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Dated 11 June 2021

Trust Deed

€25,000,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme

between

Banco BPM S.P.A.
as Issuer

and

Citicorp Trustee Company Limited
as Trustee

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This Trust Deed is made on 11 June 2021

Between:

- (1) **BANCO BPM S.p.A.**, a company incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Italy, whose registered office is at Piazza Filippo Meda, 4, 20121 Milan, Italy (the “**Issuer**”); and
- (2) **Citicorp Trustee Company Limited**, a company incorporated under the laws of England, whose registered office is at Citigroup Centre, Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5LB, England (the “**Trustee**”, which expression shall, wherever the context so admits, include such company and all other persons or companies for the time being the trustee or trustees of these presents) as trustee for the Noteholders and the Couponholders (each as defined below).

Whereas:

- (A) The Issuer has authorised the establishment of a Euro Medium Term Note Programme (the “**Programme**”) pursuant to which the Issuer may from time to time issue notes governed by English law (the “**English Law Notes**”) and notes governed by Italian law (the “**Italian Law Notes**”) up to a maximum aggregate nominal amount (calculated in accordance with Clause 12 (*Increase in the aggregate nominal amount of the Programme*) of the Programme Agreement (as defined below)) from time to time outstanding of €25,000,000,000 (subject to increase as provided in the Programme Agreement) (the “**Programme Limit**”) as set out herein, either (i) pursuant to the Base Prospectus (as defined below) as contemplated by the relevant Final Terms (as defined below) or (ii) pursuant to a separate prospectus specific to a Tranche (as defined below) of Notes (the “**Drawdown Prospectus**”).
- (B) On 11 June 2021 the Issuer published a Base Prospectus relating to the Programme (the “**Base Prospectus**”).
- (C) The parties to this Trust Deed have agreed to make certain amendments to the trust deed dated 6 September 2017, as subsequently amended and restated by the trust deeds dated 13 July 2018, 12 July 2019 and 6 July 2020 (the “**Original Trust Deeds**”), which amendments shall have effect in relation to and apply to English Law Notes issued on or after the date hereof.
- (D) The Trustee has agreed to act as trustee of these presents on the following terms and conditions.

Now this Trust Deed witnesses and it is agreed and declared as follows:

1. Definitions

- 1.1 In these presents unless there is anything in the subject or context inconsistent therewith the following expressions shall have the following meanings:

“**Agency Agreement**” means the agreement dated 11 June 2021, as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, pursuant to which the Issuer has appointed the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents (if any) in relation to all or any Series of Notes and any other agreement for the time being in force appointing another issuing and paying agent or further or other Paying Agents in relation to all or any Series of Notes, or in connection with their duties, the terms of which have previously been approved in writing by the Trustee, together with any agreement for the time being in force amending or modifying or replacing with the prior written approval of the Trustee any of the aforesaid agreements;

“**Appointee**” means any attorney, manager, agent, delegate, nominee, custodian or other person appointed by the Trustee under these presents;

“**Auditors**” means the independent auditors for the time being of the Issuer or, in the event of their being unable or unwilling to promptly carry out any action requested of them pursuant to the provisions of these presents, such other firm of accountants or such financial advisers as may be nominated by the Issuer and approved by the Trustee or, failing such nomination and/or approval, as may be nominated by the Trustee, in each case for the purposes of these presents;

“**Calculation Agent**” means, in relation to all or any Series of the Notes, the person initially appointed as calculation agent in relation to such Notes by the Issuer pursuant to the Agency Agreement or the Programme Agreement or, if applicable, any Successor calculation agent in relation to all or any Series of the Notes;

“**CGN**” means either a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note which the relevant Final Terms indicate as not being a New Global Note;

“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**” means Clearstream Banking, S.A.;

“**Conditions**” means, in relation to the Notes of any Series, the terms and conditions endorsed on or incorporated by reference into the Note or Notes constituting such Series, such terms and conditions being in or substantially in the form set out in Schedule 1 (*Terms and Conditions of the English Law Notes*) or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s) as completed by the Final Terms applicable to the Notes of the relevant Series, in each case as from time to time modified in accordance with the provisions of these presents;

“**Contractual Currency**” means, in relation to any payment obligation of any Note, the currency in which that payment obligation is expressed and, in relation to Clause 14, pounds sterling or such other currency as may be agreed between the Issuer and the Trustee from time to time;

“**Coupon**” means an interest coupon appertaining to a Definitive Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note), such coupon being:

- (a) if appertaining to a Fixed Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part A of Part 4 of Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s); or
- (b) if appertaining to a Floating Rate Note or an CMS Linked Interest Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part B of Part 4 of Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s); or
- (c) if appertaining to a Fixed-Floating Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part C of Part 4 of Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s); or
- (d) if appertaining to a Floating-Fixed Rate Note, in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part D of Part 4 of Schedule 2 or in such other form, having regard to the terms of issue of the Notes of the relevant Series, as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s); or
- (e) if appertaining to a Definitive Note which is neither a Fixed Rate Note, a Floating Rate Note, a CMS Linked Interest Note, a Fixed-Floating Rate Note nor a

Floating-Fixed Rate Note, in such form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s),

and includes, where applicable, the Talon(s) appertaining thereto and any replacements for Coupons and Talons issued pursuant to Condition 12 (*Exchange of Talons*);

“**Couponholders**” means the several persons who are for the time being holders of the Coupons and includes, where applicable, the Talonholders;

“**Dealers**” means Banca Akros S.p.A. – Gruppo Banco BPM, Barclays Bank Ireland PLC, BofA Securities Europe SA, BNP Paribas, Citigroup Global Markets Limited, Citigroup Global Markets Europe AG, Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Bank, Credit Suisse Securities Sociedad de Valores S.A., Deutsche Bank Aktiengesellschaft, Goldman Sachs International, HSBC Continental Europe, Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A., J.P. Morgan AG, Mediobanca – Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A., Nomura Financial Products Europe GmbH, Société GénéraleUBS Europe SE and any other entity which the Issuer may appoint as a Dealer and notice of whose appointment has been given to the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Trustee by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement but excluding any entity whose appointment has been terminated in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement and notice of such termination has been given to the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Trustee by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement and references to a “**relevant Dealer**” or “**relevant Dealer(s)**” mean, in relation to any Tranche or Series of Notes, the Dealer or Dealers with whom the Issuer has agreed the issue of the Notes of such Tranche or Series and “**Dealer**” means any one of them;

“**Definitive Note**” means a Note in definitive form issued or, as the case may require, to be issued by the Issuer in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) in relation to the Programme in exchange for either a Temporary Global Note or part thereof or a Permanent Global Note (all as indicated in the relevant Final Terms), such Note in definitive form being in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 3 of Schedule 2 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s) and having the Conditions endorsed thereon or, if permitted by the relevant Stock Exchange, incorporating the Conditions by reference as indicated in the relevant Final Terms and having the relevant information completing the Conditions appearing in the relevant Final Terms and the Further Information relating to the Issuer endorsed thereon or attached thereto and (except in the case of a Zero Coupon Note) having Coupons and, where appropriate, Talons attached thereto on issue;

“**Euroclear**” means Euroclear Bank SA/NV;

“**Eurosystem-eligible NGN**” means a NGN which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, as stated in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Event of Default**” means any of the events described in Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*) upon which the Notes of any relevant Series would become immediately due and repayable, subject only to the giving of notice by the Trustee as provided therein;

“**Extraordinary Resolution**” has the meaning ascribed thereto in paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 (*Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders*);

“**Final Terms**” means the final terms issued in relation to each Tranche of Notes (substantially in the form of annex 3 (*Applicable Final Terms*) of the Procedures Memorandum) and giving details of that Tranche and, in relation to any particular Tranche of Notes, “**relevant Final Terms**” means the Final Terms applicable to that Tranche;

“Fixed-Floating Rate Note” means a note which will initially bear interest as a Fixed Rate Note and which will then switch to bear interest as a Floating Rate Note (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms);

“Fixed Rate Note” means a Note on which interest is calculated at a fixed rate payable in arrear on a fixed date or fixed dates in each year and on redemption or on such other dates as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms);

“Floating-Fixed Rate Note” means a note which will initially bear interest as a Floating Rate Note and which will then switch to bear interest as a Fixed Rate Note (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms);

“Floating Rate Note” means a Note on which interest is calculated at a floating rate payable one-, two-, three-, six- or twelve-monthly or in respect of such other period or on such date(s) as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) (including a Note which is designated a CMS Linked Interest Note) (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms);

“Further Information relating to the Issuer” means the information provided by the Issuer to the Issuing and Paying Agent substantially in the form of annex 4 (*Further Information relating to the Issuer*) of the Procedures Memorandum;

“Global Note” means a Temporary Global Note and/or a Permanent Global Note, as the context may require;

“holding company” means any company which is for the time being a holding company (within the meaning of Section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006);

“Interest Commencement Date” means, in the case of interest-bearing Notes, the date specified in the relevant Final Terms from (and including) which such Notes bear interest;

“Interest Payment Date” means, in relation to any Floating Rate Note or CMS Linked Interest Note, either:

- (a) the date which falls the number of months or other period specified as the **“Interest Period”** in the relevant Final Terms after the preceding Interest Payment Date or the Interest Commencement Date (in the case of the first Interest Payment Date); or
- (b) such date or dates as are indicated in the relevant Final Terms;

“Issue Date” means, in respect of any Note, the date of issue and purchase of such Note pursuant to and in accordance with the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s), being in the case of any Permanent Global Note or Definitive Note represented initially by a Temporary Global Note, the same date as the date of issue of the Temporary Global Note which initially represented such Note;

“Issue Price” means the price, generally expressed as a percentage of the nominal amount of the Notes, at which the Notes will be issued;

“Issuing and Paying Agent” means, in relation to all or any Series of the Notes, Citibank, N.A., London Branch at its office at Citigroup Centre, Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5LB or, if applicable, any Successor agent in relation to all or any Series of the Notes;

“Liability” means any loss, damage, cost, charge, claim, demand, expense, judgment, action, proceeding or other liability whatsoever (including, without limitation, in respect of taxes, duties, levies, imposts and other charges) and including any value added tax or similar tax charged or chargeable in respect thereof and legal fees and expenses on a full indemnity basis;

“**London Business Day**” has the meaning set out in Condition 4.2(f) (*Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amounts*);

“**Maturity Date**” means the date on which a Note is expressed to be redeemable;

“**month**” means calendar month;

“**NGN**” means either a Temporary Global Note or a Permanent Global Note which the relevant Final Terms indicate as being a New Global Note;

“**Non-eligible NGN**” means a NGN which is not intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility, as stated in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Note**” means an English Law Note issued pursuant to the Programme and denominated in such currency or currencies as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) which has such maturity and denomination as may be agreed between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) subject to such minimum or maximum maturity or such minimum denomination as may be allowed or required from time to time by the relevant central bank (or equivalent body) or any laws or regulations applicable to the relevant currency and issued or to be issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) relating to the Programme, the Agency Agreement and these presents and which shall initially be represented by, and comprised in, either (a) a Temporary Global Note which may (in accordance with the terms of such Temporary Global Note) be exchanged for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Global Note which Permanent Global Note may (in accordance with the terms of such Permanent Global Note) in turn be exchanged for Definitive Notes or (b) a Permanent Global Note which may (in accordance with the terms of such Permanent Global Note) be exchanged for Definitive Notes (all as indicated in the relevant Final Terms) and includes any replacements for a Note issued pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*);

“**Noteholders**” means the several persons who are for the time being holders of outstanding Notes save that, in respect of the Notes of any Series, for so long as such Notes or any part thereof are represented by a Global Note deposited with a common depositary (in the case of a CGN) or common safekeeper (in the case of a NGN) for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg or, in respect of Notes in definitive form held in an account with Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, each person who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg (other than Clearstream, Luxembourg, if Clearstream, Luxembourg shall be an accountholder of Euroclear and Euroclear, if Euroclear shall be an accountholder of Clearstream, Luxembourg) as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes of such Series shall be deemed to be the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes (and the holder of the relevant Global Note shall be deemed not to be the holder) for all purposes of these presents other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, the rights to which shall be vested, as against the Issuer and the Trustee, solely in such common depositary or common safekeeper and for which purpose such common depositary or common safekeeper shall be deemed to be the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to its terms and the provisions of these presents and the expressions “**Noteholder**”, “**holder**” and “**holder of Notes**” and related expressions shall (where appropriate) be construed accordingly;

“**notice**” means, in respect of a notice to be given to Noteholders, a notice validly given pursuant to Condition 13 (*Notices*);

“**outstanding**” means, in relation to the Notes of all or any Series, all the Notes of such Series issued other than:

- (a) those Notes which have been redeemed pursuant to these presents;

- (b) those Notes in respect of which the date (including, where applicable, any deferred date) for redemption in accordance with the Conditions has occurred and the redemption moneys (including all interest payable thereon) have been duly paid to the Trustee or to the Issuing and Paying Agent in the manner provided in the Agency Agreement (and, where appropriate, notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*)) and remain available for payment against presentation of the relevant Notes and/or Coupons;
- (c) those Notes which have been purchased and cancelled in accordance with Conditions 6.8 (*Purchases*) and 6.9 (*Cancellation*);
- (d) those Notes which have become void or in respect of which claims have become prescribed, in each case under Condition 8 (*Prescription*);
- (e) those mutilated or defaced Notes which have been surrendered and cancelled or in respect of which replacements have been issued pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*);
- (f) (for the purpose only of ascertaining the nominal amount of the Notes outstanding and without prejudice to the status for any other purpose of the relevant Notes) those Notes which are alleged to have been lost, stolen or destroyed and in respect of which replacement notes have been issued pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*); and
- (g) any Temporary Global Note to the extent that it shall have been exchanged for Definitive Notes or a Permanent Global Note and any Permanent Global Note to the extent that it shall have been exchanged for Definitive Notes in each case pursuant to its provisions, the provisions of these presents and the Agency Agreement; and

provided that for each of the following purposes, namely:

- (i) the right to attend and vote at any meeting of the holders of the Notes of any Series, voting in respect of an Extraordinary Resolution in writing as envisaged by paragraph 21 of Schedule 3 (*Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders*) and providing any direction or request by the holders of the Notes of any Series;
- (ii) the determination of how many and which Notes of any Series are for the time being outstanding for the purposes of Clause 8.1, Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*), Condition 14 (*Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution*) and paragraphs 2, 5, 6, 7 and 14 of Schedule 3 (*Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders*);
- (iii) any discretion, power or authority (whether contained in these presents or vested by operation of law) which the Trustee is required, expressly or impliedly, to exercise in or by reference to the interests of the holders of the Notes of any Series; and
- (iv) the determination by the Trustee whether any event, circumstance, matter or thing is, in its opinion, materially prejudicial to the interests of the holders of the Notes of any Series,

those Notes of the relevant Series (if any) which are for the time being held by or on behalf of or for the benefit of the Issuer, any Subsidiary of the Issuer, any holding company of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of any such holding company, in each case as beneficial owner, shall (unless and until ceasing to be so held) be deemed not to remain outstanding;

“**Paying Agents**” means, in relation to all or any Series of the Notes, the several institutions (including, where the context permits, the Issuing and Paying Agent) at their respective specified offices initially appointed as paying agents in relation to such Notes by the Issuer pursuant to the Agency Agreement and/or, if applicable, any Successor paying agents at their respective specified offices;

“**Permanent Global Note**” means a global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s), together with the copy of the relevant Final Terms and the Further Information relating to the Issuer annexed thereto, comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series, issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) relating to the Programme, the Agency Agreement and these presents either in exchange for the whole or part of any Temporary Global Note issued in respect of such Notes or on issue;

“**Potential Event of Default**” means any condition, event or act which, with the lapse of time and/or the issue of any certificate and the giving of any notice, would constitute an Event of Default;

“**Procedures Memorandum**” means the Operating and Administrative Procedures Memorandum dated 11 June 2021 as amended or varied from time to time in respect of any Tranche of Notes by agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer or Lead Manager with the approval in writing of the Trustee and Agent;

“**Programme**” means the Euro Medium Term Note Programme established by, or otherwise contemplated in, the Programme Agreement;

“**Programme Agreement**” means the agreement dated 11 June 2021, as amended and restated or supplemented from time to time, between the Issuer and the Dealers named therein concerning the purchase of English Law Notes or Italian Law Notes to be issued pursuant to the Programme together with any agreement for the time being in force amending, replacing, novating or modifying such agreement and any accession letters and/or agreements supplemental thereto;

“**Reference Banks**” means the several banks initially appointed as reference banks in relation to the Notes and referred to in the Conditions and/or, if applicable, any Successor reference banks in relation to the Notes;

“**Relevant Date**” has the meaning set out in Condition 7 (*Taxation*);

“**repay**”, “**redeem**” and “**pay**” shall each include both the others and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;

“**Senior Non-Preferred Note**” means a Note specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Senior Note**” means a Note which is specified as being a Senior Preferred Note or a Senior Non-Preferred Note in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Senior Preferred Note**” means a Note specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Series**” means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (a) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (b) identical in all respects (including as to listing) except for their respective Issue Dates, Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices and the expressions “**Notes of the relevant Series**”, “**holders of Notes of the relevant Series**” and related expressions shall (where appropriate) be construed accordingly;

“**Stock Exchange**” means the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other or further stock exchange(s) on which any Notes may from time to time be listed, and references in these presents to the “**relevant Stock Exchange**” shall, in relation to any Notes, be references to the Stock Exchange on which such Notes are, from time to time, or are intended to be, listed;

“**Subordinated Note**” means a Note specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Subsidiary**” means any company or person that is controlled by the Issuer pursuant to Article 23 of Legislative Decree No. 385 of 1 September 1993;

“**Successor**” means, in relation to the Issuing and Paying Agent, the other Paying Agents, the Reference Banks and the Calculation Agent, any successor to any one or more of them in relation to the Notes which shall become such pursuant to the provisions of these presents and/or the Agency Agreement (as the case may be) and/or such other or further agent, paying agents, reference banks or calculation agent (as the case may be) in relation to the Notes as may (with the prior approval of, and on terms previously approved by, the Trustee in writing) from time to time be appointed as such, and/or, if applicable, such other or further specified offices (in the former case being within the same city as those for which they are substituted) as may from time to time be nominated, in each case by the Issuer, and (except in the case of the initial appointments and specified offices made under and specified in the Conditions and/or the Agency Agreement, as the case may be) notice of whose appointment or, as the case may be, nomination has been given to the Noteholders pursuant to Clause 13(l) in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*);

“**Successor in Business**” means any company which, as a result of any amalgamation, merger or reconstruction:

- (a) owns beneficially the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking, property and assets owned by the Issuer immediately prior thereto; and
- (b) carries on, as successor to the Issuer, the whole or substantially the whole of the business carried on by the Issuer immediately prior thereto;

“**Talontholders**” means the several persons who are for the time being holders of the Talons;

“**Talons**” means the talons (if any) appertaining to, and exchangeable in accordance with the provisions therein contained for further Coupons appertaining to, the Definitive Notes (other than Zero Coupon Notes), such talons being in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 5 of Schedule 2 or in such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s) and includes any replacements for Talons issued pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*);

“**Temporary Global Note**” means a temporary global note in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 together with the copy of the relevant Final Terms and the Further Information relating to the Issuer annexed thereto with such modifications (if any) as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s), comprising some or all of the Notes of the same Series, issued by the Issuer pursuant to the Programme Agreement or any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) relating to the Programme, the Agency Agreement and these presents;

“**these presents**” means this Trust Deed and the Schedules and any trust deed supplemental hereto and the Schedules (if any) thereto and the Notes, the Coupons, the Talons, the Conditions and, unless the context otherwise requires, the Final Terms, all as from time to time modified in accordance with the provisions herein or therein contained;

“**Tranche**” means all Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing);

“**Trust Corporation**” means a corporation entitled by rules made under the Public Trustee Act 1906 or entitled pursuant to any other comparable legislation applicable to a trustee in any other jurisdiction to carry out the functions of a custodian trustee;

“**Trustee Acts**” means both the Trustee Act 1925 and the Trustee Act 2000; and

“**Zero Coupon Note**” means a Note on which no interest is payable.

