | Vice Président |
| Rodolfo ZICH     | Vice Président |

|                            |
|----------------------------|
| Carlo BAREL DI SANT'ALBANO |
| Rosalba CASIRAGHI          |
| Marco CIABATTONI           |
| Giovanni COSTA             |
| Franco DALLA SEGA          |

Gianluca FERRERO  
Angelo FERRO  
Pietro GARIBALDI  
Giulio Stefano LUBATTI  
Giuseppe MAZZARELLO  
Eugenio PAVARANI  
Gianluca PONZELLINI  
Gian Guido SACCHI MORSIANI  
Ferdinando TARGETTI  
Livio TORIO  
Riccardo VARALDO

Ci après figurent les noms des membres du Directoire d'Intesa Sanpaolo au 30 juin 2009 :

Enrico SALZA                      Président  
Orazio ROSSI                      Vice Président  
Corrado PASSERA                      Président Directeur Général

Aureliano BENEDETTI  
Elio CATANIA  
Giuseppe FONTANA  
Gian Luigi GARRINO  
Virgilio MARRONE  
Emilio OTTOLENGHI  
Giovanni PERISSINOTTO  
Marcello SALA

## **2.12 Méthodes comptables :**

Les comptes consolidés 2008 ont été établis conformément aux normes IAS/IFRS.

## **2.13 Exercice comptable :**

1er janvier - 31 décembre

## **2.14 Exercice social:**

du 1er janvier au 31 décembre

## **2.15 Programmes d'émission à l'étranger de titres de même nature :**

Intesa Sanpaolo agit en qualité d'émetteur ou de garant pour les programmes de papier court terme suivants:

- Programme d'*Euro Commercial Paper* et de *Certificate of Deposit* d'un montant de € 30 milliards (Emetteur : Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Ireland Plc, garanti par Intesa Sanpaolo)
- Programme d'*US Commercial Paper* d'un montant de USD 10 milliards (Emetteur: Intesa Funding LLC garanti par Intesa Sanpaolo)
- Programme d'*US Commercial Paper Programme* d'un montant de USD 8 milliards (Emetteur: San Paolo IMI Finance Corporation garanti par Intesa Sanpaolo)
- Programme de *Certificate of Deposit* d'un montant de HKD 15 milliards (Emetteur : Intesa Sanpaolo SpA Hong Kong Branch )

**III. CERTIFICATION D'INFORMATION  
RESPONSABILITE DE LA DOCUMENTATION FINANCIÈRE ET  
CONTRÔLE DES COMPTES**

Article D. 213-9, II, 3<sup>e</sup> et III du Code Monétaire et Financier et Art. 2, dernier alinéa de l'arrêté du 13 février 1992 modifié.

Merci de vous référer au *Chapter III, English section* (chapitre III de la section en anglais).

**IV. INFORMATION CONCERNANT LA DEMANDE DE LABEL STEP PAR L'EMETTEUR**

Merci de vous référer au *Chapter IV, English section* (chapitre IV de la section en anglais).

**ANNEXES**

Merci de vous référer aux *Appendices, English section* (Annexes de la section en anglais).

## **ENGLISH SECTION**

### **I. SUMMARY OF THE PROGRAMME**

#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE *CERTIFICATS DE DEPOT PROGRAMME***

Articles D. 213-9, II, 1<sup>o</sup> and 213-11 of the *Code Monétaire et Financier* and Article 1 of the Amended Order (*arrêté*) of 13 February 1992

**1.1 Name of the Programme:** Intesa Sanpaolo French Certificats de Dépôt

**1.2 Type of programme:**

Programme of *Titres de Créances Négociables (Certificats de Dépôt)* issued under the French Law, in accordance with Articles L.213-1 to L.213-4 and D.213-1 to D.213-14 of the French Monetary and Financial Code and all applicable regulations.

With effect from March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2009, there will be no more issues under the programme of Certificats de Dépôt (Banca Intesa France) and the outstanding obligations under this programme will be transferred to the programme Intesa Sanpaolo French Certificats de Dépôt

**1.3 Name of the Issuer:** Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A., acting through its London branch

**1.4 Type of issuer:** Monetary financial institution

**1.5 Purpose of the Programme:**

In order to meet the general funding needs of Intesa Sanpaolo (the Issuer) and its subsidiaries, the Issuer will issue from time to time *Certificats de Dépôt*, in accordance with Articles L.213-1 to L.213-4 and D.213-1 to D.213-14 of the French Monetary and Financial Code and all applicable regulations.

