

COMUNICATO STAMPA

Fitch ritira il rating di Meliorbanca in seguito all'operazione di fusione per incorporazione in Banca popolare dell'Emilia Romagna

Modena – 29 marzo 2013. La Banca popolare dell'Emilia Romagna informa che, in data 28 marzo 2013, l'agenzia internazionale di rating Fitch ha confermato i rating di Meliorbanca e successivamente ha provveduto a ritirarli. Il ritiro dei rating è la conseguenza della fusione di Meliorbanca nella capogruppo Banca popolare dell'Emilia Romagna ("BBB/Neg/F3").

I rating di Meliorbanca sono stati ritirati in quanto, a seguito della fusione, l'emittente ha cessato di esistere come soggetto giuridico.

Le azioni relative ai rating sono:

Meliorbanca

Long-term Issuer Default Rating (IDR): confermato a "BBB" con outlook "negativo"; ritirato

Short-term IDR: confermato a "F3"; ritirato

Support Rating: confermato a "2"; ritirato

Senior Unsecured debt: confermato a "BBB"; ritirato

Il testo originale del comunicato stampa pubblicato da Fitch è disponibile sul sito web dell'agenzia di rating (www.fitchratings.com).

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FITCH WITHDRAWS MELIORBANCA'S RATINGS ON MERGER INTO BPER

Fitch Ratings-London-28 March 2013: Fitch Ratings has affirmed Meliorbanca's ratings and subsequently withdrawn them. A full list of rating actions is below.

The withdrawal follows the merger of Meliorbanca into its parent, Banca Popolare dell'Emilia Romagna ('BBB'/Negative/'F3'). The ratings are being withdrawn because following the merger, the issuer has ceased to exist as a legal entity.

The rating actions are:

Meliorbanca

Long-term Issuer Default Rating (IDR): affirmed at 'BBB' with a Negative Outlook; withdrawn

Short-term IDR: affirmed at 'F3'; withdrawn

Support Rating: affirmed at '2'; withdrawn

Senior unsecured debt: affirmed at 'BBB'; withdrawn

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Applicable criteria "Global Financial Institutions Rating Criteria" dated 15 August 2012, is available at www.fitchratings.com.

Applicable Criteria and Related Research

Global Financial Institutions Rating Criteria

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