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- (a) All references in these presents to principal and/or principal amount and/or interest in respect of the Notes or to any moneys payable by the Issuer under these presents shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be construed in accordance with Condition 5.6 (*Interpretation of principal and interest*).
 - (b) All references in these presents to any statute or any provision of any statute shall be deemed also to refer to any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof or any statutory instrument, order or regulation made thereunder or under any such modification or re-enactment.
 - (c) Any references to costs, charges or expenses shall include any value added tax or similar tax charged or chargeable in respect thereof.
 - (d) All references in these presents to guarantees or to an obligation being guaranteed shall be deemed to include respectively references to indemnities or to an indemnity being given in respect thereof.
 - (e) All references in these presents to any action, remedy or method of proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of creditors shall be deemed to include, in respect of any jurisdiction other than England, references to such action, remedy or method of proceeding for the enforcement of the rights of creditors available or appropriate in such jurisdiction as shall most nearly approximate to such action, remedy or method of proceeding described or referred to in these presents.
 - (f) All references in these presents to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits (but not in the case of any NGN), be deemed to include references to any successor operator and/or successor clearing system and/or any additional or alternative clearing system as is approved by the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Trustee.
 - (g) All references in these presents to the common depositary shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include references to any successor common depositary or any additional or alternative common depositary as is approved by the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Trustee.
 - (h) Unless the context otherwise requires words or expressions used in these presents shall bear the same meanings as in the Companies Act 2006.
 - (i) In this Trust Deed references to Schedules, Clauses, sub-clauses, paragraphs and sub-paragraphs shall be construed as references to the Schedules to this Trust Deed and to the Clauses, sub-clauses, paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of this Trust Deed respectively.
 - (j) In this Trust Deed words denoting the singular shall include the plural and vice versa.
 - (k) In this Trust Deed words denoting one gender only shall include the other genders.
 - (l) In this Trust Deed words denoting persons only shall include firms and corporations and vice versa.

- (m) In these presents tables of contents and Clause headings are included for ease of reference and shall not affect the construction of these presents.
 - (n) All references in these presents to the “**records**” of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg shall be to the records that each of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg holds for its customers which reflect the amount of such customers’ interest in the Notes.
- 1.3 Words and expressions defined in these presents or the Agency Agreement or used in the relevant Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used herein unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated and provided that, in the event of inconsistency between the Agency Agreement and these presents, these presents shall prevail and, in the event of inconsistency between the Agency Agreement or these presents and the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Final Terms shall prevail.
- 1.4 All references in these presents to the “**relevant currency**” shall be construed as references to the currency in which payments in respect of the Notes and/or Coupons of the relevant Series are to be made as indicated in the relevant Final Terms.
- 1.5 in this Trust Deed, in relation to any Notes which are to have a “listing” or to be “listed” (a) on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, “**listing**” and “**listed**” shall be construed to mean that such Notes have been admitted to trading on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange’s regulated market and have been listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and (b) on any other Stock Exchange in a jurisdiction within the European Economic Area, “**listing**” and “**listed**” shall be construed to mean that the Notes have been admitted to trading on a market within that jurisdiction which is regulated market for the purposes of Directive 2014/65/EU.
- 1.6 In the case of a Tranche of Notes issued pursuant to a Drawdown Prospectus, each reference in this Trust Deed to “**Final Terms**” shall be read and construed as a reference to such Drawdown Prospectus unless the context requires otherwise.

2. Amount and issue of the Notes

2.1 Amount of the Notes, Final Terms and Legal Opinions

The Notes will be issued in Series in an aggregate nominal amount from time to time outstanding not exceeding the Programme Limit from time to time and for the purpose of determining such aggregate nominal amount clause 3.5 of the Programme Agreement shall apply.

By not later than 3.00 p.m. (London time) on the third London Business Day preceding each proposed Issue Date, the Issuer shall deliver or cause to be delivered to the Trustee a copy of the relevant Final Terms and drafts of all (if any) legal opinions to be given in relation to the relevant issue and shall notify or cause the Trustee to be notified in writing without delay of the relevant Issue Date and the nominal amount of the Notes to be issued. Upon the issue of the relevant Notes, such Notes shall become constituted by these presents without further formality.

Before the first issue of Notes occurring after each anniversary of this Trust Deed and on such other occasions as the Trustee so requests (on the basis that the Trustee considers it necessary in view of a change (or proposed change) in applicable law affecting the Issuer, these presents, the Programme Agreement or the Agency Agreement or the Trustee has other grounds for such request), the Issuer will procure that further legal opinion(s) (relating, if applicable, to any such change or proposed change) in such form and with such content as the Trustee may require from the legal advisers specified in the Programme Agreement or such other legal advisers as the Trustee may require is/are delivered to the Trustee. Whenever such

a request is made with respect to any Notes to be issued, the receipt of such opinion in a form satisfactory to the Trustee shall be a further condition precedent to the issue of those Notes.

2.2 **Covenant to repay principal and to pay interest**

The Issuer covenants with the Trustee that it will, as and when the Notes of any Series or any of them becomes due to be redeemed or any principal on the Notes of any Series or any of them becomes due to be repaid in accordance with the Conditions, unconditionally pay or procure to be paid to or to the order of the Trustee in the relevant currency in immediately available freely transferable funds the principal amount in respect of the Notes of such Series becoming due for payment on that date and (except in the case of Zero Coupon Notes) shall (subject to the provisions of the Conditions) in the meantime and until redemption in full of the Notes of such Series (both before and after any judgment or other order of a court of competent jurisdiction) unconditionally pay or procure to be paid to or to the order of the Trustee as aforesaid interest (which shall accrue from day to day) on the nominal amount of the Notes outstanding of such Series at rates and/or in amounts calculated from time to time in accordance with, or specified in, and on the dates provided for in, the Conditions (subject to Clause 2.4) *provided that*:

- (a) every payment of principal or interest or other sum due in respect of the Notes made to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent in the manner provided in the Agency Agreement shall be in satisfaction *pro tanto* of the relative covenant by the Issuer in this Clause contained in relation to the Notes of such Series except to the extent that there is a default in the subsequent payment thereof in accordance with the Conditions to the relevant Noteholders or Couponholders (as the case may be);
- (b) in the case of any payment of principal which is not made to the Trustee or the Issuing and Paying Agent on or before the due date or which is so made on or after accelerated maturity following an Event of Default, interest shall continue to accrue on the nominal amount of the relevant Notes (except in the case of Zero Coupon Notes to which the provisions of Condition 6.10 (*Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes*) shall apply) (both before and after any judgment or other order of a court of competent jurisdiction) at the rates aforesaid (or, if higher, the rate of interest on judgment debts for the time being provided by English law) up to and including the date which the Trustee determines to be the date on and after which payment is to be made in respect thereof as stated in a notice given to the holders of such Notes (such date to be not later than 30 days after the day on which the whole of such principal amount, together with an amount equal to the interest which has accrued and is to accrue pursuant to this proviso up to and including that date, has been received by the Trustee or the Issuing and Paying Agent); and
- (c) in any case where payment of the whole or any part of the principal amount of any Note is improperly withheld or refused upon due presentation thereof (other than in circumstances contemplated by (b) above) interest shall accrue on the principal amount of such Note (except in the case of Zero Coupon Notes to which the provisions of Condition 6.10 (*Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes*) shall apply) payment of which has been so withheld or refused (both before and after any judgment or other order of a court of competent jurisdiction) at the rates aforesaid (or, if higher, the rate of interest on judgment debts for the time being provided by English law) from and including the date of such withholding or refusal up to and including the date on which, upon further presentation of the relevant Note, payment of the full amount (including interest as aforesaid) in the relevant currency payable in respect of such Note is made or (if earlier) the seventh day after notice is given to the relevant Noteholder(s) (whether individually or in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*)) that the full amount (including interest as aforesaid) in the relevant

currency in respect of such Note is available for payment, provided that, upon further presentation thereof being duly made, such payment is made.

The Trustee will hold the benefit of this covenant on trust for the Noteholders and the Couponholders and itself in accordance with these presents.

2.3 **Trustee's requirements regarding Paying Agents etc.**

At any time after an Event of Default or a Potential Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing or the Notes of all or any Series shall otherwise have become due and repayable or the Trustee shall have received any money which it proposes to pay under Clause 9 to the relevant Noteholders and/or Couponholders, the Trustee may:

- (a) by notice in writing to the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents and the Calculation Agent require the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents pursuant to the Agency Agreement:
 - (i) to act thereafter, until otherwise instructed by the Trustee, as Issuing and Paying Agent and other Paying Agents respectively of the Trustee in relation to payments to be made by or on behalf of the Trustee under the terms of these presents *mutatis mutandis* on the terms provided in the Agency Agreement (save that the Trustee's liability under any provisions thereof for the indemnification, remuneration and payment of out-of-pocket expenses of the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents (if any) shall be limited to the amounts for the time being held by the Trustee on the trusts of these presents relating to the Notes of the relevant Series and available to the Trustee for such purpose) and thereafter to hold all Notes and Coupons and all sums, documents and records held by them in respect of Notes and Coupons on behalf of the Trustee; and/or
 - (ii) to deliver all Notes and Coupons and all sums, documents and records in respect of Notes and Coupons in each case held by them in their capacity as Issuing and Paying Agent or, as the case may be, other Paying Agents to the Trustee or as the Trustee shall direct in such notice provided that such notice shall be deemed not to apply to any documents or records which the Issuing and Paying Agent or relevant other Paying Agent is obliged not to release by any law or regulation; and
- (b) by notice in writing to the Issuer require it to make all subsequent payments in respect of the Notes and Coupons to or to the order of the Trustee and not to the Issuing and Paying Agent and, with effect from the issue of any such notice to the Issuer and until such notice is withdrawn, proviso (a) to sub-clause 2.2 of this Clause relating to the Notes shall cease to have effect.

2.4 If the Floating Rate Notes or CMS Linked Interest Notes of any Series become immediately due and repayable under Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*) the rate and/or amount of interest payable in respect of them will be calculated by the Calculation Agent at the same intervals as if such Notes had not become due and repayable, the first of which will commence on the expiry of the Interest Period during which the Notes of the relevant Series become so due and repayable *mutatis mutandis* in accordance with the provisions of Condition 4 (*Interest*) except that the rates of interest need not be published.

2.5 **Currency of payments**

All payments in respect of, under and in connection with these presents and the Notes of any Series to the relevant Noteholders and Couponholders shall be made in the relevant currency as required by the Conditions.

2.6 Further Notes

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time (but subject always to the provisions of these presents) without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders to create and issue further Notes including, without limitation, Notes ranking *pari passu* in all respects (or in all respects save for the date from which interest thereon accrues and the amount of the first payment of interest on such further Notes) and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single series with the outstanding Notes of a particular Series.

2.7 Separate Series

The Notes of each Series shall form a separate Series of Notes and accordingly, unless for any purpose the Trustee in its absolute discretion shall otherwise determine, the provisions of this Clause and of Clauses 3 to 20 (both inclusive) and Schedule 3 (*Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders*) shall apply *mutatis mutandis* separately and independently to the Notes of each Series and in such Clauses and Schedule the expressions “Notes”, “Noteholders”, “Coupons”, “Couponholders”, “Talons” and “Talonholders” shall be construed accordingly.

2.8 Additional provisions relating to subordination

- (a) If, notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*), any amounts in respect of the Subordinated Notes or the Senior Non-Preferred Notes are paid to or received by the Trustee at a time when, pursuant to the provisions of Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*), they should not have been so paid or received such amounts shall be held by the Trustee upon trust to apply the same:
 - (i) first, in payment of all Liabilities incurred by the Trustee and/or any Appointee under these presents; and
 - (ii) second, as to the balance to the Issuer or, as the case may be, the liquidator, trustee in bankruptcy or other analogous person for the time being of the Issuer.
- (b) The Trustee shall be entitled and it is hereby authorised to call for and to accept as conclusive evidence thereof a certificate from the Issuer or, as the case may be, the liquidator, trustee in bankruptcy or other analogous person for the time being of the Issuer as to whether or not any payment could be made by or on behalf of the Issuer in respect of these presents and the Subordinated Notes or the Senior Non-Preferred Notes without infringing the provisions of this Clause and Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*).

The provisions of Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*) apply only to the principal and interest in respect of any Notes, and nothing in Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*) shall affect or prejudice the payment of the Liabilities of the Trustee or the rights and remedies of the Trustee in respect thereof.

3. Forms of the Notes

3.1 Global Notes

- (a) The Notes of each Tranche will be represented on issue by either a single Temporary Global Note or a single Permanent Global Note, as indicated by the relevant Final Terms. Each Temporary Global Note shall be exchangeable, in accordance with its terms, for either Definitive Notes together with, where applicable, except in the case of Zero Coupon Notes, Coupons and, where applicable, Talons attached, or a Permanent Global Note, in each case in accordance with the provisions of such

Temporary Global Note. Each Permanent Global Note shall be exchangeable in accordance with its terms for Definitive Notes together with, where applicable, except in the case of Zero Coupon Notes, Coupons and, where applicable, Talons attached, in accordance with the provisions of such Permanent Global Note. All Global Notes shall be prepared, completed and delivered to a common depository (in the case of a CGN) or common safekeeper (in the case of a NGN) for Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg in accordance with the provisions of the Programme Agreement or to another appropriate depository in accordance with any other agreement between the Issuer and the relevant Dealer(s) and, in each case, the Agency Agreement.

- (b) Each Temporary Global Note shall be printed or typed in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 1 of Schedule 2 (*Forms of Global and Definitive Notes, Coupons and Talons*) and may be a facsimile. Each Temporary Global Note shall have annexed thereto a copy of the relevant Final Terms and the Further Information relating to the Issuer and shall be signed manually or in facsimile by a person duly authorised by the Issuer on behalf of the Issuer, shall be authenticated by or on behalf of the Issuing and Paying Agent and shall, in the case of a Eurosystem-eligible NGN or in the case of a Non-eligible NGN in respect of which the Issuer has notified the Issuing and Paying Agent that effectuation is to be applicable, be effectuated by the common safekeeper acting on the instructions of the Issuing and Paying Agent. Each Temporary Global Note so executed and authenticated shall be a binding and valid obligation of the Issuer and title thereto shall pass by delivery.
- (c) Each Permanent Global Note shall be printed or typed in the form or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 (*Forms of Global and Definitive Notes, Coupons and Talons*) and may be a facsimile. Each Permanent Global Note shall have annexed thereto a copy of the relevant Final Terms and the Further Information relating to the Issuer and shall be signed manually or in facsimile by a person duly authorised by the Issuer on behalf of the Issuer, shall be authenticated by or on behalf of the Issuing and Paying Agent and shall, in the case of a Eurosystem-eligible NGN or in the case of a Non-eligible NGN in respect of which the Issuer has notified the Issuing and Paying Agent that effectuation is to be applicable, be effectuated by the common safekeeper acting on the instructions of the Issuing and Paying Agent. Each Permanent Global Note so executed and authenticated shall be a binding and valid obligation of the Issuer and title thereto shall pass by delivery.

3.2 **Definitive Notes**

- (a) The Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons shall be payable to the bearer in the respective forms or substantially in the respective forms set out in Parts 3, 4 and 5, respectively, of Schedule 2 (*Forms of Global and Definitive Notes, Coupons and Talons*). The Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons shall be serially numbered and, if listed or quoted, shall be security printed in accordance with the requirements (if any) from time to time of the relevant Stock Exchange and the relevant Conditions shall be incorporated by reference (where applicable to these presents) into such Definitive Notes if permitted by the relevant Stock Exchange (if any), or, if not so permitted, the Definitive Notes shall be endorsed with or have attached thereto the relevant Conditions, and, in either such case, the Definitive Notes shall have endorsed thereon or attached thereto a copy of the relevant Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) and the Further Information relating to the Issuer. Title to the Definitive Notes, the Coupons and the Talons shall pass by delivery.
- (b) The Definitive Notes shall be signed manually or in facsimile by a person duly authorised by the Issuer on behalf of the Issuer and shall be authenticated by or on behalf of the Issuing and Paying Agent. The Definitive Notes so executed and authenticated, the Coupons and Talons, upon execution and authentication of the

relevant Definitive Notes, shall be binding and valid obligations of the Issuer. The Coupons and the Talons shall not be signed. No Definitive Note and none of the Coupons or Talons appertaining to such Definitive Note shall be binding or valid until such Definitive Note shall have been executed and authenticated as aforesaid.

3.3 Facsimile signatures

The Issuer may use the facsimile signature of any person who at the date such signature is affixed to a Note is duly authorised by the Issuer notwithstanding that at the time of issue of any of the Notes he may have ceased for any reason to be so authorised.

3.4 Persons to be treated as Noteholders

Except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by law, the Issuer, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents (if appointed) (notwithstanding any notice to the contrary and whether or not it is overdue and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) may (i) for the purpose of making payment thereon or on account thereof deem and treat the bearer of any Global Note, Definitive Note, Coupon or Talon as the absolute owner thereof and of all rights thereunder free from all encumbrances, and shall not be required to obtain proof of such ownership or as to the identity of the bearer and (ii) for all other purposes deem and treat:

- (a) the bearer of any Definitive Note, Coupon or Talon; and
- (b) each person for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as having a particular nominal amount of Notes credited to his account,

as the absolute owner thereof and of all rights thereunder free from all encumbrances and shall not be required to obtain proof of such ownership (other than, in the case of any person for the time being so shown in such records, a certificate or letter of confirmation signed on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any other form of record made by any of them) or as to the identity of the bearer of any Global Note, Definitive Note, Coupon or Talon. All payments made to any such holder in accordance with (i) above shall be valid and, to the extent of the sums so paid, effective to satisfy and discharge the liability for the moneys payable upon the Notes.