**1.6 Maximum outstanding amount:**

The maximum outstanding amount of *Certificats de Dépôt* issued under the Programme shall be Euros 15,000,000,000 or its equivalent value at the date of issue in any other authorized currencies.

**1.7 Characteristics and forms of the Notes:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* are Negotiable Debt Securities (*TCNs* or *Titres de Créances Négociables*), issued in bearer form and recorded in the books of authorised intermediaries (book entry system) in accordance with French laws and regulations.

**1.8 Remuneration:**

The remuneration of the *Certificats de Dépôt* is unrestricted.

However, the Issuer shall inform the Banque de France prior to the issuance of *Certificats de Dépôt* of any remuneration linked to an index or which varies in accordance with an index clause and if that index or index clause does not refer to a usual interbank market, money market or bond market rate.

The Programme also allows for the issuance of *Certificats de Dépôt* carrying a remuneration

and which may be a function of a formula of indexation which does not guarantee the reimbursement of the capital at maturity date, excluding a function linked to a credit event, considering the present regulatory constraints. The confirmation form of such *Certificats de Dépôt* shall explicitly specify the repayment index formula and the fraction of guaranteed capital.

**1.9 Currencies of issues of the Notes:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* shall be issued in Euro or in any other currency authorized by laws and regulations in force in France at the time of the issue.

**1.10 Maturity of the Notes:**

The term of the *Certificats de Dépôt* shall be determined in accordance with laws and regulations applicable in France, which imply that, at the date hereof, such term shall not be less than one day and shall not exceed 365 days (366 days in a leap year).

The *Certificats de Dépôt* may be repaid before maturity in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable in France. The early repayment option, if any, shall be explicitly specified in the confirmation form of any relevant issuance of *Certificats de Dépôt*.

**1.11 Minimum issuance amount:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* shall be issued for a nominal amount at least equal to Euro 200,000 or its equivalent in other currencies.

**1.12 Minimum denomination of the Notes:**

Euro 200,000.

**1.13 Status of the Notes:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* shall constitute direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer, ranking at least *pari passu* with all other current and future direct, unsecured, unguaranteed and unsubordinated indebtedness of the Issuer.

**1.14 Governing law that applies to the Notes:**

Any *Certificat de Dépôt* under the Programme will be governed by French law.

All potential disputes related to the issuance of the *Certificats de Dépôt* shall be governed and construed according to French Law.

**1.15 Listing:**

None

**1.16 Settlement system of issuance:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* will be issued in Euroclear France.

**1.17 Ratings:**

The ratings A-1+, P-1 and F1+ have been assigned to the Programme by Standard & Poor's, Moody's Investors Service Ltd and Fitch Ratings respectively. The rating confirmation letters are annexed hereto in Appendix III.

**1.18 Guarantor:**

No.

**1.19 Issuing and Paying Agent (*Agent Domiciliataire*):**

The Issuer has appointed Société Générale as its *Agent Domiciliataire* in relation to the Programme. The Issuer may decide to replace the initial *Agent Domiciliataire* or appoint another *Agent Domiciliataire* and will, following such appointment update the *Documentation Financière* in accordance with French laws and regulations.

**1.20 Arranger:**

## **1.21 Dealer:**

The *Certificats de Dépôt* will be placed by the following Placement Agents (*Agent Placeurs or Dealers*): BNP Paribas, Calyon, ING Bank N.V., HSBC (France), Intesa Sanpaolo and Société Générale.

The Issuer may subsequently elect to replace any of the placement agents or appoint other placement agents; an updated list of such placement agents shall be disclosed to investors upon request to the Issuer.

## **1.22 Selling Restrictions:**

### General selling restrictions

No action has been taken or will be taken by the Issuer, each Dealer, any initial subscriber and any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* issued under the Programme that would or is intended to permit a public offering of the *Certificats de Dépôt* or the possession or distribution of the *Documentation Financière* or any other document relating to the *Certificats de Dépôt* in any country or jurisdiction where action for that purpose is required.

