

PRESS RELEASE

INTESA SANPAOLO CONCLUDES PLACEMENT OF SUBORDINATED LOWER TIER II WITH THE ASSIGNMENT OF A NOMINAL AMOUNT OF 1.1 BILLION EURO

Torino, Milano, 30 September 2008 – Intesa Sanpaolo announces that the subscription period relating to the Subordinated Lower Tier II bond issue targeted at the domestic market ended on 26 September 2008 with the assignment of a nominal amount of 1,096,979,000 euro. The issue had been announced on 27 August last.

It is a seven-year, fixed rate bond, with reimbursement of capital in five subsequent annual instalments starting from 30 September 2011, issued under Intesa Sanpaolo's Programme of Subordinated Lower Tier II Bond Issue with Fixed Rate or Fixed Rate - Step up or Fixed Rate - Step down.

The coupon, payable annually in arrears on 30 September of each year from and including 30 September 2009 up to the maturity date, is equal to 4.00%.

The offer price is 93.50%.

Considering that it was offered below par, the effective gross yield for the investor - calculated at the issue date assuming that the bond is held to maturity - is equal to 5.54% p.a..

Minimum denomination of the bond issue is Euro 1,000 and multiple.

The bond is offered to the Italian market, excluding professional clients. It will be listed on the "Sistema Multilaterale di Negoziazione EuroTLX", organised and managed by TLX S.p.A..

The ratings assigned to Intesa Sanpaolo's senior long-term debt are: Aa2 by Moody's, AA- by Standard & Poor's and AA- by Fitch.

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