3.5 Certificates of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg

Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 15.1(cc), the Issuer and the Trustee may call for and, except in the case of manifest error, shall be at liberty to accept and place full reliance on as sufficient evidence thereof a certificate or letter of confirmation issued on behalf of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any form of record made by either of them or such other form of evidence and/or information and/or certification as it shall, in its absolute discretion, think fit to the effect that at any particular time or throughout any particular period any particular person is, was, or will be shown in its records as the holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by a Global Note and, if it does so rely, such letter of confirmation, form of record, evidence, information or certification shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all concerned.

4. Fees, Duties and Taxes

The Issuer will pay any stamp, issue, registration, documentary and other fees, duties and taxes, including interest and penalties payable on or in connection with (a) the execution and delivery of these presents, (b) the constitution and original issue of the Notes and the Coupons and (c) any action taken by or on behalf of the Trustee or (where permitted under these

presents so to do) any Noteholder, or Couponholder to enforce, or to resolve any doubt concerning, or for any other purpose in relation to, these presents.

5. Covenant of Compliance

The Issuer covenants with the Trustee that it will comply with and perform and observe all the provisions of these presents which are expressed to be binding on it. The Conditions shall be binding on the Issuer, the Trustee, the Noteholders and the Couponholders. The Trustee shall be entitled to enforce the obligations of the Issuer under the Notes and the Coupons as if the same were set out and contained in this Trust Deed, which shall be read and construed as one document with the Notes and the Coupons. The Trustee shall hold the benefit of this covenant upon trust for itself and the Noteholders, and the Couponholders according to its and their respective interests.

6. Cancellation of Notes and Records

6.1 The Issuer shall procure that all Notes issued by it (i) which are redeemed or (ii) which are purchased and surrendered for cancellation by or on behalf of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer or (iii) which, being mutilated or defaced, have been surrendered and replaced pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*) or (iv) which are exchanged as provided in these presents (together in each case with all unmatured and Coupons attached thereto or delivered therewith) and all related Coupons paid in accordance with the relevant Conditions or which, being mutilated or defaced, have been surrendered and replaced pursuant to Condition 10 (*Replacement of Notes, Receipts, Coupons and Talons*) shall forthwith be cancelled by or on behalf of the Issuer and a certificate stating:

- (a) the aggregate nominal amount of Notes which have been redeemed and the aggregate amounts in respect of Coupons which have been paid;
- (b) the serial numbers of such Notes in definitive form;
- (c) the total numbers (where applicable, of each denomination) by maturity date of such Coupons;
- (d) the aggregate amount of interest paid (and the due dates of such payments) on Global Notes;
- (e) the aggregate nominal amount of Notes (if any) which have been purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer and cancelled and the serial numbers of such Notes in definitive form and the total number (where applicable, of each denomination) by maturity date of the Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith;
- (f) the aggregate nominal amounts of Notes and the aggregate amounts in respect of Coupons which have been so exchanged or surrendered and replaced and the serial numbers of such Notes in definitive form and the total number (where applicable, of each denomination) by maturity date of such Coupons and Talons;
- (g) the total number (where applicable, of each denomination) by maturity date of the unmatured Coupons missing from Definitive Notes bearing interest at a fixed rate which have been redeemed or exchanged or surrendered and replaced and the serial numbers of the Definitive Notes to which such missing unmatured Coupons appertained; and
- (h) the total number (where applicable, of each denomination) by maturity date of Talons which have been exchanged for further Coupons,

shall be given to the Trustee by or on behalf of the Issuer as soon as possible and in any event within four months after the date of such redemption, purchase, payment, exchange or replacement (as the case may be). The Trustee may accept such certificate as conclusive evidence of redemption, exchange, purchase or replacement *pro tanto* of the Notes or payment of interest thereon or exchange of the relative Talons respectively and of cancellation of the relative Notes and Coupons.

- 6.2 The Issuer shall procure (a) that the Issuing and Paying Agent shall keep a full and complete record of all Notes, Coupons and Talons issued by it (other than serial numbers of Coupons) and of their redemption, or purchase by or on behalf of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of the Issuer and cancellation and of all replacement notes, coupons or talons issued in substitution for lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed Notes, Coupons or Talons, (b) that the Issuing and Paying Agent shall in respect of the Coupons of each maturity retain (in the case of Coupons other than Talons) until the expiry of 10 years from the Relevant Date in respect of such Coupons and (in the case of Talons indefinitely) either all paid or exchanged Coupons of that maturity or a list of the serial numbers of Coupons of that maturity still remaining unpaid or unexchanged and (c) that such records and Coupons (if any) shall be made available to the Trustee at all reasonable times during normal business hours.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer shall not be required to procure the keeping of a record of serial numbers and maturity dates of Coupons except as regards (i) unmatured Coupons not attached to or surrendered with Definitive Notes presented for redemption or purchased and presented for cancellation, (ii) matured Coupons that remain unpaid, (iii) Coupons in place of which replacement Coupons have been issued and (iv) such replacement Coupons.

7. Non-Payment

Proof that as regards any specified Note or Coupon the Issuer has made default in paying any amount due in respect of such Note or Coupon shall (unless the contrary be proved) be sufficient evidence that the like default has been made as regards all other Notes or Coupons (as the case may be) in respect of which the relevant amount is due and payable.

8. Proceedings, Action and Indemnification

- 8.1 The Trustee shall not be bound to take any action or proceedings mentioned in Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*) or any other action in relation to these presents unless respectively directed or requested to do so (a) by an Extraordinary Resolution or (b) in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in aggregate nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding and in either case then only if it shall be indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction against all Liabilities to which it may thereby render itself liable or which it may incur by so doing, **provided that** (i) the Issuer shall not by virtue of the institution of any such proceedings, other than proceedings for the compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) or voluntary winding up (*liquidazione volontaria*) of the Issuer, be obliged to pay any sum or sums sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it pursuant to the Conditions and these presents and (ii) proceedings for the compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) in respect of the Issuer may only be initiated in the Republic of Italy (and not elsewhere), by the Trustee (subject to it being indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction) on behalf of the Noteholders, in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Italy.
- 8.2 Only the Trustee may enforce the provisions of these presents. No Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer to enforce the performance of any of the provisions of these presents unless the Trustee having become

bound as aforesaid to take proceedings fails to do so within a reasonable period and such failure is continuing.

9. Application of Moneys

All moneys received by the Trustee under these presents from the Issuer (including any moneys which represent principal or interest in respect of Notes or Coupons which have become void or in respect of which claims have become prescribed under Condition 8 (*Prescription*)) shall, unless and to the extent attributable, in the opinion of the Trustee, to a particular Series of the Notes, be apportioned *pari passu* and rateably between each Series of the Notes, and all moneys received by the Trustee under these presents from the Issuer to the extent attributable in the opinion of the Trustee to a particular Series of the Notes or which are apportioned to such Series as aforesaid, be held by the Trustee upon trust to apply them (subject to Clauses 2.8 and 11):

- (a) *first* in payment or satisfaction of all amounts then due and unpaid to the Trustee and/or any Appointee;
- (b) *secondly* in or towards payment *pari passu* and rateably of all principal and interest then due and unpaid in respect of the Notes of that Series *provided that* where the Notes of more than one Series have become so due and payable, such monies shall be applied as between the amounts outstanding in respect of the different Series *pari passu* and rateably;
- (c) *thirdly* in payment of the balance (if any) to the Issuer (without prejudice to, or liability in respect of, any question as to how such payment to the Issuer shall be dealt with as between the Issuer and any other person).

Without prejudice to this Clause 9, if the Trustee holds any moneys which represent principal or interest in respect of Notes issued by the Issuer which have become void or in respect of which claims have become prescribed under Condition 8 (*Prescription*), the Trustee will hold such moneys on the above trusts.

10. Notice of Payments

The Trustee shall give notice to the relevant Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) of the day fixed for any payment to them under Clause 9. Such payment may be made in accordance with Condition 5 (*Payments*) and any payment so made shall be a good discharge to the Trustee.

11. Investment by Trustee

- 11.1 If the amount of moneys at any time available for the payment of principal and interest in respect of the Notes issued by the Issuer under Clause 9 shall be less than 10 per cent. of the nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding the Trustee may at its discretion invest such moneys in some or one of the investments authorised below. The Trustee at its discretion may vary such investments and may accumulate such investments and the resulting income until the accumulations, together with any other funds for the time being under the control of the Trustee and available for such purpose, amount to at least 10 per cent. of the nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding and then such accumulations and funds shall be applied under Clause 9.
- 11.2 Any moneys which under the trusts of these presents ought to or may be invested by the Trustee may be invested in the name or under the control of the Trustee in any investments or other assets in any part of the world, in each case authorised by English law for the

investment by the trustees of trust moneys whether or not they produce income or by placing the same on deposit in the name or under the control of the Trustee at such bank or other financial institution and in such currency as the Trustee may think fit. If that bank or institution is the Trustee or a Subsidiary, holding or associated company of the Trustee, it need only account for an amount of interest equal to the amount of interest which would, at then current rates, be payable by it on such a deposit to an independent customer. The Trustee may at any time vary any such investments for or into other investments authorised as referred to above or convert any moneys so deposited into any other currency and shall not be responsible for any loss resulting from any such investments or deposits, whether due to depreciation in value, fluctuations in exchange rates or otherwise.

12. Partial Payments

Upon any payment under Clause 9 (other than payment in full against surrender of a Note or Coupon) the Note or Coupon in respect of which such payment is made shall be produced to the Trustee or the Paying Agent by or through whom such payment is made and the Trustee shall or shall cause such Paying Agent to enface thereon a memorandum of the amount and the date of payment but the Trustee may in any particular case dispense with such production and enfacement upon such indemnity being given as it shall think sufficient.

13. Covenants by the Issuer

The Issuer covenants with the Trustee that, so long as any of the Notes remains outstanding (or, in the case of paragraphs (g), (h), (l), (m), (o) and (q), so long as any of such Notes or the related Coupons remains liable to prescription or, in the case of paragraph (i), until the expiry of a period of 30 days after the Relevant Date in respect of the payment of principal in respect of all such Notes remaining outstanding at such time) it shall:

- (a) so far as permitted by applicable law, give or procure to be given to the Trustee such opinions, certificates, evidence and information as it shall require and in such form as it shall properly require (including, without limitation, any certificates called for by the Trustee pursuant to Clause 15.1(c)) to discharge or exercise the duties, trusts, powers, authorities and discretions vested in it under these presents or by operation of law;
- (b) cause to be prepared and certified by its Auditors, in respect of each financial year, accounts in such form as will comply with all relevant legal and accounting requirements and all requirements for the time being of the relevant Stock Exchange;
- (c) at all times keep and procure its Subsidiaries to keep proper books of account and allow and procure its Subsidiaries to allow the Trustee and any person appointed by the Trustee to whom the Issuer or the relevant Subsidiary (as the case may be) shall have no reasonable objection free access to such books of account at all reasonable times during normal business hours;
- (d) send to the Trustee (in addition to any copies to which it may be entitled as a holder of any securities of the Issuer) one copy in English of the Issuer's consolidated financial statements of each financial year and notice of annual general meeting and, if so requested by the Trustee, every other document made available to its shareholders in relation to such meeting and every document issued or sent to holders of listed securities other than its shareholders (including the Noteholders) as soon as reasonably practicable after the issue or publication thereof;
- (e) upon becoming aware thereof, forthwith give notice in writing to the Trustee of the occurrence of any Event of Default or any Potential Event of Default;

- (f) give to the Trustee (i) within 7 days after demand by the Trustee therefor and (ii) (without the necessity for any such demand) promptly after the publication of its annual audited accounts and in any event no later than 180 days after the end of each financial year, a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer to the effect that, as at a date not more than seven days before delivering such certificate (the “**relevant certification date**”) there did not exist and had not existed since the relevant certification date of the previous certificate (or in the case of the first such certificate the date hereof) any Event of Default or any Potential Event of Default (or if such exists or existed specifying the same) and that during the period from and including the relevant certification date) of the last such certificate (or in the case of the first such certificate the date hereof) to and including the relevant certification date of such certificate the Issuer has complied with all its obligations contained in these presents or (if such is not the case) specifying the respects in which it has not complied;
- (g) so far as permitted by law, at all times execute all such further documents, and do all such acts and things, as may be necessary at any time or times in the opinion of the Trustee for the purpose of discharging its functions under, or giving effect to, these presents;
- (h) at all times maintain an Issuing and Paying Agent, other Paying Agents, a Calculation Agent and Reference Banks in accordance with the Conditions;
- (i) procure the Issuing and Paying Agent to notify the Trustee forthwith in the event that it does not, on or before the due date for any payment in respect of the Notes or any of them or any of the Coupons, receive unconditionally pursuant to the Agency Agreement payment of the full amount in the requisite currency of the moneys payable on such due date on all such Notes or Coupons as the case may be;
- (j) in the event of the unconditional payment to the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Trustee of any sum due in respect of the Notes or any of them or any of the Coupons being made after the due date for payment thereof forthwith give or procure to be given notice to the relevant Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) that such payment has been made;
- (k) if the relevant Final Terms indicates that Notes are to be listed on a Stock Exchange, use its best endeavours to maintain the quotation or listing on the relevant Stock Exchange of those of the Notes which are quoted or listed on the relevant Stock Exchange or, if it is unable to do so having used its best endeavours or if the Trustee considers that the maintenance of such listing is unduly onerous and the Trustee is of the opinion that to do so would not be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders, use its best endeavours to obtain and maintain a quotation or listing of such Notes on such other stock exchange or exchanges or securities market or markets as the Issuer may (with the prior written approval of the Trustee) decide and shall also upon obtaining a quotation or listing of such Notes issued by it on such other stock exchange or exchanges or securities market or markets enter into a trust deed supplemental to this Trust Deed to effect such consequential amendments to these presents as the Trustee may require or as shall be necessary to comply with the requirements of any such stock exchange or securities market;
- (l) give notice to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) of any appointment, resignation or removal of any Issuing and Paying Agent, Calculation Agent, Reference Bank or other Paying Agent (other than the appointment of the initial Issuing and Paying Agent, Calculation Agent, Reference Banks and other Paying Agents) after having obtained the prior written approval of the Trustee thereto or any change of any Paying Agent’s or Reference Bank’s specified office and

(except as provided by the Agency Agreement or the Conditions) at least 30 days prior to such event taking effect; *provided that* so long as any of the Notes remain outstanding in the case of the termination of the appointment of the Calculation Agent or so long as any of the Notes or Coupons remains liable to prescription in the case of the termination of the appointment of the Issuing and Paying Agent no such termination shall take effect until a new Issuing and Paying Agent or Calculation Agent (as the case may be) has been appointed on terms previously approved in writing by the Trustee;

- (m) obtain the prior written approval of the Trustee to, and promptly send to the Trustee a copy of the final form of every notice given to the holders of any Notes issued by it in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) (such approval, unless so expressed, not to constitute approval of any such notice for the purposes of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the “FSMA”) of a communication within the meaning of Section 21 of the FSMA);
- (n) if payments by the Issuer of principal or interest in respect of the Notes or the related Coupons shall become subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of any territory or any political sub-division thereof or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax other than or in addition to the Republic of Italy or any political sub-division thereof or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, immediately upon becoming aware thereof notify the Trustee of such event and (unless the Trustee otherwise agrees) enter forthwith into a trust deed supplemental to this Trust Deed, giving to the Trustee an undertaking or covenant in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee in terms corresponding to the terms of Condition 7 (*Taxation*) with the substitution for (or, as the case may be, the addition to) the references therein to the Republic of Italy or any political sub-division thereof or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax of references to that other or additional territory or any political sub-division thereof or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax to whose taxing jurisdiction such payments shall have become subject as aforesaid; and such supplemental trust deed shall also (where applicable) modify Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for Tax reasons*) so that such Condition shall make reference to the other or additional territory, political sub-division thereof or authority therein or thereof having power to tax;
- (o) comply with and perform all its obligations under the Agency Agreement and use all reasonable endeavours to procure that the Issuing and Paying Agent and the other Paying Agents (if any) comply with and perform all their respective obligations thereunder and any notice given by the Trustee pursuant to Clause 2.3(a) and not make any amendment or modification thereto without the prior written approval of the Trustee and notify the Trustee promptly if it becomes aware of any material breach or failure by a Paying Agent in relation to the Notes or Coupons;
- (p) in order to enable the Trustee to ascertain the nominal amount of the Notes of each Series for the time being outstanding for any of the purposes referred to in the proviso to the definition of “**outstanding**” in Clause 1, deliver to the Trustee as soon as practicable upon being so requested in writing by the Trustee a certificate in writing signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer setting out the total number and aggregate nominal amount of the Notes of each Series issued which:
 - (i) up to and including the date of such certificate have been purchased by the Issuer, any Subsidiary of the Issuer or any holding company of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of such holding company and cancelled; and

- (ii) are at the date of such certificate held by, for the benefit of, or on behalf of, the Issuer, any Subsidiary of the Issuer, any holding company of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of such holding company;
- (q) procure its Subsidiaries to comply with all (if any) applicable provisions of Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*);
- (r) procure that each of the Paying Agents makes available for inspection by Noteholders and Couponholders at its specified office copies of these presents, the Agency Agreement and the then latest audited balance sheet and profit and loss account (consolidated if applicable) of the Issuer;
- (s) if, in accordance with the provisions of the Conditions, interest in respect of the Notes becomes payable at the specified office of any Paying Agent in the United States of America promptly give notice thereof to the relative Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*);
- (t) give prior notice to the Trustee of any proposed redemption pursuant to Conditions 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), 6.3 (*Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*) or 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*) and, if it shall have given notice to the Noteholders of its intention to redeem any Notes pursuant to such Conditions, duly proceed to redeem such Notes accordingly;
- (u) promptly provide the Trustee with copies of all supplements and/or amendments and/or restatements of the Programme Agreement;
- (v) use all reasonable endeavours to procure that Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (as the case may be) issue(s) any record, certificate or other document requested by the Trustee under Clause 15.1(cc) or otherwise as soon as reasonably practicable after such request;
- (w) as soon as reasonably practicable following the execution hereof and thereafter forthwith upon any change of the same, deliver to the Trustee (with a copy to the Issuing and Paying Agent) a list of the authorised signatories of the Issuer with respect to the Programme, together with certified specimen signatures of the same; and
- (x) no later than notifying the Trustee, pursuant to Condition 4.2(h)(iv), deliver to the Trustee a certificate (on which the Trustee shall be entitled to rely on without further enquiry or liability) signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer certifying that each change which the Issuer requires the Trustee to make pursuant to Condition 4(h)(iv) is a Benchmark Amendment (as defined in the Conditions) and that the effect of the drafting of such change is solely to implement a Benchmark Amendment (as defined in the Conditions).