Each Dealer or any initial subscriber has undertaken and any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* will be required to undertake, to the extent possible, to the best of its knowledge, to comply with all applicable laws and regulations in force in any country or jurisdiction in which it purchases, offers or sells the *Certificats de Dépôt* or possesses or distributes the *Documentation Financière* or any other document relating to the *Certificats de Dépôt* and to obtain any consent, approval or permission required by it for the purchase, offer or sale of *Certificats de Dépôt* under the laws and regulations in force in any jurisdiction to which it is subject or in which it will make such purchases offers or sales and neither the Issuer, nor any Dealer nor any initial subscriber nor any further holder shall have responsibility therefore.

None of any Dealer, any initial subscriber or any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* will either offer, sell or deliver, directly or indirectly, any *Certificat de Dépôt* or distribute the *Documentation Financière* or any other document relating to the *Certificats de Dépôt* in or from any country or jurisdiction except under circumstances that will result in the compliance with any applicable laws and regulations and which will not impose any obligations on the Issuer.

### France

Each Dealer, any initial subscriber has represented and agreed, and any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* will be deemed to have represented and agreed on the date on which he purchases the *Certificats de Dépôt*, to comply with applicable laws and regulations in force regarding the offer, the placement or the re-sale of the *Certificats de Dépôt* or the distribution of documents with respect thereto, in France.

### Italy

The offering of the *Certificats de Dépôt* has not been registered pursuant to Italian securities legislation and, accordingly, no *Certificats de Dépôt* may be offered, sold or delivered, nor may copies of this *Documentation Financière* or of any other document relating to the *Certificats de Dépôt* be distributed in the Republic of Italy, except:

- (a) to the categories of qualified investors (*investitori qualificati*), set out in paragraph (i) to (iii) of Article 2(1)(e) of the Prospectus Directive 2003/71/EC, pursuant to Article 100 of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998, as amended ("the Financial Services Act") and to Article 34-ter , first paragraph, lett. b) of CONSOB Regulation No. 11971 of 14 May 1999, as amended from time to time ("Regulations No. 11971").
- (b) in any other circumstances which are exempted from the rules on public offerings pursuant to Article 100 of the Financial Services Act and to Article 34-ter of Regulations No.

11971.

Any offer, sale or delivery of the *Certificats de Dépôt* or distribution of copies of the *Documentation Financière* or any other document relating to the *Certificats de Dépôt* in the Republic of Italy under (a) or (b) above must be:

- (i) made by an investment firm, bank or financial intermediary permitted to conduct such activities in the Republic of Italy in accordance with the Financial Services Act, CONSOB Regulation No. 16190 of 29 October 2007 (as amended from time to time) and Legislative Decree No. 385 of 1 September 1993, as amended (the Banking Act); and
- (ii) in compliance with Article 129 of the Banking Act, as amended, and the implementing guidelines of the Bank of Italy, as amended from time to time, pursuant to which the Bank of Italy may request information on the issue or the offer of securities in the Republic of Italy; and
- (iii) in compliance with any other applicable laws and regulations or requirements imposed by CONSOB or other Italian Authority.

#### United Kingdom

Each Dealer, any initial subscriber has represented and agreed and any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* will be required to represent and agree that:

- (a) (i) it is a person whose ordinary activities involve it in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of its business, and  
(ii) it has not offered or sold and will not offer or sell any any *Certificats de Dépôt* other than to persons whose ordinary activities involve them in acquiring, holding, managing or disposing of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses or who it is reasonable to expect will acquire, hold, manage or dispose of investments (as principal or agent) for the purposes of their businesses where the issue of any *Certificats de Dépôt* would otherwise constitute a contravention of section 19 of the FSMA by the Issuer;
- (b) it has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated any invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of any *Certificats de Dépôt* in circumstances in which section 21(1) of the FSMA does not apply to the Issuer; and
- (c) it has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to such any *Certificats de Dépôt* in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom.

#### United States

The *Certificats de Dépôt* have not been and will not be registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or any other laws or regulations of any state of the United States of America, and may not be offered or sold within the United States of America, or to, or for the account or benefit of, U.S. persons (as defined in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act).

