

PRESS RELEASE

**Quali-quantitative composition of the B.o.D. in view of the election of
the Board of Directors' members at the Shareholders' Meeting 2017**

Modena – 21 February 2017. The Bank's Board of Directors completed the analysis aimed at pre-emptively identifying the quali-quantitative composition of the administrative Body, which is to be considered the optimal composition in relation to the correct and most effective performance of the Board tasks and duties, as required by the Supervisory Provisions on corporate governance.

The analysis, published on the Bank's website www.bper.it - Governance - Corporate bodies - Shareholders Meeting, highlights, inter alia, the theoretical profile that all persons wishing to hold office as Director should meet and feature, as established by the self-assessment process implemented by the Board.

This notice is issued as required by the above mentioned Provisions, to disclose the results of the said analysis to the Shareholders in due time, so that they may choose the candidates to be appointed as members of the Board of Directors taking into account their professional skills and the additional characteristics required.

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