14. Remuneration and Indemnification of Trustee

- 14.1 The Issuer shall pay to the Trustee, by way of remuneration for its services as trustee of these presents, such amount as shall be agreed from time to time in writing between the Issuer and the Trustee. Such remuneration shall be payable in advance on the anniversary of the date hereof in each year and the first payment shall be made on the date hereof, unless otherwise agreed in writing between the Issuer and the Trustee. Such remuneration shall accrue from day to day and be payable (in priority to payments to Noteholders and Couponholders) up to and including the date on which, all the Notes having become due for redemption, the redemption moneys and interest thereon to the date of redemption have been paid to the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Trustee *provided that* if, upon due presentation of any Note or Coupon or any cheque, payment of the moneys due in respect thereof is improperly

withheld or refused, remuneration will be deemed not to have ceased to accrue and will continue to accrue until payment to the relevant Noteholder or Couponholder is duly made.

14.2 In the event of the occurrence of an Event of Default or a Potential Event of Default or the Trustee considering it necessary or being requested by the Issuer to undertake duties which the Trustee and the Issuer agree to be of an exceptional nature or otherwise outside the scope of the normal duties of the Trustee under these presents the Issuer shall pay to the Trustee such additional remuneration as shall be agreed between them.

14.3 The Issuer shall in addition pay to the Trustee an amount equal to the amount of any applicable value added tax or similar tax chargeable in respect of its remuneration under these presents against production of a valid invoice.

14.4 In the event of the Trustee and the Issuer failing to agree:

(a) (in a case to which sub-clause 14.1 above applies) upon the amount of the remuneration; or

(b) (in a case to which sub-clause 14.2 above applies) upon whether such duties shall be of an exceptional nature or otherwise outside the scope of the normal duties of the Trustee under these presents, or upon such additional remuneration,

such matters shall be determined by a merchant or investment bank (acting as an expert and not as an arbitrator) selected by the Trustee and approved by the Issuer or, failing such approval, nominated (on the application of the Trustee) by the President for the time being of The Law Society of England and Wales (the expenses involved in such nomination and the fees of such merchant or investment bank being payable by the Issuer) and the determination of any such merchant or investment bank shall be final and binding upon the Trustee and the Issuer.

14.5 The Issuer shall also on written request by or on behalf of the Trustee pay or discharge all Liabilities properly incurred by the Trustee in relation to the preparation and execution of, the exercise of its powers and the performance of its duties under, and in any other manner in relation to, these presents, including, but not limited to, properly incurred travelling expenses and any stamp, issue, registration, documentary and other taxes or duties paid or payable by the Trustee in connection with any action properly taken by or on behalf of the Trustee for enforcing, or resolving any doubt concerning, or for any other purpose in relation to, these presents.

14.6 All amounts payable pursuant to sub-clause 14.5 above and/or Clause 15.1(i) shall be payable by the Issuer on the date specified in a demand by the Trustee and in the case of payments actually made by the Trustee prior to such demand shall (if not paid within seven business days after such demand and the Trustee so requires) carry interest at the rate of three per cent. per annum above the base rate from time to time of National Westminster Bank Plc from the date specified in such demand, and in all other cases shall (if not paid on the date specified in such demand or, if later, within seven business days after such demand and, in either case, the Trustee so requires) carry interest at such rate from the date specified in such demand. All remuneration payable to the Trustee shall carry interest at such rate from the due date therefor.

14.7 The Issuer hereby further undertakes to the Trustee that, subject as expressly provided in the Conditions, all monies payable by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Deed shall be made without set-off, counterclaim, deduction or withholding unless compelled by law in which event the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as will result in the receipt by the Trustee of the amounts which would otherwise have been payable by the Issuer to the Trustee under this Clause in the absence of any such set-off, counterclaim, deduction or withholding.

- 14.8 Unless otherwise specifically stated in any discharge of these presents, the provisions of this Clause and Clause 15.1(h) shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding such discharge and the resignation or removal of the Trustee.
- 14.9 The Trustee shall be entitled in its absolute discretion to determine in respect of which Series of Notes any Liabilities incurred under these presents have been incurred or to allocate any such Liabilities between the Notes of any Series.

15. Supplement to Trustee Acts

- 15.1 Section 1 of the Trustee Act 2000 shall not apply to the duties of the Trustee in relation to the trusts constituted by these presents. Where there are any inconsistencies between the Trustee Acts and the provisions of these presents, the provisions of these presents shall, to the extent allowed by law, prevail and, in the case of any such inconsistency with the Trustee Act 2000, the provisions of these presents shall constitute a restriction or exclusion for the purposes of that Act. The Trustee shall have all the powers conferred upon trustees by the Trustee Acts and by way of supplement thereto, but subject to Clause 16, it is expressly declared as follows:
- (a) The Trustee may in relation to these presents act on the advice or opinion of or any information (whether addressed to the Trustee or not) obtained from any lawyer, valuer, accountant, surveyor, banker, broker, auctioneer or other expert whether obtained by the Issuer, the Trustee or otherwise and shall not be responsible for any Liability occasioned by so acting.
 - (b) Any such advice, opinion or information may be sent or obtained by letter, telex, telegram, facsimile transmission, electronic mail or cable and the Trustee shall not be liable for acting on any advice, opinion or information purporting to be conveyed by any such letter, telex, telegram, facsimile transmission, electronic mail or cable although the same shall contain some error or shall not be authentic.
 - (c) The Trustee may call for and shall be at liberty to accept as sufficient evidence of any fact or matter or the expediency of any transaction or thing a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer and the Trustee shall not be bound in any such case to call for further evidence or be responsible for any Liability that may be occasioned by it or any other person acting on such certificate.
 - (d) The Trustee shall not be responsible for the receipt or application of the proceeds of the issue of any of the Notes by the Issuer, the exchange of any Global Note for another Global Note or Definitive Notes or the delivery of any Global Note or Definitive Notes to the person(s) entitled to it or them.
 - (e) The Trustee shall not be bound to give notice to any person of the execution of any documents comprised or referred to in these presents or to take any steps to ascertain whether any Event of Default or any Potential Event of Default has occurred and, until it shall have actual knowledge or express notice pursuant to these presents to the contrary, the Trustee shall be entitled to assume that no Event of Default or Potential Event of Default has occurred and that the Issuer is observing and performing all its obligations under these presents and no event has happened as a consequence of which any of the Notes may become repayable.
 - (f) Save as expressly otherwise provided in these presents, the Trustee shall have absolute and uncontrolled discretion as to the exercise or non-exercise of its trusts, powers, authorities and discretions under these presents or by operation of law (the exercise or non-exercise of which as between the Trustee, the Noteholders and the Couponholders shall be conclusive and binding on the Noteholders and the

Couponholders) and shall not be responsible for any Liability which may result from their exercise or non-exercise and in particular the Trustee shall not be bound to act at the request or direction of the Noteholders or otherwise under any provision of these presents or to take at such request or direction or otherwise any other action under any provision of these presents, without prejudice to the generality of Clause 8.1, unless it shall first be indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction against all Liabilities to which it may render itself liable or which it may incur by so doing.

- (g) The Trustee shall not be liable to any person by reason of having acted upon any Extraordinary Resolution in writing or any Extraordinary Resolution or other resolution purporting to have been passed at any meeting of the holders of Notes of all or any Series in respect whereof minutes have been made and signed or any direction or request of the holders of the Notes of all or any Series even though subsequent to its acting it may be found that there was some defect in the constitution of the meeting or the passing of the resolution, (in the case of an Extraordinary Resolution in writing) that not all such holders had signed the Extraordinary Resolution, (in the case of a direction or request) it was not signed by the requisite number of holders or that for any reason the resolution, direction or request was not valid or binding upon such holders and the related Couponholders.
- (h) The Trustee shall not be liable to any person by reason of having accepted as valid or not having rejected any Note or Coupon purporting to be such and subsequently found to be forged or not authentic, provided that such forgery or lack of authenticity shall not be manifest.
- (i) Without prejudice to the right of indemnity by law given to trustees, the Issuer shall indemnify the Trustee and every Appointee and keep it or him indemnified against all Liabilities to which it or he may be or become subject or which may be properly incurred by it or him in the preparation and execution or purported execution of any of its or his trusts, powers, authorities and discretions under these presents or its or his functions under any such appointment or in respect of any other matter or thing done or omitted in any way relating to these presents or any such appointment (including all Liabilities incurred in disputing or defending any of the foregoing) provided that it is expressly stated that Clause 16 shall apply in relation to these provisions.
- (j) Any consent or approval given by the Trustee for the purposes of these presents may be given on such terms and subject to such conditions (if any) as the Trustee thinks fit and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in these presents, may be given retrospectively. Where applicable, the Trustee may give any consent or approval, exercise any power, authority or discretion or take any similar action (whether or not such consent, approval, power, authority, discretion or action is specifically referred to in these presents) if it is satisfied that the interests of the Noteholders will not be materially prejudiced thereby. For the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee shall not have any duty to the Noteholders in relation to such matters other than that which is contained in the preceding sentence.
- (k) The Trustee shall not (unless and to the extent ordered so to do by a court of competent jurisdiction) be required to disclose to any Noteholder or Couponholder any information (including, without limitation, information of a confidential, financial or price sensitive nature) made available to the Trustee by the Issuer or any other person in connection with these presents and no Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to take any action to obtain from the Trustee any such information.
- (l) Where it is necessary or desirable for any purpose in connection with these presents to convert any sum from one currency to another it shall (unless otherwise provided

by these presents or required by law) be converted at such rate or rates, in accordance with such method and as at such date for the determination of such rate of exchange, as may be agreed by the Trustee in consultation with the Issuer and any rate, method and date so agreed shall be binding on the Issuer, the Noteholders and the Couponholders.

- (m) The Trustee as between itself and the Noteholders and the Couponholders may determine all questions and doubts arising in relation to any of the provisions of these presents. Every such determination, whether or not relating in whole or in part to the acts or proceedings of the Trustee, shall be conclusive and shall bind the Trustee and the Noteholders and the Couponholders.
- (n) In connection with the exercise by it of any of its trusts, powers, authorities or discretions under these presents (including, without limitation, any modification, waiver, authorisation or determination), the Trustee shall have regard to the general interests of the Noteholders as a class but shall not have regard to any interests arising from circumstances particular to individual Noteholders or Couponholders (whatever their number) and, in particular but without limitation, shall not have regard to the consequences of any such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders (whatever their number) resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory or any political sub-division thereof and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer, the Trustee or any other person any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided for in Condition 7 (*Taxation*) and/or any undertaking given in addition thereto or in substitution therefor under these presents.
- (o) Any trustee of these presents being a lawyer, accountant, broker or other person engaged in any profession or business shall be entitled to charge and be paid all usual and proper professional and other charges for business transacted and acts done by him or his firm in connection with the trusts of these presents and also his properly incurred charges in addition to disbursements for all other work and business done and all time spent by him or his firm in connection with matters arising in connection with these presents.
- (p) The Trustee may whenever it thinks fit delegate by power of attorney or otherwise to any person or persons or fluctuating body of persons (whether being a joint trustee of these presents or not) all or any of its trusts, powers, authorities and discretions under these presents. Such delegation may be made upon such terms (including power to sub-delegate) and subject to such conditions and regulations as the Trustee may in the interests of the Noteholders think fit. The Trustee shall not be under any obligation to supervise the proceedings or acts of any such delegate or sub-delegate or be in any way responsible for any Liability incurred by reason of any misconduct or default on the part of any such delegate or sub-delegate. The Trustee shall within a reasonable time after any such delegation or any renewal, extension or termination thereof give notice thereof to the Issuer.
- (q) The Trustee may in the conduct of the trusts of these presents instead of acting personally employ and pay an agent (whether being a lawyer or other professional person) to transact or conduct, or concur in transacting or conducting, any business and to do, or concur in doing, all acts (including the receipt and payment of money) required to be done in connection with these presents. The Trustee shall not be in any way responsible for any Liability incurred by reason of any misconduct or default on

the part of any such agent or be bound to supervise the proceedings or acts of any such agent.

- (r) The Trustee shall not be responsible for the execution, delivery, legality, effectiveness, adequacy, genuineness, validity, performance, enforceability or admissibility in evidence of these presents or any other document relating or expressed to be supplemental thereto and shall not be liable for any failure to obtain any licence, consent or other authority for the execution, delivery, legality, effectiveness, adequacy, genuineness, validity, performance, enforceability or admissibility in evidence of these presents or any other document relating or expressed to be supplemental thereto.
- (s) The Trustee shall not be responsible to any person for failing to request, require or receive any legal opinion relating to the Notes of any Series or for checking or commenting upon the content of any such legal opinion and shall not be responsible for any Liability incurred thereby.
- (t) The Trustee shall not be concerned, and need not enquire, as to whether or not any Notes are issued in breach of the Programme Limit.
- (u) No provision of this Trust Deed or any other transaction document shall require the Trustee to do anything which may (i) in its opinion be illegal or contrary to applicable law or regulation or to the requirements of any regulatory authority; or (ii) cause it to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any Liability in the performance of any of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights, powers or discretions, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity and/or security and/or pre-funding against such risk or Liability is not assured to it. The Trustee shall, in its opinion, be entitled (without liability) to do anything necessary to comply with applicable law or regulation or to comply with the requirements of any regulatory authority.
- (v) Until it shall have actual knowledge or express notice pursuant to these presents to the contrary, the Trustee shall be entitled to assume without enquiry (other than requesting a certificate pursuant to Clause 13(p)) that no Notes are held by, for the benefit of, or on behalf of, the Issuer, any Subsidiary of the Issuer, any holding company of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of any such holding company.
- (w) The Trustee shall not be responsible for, or for investigating any matter which is the subject of, any recital, statement, representation, warranty or covenant of any person contained in these presents, or any other agreement or document relating to the transactions contemplated in these presents or under such other agreement or document.
- (x) The Trustee may appoint and pay any person to act as a custodian or nominee on any terms in relation to such assets of the trusts as the Trustee may determine, including for the purpose of depositing with a custodian these presents or any document relating to these presents and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any Liability incurred by reason of the misconduct, omission or default on the part of any person appointed by it hereunder or be bound to supervise the proceedings or acts of such person. The Trustee is not obliged to appoint a custodian if the Trustee invests in securities payable to bearer.
- (y) Any certificate or report of any other person called for by or provided to the Trustee (whether or not addressed to the Trustee) in accordance with or for the purposes of these presents may be relied upon by the Trustee as sufficient evidence of the facts stated therein notwithstanding that such certificate or report and/or any engagement

letter or other document entered into by the Trustee in connection therewith contains a monetary or other limit on the liability of such other person in respect thereof.

- (z) Subject to the requirements, if any, of the relevant Stock Exchange, or any applicable law or regulation, any corporation into which the Trustee shall be merged or with which it shall be consolidated or any company resulting from any such merger or consolidation shall be a party hereto and shall be the Trustee under these presents without executing or filing any paper or document or any further act on the part of the parties thereto.
- (aa) The Trustee shall have no responsibility whatsoever to the Issuer, any Noteholder or Couponholder or any other person for the maintenance of or failure to maintain any rating of any of the Notes by any rating agency.
- (bb) The Trustee shall not be liable or responsible for any Liabilities or inconvenience which may result from anything done or omitted to be done by it in accordance with the provisions of these presents.
- (cc) The Trustee may call for and shall rely on any records, certificate or other document of or to be issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg in relation to any determination of the principal amount of Notes represented by a NGN. Any such records, certificate or other document shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes. The Trustee shall not be liable to any person by reason of having accepted as valid or not having rejected any such records, certificate or other document to such effect purporting to be issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg and subsequently found to be forged or not authentic.

15.2 Under no circumstance will the Trustee be liable to the Issuer for any consequential loss (being the loss of goodwill, opportunity or profit) even if advised of such loss or damage.

16. Trustee's Liability

Nothing in these presents shall in any case in which the Trustee has failed to show the degree of care and diligence required of it as trustee having regard to the provisions of these presents conferring on it any trusts, powers, authorities or discretions exempt the Trustee from or indemnify it against any liability for any gross negligence, wilful default or for breach of trust of which it may be guilty in relation to its duties under these presents.

17. Trustee contracting with the Issuer

17.1 Neither the Trustee nor any director or officer or holding company, Subsidiary or associated company of a corporation acting as a trustee under these presents shall by reason of its or his fiduciary position be in any way precluded from:

- (a) entering into or being interested in any contract or financial or other transaction or arrangement with the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries or its Successor in Business or any other person or body corporate associated with the Issuer (including, without limitation, any contract, transaction or arrangement of a banking or insurance nature or any contract, transaction or arrangement in relation to the making of loans or the provision of financial facilities or financial advice to, or the purchase, placing or underwriting of or the subscribing or procuring subscriptions for or otherwise acquiring, holding or dealing with, or acting as paying agent in respect of, the Notes or any other notes, bonds, stocks, shares, debenture stock, debentures or other securities of, the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries or its Successor in Business or any other person or body corporate associated as aforesaid); or

- (b) accepting or holding the trusteeship of any other trust deed constituting or securing any other securities issued by or relating to the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries or its Successor in Business or any other person or body corporate associated as aforesaid or any other office of profit under the Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries or its Successor in Business or any other person or body corporate associated as aforesaid,

and shall be entitled to exercise and enforce its rights, comply with its obligations and perform its duties under or in relation to any such contract, transaction or arrangement as is referred to in (a) above or, as the case may be, any such trusteeship or office of profit as is referred to in (b) above without regard to the interests of the Noteholders and notwithstanding that the same may be contrary or prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders and shall not be responsible for any Liability occasioned to the Noteholders thereby and shall be entitled to retain and shall not be in any way liable to account for any profit made or share of brokerage or commission or remuneration or other amount or benefit received thereby or in connection therewith.

- 17.2 Where any holding company, Subsidiary or associated company of the Trustee or any director or officer of the Trustee acting other than in his capacity as such a director or officer has any information, the Trustee shall not thereby be deemed also to have knowledge of such information and, unless it shall have actual knowledge of such information, shall not be responsible for any loss suffered by Noteholders resulting from the Trustee's failing to take such information into account in acting or refraining from acting under or in relation to these presents.

18. Waiver and Modification

18.1 Waiver, Authorisation and Determination

Subject as provided in Clause 18.3 hereof, the Trustee may without the consent or sanction of the Noteholders or the Couponholders and without prejudice to its rights in respect of any subsequent breach, Event of Default or Potential Event of Default from time to time and at any time but only if and in so far as in its opinion the interests of the Noteholders shall not be materially prejudiced thereby waive or authorise any breach or proposed breach by the Issuer of any of the covenants or provisions contained in these presents or determine that any Event of Default or Potential Event of Default shall not be treated as such for the purposes of these presents *provided always that* the Trustee shall not exercise any powers conferred on it by this Clause in contravention of any express direction given by Extraordinary Resolution or by a request under Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*) but so that no such direction or request shall affect any waiver, authorisation or determination previously given or made. Any such waiver, authorisation or determination may be given or made on such terms and subject to such conditions (if any) as the Trustee may determine, shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, if, but only if, the Trustee shall so require, shall be notified by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.

18.2 Modification

Subject as provided in Clause 18.3 hereof, the Trustee may without the consent or sanction of the Noteholders or the Couponholders at any time and from time to time concur with the Issuer in making any modification to these presents (a) which in the opinion of the Trustee it may be proper to make *provided that* the Trustee is of the opinion that such modification will not be materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders or (b) if in the opinion of the Trustee such modification is of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest error. Any such modification may be made on such terms and subject to such conditions (if any) as the Trustee may determine, shall be binding upon the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, unless the Trustee agrees otherwise, shall be notified by the Issuer to the

Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.