Each Dealer, any initial subscriber has represented and agreed and any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* will be required to represent and agree, that it has not offered, sold, or delivered, and will not offer, sell or deliver, whether directly or indirectly, any *Certificats de Dépôt* within the United States of America or to, or for the account or benefit of, any U.S. person

- (i) as part of their distribution at any time and
- (ii) otherwise until the day immediately following 40 days after the later of (y) the day on which such *Certificats de Dépôt* are offered and (z) the issue date of such *Certificats de Dépôt* (the "Distribution Compliance Period"). In addition, until 40 days after the commencement of the offering of the *Certificats de Dépôt*, an offer or sale of *Certificats de Dépôt* within the United States by the Issuer, each Dealer, any initial subscriber or any further holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt*, whether or not participating in the offering, may violate the registration requirements of the Securities Act.

Each Dealer or any initial subscriber of the *Certificats de Dépôt* has also agreed and any further holder will be required to agree that it will send to each distributor, initial subscriber or person to whom it sells *Certificats de Dépôt* during the 40-day period (as referred to here above) a notice setting out the selling and offering restrictions of the *Certificats de Dépôt* in the United States of America or to, or for the account or benefit of, US persons.

The *Certificats de Dépôt* will be offered and sold only outside the United States to persons other than US persons (as defined in accordance with Regulation S under the Securities Act).

### **1.23 Taxation:**

The Issuer is not bound to indemnify any holder of the *Certificats de Dépôt* in case of taxes which are payable under French law or any other foreign law in respect of the principal of, or the interest on, the *Certificats de Dépôt*, except for any stamp or registration taxes payable by the Issuer under French law.

### **1.24 Involvement of national authorities:**

Banque de France

### **1.25 Programme Implementation Contact Persons:**

Information about the Issuer can be obtained from:

- Intesa Sanpaolo's website: [group.intesasanpaolo.com](http://group.intesasanpaolo.com)

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United Kingdom

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Tel: +44.20.7651.3060  
Fax: +44.20.7651.3207

### **1.26 Updates and communication of the Documentation Financière:**

#### **1.26.1 Updates**

The Issuer shall update in due time the *Documentation Financière* in accordance with the legal laws and regulations applicable for rated programmes of French *Titres de Créances Négociables*.

#### **Annual update**

The Issuer shall update each year its *Documentation Financière* within 45 days following the shareholders' annual general meeting, or the equivalent body, voting on the accounts for the last financial year.

#### **Permanent update**

The Issuer shall immediately update its *Documentation Financière* following any change to the *Certificats de Dépôt* under this Programme relating to:

- the maximum amount of its outstanding *Certificats de Dépôt* issues;
- its rating;
- the *Agent Domiciliataire*;
- any new circumstance which may have a significant effect on the *Certificats de Dépôt* or on the outcome of the issue programme.

### **1.26.2**

#### **Communication**

The Issuer shall, in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, immediately and free of charge, provide its *Documentation Financière*, and its updates to the entities involved in the implementation of its Programme such as:

- *Agent Domiciliataire*
- Intermediaries for the purchase and sale of the *Certificats de Dépôt* and any person who requests them.

The Issuer shall communicate immediately each update to the *Banque de France*.

## **II.**

## **INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ISSUER**

Article D. 213-9, II, 2° of the *Code Monétaire et Financier* and Article 2 of the Amended Order (*arrêté*) of 13 February 1992.

### **2.1 Legal name:**

**Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.**

### **2.2 Legal form / status:**

The Issuer is established in Italy as a company limited by shares.

It is incorporated under Italian law and is subject to the jurisdictions of the courts of Italy.

### **2.3 Date of incorporation/establishment:**

10 October 1925

### **2.4 Registered office:**

Piazza San Carlo, 156

10121 Turin

ITALY

### **2.5 Registration number, place of registration:**

The Issuer is registered with the Companies' Registry of Turin under registration number 00799960158. It is also registered on the National Register of Banks under no. 5361 and is the parent company of "Gruppo Intesa Sanpaolo" (the "Group").

