

News release

Comment on news regarding Banca Italease

Verona, 14 April 2011 – In acknowledging the press reports about the conclusion of the Public Prosecutor's investigations (Milan branch) concerning the Banca Italease financial statements for the first half of 2008, Banco Popolare and Banca Italease affirm their conviction that the continuation of the activity on the part of the judicial authorities will ultimately bring to light the totally legitimate conduct of the persons and the companies that had to operate within a general business environment which, as known, was affected by situations of exceptional instability of market conditions and by the sudden and extraordinary deterioration of the entire financial and credit system.

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