In addition, the Trustee shall, provided it receives a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer certifying that each change which the Issuer requires the Trustee and/or the Agents (if applicable) to make pursuant to Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C) is a Benchmark Amendment and that the effect of the required drafting of such change is solely to implement a Benchmark Amendment, consent to any Benchmark Amendment (as defined in Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C)), irrespective of the effect thereof on affected Noteholders and without any liability thereto provided further, however, that the Trustee shall not be obliged to agree to any Benchmark Amendment which, in its sole opinion, would have the effect of (i) exposing the Trustee to any liabilities in respect of which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction or (ii) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the rights or protections of the Trustee in the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and/or these Conditions (as applicable).

18.3 Substitution or modification of the Notes for Regulatory or Tax Reasons

The agreement or approval of the holders of the Notes shall not be required in the case of any modification to the provisions of the Trust Deed and/or the terms and conditions of the Notes of such Series, or any substitution of such Notes with other securities pursuant to Condition 14.2 (*Substitution or modification of the Notes*) and the Trustee shall be obliged to consent to any such substitution or modification provided that the requirements set out in such Condition are satisfied.

When implementing any substitution or modification pursuant to this Clause 18.3 and Condition 14.2 (*Substitution or modification of the Notes*), the Trustee shall not consider the interests of the Noteholders, the Couponholders or any other person and shall act and rely solely and without further investigation on any certificate or evidence provided to it by the Issuer pursuant to this Clause 18.3 and Condition 14.2 (*Substitution or modification of the Notes*) and shall disregard whether any substitution or modification constitutes a Reserved Matter. The Trustee shall not be liable to the Noteholders, the Couponholders or any other person for so acting or relying, irrespective of whether any such substitution or modification is or may be materially prejudicial to the interests of any such person or is within the scope of the Reserved Matters.

Any such substitution or modification shall be binding on all Noteholders and Couponholders and shall be notified by the Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

18.4 Breach

Any breach of or failure by the Issuer to comply with any such terms and conditions as are referred to in sub-clauses 18.1, 18.2 and 18.3 of this Clause shall constitute a default by the Issuer in the performance or observance of a covenant or provision binding on it under or pursuant to these presents.

19. Holder of Definitive Note assumed to be Couponholder

19.1 Wherever in these presents the Trustee is required or entitled to exercise a power, trust, authority or discretion under these presents, except as ordered by a court of competent jurisdiction or as required by applicable law, the Trustee shall, notwithstanding that it may have express notice to the contrary, assume that each Noteholder is the holder of all Coupons appertaining to each Definitive Note of which he is the holder.

19.2 No Notice to Couponholders

Neither the Trustee nor the Issuer shall be required to give any notice to the Couponholders for any purpose under these presents and the Couponholders shall be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

20. Currency Indemnity

20.1 Currency of Account and Payment

The Contractual Currency is the sole currency of account and payment for all sums payable by the Issuer under or in connection with this Trust Deed and the Notes, including damages.

20.2 Extent of Discharge

An amount received or recovered in a currency other than the Contractual Currency (whether as a result of, or on the enforcement of, a judgment or order of a court of any jurisdiction, in the winding-up or dissolution of the Issuer or otherwise), by the Trustee or any Noteholder in respect of any sum expressed to be due to it from the Issuer will only discharge the Issuer to the extent of the Contractual Currency amount which the recipient is able to purchase with the amount so received or recovered in that other currency on the date of that receipt or recovery (or, if it is not practicable to make that purchase on that date, on the first date on which it is practicable to do so).

20.3 Indemnity

If that Contractual Currency amount is less than the Contractual Currency amount expressed to be due to the recipient under this Trust Deed or the Notes, the Issuer shall indemnify the recipient against any loss sustained by it as a result. In any event, the Issuer shall indemnify the recipient against the cost of making any such purchase. Any such loss as aforesaid shall be deemed to constitute a loss suffered by the Noteholders and the Couponholders and no proof of evidence of any actual loss shall be required by the Issuer or its liquidator or liquidators

20.4 Indemnity Separate

The indemnities in this Clause 20 and in Clause 14 constitute separate and independent obligations from the other obligations in this Trust Deed, shall give rise to a separate and independent cause of action, shall apply irrespective of any indulgence granted by the Trustee and/or any Noteholder and shall continue in full force and effect despite any judgment, order, claim or proof for a liquidated amount in respect of any sum due under this Trust Deed and the Notes or any other judgment or order.

21. New Trustee

21.1 Appointment

The power to appoint a new trustee of these presents shall, subject as hereinafter provided, be vested in the Issuer but no person shall be appointed who shall not previously have been approved by an Extraordinary Resolution. One or more persons may hold office as trustee or trustees of these presents but such trustee or trustees shall be or include a Trust Corporation. Whenever there shall be more than two trustees of these presents the majority of such trustees shall be competent to execute and exercise all the duties, powers, trusts, authorities and discretions vested in the Trustee by these presents provided that a Trust Corporation shall be included in such majority. Any appointment of a new trustee of these presents shall as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter be notified by the Issuer to the Issuing and Paying Agent and other Paying Agents (if any) and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders.

21.2 Separate and Co-Trustees

Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-clause 21.1 above, the Trustee may, upon giving prior written notice and after prior consultation with the Issuer where, in the opinion of the Trustee such consultation is practicable (but without the consent of the Issuer, the Noteholders or Couponholders), appoint any person established or resident in any jurisdiction (whether a Trust Corporation or not) to act either as a separate trustee or as a co-trustee jointly with the Trustee:

- (a) if the Trustee considers such appointment to be in the interests of the Noteholders;
- (b) for the purposes of conforming to any legal requirements, restrictions or conditions in any jurisdiction in which any particular act or acts is or are to be performed; or
- (c) for the purposes of obtaining a judgment in any jurisdiction or the enforcement in any jurisdiction of either a judgment already obtained or any of the provisions of these presents against the Issuer.

The Issuer hereby irrevocably appoints the Trustee to be its attorney in its name and on its behalf to execute any such instrument of appointment. Such a person shall (subject always to the provisions of these presents) have such trusts, powers, authorities and discretions (not exceeding those conferred on the Trustee by these presents) and such duties and obligations as shall be conferred or imposed by the instrument of appointment. The Trustee shall have power in like manner to remove any such person. Such properly incurred remuneration as the Trustee may pay to any such person, together with any attributable Liabilities incurred by it in performing its function as such separate trustee or co-trustee, shall for the purposes of these presents be treated as Liabilities incurred by the Trustee.

22. Trustee's Retirement and Removal

A trustee of these presents may retire at any time on giving not less than 60 days' prior written notice to the Issuer without giving any reason and without being responsible for any Liabilities incurred by reason of such retirement. The Noteholders may by Extraordinary Resolution remove any trustee or trustees for the time being of these presents. The Issuer undertakes that in the event of the only trustee of these presents which is a Trust Corporation (for the avoidance of doubt, disregarding for this purpose any separate or co-trustee appointed under Clause 21.2)) giving notice under this Clause or being removed by Extraordinary Resolution it will use its best endeavours to procure that a new trustee of these presents being a Trust Corporation is appointed as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter. The retirement or removal of any such trustee shall not become effective until a successor trustee being a Trust Corporation is appointed. If, in such circumstances, appointment of such new trustee has not become effective within 30 days of the date of such notice or Extraordinary Resolution, the Trustee shall be entitled to appoint a Trust Corporation as trustee of these presents, but no such appointment shall take effect unless previously approved by an Extraordinary Resolution.

23. Trustee's Powers to be Additional

The powers conferred upon the Trustee by these presents shall be in addition to any powers which may from time to time be vested in the Trustee by the general law or as a holder of any of the Notes or Coupons.

24. Substitution

- 24.1 The Trustee may, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, at any time agree with the Issuer to the substitution of the Issuer (or of any previous substitute) as the principal debtor under the Notes, the Coupons, the Agency Agreement and these presents of by its

Successor in Business or by any Subsidiary of the Issuer (such substituted issuer being hereinafter called the “**New Company**”) provided that a trust deed is executed or some other form of undertaking is given by the New Company in form and manner satisfactory to the Trustee, agreeing to be bound by the provisions of these presents with any consequential amendments which the Trustee may deem appropriate as fully as if the New Company had been named in these presents as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or of the previous substitute under this Clause) and provided further that, in the case of Clause 24.2(b) below, the Issuer or, as the case may be, its Successor in Business unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees to the satisfaction of the Trustee all amounts payable by the New Company under these presents.

24.2 The following further conditions shall apply to 24.1 above:

- (a) the Issuer and the New Company shall comply with such other requirements as the Trustee may direct in the interests of the Noteholders;
- (b) where the New Company is incorporated, domiciled or resident in, or subject generally to the taxing jurisdiction of, a territory other than or in addition to the Republic of Italy or the United Kingdom or any political sub-division or any authority therein or thereof having power to tax, undertakings or covenants shall be given by the New Company in terms corresponding to the provisions of Condition 7 (*Taxation*) with the substitution for (or, as the case may be, the addition to) the references to the Republic of Italy or, as the case may be, the United Kingdom of references to that other or additional territory in which the New Company is incorporated, domiciled or resident or to whose taxing jurisdiction it is subject and (where applicable) Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*) shall be deemed to be modified accordingly;
- (c) without prejudice to the rights of reliance of the Trustee under the immediately following paragraph (d), the Trustee is satisfied that the relevant transaction is not materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders; and
- (d) if two authorised signatories of the New Company (or other officers acceptable to the Trustee) shall certify that the New Company is solvent at the time at which the relevant transaction is proposed to be effected (which certificate the Trustee may rely upon absolutely), the Trustee shall not be under any duty to have regard to the financial condition, profits or prospects of the New Company or to compare the same with those of the Issuer or the previous substitute under this Clause as applicable.

24.3 The Trustee shall be entitled to refuse to approve any New Company if, pursuant to the law of the country of incorporation of the New Company, the assumption by the New Company of its obligations hereunder imposes responsibilities on the Trustee which are materially more onerous than those which have been assumed under these presents;

24.4 In connection with any proposed substitution, the Trustee shall not have regard to, or be in any way liable for, the consequences of such substitution for individual Noteholders or the Couponholders resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory. No Noteholder or Couponholder shall, in connection with any such substitution, be entitled to claim from the Issuer any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequence of any such substitution upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders.

24.5 Any such trust deed or undertaking shall, if so expressed, operate to release the Issuer or the previous substitute as aforesaid from all of its obligations as principal debtor under these presents. As soon as reasonably practicable and in any event not later than 21 days after the execution of such documents and compliance with such requirements, the New Company shall give notice thereof in a form previously approved by the Trustee to the Noteholders in

the manner provided in Condition 13 (*Notices*). Upon the execution of such documents and compliance with such requirements, the New Company shall be deemed to be named in these presents and the Agency Agreement as the principal debtor in place of the Issuer (or in place of the previous substitute under this Clause) under these presents and the Agency Agreement and these presents shall be deemed to be modified in such manner as shall be necessary to give effect to the above provisions and, without limitation, references in these presents and the Agency Agreement to the Issuer shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to be or include references to the New Company.

25. Notices

Any notice or demand to the Issuer or the Trustee to be given, made or served for any purposes under these presents shall be given, made or served by sending the same by pre-paid post (first class if inland, first class airmail if overseas), or facsimile transmission or by delivering it by hand as follows:

to the Issuer: BANCO BPM S.p.A.
Piazza Filippo Meda, 4
20121 Milan

Telephone: +39 02 9477 2095 / +39 045 8675 703
E-mail: capmanag@bancobpm.it
Attention: Funding e Capital Management

to the Trustee: Citicorp Trustee Company Limited
Citigroup Centre
Canada Square
Canary Wharf
London E14 5LB

Attention: Agency & Trust
Facsimile No: +44 203 060 4796

or to such other address or facsimile number as shall have been notified (in accordance with this Clause) to the other party hereto.

Any notice or demand (i) sent by post, shall be deemed to have been given, made or served three days in the case of inland post or seven days in the case of overseas post after despatch, (ii) sent by facsimile transmission, shall be deemed to have been given, made or served 24 hours after the time of despatch provided that a confirmation of transmission is received by the sending party and such notice or demand shall forthwith be confirmed by post. The failure of the addressee to receive such confirmation shall not invalidate the relevant notice or demand given by facsimile transmission.

26. Governing Law

These presents and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with them are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law save that (a) the loss-absorption provisions described in Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*), and (b) Schedule 3 (*Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders*) together with any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with (a) and (b) are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Italian law.

27. Submission to Jurisdiction

- 27.1 The Issuer irrevocably agrees, for the benefit of the Trustee, the Noteholders and the Couponholders that the courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with these presents (including a dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with them) and accordingly submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.
- 27.2 The Issuer waives any objection to the courts of England on the grounds that they are an inconvenient or inappropriate forum.
- 27.3 The Issuer hereby appoints The Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the UK at 1 Princes Street, London W1B 2AY, United Kingdom as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of The Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the UK ceasing so to act or ceasing to be located in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as “**Proceedings**”) arising out of or in connection with these presents, the Notes and the Coupons (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with these presents, the Notes and the Coupons). Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve Proceedings in any other manner permitted by law.

28. Counterparts

This Trust Deed and any trust deed supplemental hereto may be executed and delivered in any number of counterparts, all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same deed and any party to this Trust Deed or any trust deed supplemental hereto may enter into the same by executing and delivering a counterpart.

29. Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of these presents under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

30. Recognition of EU Bail-in Powers

Notwithstanding and to the exclusion of any other term of this Agreement or any other agreements, arrangements, or understanding between each BRRD Party and each BRRD Counterparty, each BRRD Counterparty acknowledges and accepts that a BRRD Liability arising under this Agreement may be subject to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority, and acknowledges, accepts, and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the effect of the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority in relation to any BRRD Liability of each BRRD Party to each BRRD Counterparty under this Agreement, that (without limitation) may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof:
- (i) the reduction of all, or a portion, of such BRRD Liability or outstanding amounts due thereon;
 - (ii) the conversion of all, or a portion, of such BRRD Liability into shares, other securities or other obligations of the relevant BRRD Party or another person, and the issue to or conferral on the BRRD Counterparty of such shares, securities or obligations;
 - (iii) the cancellation of such BRRD Liability;

- (iv) the amendment or alteration of any interest, if applicable, thereon, the maturity or the dates on which any payments are due, including by suspending payment for a temporary period;
- (b) the variation of the terms of this Agreement, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Resolution Authority, to give effect to the exercise of Bail-in Powers by the Relevant Resolution Authority.

For the purposes of this Clause 18:

“**Bail-in Legislation**” means in relation to a member state of the European Economic Area which has implemented, or which at any time implements, the BRRD, the relevant implementing law, regulation, rule or requirement as described in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule from time to time;

“**Bail-in Powers**” means any Write-down and Conversion Powers as defined in the EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule, in relation to the relevant Bail-in Legislation;

“**BRRD**” means Directive 2014/59/EU establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms, as amended;

“**BRRD Counterparty**” means each party to this Agreement other than the relevant BRRD Party, that is a counterparty to any BRRD Party;

“**BRRD Liability**” means a liability in respect of which the relevant Bail-in Powers may be exercised;

“**BRRD Party**” means any party to this Agreement subject to the Bail-in Legislation;

“**EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule**” means the document described as such, then in effect, and published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor person) from time to time at the LMA website under EU Bail-in Legislation Schedule;

“**Relevant Resolution Authority**” means the resolution authority with the ability to exercise any Bail-in Powers in relation to the relevant BRRD Party.

31. Amendment and Restatement

This Trust Deed amends, restates and supersedes the Original Trust Deeds. Any Series of Notes the first Tranche of which is issued under the Programme on or after the date of this Trust Deed shall be issued pursuant to this Trust Deed. This does not affect any Series of Notes the first Tranche of which was issued under the Programme prior to the date of this Trust Deed. Subject to such amendment and restatement, the Original Trust Deeds shall continue in full force and effect.

In Witness whereof this Trust Deed has been executed as a deed by the Issuer and the Trustee and delivered on the date first stated on page 1.

Schedule 1

Terms and Conditions of the English Law Notes

*The following are the Terms and Conditions of the Notes governed by English Law (the “**English Law Notes**” or the “**Notes**”) which, as completed by the relevant Final Terms, will be incorporated by reference into each Global Note (as defined below) and each definitive Note, in the latter case only if permitted by the relevant stock exchange or other relevant authority (if any) and agreed by the Issuer and the relevant Dealer at the time of issue but, if not so permitted and agreed, such definitive Note will have endorsed thereon or attached thereto such Terms and Conditions. The relevant Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) will be endorsed upon, or attached to, each Global Note and definitive Note. Reference should be made to “Form of the Notes” for a description of the content of Final Terms which will specify which of such terms are to apply in relation to the relevant Notes.*

In these “Terms and Conditions”, references to the “Notes” shall be to the English Law Notes (as defined above) and references to “Receipt” and “Talons” (both as defined below) shall be to the “Receipt” and “Talons” connected to the English Law Notes (as defined below), and references to “Noteholders” (as defined below) shall be to the Noteholders of the English Law Notes only.

This Note is one of a Series (as defined below) of Notes issued by BANCO BPM S.p.A. (the “**Issuer**”) constituted by a Trust Deed (such Trust Deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the “**Trust Deed**”) dated 11 June 2021 made between the Issuer and Citicorp Trustee Company Limited (the “**Trustee**”, which expression shall include any successor as Trustee).

References herein to the “**Notes**” shall be references to the Notes of this Series and shall mean:

- (a) in relation to any Notes represented by a global Note (a “**Global Note**”), units of the lowest Specified Denomination in the Specified Currency;
- (b) any Global Note; and
- (c) any definitive Notes issued in exchange for a Global Note.

The Notes and the Coupons (as defined below) have the benefit of an Agency Agreement (such Agency Agreement as amended and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the “**Agency Agreement**”) dated 11 June 2021 and made between the Issuer, the Trustee, Citibank, N.A., London Branch as issuing and paying agent (the “**Issuing and Paying Agent**” or the “**Agent**”, which expression shall include any successor issuing and paying agent (as applicable)) and the other paying agents named therein (together with the Issuing and Paying Agent, the “**Paying Agents**”, which expression shall include any additional or successor paying agents).

Interest bearing definitive Notes have interest coupons (“**Coupons**”) and, if indicated in the relevant Final Terms, talons for further Coupons (“**Talons**”) attached on issue. Any reference herein to Coupons or coupons shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include a reference to Talons or talons. Global Notes do not have Coupons or Talons attached on issue.

The Final Terms for this Note (or the relevant provisions thereof) are set out in Part A of the Final Terms attached to or endorsed on this Note which completes these Terms and Conditions of the English Law Notes (the “**Conditions**”). References to the “**relevant Final Terms**” are to Part A of the Final Terms (or the relevant provisions thereof) attached to or endorsed on this Note.