### **2.6 Company's purpose:**

The purpose of Intesa Sanpaolo is the deposit-taking and the carrying out of all forms of lending activities, both directly and through its subsidiaries. The Company may, in compliance with laws and regulations applicable from time to time and subject to the obtaining of the required authorisations, directly and also through its subsidiaries, provide all banking and financial services, including the establishment and management of opened and closed-end pension schemes as well as carry out any other transactions that are instrumental for, or related to, the achievement of its corporate purpose

### **2.7 Summarised description of current activities:**

(I and II of 3° of Article 2 of the Amended Order (*arrêté*) of 13 February 1992)

The activity of the Intesa Sanpaolo Group is organised by business units:

- The **Banca dei Territori Division** – which includes Italian subsidiary banks – operates with 5,971 branches serving 11.1 million customers and is based on a business model oriented to maintain and enhance regional brands, strengthen local commercial coverage and relations with individuals, small businesses and SMEs. Banca Prossima was established to serve Non-profit Entities and operates through the Group's branches, with local offices and dedicated professionals. The activities of this Division include private banking, industrial credit (operated by Mediocredito Italiano) and bancassurance (operated by EurizonVita, Intesa Vita – a joint venture with the Generali group – and Sud Polo Vita in the life insurance sector and EurizonTutela in the casualty sector, with products mainly addressed to the safeguard of person and assets).
- The **Corporate & Investment Banking Division** has the mission of supporting the steady and sustainable growth of businesses and financial institutions with a medium/long term view, on a national and international basis, acting as a "global partner" with an in-depth understanding of company strategies and a complete service range. The Division includes M&A activities, structured finance and capital markets

(performed through Banca IMI) and also merchant banking and global custody. It is present in 34 countries supporting the crossborder activity of its customers through a specialised network which comprises foreign branches, representative offices and subsidiaries performing corporate banking activity.

- The **International Subsidiary Banks Division**, is responsible for activities outside Italy, operates through subsidiary and partly-owned commercial banks and provides guidelines, coordination and support to subsidiaries abroad active in retail and commercial banking. It operates with 1,895 branches serving approximately 8.5 million customers and has total assets of approximately 44.0 billion euro (as of 30 June, 2009) in the following 13 countries in Central-Eastern Europe and the Mediterranean region: Albania (Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Albania), Bosnia-Herzegovina (Intesa Sanpaolo Banka Bosna i Hercegovina), Croatia (Privredna Banka Zagreb), Egypt (Bank of Alexandria), the Russian Federation (KMB Bank), Greece (with the Athens and Thessaloniki branches of Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Albania), the Czech Republic (with the Prague branch of VUB Banka), Romania (with Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Romania), Serbia (Banca Intesa Beograd), Slovakia (VUB Banka), Slovenia (Banka Koper), Hungary (CIB Bank) and Ukraine (Pravex-Bank).
- The **Public Finance Business Unit** is responsible for customers in government, public entities, local authorities, public utilities, general contractors, public and private healthcare structures, developing activities related to lending and day-to-day banking operations, project financing, securitisations, financial advisory, with the aim of favouring cooperation between public and private entities and supporting initiatives and investment projects in large infrastructures, healthcare, research and public utilities in general. The business unit is composed of Banca Infrastrutture Innovazione e Sviluppo.
- **Eurizon Capital** is the Group's asset management company.
- **Banca Fideuram** is the Group company specialised in asset gathering, performed by the networks of financial advisors and 97 branches serving customers with medium to high savings potential.

## **2.8 Capital or equivalent:**

### **2.8.1 Amount of capital subscribed and fully paid:**

As of 30 June 2009, Intesa Sanpaolo's subscribed and paid-in share capital amounts to 6,646,547,922.56 euro, represented by 12,781,822,928 shares with a nominal value of 0.52 euro each, comprising 11,849,332,367 ordinary shares and 932,490,561 non-convertible saving shares

### **2.8.2 Fraction of issued capital not fully paid-up**

Non applicable

## **2.9 List of main shareholders:**

As of 30 June 2009, the shareholder structure of Intesa Sanpaolo is composed as follows (holders of shares exceeding 5%):

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Compagnia di San Paolo | 9.888% |
| Crédit Agricole S.A.   | 5.982% |
| Assicurazioni Generali | 5.077% |

## **2.10 Listing of shares of the Issuer:**

The shares of Intesa Sanpaolo are listed on the Italian Stock Exchange.