The Trustee acts for the benefit of the holders for the time being of the Notes (the “**Noteholders**”, which expression shall, in relation to any Notes represented by a Global Note, be construed as provided below) and the holders of the Coupons (the “**Couponholders**”, which expression shall, unless the context otherwise requires, include the holders of the Talons), in accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed.

As used herein, “**Tranche**” means Notes which are identical in all respects (including as to listing and admission to trading) and “**Series**” means a Tranche of Notes together with any further Tranche or Tranches of Notes which are (a) expressed to be consolidated and form a single series and (b) identical in all respects

(including as to listing and admission to trading) except for their respective Issue Dates (as set out in the relevant Final Terms), Interest Commencement Dates and/or Issue Prices.

Copies of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement are, upon reasonable request, available for inspection during normal business hours at the registered office for the time being of the Trustee being at Citigroup Centre, Canada Square, Canary Wharf, London E14 5LB and at the specified office of each of the Paying Agents or may be provided by email to a Noteholder following their prior written request to the Trustee or any Paying Agent and provision of proof of holding and identity (in a form satisfactory to the Trustee or the relevant Paying Agent as the case may be). Copies of the relevant Final Terms are available for viewing at, and copies can be obtained from, the registered office of the Issuer at Piazza Filippo Meda, 4, 20121 Milan, Italy and from BNP Paribas Securities Services, Luxembourg Branch, 60 Avenue J.F. Kennedy, L-1855, Luxembourg and will be published on the website of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange (www.bourse.lu) save that, if this Note is neither admitted to trading on a regulated market in the European Economic Area nor offered in the European Economic Area in circumstances where a prospectus is required to be published under the Prospectus Regulation, the relevant Final Terms will only be obtainable by a Noteholder holding one or more Notes and such Noteholder must produce evidence satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee or, as the case may be, the relevant Paying Agent as to its holding of such Notes and identity. The Noteholders and the Couponholders are deemed to have notice of, and are entitled to the benefit of, all the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and the relevant Final Terms which are applicable to them. The statements in these Conditions include summaries of, and are subject to, the detailed provisions of the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement.

Words and expressions defined in the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement or used in the relevant Final Terms shall have the same meanings where used in these Conditions unless the context otherwise requires or unless otherwise stated and **provided that**, in the event of inconsistency between the Trust Deed, and the Agency Agreement, the Trust Deed will prevail and, in the event of inconsistency between the Trust Deed or the Agency Agreement and the relevant Final Terms, the relevant Final Terms will prevail.

1. **FORM, DENOMINATION AND TITLE**

The Notes are in bearer form and, in the case of definitive Notes, serially numbered.

The Notes may be Fixed Rate Notes, Floating Rate Notes, CMS Linked Interest Notes, Fixed-Floating Rate Notes, Floating-Fixed Rate Notes or Zero Coupon Notes or a combination of any of the foregoing, depending upon the Interest Basis shown in the relevant Final Terms.

The Notes may also be senior preferred notes (“**Senior Preferred Notes**”), senior non-preferred notes (“**Senior Non-Preferred Notes**” and, together with the Senior Preferred Notes, the “**Senior Notes**”) or subordinated notes (“**Subordinated Notes**”), depending on the status of the Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms.

The Notes are denominated in such currency as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Specified Currency**”) and in the denomination or denominations specified in the relevant Final Terms (a “**Specified Denomination**”), provided that Senior Non-Preferred Notes will have a denomination of at least Euro 250,000 (or, where the Senior Non-Preferred Notes are denominated in a Specified Currency other than Euro, the equivalent amount in such other Specified Currency). Notes of one Specified Denomination may not be exchanged for Notes of another Specified Denomination.

Definitive Notes are issued with Coupons attached, unless they are Zero Coupon Notes in which case references to Coupons and Couponholders in these Conditions are not applicable.

Subject as set out below, title to the Notes and Coupons will pass by delivery. The Issuer, the Paying Agents and the Trustee will (except as otherwise required by law) deem and treat the bearer of any Note or Coupon as the absolute owner thereof (whether or not overdue and notwithstanding any notice of ownership or writing thereon or notice of any previous loss or theft thereof) for all purposes but, in the case of any Global Note, without prejudice to the provisions set out in the next succeeding paragraph.

For so long as any of the Notes is represented by a Global Note held on behalf of Euroclear Bank SA/NV (“**Euroclear**”) and/or Clearstream Banking, S.A. (“**Clearstream, Luxembourg**”), each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or of Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of such Notes (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and

binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Paying Agents and the Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal or interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, for which purpose the bearer of the relevant Global Note shall be treated by the Issuer, any Paying Agent and the Trustee as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes in accordance with and subject to the terms of the relevant Global Note and the expressions “**Noteholder**” and “**holder of Notes**” and related expressions shall be construed accordingly. In determining whether a particular person is entitled to a particular nominal amount of notes as aforesaid, the Trustee may rely on such evidence and/or information and/or certification as it shall, in its absolute discretion, think fit and, if it does so rely, such evidence and/or information and/or certification shall, in the absence of manifest error, be conclusive and binding on all concerned.

Notes which are represented by a Global Note will be transferable only in accordance with the rules and procedures for the time being of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be.

References to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg shall, whenever the context so permits, be deemed to include a reference to any additional or alternative clearing system specified in the relevant Final Terms or as may otherwise be approved by the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent and the Trustee.

2. **DEFINITIONS**

In these Conditions, unless the context otherwise requires, the following defined terms shall have the meanings set out below:

“**Applicable Banking Regulations**” means at any time the laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies relating to capital adequacy then in effect in the Republic of Italy and applicable to the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be), including, without limitation, the BRRD, the BRRD Implementing Decrees, the CRD IV Package, the Capital Instruments Regulations, Circular No. 285, the Banking Reform Package, the SRM Regulation and any other regulations, requirements, guidelines and policies relating to capital adequacy then in effect of the Relevant Authority or of the institutions of the European Union (whether or not such requirements, guidelines or policies have the force of law and whether or not they are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or the Group, as the case may be); and standards and guidelines issued by the European Banking Authority;

“**Banking Reform Package**” means (i) Regulation (EU) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 as regards the leverage ratio, the net stable funding ration, requirements for own funds and eligible liabilities, counterparty credit risk, market risk, exposure to central counterparties, exposures to collective investment undertakings, large exposures, reporting and disclosure requirements, and Regulation (EU) No. 648/2012, (ii) Regulation (EU) 2019/877 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Regulation (EU) No. 806/2014 as regards the loss-absorbing and recapitalization capacity of credit institutions and investment firms, (iii) Directive (EU) 2019/878 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Directive 2013/36/EU as regards exempted entities, financial holding companies, mixed financial holding companies, remuneration, supervisory measures and powers and capital conservation measures, and (iv) Directive (EU) 2019/879 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 amending Directive 2014/59/EU as regards the loss-absorbing and recapitalization capacity of credit institutions and investment firms and Directive 98/26/EC.

“**Bail-In Power**” means any statutory write-down, conversion, transfer, modification and/or suspension power existing from time to time under any laws, regulations, rules or requirements relating to the resolution of credit institutions, investment firms and/or group entities in effect and applicable in the relevant Member State to the Issuer or other entities of the Group (as the case may be), including but not limited to any laws, regulations, rules or requirements set forth in or implementing the BRRD, the BRRD Implementing Decrees and/or the SRM Regulation or any successor laws, regulations, rules or requirements establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of the Issuer (and/or other entities of the Group, where applicable) within the context of a relevant Member State resolution regime or otherwise, pursuant to which liabilities of the Issuer (and/or other entities of the Group, where applicable) can be reduced, cancelled, transferred, modified, suspended for a temporary period and/or converted into shares or obligations of the obligor or any other person, whether in combination with a resolution action or otherwise;

“**Bank Creditor Hierarchy Directive**” means Directive (EU) 2017/2399 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2017 amending the BRRD as regards the ranking of unsecured debt instruments in insolvency hierarchy, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time;

“**Benchmarks Regulation**” means Regulation (EU) No. 2016/1011 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on indices used as benchmarks in financial instruments and financial contracts or to measure the performance of investment funds and amending Directives 2008/48/EC and 2014/17/EU and Regulation (EU) No. 596/2014;

“**Broken Amount**” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“**BRRD**” means Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 establishing a framework for the recovery and resolution of credit institutions and investment firms, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of the entry into force of the Banking Reform Package);

“**BRRD Implementing Decrees**” means the Legislative Decrees No. 180 and 181 of November 16, 2015, implementing the BRRD in the Republic of Italy, as amended or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of the transposition of the Banking Reform Package into Italian law);

“**Business Day**” means a day which is both:

- (a) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in London and each additional business centre specified in the relevant Final Terms (each an “**Additional Business Centre**”); and
- (b) either (i) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than London and any Additional Business Centre and which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Melbourne and Wellington, respectively) or (ii) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (TARGET2) System (the “**TARGET2 System**”) is open;

“**Calculation Agent**” means the Issuing and Paying Agent or such other person specified in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Capital Instruments Regulations**” means the Delegated Regulation and any other rules or regulations of the Relevant Authority or of the institutions of the European Union or which are otherwise applicable to the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be), whether introduced before or after the Issue Date, which prescribe (alone or in conjunction with any other rules or regulations) the requirements to be fulfilled by financial instruments for their inclusion in the Own Funds of the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be) to the extent required under the CRD IV Package (including, without limitation, any rules or regulations implementing the Banking Reform Package);

“**CET1 Instruments**” means at any time common equity tier 1 instruments as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“**Circular No. 285**” means the Bank of Italy Circular No. 285 of 17 December 2013, setting forth the supervisory provisions for banks (*Disposizioni di Vigilanza per le Banche*), as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of the transposition of the Banking Reform Package into Italian law);

“**CMS Rate**” shall mean the applicable swap rate for swap transactions in the Reference Currency with a maturity of the Designated Maturity, expressed as a percentage, which appears on the Relevant Screen Page on the Interest Determination Date in question, all as determined by the Calculation Agent;

“**CMS Reference Banks**” means (i) where the Reference Currency is Euro, the principal office of five major banks in the Euro-zone inter-bank market, (ii) where the Reference Currency is Sterling, the

principal London office of five major banks in the London inter-bank market, (iii) where the Reference Currency is U.S. dollars, the principal New York City office of five major banks in the New York City inter-bank market, or (iv) in the case of any other Reference Currency, the office of five major banks in the principal relevant financial centre specified in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Relevant Financial Centre**”), in each case selected by the Issuer;

“**CRD IV**” means Directive 2013/36/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on access to the activity of credit institutions and the prudential supervision of credit institutions and investment firms, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of the entry into force of the Banking Reform Package);

“**CRD IV Package**” means (i) the CRR and (ii) the CRD IV;

“**CRR**” means Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of the entry into force of the Banking Reform Package);

“**Day Count Fraction**” means:

- (a) in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with Condition 4.1 (*Interest on Fixed Rate Notes*):
 - (i) if “**Actual/Actual (ICMA)**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms:
 - (A) in the case of Notes where the number of days in the relevant period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (the “**Accrual Period**”) is equal to or shorter than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the number of days in such Accrual Period divided by the product of (I) the number of days in such Determination Period and (II) the number of Interest Determination Dates (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) that would occur in one calendar year; or
 - (B) in the case of Notes where the Accrual Period is longer than the Determination Period during which the Accrual Period ends, the sum of:
 - (1) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the Determination Period in which the Accrual Period begins divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Interest Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
 - (2) the number of days in such Accrual Period falling in the next Determination Period divided by the product of (x) the number of days in such Determination Period and (y) the number of Interest Determination Dates that would occur in one calendar year; and
 - (ii) if “**30/360**” is **specified** in the relevant Final Terms, the number of days in the period from (and including) the most recent Interest Payment Date (or, if none, the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the relevant payment date (such number of days being calculated on the basis of a year of 360 days with 12 30-day months) divided by 360.
- (b) in respect of the calculation of an amount of interest in accordance with Condition 4.2 (*Interest on Floating Rate Notes and CMS Linked Interest Notes*):
 - (i) if “**Actual/Actual (ISDA)**” or “**Actual/Actual**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 (or, if any portion of that Interest Period falls in a leap year, the sum of (I) the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a leap year divided by 366 and (II)

the actual number of days in that portion of the Interest Period falling in a non-leap year divided by 365);

- (ii) if “**Actual/365 (Fixed)**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365;
- (iii) if “**Actual/365 (Sterling)**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 365 or, in the case of an Interest Payment Date falling in a leap year, 366;
- (iv) if “**Actual/360**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the actual number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360;
- (v) if “**30/360**”, “**360/360**” or “**Bond Basis**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1) + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

Y₁ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

Y₂ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

M₁ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

M₂ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

D₁ is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

D₂ is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 and D₁ is greater than 29, in which case D₂ will be 30;

- (vi) if “**30E/360**” or “**Eurobond Basis**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1) + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

Y₁ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

Y₂ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

M₁ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

M₂ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

D₁ is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless such number is 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

D₂ is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless such number would be 31 in which case D₂ will be 30;

(vii) if “**30E/360 (ISDA)**” is specified in the relevant Final Terms, the number of days in the Interest Period divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows:

Day Count Fraction =

$$\frac{[360 \times (Y_2 - Y_1)] + [30 \times (M_2 - M_1) + (D_2 - D_1)]}{360}$$

Where:

Y₁ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

Y₂ is the year, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

M₁ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the first day of the Interest Period falls;

M₂ is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the day immediately following the last day of the Interest Period falls;

D₁ is the first calendar day, expressed as a number, of the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February or (ii) such number would be 31, in which case D₁ will be 30; and

D₂ is the calendar day, expressed as a number, immediately following the last day included in the Interest Period, unless (i) that day is the last day of February but not the Maturity Date or (ii) such number would be 31 in which case and D₂ will be 30,

provided, however, that in each such case the number of days in the Interest Period is calculated from and including the first day of the Interest Period to but excluding the last day of the Interest Period.

“**Delegated Regulation**” means Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No. 241/2014 of 7 January 2014 supplementing the CRR with regard to the regulatory technical standards for Own Funds requirements for institutions, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including, without limitation, as a consequence of any rules or regulations implementing the Banking Reform Package);

“**Designated Maturity**” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“**Determination Period**” means each period from (and including) an Interest Determination Date to (but excluding) the next Interest Determination Date (including, where either the Interest Commencement Date or the final Interest Payment Date is not an Interest Determination Date, the period commencing on the first Interest Determination Date prior to, and ending on the first Interest Determination Date falling after, such date);

“**Eligible Liabilities**” means at any time eligible liabilities as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“Eligible Liabilities Instruments” means at any time eligible liabilities instruments as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“First Interest Payment Date” means the date specified in the relevant Final Terms;

“Fixed Coupon Amount” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“Fixed Interest Period” means the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date;

“Group” means the Issuer and its consolidated Subsidiaries (or any other entities that are consolidated in the Issuer’s calculation of its Own Funds on a consolidated basis in accordance with Applicable Banking Regulations);

“Interest Commencement Date” means the date of issue of the Notes (as specified in the relevant Final Terms) or such other date as may be specified as such in the relevant Final Terms;

“Interest Determination Date” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“Interest Payment Date” means the first Interest Payment Date and any date or dates specified as such in, or determined in accordance with the provisions of, the relevant Final Terms;

“Italian Banking Act” means Legislative Decree No. 385 of 1 September 1993, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time;

“Loss Absorption Requirement” means the power of the Relevant Authority to impose that Own Funds instruments or other liabilities of the Issuer or entities of the Group (as the case may be) are subject to full or partial write-down of the principal or conversion into CET1 Instruments or other instruments of ownership in accordance with Article 59 of the BRRD and the related national implementing provisions applicable to the Issuer or entities of the Group (as the case may be);

“MREL Disqualification Event” means that, by reason of the introduction of, or a change in, any MREL Requirements, which was not reasonably foreseeable by the Issuer at the Issue Date of the relevant Series of Notes, all or part of the aggregate outstanding nominal amount of a Series of Senior Preferred Notes and/or of Senior Non-Preferred Notes (as the case may be) are or will be excluded fully or partially from the liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements. For the avoidance of doubt: (a) the exclusion of a Series of Notes from the liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements due to the remaining maturity of such Notes being less than any period prescribed thereunder does not constitute a MREL Disqualification Event; (b) the exclusion of all or some of a Series of Notes from the MREL Requirements due to there being insufficient headroom for such Notes within any prescribed exception to the otherwise applicable general requirements for liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements does not constitute a MREL Disqualification Event; and (c) the exclusion of all or some of a Series of Notes from the liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements as a result of / such Notes being purchased by or on behalf of the Issuer or as a result of a purchase which is funded directly or indirectly by the Issuer does not constitute a MREL Disqualification Event;

“MREL Requirements” means the laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines, rules, standards, measures and policies relating to minimum requirements for Own Funds and eligible liabilities applicable to the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be) from time to time, including, without limitation to the generality of the foregoing, any delegated or implementing acts (such as implementing technical standards or regulatory technical standards) adopted by the European Commission and any regulations, requirements, guidelines, rules, standards, measures and policies relating to minimum requirements for Own Funds and eligible liabilities and/or loss absorbing capacity instruments adopted by the Republic of Italy or a Relevant Authority from time to time (whether or not such regulations, requirements, guidelines, rules, standards, measures or policies are applied generally or specifically to the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be)), as any of the preceding laws, regulations, requirements, guidelines, rules, standards, measures, policies or interpretations may be amended, supplemented, superseded or replaced from time to time;

“Own Funds” shall have the meaning given to such term in the CRR, as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“Own Funds Instruments” means at any time own funds instruments as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“Reference Bank(s)” means, in the case of a determination of EURIBOR, the principal Euro zone office of four major banks in the Euro zone interbank market, in each case selected by the Issuer or as specified in the relevant Final Terms;

“Reference Currency” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“Reference Rate” has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms;

“Regulatory Event” means any change (or pending change which the Relevant Authority considers to be sufficiently certain) in the regulatory classification of the Subordinated Notes from their classification on the Issue Date that results, or would be likely to result, in their exclusion in full or, to the extent permitted under the Applicable Banking Regulations, in part, from the Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer or, where applicable in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations, a reclassification as a lower quality form of Own Funds;

“Relevant Authority” means, as the context may require, (i) the European Central Bank or the Bank of Italy, acting within the framework of the Single Supervisory Mechanism, or any successor or replacement authority having responsibility for the prudential oversight and supervision of the Issuer or the Group (as the case may be), and/or (ii) the Single Resolution Board, the European Council, the European Commission or the Bank of Italy, acting within the framework of the Single Resolution Mechanism, or any successor or replacement authority having responsibility for the resolution of the Issuer or other entities of the Group (as the case may be);

“Relevant Screen Page” means the page, section or other part of a particular information service (including, without limitation, Reuters) specified as the Relevant Screen Page in the relevant Final Terms, or such other page, section or other part as may replace it on that information service or such other information service, in each case, as may be nominated by the person providing or sponsoring the information appearing there for the purpose of displaying rates or prices comparable to the Reference Rate;