## **2.11 List of the members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board :**

Hereinafter are listed the names of the Members of the Supervisory Board of Intesa Sanpaolo as of 30 June 2009:

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Giovanni BAZOLI  | Chairman        |
| Antoine BERNHEIM | Deputy Chairman |
| Rodolfo ZICH     | Deputy Chairman |

Carlo BAREL DI SANT'ALBANO  
Rosalba CASIRAGHI  
Marco CIABATTONI  
Giovanni COSTA  
Franco DALLA SEGA  
Gianluca FERRERO  
Angelo FERRO  
Pietro GARIBALDI  
Giulio Stefano LUBATTI  
Giuseppe MAZZARELLO  
Eugenio PAVARANI  
Gianluca PONZELLINI  
Gian Guido SACCHI MORSIANI  
Ferdinando TARGETTI  
Livio TORIO  
Riccardo VARALDO

Hereinafter are listed the names of the Members of the Management Board of Intesa Sanpaolo as of 30 June 2009:

|                 |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Enrico SALZA    | Chairman                                      |
| Orazio ROSSI    | Deputy Chairman                               |
| Corrado PASSERA | Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer |

Aureliano BENEDETTI  
Elio CATANIA  
Giuseppe FONTANA  
Gian Luigi GARRINO  
Virgilio MARRONE  
Emilio OTTOLENGHI  
Giovanni PERISSINOTTO  
Marcello SALA

## **2.12 Accounting methods:**

Intesa Sanpaolo prepared its consolidated financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2008 in accordance with the IAS/IFRS accounting principles.

## **2.13 Accounting year:**

1st January to 31st December

## **2.14 Fiscal year:**

1st January to 31st December.

## **2.15 Other short term paper programmes of the Issuer:**

Intesa Sanpaolo acts as a issuer or guarantor for the following short term paper programmes:

- Euro 30,000,000,000 Euro Commercial Paper and Certificate of Deposit Programme (Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Ireland Plc as the Issuer, fully guaranteed by Intesa Sanpaolo)
- US Dollars 10,000,000,000 US Commercial Paper Programme (Intesa Funding LLC as the Issuer, fully guaranteed by Intesa Sanpaolo)

- US Dollars 8,000,000,000 US Commercial Paper Programme (San Paolo IMI Finance Corporation as the Issuer, fully guaranteed by Intesa Sanpaolo)
- Hong Kong Dollars 15,000,000,000 Certificate of Deposit Programme (Intesa Sanpaolo SpA Hong Kong Branch as the Issuer)

**III. CERTIFICATION OF INFORMATION  
RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DOCUMENTATION FINANCIERE AND  
ACCOUNT CERTIFICATION**

Article D. 213-9, II, 3° and III of the *Code Monétaire et Financier* and Art. 2, last paragraph of the Amended Order (*arrêté*) of 13<sup>th</sup> February 1992.

**3.1 Person responsible for the Documentation Financière:**

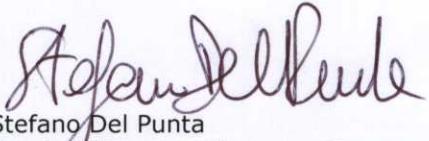
Name: Stefano Del Punta  
Title: Head of Treasury, Treasury Department

**3.2 Declaration of the person responsible for the Documentation Financière:**

To our knowledge, the information contained in this *Documentation Financière*, including the French summary, conforms to reality and there is no information the omission of which would make such information misleading.

**3.3 Date, Place of signature and Signature**

Executed in Milano, on 8 October 2009



Stefano Del Punta  
Head of Treasury, Treasury Department

**3.4 Independent auditors of the issuer, who have audited the accounts of the Issuer's annual report:**

**3.4.1 Independent Auditors**

Do please refer to page 110 & 111 of the 2008 Annual Report of Intesa Sanpaolo (Appendix I)  
Reconta Ernst & Young S.p.A  
Corso Vittorio Emanuele II, 83  
10128 Torino  
Represented by:  
Guido Celona, partner

**3.4.2 Deputy Independent Auditors**

None

**3.4.3 Auditor's opinions**

The Auditor's opinions appear on:  
• Pages 110 & 111 of the 2008 Annual Report of Intesa Sanpaolo (Appendix I)•  
• Pages 103 of the 2007 Annual Report of Intesa Sanpaolo (Appendix I)