“Relevant Swap Rate” means:

- (a) where the Reference Currency is Euro, the mid-market annual swap rate determined on the basis of the arithmetic mean of the bid and offered rates for the annual fixed leg, calculated on a 30/360 day count basis, of a fixed for floating euro interest rate swap transaction with a term equal to the Designated Maturity commencing on the first day of the relevant Interest Period and in a Representative Amount with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market, where the floating leg, in each case calculated on an Actual/360 day count basis, is equivalent to EUR EURIBOR Reuters (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) with a designated maturity determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to standard market practice and/or the ISDA Definitions;
- (b) where the Reference Currency is Sterling, the mid-market semi-annual swap rate determined on the basis of the arithmetic mean of the bid and offered rates for the semi-annual fixed leg, calculated on an Actual/365 (Fixed) day count basis, of a fixed for floating Sterling interest rate swap transaction with a term equal to the Designated Maturity commencing on the first day of the relevant Interest Period and in a Representative Amount with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market, where the floating leg, in each case calculated on an Actual/365 (Fixed) day count basis, is equivalent (A) if the Designated Maturity is greater than one year, to GBP LIBOR BBA (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) with a designated maturity of six months or (B) if the Designated Maturity is one year or less, to GBP LIBOR BBA with a designated maturity of three months;
- (c) where the Reference Currency is U.S. dollars, the mid-market semi-annual swap rate determined on the basis of the mean of the bid and offered rates for the semi-annual fixed leg, calculated on a 30/360 day count basis, of a fixed for floating United States dollar interest rate swap transaction with a term equal to the Designated Maturity commencing on the first day of the relevant Interest Period and in a Representative Amount with an acknowledged dealer of good credit in the swap market, where the floating leg, calculated on an Actual/360 day count

basis, is equivalent to USD LIBOR BBA (as defined in the ISDA Definitions) with a designated maturity of three months; and

- (d) where the Reference Currency is any other currency or if the relevant Final Terms specify otherwise, the mid-market swap rate as determined in accordance with the relevant Final Terms;

“**Representative Amount**” means an amount that is representative for a single transaction in the relevant market at the relevant time;

“**Single Resolution Mechanism**” means the single resolution mechanism established pursuant to the SRM Regulation;

“**Single Supervisory Mechanism**” means the single supervisory mechanism established pursuant to the SSM Regulation;

“**SRM Regulation**” means Regulation (EU) No. 806/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 July 2014 establishing uniform rules and a uniform procedure for the resolution of credit institutions and certain investment firms in the framework of a Single Resolution Mechanism and a Single Resolution Fund, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time (including as a consequence of the entry into force of the Banking Reform Package);

“**SSM Regulation**” means Council Regulation (EU) No. 1024/2013 of 15 October 2013 conferring specific tasks on the European Central Bank concerning policies relating to the prudential supervision of credit institutions, as amended, supplemented or replaced from time to time;

“**sub-unit**” means, with respect to any currency other than euro, the lowest amount of such currency that is available as legal tender in the country of such currency and, with respect to euro, one cent;

“**Subsidiary**” means any company or person that is controlled by the Issuer pursuant to Article 23 of the Italian Banking Act;

“**Tax Law Change**” means any change in, or amendment to, the laws or regulations of a Tax Jurisdiction (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) (including any treaty to which the Tax Jurisdiction is a party) or any change in the application or official or generally published interpretation of such laws or regulations (including a change or amendment resulting from a ruling by a court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction), which change or amendment becomes effective on or after the date on which agreement is reached to issue the first Tranche of the Notes. ;

“**Tier 1 Capital**” means at any time tier 1 capital as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations;

“**Tier 2 Capital**” means at any time tier 2 capital as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations; and

“**Tier 2 Instruments**” means at any time tier 2 instruments as interpreted and applied in accordance with the Applicable Banking Regulations.

3. STATUS OF THE NOTES

3.1 Status of the Senior Preferred Notes

This Condition 3.1 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Senior Preferred Notes.

The Senior Preferred Notes and any related Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated and unsecured obligations of the Issuer and rank *pari passu* among themselves.

The payment obligations of the Issuer under the Senior Preferred Notes and the Coupons related to them shall at all times rank (save for certain obligations required to be preferred by law, including any obligations permitted by law to rank senior to the Senior Preferred Notes following the Issue Date, if any) equally with all other unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer from time to time

outstanding (other than obligations ranking junior to the Senior Preferred Notes from time to time, including any obligations under Senior Non-Preferred Notes and any further obligations permitted by law or by their terms to rank junior to the Senior Preferred Notes following the Issue Date, if any).

In relation to each Series of Senior Preferred Notes, all Notes of such Series will be treated equally and all amounts paid by the Issuer in respect of principal and/or interest thereon will be paid *pro rata* on all Notes of such Series.

Each holder of a Senior Preferred Note and the Trustee unconditionally and irrevocably waives any right of set-off, netting, counterclaim, abatement or other similar remedy which it might otherwise have under the laws of any jurisdiction in respect of such Senior Preferred Note.

3.2 Status of the Senior Non-Preferred Notes

This Condition 3.2 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Senior Non-Preferred Notes.

The Senior Non-Preferred Notes and any related Coupons are direct, unconditional, unsubordinated, unsecured and non-preferred obligations of the Issuer that are intended to qualify as *strumenti di debito chirografario di secondo livello* of the Issuer in accordance with, and for the purposes of, Article 12-bis of the Italian Banking Act.

The payment obligations of the Issuer under the Senior Non-Preferred Notes and the Coupons related to them shall at all times rank:

- (a) junior to Senior Preferred Notes and all present or future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer which rank, or are expressed by their terms and/or by provision of law, senior to the Senior Non-Preferred Notes (including, without limitation, any obligations under the Senior Preferred Notes and any obligation required to be preferred by law and claims arising from the excluded liabilities within the meaning of Article 72a(2) of the CRR);
- (b) *pari passu* among themselves and with any other present or future obligations of the Issuer which do not rank, or are not expressed by their terms to rank, junior or senior to the Senior Non-Preferred Notes; and
- (c) senior to any present or future obligations of the Issuer which rank, or are expressed by their terms to rank, junior to the Senior Non-Preferred Notes (including, without limitation, the claims of the shareholders of the Issuer and any other obligations under the Subordinated Notes or any other obligations under instruments or items included in the Tier 1 Capital or Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer),

in all such cases in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 91, paragraph 1-bis, letter c-bis) of the Italian Banking Act and any relevant regulation which may be enacted from time to time for the purposes of implementing such provisions and/or any laws, regulations or guidelines implementing the rules set forth in the Bank Creditor Hierarchy Directive.

In relation to each Series of Senior Non-Preferred Notes, all Notes of such Series will be treated equally and all amounts paid by the Issuer in respect of principal and/or interest thereon will be paid *pro rata* on all Notes of such Series.

Each holder of a Senior Non-Preferred Note and the Trustee unconditionally and irrevocably waives any right of set-off, netting, counterclaim, abatement or other similar remedy which it might otherwise have under the laws of any jurisdiction in respect of such Senior Non-Preferred Note.

3.3 Status of the Subordinated Notes

This Condition 3.3 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Subordinated Notes.

The Subordinated Notes and any related Coupons are direct, unsecured and subordinated obligations of the Issuer that are intended to qualify for regulatory purposes as Tier 2 Instruments to be included in the

Tier 2 Capital of the Issuer in accordance with Article 63 of the CRR and Part II, Chapter 1 of Circular No. 285 (or any successor rules under the Applicable Banking Regulations).

The payment obligations of the Issuer under the Subordinated Notes and the Coupons related to them shall at all times rank:

- (a) junior to all present or future unsecured and unsubordinated obligations of the Issuer (including, without limitation, any obligations under the Senior Notes) or any other present or future subordinated obligations of the Issuer which rank, or are expressed by their terms to rank, senior to the Subordinated Notes, including any obligation required to be preferred by law;
- (b) *pari passu* among themselves and with any other present or future obligations of the Issuer which do not rank, or are not expressed by their terms to rank, junior or senior to the Subordinated Notes; and
- (c) senior to any present or future obligations of the Issuer which rank, or are expressed by their terms to rank, junior to the Subordinated Notes (including, without limitation, the claims of the shareholders of the Issuer and any other obligations under instruments or items included in the Tier 1 Capital of the Issuer).

In relation to each Series of Subordinated Notes, all Notes of such Series will be treated equally and all amounts paid by the Issuer in respect of principal and/or interest thereon will be paid *pro rata* on all Notes of such Series.

Each holder of a Subordinated Note and the Trustee unconditionally and irrevocably waives any right of set-off, netting, counterclaim, abatement or other similar remedy which it might otherwise have, under the laws of any jurisdiction, in respect of such Subordinated Note.

The Subordinated Notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, payments of principal and/or interest) shall be subject to the Loss Absorption Requirement, if so required under the BRRD and/or the SRM Regulation, in accordance with the powers of the Relevant Authority and where the Relevant Authority determines that the application of the Loss Absorption Requirement to the Subordinated Notes is necessary pursuant to applicable law and/or regulation in force from time to time.

3.4 **No Negative Pledge**

There is no negative pledge in respect of the Notes.

4. **INTEREST**

4.1 **Interest on Fixed Rate Notes**

This Condition 4.1 applies to the Notes: (a) if the Fixed Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable; and (b) if the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions or the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, in respect of those Fixed Interest Periods for which the Fixed Rate Note Provisions are stated to apply.

Each Fixed Rate Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date at the rate(s) per annum equal to the Rate(s) of Interest. Interest will be payable in arrear on the Interest Payment Date(s) in each year up to (and including) the Maturity Date. The Rate of Interest may be specified in the relevant Final Terms either (i) as the same Rate of Interest for all Fixed Interest Periods or (ii) as a different Rate of Interest in respect of one or more Fixed Interest Periods.

If the Notes are in definitive form, except as provided in the relevant Final Terms, the amount of interest payable on each Interest Payment Date in respect of the Fixed Interest Period ending on (but excluding) such date will amount to the Fixed Coupon Amount. Payments of interest on any Interest Payment Date will, if so specified in the relevant Final Terms, amount to the Broken Amount so specified.

Except in the case of Notes in definitive form where a Fixed Coupon Amount or Broken Amount is specified in the relevant Final Terms, interest shall be calculated in respect of any period by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Fixed Rate Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the amount of interest payable in respect of such Fixed Rate Note shall be the aggregate of the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

4.2 Interest on Floating Rate Notes and CMS Linked Interest Notes

This Condition 4.2 applies to the Notes (a) if the Floating Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable; and (b) if the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions or the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, in respect of those Interest Periods for which the Floating Rate Note Provisions are stated to apply.

(a) Interest Payment Dates

Each Floating Rate Note and CMS Linked Interest Note bears interest on its outstanding nominal amount from (and including) the Interest Commencement Date and such interest will be payable in arrear on either:

- (i) the date or dates specified as a specified interest payment date in each year specified in the relevant Final Terms (a “**Specified Interest Payment Date**”); or
- (ii) if no Specified Interest Payment Date(s) is/are specified in the relevant Final Terms, each date (each such date, together with each Specified Interest Payment Date, an “**Interest Payment Date**”) which falls the number of months or other period specified as the specified period in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Specified Period**”) after the preceding Interest Payment Date or, in the case of the First Interest Payment Date, after the Interest Commencement Date.

Such interest will be payable in respect of each Interest Period (which expression shall, in these Conditions, mean the period from (and including) an Interest Payment Date (or the Interest Commencement Date) to (but excluding) the next (or first) Interest Payment Date) (the “**Interest Period**”).

If a Business Day Convention is specified in the relevant Final Terms and (x) if there is no numerically corresponding day in the calendar month in which an Interest Payment Date should occur or (y) if any Interest Payment Date would otherwise fall on a day which is not a Business Day, then, if the Business Day Convention specified is:

- (i) in any case where Specified Periods are specified in accordance with Condition 4.2(a)(ii) above, the Floating Rate Convention, such Interest Payment Date (a) in the case of (x) above, shall be the last day that is a Business Day in the relevant month and the provisions of (ii) below shall apply *mutatis mutandis* or (b) in the case of (y) above, shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event (i) such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day and (ii) each subsequent Interest Payment Date shall be the last Business Day in the month which falls the Specified Period after the preceding applicable Interest Payment Date occurred; or
- (ii) the Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day; or
- (iii) the Modified Following Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be postponed to the next day which is a Business Day unless it would thereby fall into the next calendar month, in which event such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day; or

- (iv) the Preceding Business Day Convention, such Interest Payment Date shall be brought forward to the immediately preceding Business Day.

(b) **Rate of Interest**

The Rate of Interest payable from time to time in respect of Floating Rate Notes and CMS Linked Interest Notes will be determined in the manner specified in the relevant Final Terms.

(i) ***ISDA Determination for Floating Rate Notes***

Where ISDA Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will be:

- (A) if “Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as not being applicable, the relevant ISDA Rate plus or minus (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms) the Margin (if any);
- (B) if “Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable (i) the sum of the Margin and the relevant ISDA Rate multiplied by (ii) the Multiplier;
- (C) if “Reference Rate Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, the sum of (i) the Margin, and (ii) the relevant ISDA Rate multiplied by the Reference Rate Multiplier,

where “**Multiplier**” and “**Reference Rate Multiplier**” each has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms and where “**ISDA Rate**” for an Interest Period means a rate equal to the Floating Rate that would be determined by the Calculation Agent under an interest rate swap transaction if the Calculation Agent were acting as Calculation Agent for that swap transaction under the terms of an agreement incorporating the 2006 ISDA Definitions, as published by the International Swaps and Derivatives Association, Inc. and as amended and updated as at the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes (the “**ISDA Definitions**”) and under which:

- (A) the Floating Rate Option is as specified in the relevant Final Terms;
- (B) the Designated Maturity is a period specified in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (C) the relevant Reset Date is either (a) if the applicable Floating Rate Option is based on the Euro zone interbank offered rate (“**EURIBOR**”), the first day of that Interest Period or (b) in any other case, as specified in the relevant Final Terms.

For the purposes of this subparagraph (i), “**Floating Rate**”, “**Calculation Agent**”, “**Floating Rate Option**”, “**Designated Maturity**” and “**Reset Date**” have the meanings given to those terms in the ISDA Definitions.

(ii) ***Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes (other than for Floating Rate Notes linked to SONIA or the CMS Rate)***

(w) Where Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, the Rate of Interest for each Interest Period will, subject to Condition 4.2(h) below, be either:

- (A) the offered quotation; or
- (B) the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations,

(expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate which appears or appear, as the case may be, on the Relevant Screen Page as at the time specified in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Specified Time**”) on the Interest Determination Date in question plus or minus (as indicated in the relevant Final Terms) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Calculation Agent. If five or more of such offered quotations are available on the Relevant Screen Page, the highest (or, if there is more than one such highest quotation, one only of such quotations) and the lowest (or, if there is more than one such lowest quotation, one only of such quotations) shall be disregarded by the Calculation Agent for the purpose of determining the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of such offered quotations.

- (x) If the Relevant Screen Page is not available or if, in the case of (A) above, no such offered quotation appears or, in the case of (B) above, fewer than three such offered quotations appear, in each case as at the Specified Time, the Calculation Agent shall request each of the Reference Banks to provide the Calculation Agent with its offered quotation (expressed as a percentage rate per annum) for the Reference Rate at approximately the Specified Time on the Interest Determination Date in question. If two or more of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with offered quotations, the Rate of Interest for the Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the offered quotations plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any), all as determined by the Calculation Agent; and
- (y) If on any Interest Determination Date one only or none of the Reference Banks provides the Calculation Agent with an offered quotation as provided in the preceding paragraph, the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period shall be:
 - (A) if “Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as not being applicable, the rate per annum which the Calculation Agent determines as being the arithmetic mean (rounded if necessary to the fifth decimal place, with 0.000005 being rounded upwards) of the rates, as communicated to (and at the request of) the Calculation Agent by the Reference Banks or any two or more of them, at which such banks were offered, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate by leading banks in the Euro zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) or, if fewer than two of the Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with offered rates, the offered rate for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, or the arithmetic mean (rounded as provided above) of the offered rates for deposits in the Specified Currency for a period equal to that which would have been used for the Reference Rate, at which, at approximately the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, any one or more banks (which bank or banks is or are in the opinion of the Issuer suitable for the purpose) informs the Calculation Agent it is quoting to leading banks in the Euro zone inter-bank market (if the Reference Rate is EURIBOR) plus or minus (as appropriate) the Margin (if any) (the “**Determined Rate**”), provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period). Unless

otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero;

- (B) if “Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable (i) the sum of the Margin and (ii) the relevant Determined Rate multiplied by the Multiplier;
- (C) if “Reference Rate Multiplier” is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, the sum of (i) the Margin, and (ii) the relevant Determined Rate multiplied by the Reference Rate Multiplier,

where “Multiplier” and “Reference Rate Multiplier” each has the meaning given in the relevant Final Terms **provided that**, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period),

(iii) ***Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes which are linked to the CMS Rate***

If Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined and “CMS Rate” is specified as the Reference Rate in the relevant Final Terms, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent by reference to the following formula, subject to Condition 4.2(h):

CMS Rate plus Margin

If the Relevant Screen Page is not available, the Calculation Agent shall request each of the CMS Reference Banks to provide the Calculation Agent with its quotation for the Relevant Swap Rate at approximately 11:00 a.m. (local time in the principal financial centre of the Specified Currency) on the Interest Determination Date in question. If at least three of the CMS Reference Banks provide the Calculation Agent with such quotation, the CMS Rate for such Interest Period shall be the arithmetic mean of such quotations, eliminating the highest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the highest) and the lowest quotation (or, in the event of equality, one of the lowest).

If on any Interest Determination Date fewer than three or none of the CMS Reference Banks provides the Calculation Agent with such quotations as provided in the preceding paragraph, provided that, if the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions of this paragraph, the Rate of Interest shall be determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin relating to that last preceding Interest Period). Unless otherwise stated in the applicable Final Terms the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero.

(iv) ***Screen Rate Determination for Floating Rate Notes which are linked to SONIA***

If Screen Rate Determination is specified in the relevant Final Terms as the manner in which the Rate(s) of Interest is/are to be determined and “SONIA” is specified as the Reference Rate in the relevant Final Terms, the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for each Interest Period shall be Compounded Daily SONIA plus or minus the Margin (if any) as specified in the applicable Final Terms, subject to Condition 4.2(h).

If in respect of any Business Day in the relevant Observation Period, the Calculation Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as

specified in the applicable Final Terms) determines that the applicable SONIA Reference Rate is not available on the Relevant Screen Page or has not otherwise been published by the relevant authorised distributors, the SONIA Reference Rate in respect of such Business Day shall be: (A) (i) the Bank of England's Bank Rate (the "**Bank Rate**") prevailing at close of business on such Business Day; plus (ii) the mean of the spread of the SONIA Reference Rate to the Bank Rate over the previous five days on which a SONIA Reference Rate has been published, excluding the highest spread (or, if there is more than one highest spread, one only of those highest spreads) and lowest spread (or, if there is more than one lowest spread, one only of those lowest spreads) to the Bank Rate, or (B) if such Bank Rate is not available, the SONIA Reference Rate published on the Relevant Screen Page (or otherwise published by the relevant authorised distributors) for the first preceding Business Day on which the SONIA Reference Rate was published on the Relevant Screen Page (or otherwise published by the relevant authorised distributors).