**3.5 Disclaimer clauses for dealer(s), IPA(s) and arranger(s):**

None

**IV. INFORMATION CONCERNING THE ISSUER'S REQUEST OF THE STEP LABEL**

**4.1 This Programme has been submitted to the STEP Secretariat in order to apply for the**

**STEP label. The status of STEP compliance of this Programme can be checked on the STEP Market website ([www.stepmarket.org](http://www.stepmarket.org)).**

## **APPENDICES**

- I Issuer Annual reports and financial accounts**  
Issuer Annual report 2008  
Issuer Annual report 2007
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- III Rating Agencies letters of the Programme**
  - Standard &Poor's rating letter
  - Moody's Investors Service rating letter
  - Fitch Ratings rating letter
- IV Copy of full text of guarantee**  
Not relevant, the Programme not being guaranteed.

## **Appendix I**

### **Issuer Annual reports and financial accounts**

Intesa Sanpaolo 2008 Annual Report

[http://group.intesasanpaolo.com/scriptIsir0/isInvestor/eng/investor\\_relations/eng\\_bilanci\\_relazioni\\_investor\\_relations.jsp](http://group.intesasanpaolo.com/scriptIsir0/isInvestor/eng/investor_relations/eng_bilanci_relazioni_investor_relations.jsp)

Intesa Sanpaolo 2007 Annual Report

[http://group.intesasanpaolo.com/scriptIsir0/isInvestor/eng/investor\\_relations/eng\\_bilanci\\_relazioni\\_investor\\_relations.jsp](http://group.intesasanpaolo.com/scriptIsir0/isInvestor/eng/investor_relations/eng_bilanci_relazioni_investor_relations.jsp)

**Appendix II**  
**Report of independent auditors**  
Please see Appendix I

## **Appendix III**

### **Rating Agencies letters of the Programme**

- Standard &Poor's rating letter

*The McGraw-Hill Companies*



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October 8, 2009

Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.a.  
Mr. Marco Delfrate  
Piazza Scala, 6  
20121 Milano

Ref: RP/mh/2009-96

**Ref : INTESA SANPAOLO S.P.A. , ACTING THROUGH ITS LONDON BRANCH**  
**€15,000,000,000 FRENCH CERTIFICATS DE DEPOT PROGRAMME**

Dear Mr. Delfrate,

Pursuant to your request for a Standard & Poor's rating on the above-referenced French Certificats de Dépot programme, we have reviewed the information submitted to us (Information Memorandum dated October 8, 2009) and have affirmed a rating of A-1+.

This rating is based on financial information and program documentation we received prior to the issuance of this letter. Standard & Poor's understands that the documentation you have provided to us is final. Hence, if any subsequent changes were made to this documentation, you must notify us immediately of such changes by sending us the revised final documents with the changes clearly marked. If the changes are material, this may result in the assignment of a different rating compared to the one stated above.

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Yours sincerely,



Renato Panichi  
Director

Standard & Poor's Ratings Services

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- Moody's Investors Service rating letter



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March 16, 2009

**Re: Intesa Sanpaolo French Certificats de Dépôt EUR 15,000,000,000, issued by Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A., acting through its London branch**

Based on the documentation provided, Moody's confirms that it will assign the following rating to notes issued under the above mentioned programme:

*Prime 1*

In accordance with our usual policy, it is understood that these ratings are subject to revision or withdrawal by Moody's at any time, if any information (or lack of information) warrants such action, in the sole opinion of Moody's.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Henry MacNevin".

Henry MacNevin  
Senior Vice President

- Fitch Ratings rating letter

# FitchRating

**KNOW YOUR RISK**

Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.  
Piazza San Carlo 156  
10121 Turin

Milan, 16 March 2009  
PROT. 1620/2009

Dear Sir,

**Re: Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. EUR15bn French Certificats de Dépôt Programme**

Fitch ("Fitch") (see definition below) assigns the following rating to the Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. French Certificats de Dépôt Programme:

Short-term rating: "F1+".

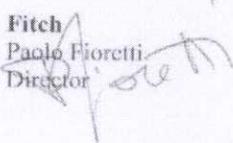
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Yours faithfully,

Fitch  
Paolo Fioretti  
Director  


Francesca Vascimino  
Director  