Where the SONIA Reference Rate is being determined in accordance with the paragraph above, in the event the Bank of England publishes guidance as to (i) how the SONIA Reference Rate is to be determined; or (ii) any rate that is to replace the SONIA Reference Rate, the Calculation Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms) shall, to the extent that it is reasonably practicable, follow such guidance in order to determine the SONIA Reference Rate for any Business Day "i" for the purpose of the relevant Series of Notes for so long as the SONIA Reference Rate is not available or has not been published by the authorised distributors.

In the event that the Rate of Interest cannot be determined in accordance with the foregoing provisions by the Calculation Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms), subject to Condition 4.2(h), the Rate of Interest shall be (i) that determined as at the last preceding Interest Determination Date (though substituting, where a different Margin, Maximum Rate of Interest and/or Minimum Rate of Interest (as the case may be) is to be applied to the relevant Interest Period from that which applied to the last preceding Interest Period, the Margin or Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest relating to the relevant Interest Period in place of the Margin, Maximum Rate of Interest and/or Minimum Rate of Interest (as the case may be) relating to that last preceding Interest Period); or (ii) if there is no such preceding Interest Determination Date, the initial Rate of Interest which would have been applicable to such Series of Notes for the first Interest Period had the Notes been in issue for a period equal in duration to the scheduled first Interest Period but ending on (and excluding) the Interest Commencement Date (including applying the Margin and any Maximum Rate of Interest or Minimum Rate of Interest applicable to the first Interest Period).

If the relevant Series of Notes become due and payable in accordance with Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*), the final Interest Determination Date shall, notwithstanding any Interest Determination Date specified in the applicable Final Terms, be deemed to be the date on which such Notes became due and payable and the Rate of Interest on such Notes shall, for so long as any such Notes remain outstanding, be that determined on such date.

For the purposes of this sub-paragraph 4.2(b)(iv):

"**Compounded Daily SONIA**" means, with respect to an Interest Period, the rate of return of a daily compound interest investment (with the daily Sterling overnight reference rate as reference rate for the calculation of interest) and will be calculated by the Calculation Agent (or such other party responsible for the calculation of the Rate of Interest, as specified in the applicable Final Terms) on the Interest Determination Date, as follows, and the resulting percentage will be rounded if necessary to the third decimal place, with 0.0005 being rounded upwards:

$$\left[\prod_{i=1}^{d_0} \left(1 + \frac{SONIA_{i-pLBD} \times n_i}{365} \right) - 1 \right] \times \frac{365}{d}$$

Where:

“**d**” is the number of calendar days in the relevant Interest Period;

“**d₀**” is the number of Business Days in the relevant Interest Period;

“**i**” is a series of whole numbers from one to **d₀**, each representing the relevant Business Day in chronological order from, and including, the first Business Day in the relevant Interest Period;

“**LBD**” means a Business Day;

“**n_i**”, for any Business Day “**i**”, means the number of calendar days from and including such Business Day “**i**” up to but excluding the following Business Day;

“**p**” means for any Interest Period, 5 (five) Business Days or such other number of Business Days as specified in the applicable Final Terms provided that such number shall not be less than 5 (five) Business Days unless otherwise agreed between the Issuer and the Agent; and

“**SONIA_{i-pLBD}**” means in respect of any Business Day falling in the relevant Interest Period, the SONIA Reference Rate for the Business Day falling “**p**” Business Days prior to that Business Day “**i**”.

“**Observation Period**” means the period from and including the date falling five Business Days prior to the first day of the relevant Interest Period and ending on, but excluding, the date falling five Business Days prior to the Interest Payment Date for such Interest Period (or, if applicable, the date falling five Business Days prior to any other date on which a payment of interest is to be made in respect of the Notes).

“**SONIA Reference Rate**” means in respect of any Business Day, a reference rate equal to the daily Sterling Overnight Index Average (“**SONIA**”) rate for such Business Day as provided by the administrator of SONIA to authorised distributors and as then published on the screen or, if the screen is unavailable, as otherwise published by such authorised distributors (on the Business Day immediately following such Business Day).

(c) **Minimum Rate of Interest and/or Maximum Rate of Interest**

If the relevant Final Terms specifies a Minimum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) above is less than such Minimum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Minimum Rate of Interest.

If the relevant Final Terms specifies a Maximum Rate of Interest for any Interest Period, then, in the event that the Rate of Interest in respect of such Interest Period determined in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) above is greater than such Maximum Rate of Interest, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be such Maximum Rate of Interest.

Unless otherwise stated in the relevant Final Terms the Minimum Rate of Interest shall be deemed to be zero.

(d) **Linear Interpolation**

Where “Linear Interpolation” is specified as being applicable in respect of an Interest Period in the relevant Final Terms, the Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be calculated by the Calculation Agent by straight line interpolation by reference to two rates:

(i) (where “Screen Rate Determination” is specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms) which appear on the Relevant Screen Page as of the Specified Time on the relevant Interest Determination Date, where:

(A) one rate shall be determined as if the relevant Interest Period or (where “CMS Rate” is specified as the Reference Rate in the relevant Final Terms) the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next shorter than the length of the relevant Interest Period; and

(B) the other rate shall be determined as if the relevant Interest Period or (where “CMS Rate” is specified as the Reference Rate in the relevant Final Terms) the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period,

provided, however, that if there is no rate available for a period of time next shorter or, as the case may be, next longer the length of the relevant Interest Period, then the Calculation Agent shall determine such rate at such time and by reference to such sources as the Issuer determines appropriate and notifies to the Calculation Agent; or

(ii) (where “ISDA Determination” is specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms) based on the relevant Floating Rate Option, where:

(A) one rate shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next shorter than the length of the relevant Interest Period; and

(B) the other rate shall be determined as if the Designated Maturity were the period of time for which rates are available next longer than the length of the relevant Interest Period,

provided, however, that if there is no rate available for a period of time next shorter or, as the case may be, next longer the length of the relevant Interest Period, then the Calculation Agent shall determine such rate at such time and by reference to such sources as the Issuer determines appropriate and notifies to the Calculation Agent.

The Rate of Interest for such Interest Period shall be the sum of the Margin (if any) and the rate so determined.

(e) **Determination of Rate of Interest and calculation of Interest Amounts**

The Calculation Agent will at or as soon as practicable after each time at which the Rate of Interest is to be determined, determine the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period. Where the Calculation Agent is not the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent shall notify the Issuing and Paying Agent of the Rate of Interest for the relevant Interest Period as soon as practicable after calculating the same.

The Calculation Agent will calculate the amount of interest (the “**Interest Amount**”) payable on the Floating Rate Notes or CMS Linked Interest Notes for the relevant Interest Period by applying the Rate of Interest to the Calculation Amount, multiplying such sum by the applicable Day Count Fraction, and rounding the resultant figure to the nearest sub-unit of the relevant Specified Currency, half of any such sub-unit being rounded upwards or otherwise in accordance with applicable market convention. Where the Specified Denomination of a Floating Rate Note or a CMS Linked Interest Note in definitive form comprises more than one Calculation Amount, the Interest Amount payable in respect of such Note shall be the aggregate of all the amounts (determined in the manner provided above) for each Calculation Amount comprising the Specified Denomination without any further rounding.

(f) **Notification of Rate of Interest and Interest Amounts**

Subject to Condition 4.2(h), the Calculation Agent will cause the Rate of Interest and each Interest Amount for each Interest Period and the relevant Interest Payment Date to be notified to the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent (if the Calculation Agent is not itself the Issuing and Paying Agent) and any stock exchange or listing agent (if any) on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes or CMS Linked Interest Notes are for the time being listed and notice thereof to be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as possible after their determination but in no event later than the fourth London Business Day thereafter (or in the case of such Notes admitted to the official list and traded on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, notification shall be given to the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or the Luxembourg Listing Agent on the first day of each Interest Period). Each Interest Amount and Interest Payment Date so notified may subsequently be amended (or appropriate alternative arrangements made by way of adjustment) without prior notice in the event of an extension or shortening of the Interest Period. Any such amendment will be promptly notified to each stock exchange or listing agent (if any) on which the relevant Floating Rate Notes or CMS Linked Interest Notes are for the time being listed and to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*). For the purposes of this paragraph, the expression “**London Business Day**” means a day (other than a Saturday or a Sunday) on which banks and foreign exchange markets are open for general business in London.

(g) **Certificates to be final**

All certificates, communications, determinations, calculations, quotations and decisions given, expressed, made or obtained for the purposes of the provisions of this Condition 4.2 by the Calculation Agent, shall (in the absence of manifest error) be binding on the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Calculation Agent, the other Paying Agents and all Noteholders and Couponholders and (in the absence of aforesaid) no liability to the Issuer, the Noteholders or the Couponholders shall attach to the Issuing and Paying Agent or, if applicable, the Calculation Agent or the Trustee in connection with the exercise or non-exercise by it of its powers, duties and discretions pursuant to such provisions.

(h) **Benchmark Discontinuation**

Notwithstanding the provisions in this Condition 4, if the Issuer determines that a Benchmark Event has occurred in relation to an Original Reference Rate when any Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) remains to be determined by reference to such Original Reference Rate, then the following provisions shall apply to the relevant Series of Notes:

- (i) the Issuer shall use reasonable endeavours to select and appoint an Independent Adviser, as soon as reasonably practicable, to determine a Successor Reference Rate, failing which an Alternative Reference Rate, and in each case an Adjustment Spread (if any) (in any such case, acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) no later than five Business Days prior to the Interest Determination Date relating to the next Interest Period (the “**IA Determination Cut-off Date**”), for the purposes of determining the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for such next Interest Period and for all other future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(h) during any other future Interest Period(s)).
- (ii) if the Independent Adviser is unable to determine an Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) prior to the relevant IA Determination Cut-off Date, the Issuer (acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) may determine an Alternative Reference Rate and an Adjustment Spread (if any) no later than three Business Days prior to the Interest Determination Date relating to the next Interest Period (the “**Issuer Determination Cut-off Date**”), for the purposes of determining the Rate of Interest applicable to the Notes for such next Interest Period and for all other future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(h) during any other future Interest Period(s)). Without prejudice to the definitions thereof, for the purposes of determining any Alternative Reference Rate and/or any Adjustment Spread, the Issuer will take into account any relevant and applicable market precedents as well as any published guidance from relevant associations involved in

the establishment of market standards and/or protocols in the international debt capital markets;

- (iii) if a Successor Reference Rate or, failing which, an Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) is determined by the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) in accordance with this Condition 4.2(h):
 - (A) such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) shall replace the Original Reference Rate for all future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of, and adjustment as provided in, this Condition 4.2(h));
 - (B) if the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable):
 - (I) determines that an Adjustment Spread is required to be applied to such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) and determines the quantum of, or a formula or methodology for determining, such Adjustment Spread, then such Adjustment Spread shall be applied to such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) for all future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of, and adjustment as provided in, this Condition 4.2(h)); or
 - (II) is unable to determine the quantum of, or a formula or methodology for determining, an Adjustment Spread, then such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) will apply without an Adjustment Spread for all future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of, and adjustment as provided in, this Condition 4.2(h)); and
 - (C) the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) (acting in good faith and in a commercially reasonable manner) may in its discretion specify:
 - (I) changes to these Conditions in order to follow market practice in relation to such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable), including, but not limited to (1) any Reference Banks, Additional Business Centre(s), Business Day, Business Day Convention, Day Count Fraction, Interest Determination Date, Relevant Financial Centre and/or Relevant Screen Page (all as defined in the Final Terms) applicable to the Notes and (2) the method for determining the fallback to the Rate of Interest in relation to the Notes if such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) is not available; and
 - (II) any other changes which the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) determines are reasonably necessary to ensure the proper operation and comparability to the Original Reference Rate of such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable), which changes shall apply to the Notes for all future Interest Periods (subject to the subsequent operation of this Condition 4.2(h) (each such change together with any such change required pursuant to Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C)(I) above, a “**Benchmark Amendment**” and, together, the “**Benchmark Amendments**”); and
- (iv) promptly following the determination of (i) any Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) and (ii) if applicable, any Adjustment Spread, the Issuer shall give notice thereof and of any changes (and the effective date thereof) pursuant to Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C) to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, if applicable, the Calculation Agent and the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*). Any Benchmark Amendments effected pursuant to

Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C) shall similarly be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

Any consent of the Trustee required in connection with any Benchmark Amendment shall be given in accordance with Condition 14 and the provisions of the Trust Deed.

No consent of the Noteholders shall be required in connection with the determination by the Issuer or, as the case may be, the Independent Adviser of the relevant Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) or in connection with any Benchmark Amendment as described in this Condition 4.2(h), including any changes to these Conditions, the Trust Deed and the Agency Agreement.

For the avoidance of doubt, if a Successor Reference Rate or an Alternative Reference Rate is not determined pursuant to the operation of this Condition 4.2(h) prior to the relevant Issuer Determination Cut-off Date, then the Rate of Interest for the next Interest Period shall be determined by reference to the fallback provisions of Condition 4.2(b).

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Condition 4.2(h): (i) no Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) will be adopted, and no other amendments to the terms of the Notes will be made pursuant to this Condition 4.2(h), if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to prejudice the qualification of the Notes as: (A) in the case of Senior Notes or Senior Non-Preferred Notes, satisfying the MREL Requirements; (B) in the case of Subordinated Notes, Tier 2 capital for regulatory capital purposes of the Issuer and/or the Group; and/or (ii) in the case of Senior Notes and Senior Non-Preferred Notes only, no Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) will be adopted, and no other amendments to the terms of the Notes will be made pursuant to this Condition 4.2(h), if and to the extent that, in the determination of the Issuer, the same could reasonably be expected to result in the Relevant Authority treating an Interest Payment Date as the effective maturity of the Notes, rather than the relevant Maturity Date.

For the purposes of this Condition 4.2(h):

“**Adjustment Spread**” means a spread (which may be positive or negative) or formula or methodology for calculating a spread, in each case to be applied to a Successor Reference Rate or an Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) as a result of the replacement of the Original Reference Rate with such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable) and is the spread, formula or methodology which:

- (i) in the case of a Successor Reference Rate, is formally recommended in relation to the replacement of the Reference Rate with such Successor Reference Rate by any Relevant Nominating Body; or
- (ii) in the case of a Successor Reference Rate for which no such recommendation has been made or in the case of an Alternative Reference Rate, the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) determines is recognised or acknowledged as being in customary market usage in international debt capital markets transactions which reference the Original Reference Rate, where such rate has been replaced by such Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate (as applicable); or (if the Independent Adviser determines that no such spread is customarily applied) the Independent Adviser determines is recognised or acknowledged as being the industry standard for over-the-counter derivative transactions which reference the Original Reference Rate, where such rate has been replaced by the Successor Reference Rate or the Alternative Reference Rate (as the case may be).

“Alternative Reference Rate” means the rate that the relevant Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) determines has replaced the Original Reference Rate in customary market usage in the international debt capital markets for the purposes of determining floating rates of interest in respect of notes denominated in the Specified Currency and of a comparable duration to the relevant Interest Periods, or, if such Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) determines that there is no such rate, such other rate as such Independent Adviser or the Issuer (as applicable) determines in its discretion is most comparable to the Original Reference Rate.

“Benchmark Event” means, in respect of a Reference Rate:

- (a) the Original Reference Rate ceasing to be published for a period of at least 5 Business Days or ceasing to exist; or
- (b) a public statement by the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that it has ceased or that it will, by a specified date on or prior to the next Interest Determination Date, cease publishing the Original Reference Rate permanently or indefinitely (in circumstances where no successor administrator has been appointed that will continue publication of the Original Reference Rate); or
- (c) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate, that the Original Reference Rate has been or will, by a specified date on or prior to the next Interest Determination Date, be permanently or indefinitely discontinued; or
- (d) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate that the Original Reference Rate is no longer representative of its relevant underlying market; or
- (e) a public statement by the supervisor of the administrator of the Original Reference Rate as a consequence of which the Original Reference Rate will be prohibited from being used either generally, or in respect of the Notes, in each case by a specific date on or prior to the next Interest Determination Date; or
- (f) it has become unlawful (including, without limitation, under the EU Benchmark Regulation (Regulation (EU) 2016/1011), as amended from time to time, if applicable) for any Calculation Agent, the Issuer or other party to calculate any payments due to be made to any Noteholder using the Original Reference Rate.

“Independent Adviser” means an independent financial institution of international repute or other independent financial adviser experienced in the international debt capital markets, in each case appointed by the Issuer.

“Original Reference Rate” means:

- (a) the originally-specified benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) used to determine the Rate of Interest (or any component part thereof) on the Notes; or
- (b) any Successor Reference Rate or Alternative Reference Rate which has been determined in relation to such benchmark or screen rate (as applicable) pursuant to the operation of this Condition 4.2(h).

“Relevant Nominating Body” means, in respect of a reference rate:

- (i) the central bank for the currency to which such reference rate relates, or any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of such reference rate; or

- (ii) any working group or committee sponsored by, chaired or co-chaired by or constituted at the request of (a) the central bank for the currency to which such reference rate relates, (b) any central bank or other supervisory authority which is responsible for supervising the administrator of such reference rate, (c) a group of the aforementioned central banks or other supervisory authorities, or (d) the Financial Stability Board or any part thereof.

“**Successor Reference Rate**” means a successor to or replacement of the Original Reference Rate which is formally recommended by any Relevant Nominating Body.

4.3 **Accrual of interest**

Each Note will cease to bear interest (if any) from the date for its redemption unless, upon due presentation thereof, payment of principal is improperly withheld or refused. In such event, interest will continue to accrue as provided in the Trust Deed.

5. **PAYMENTS**

5.1 **Method of Payment**

Subject as provided below:

- (a) payments in a Specified Currency other than euro will be made by credit or transfer to an account in the relevant Specified Currency maintained by the payee with, or, at the option of the payee, by a cheque in such Specified Currency drawn on, a bank in the principal financial centre of the country of such Specified Currency (which, if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars, shall be Melbourne and Wellington, respectively); and
- (b) payments in euro will be made by credit or transfer to a euro account (or any other account to which euro may be credited or transferred) specified by the payee or, at the option of the payee, by a euro cheque.

Payments will be subject in all cases to any fiscal or other laws and regulations applicable thereto in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 7 (*Taxation*).

5.2 **Presentation of definitive Notes and Coupons**

Payments of principal in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner provided in Condition 5.1 (*Method of Payment*) against presentation and surrender (or, in the case of part payment of any sum due, endorsement) of definitive Notes, and payments of interest in respect of definitive Notes will (subject as provided below) be made as aforesaid only against presentation and surrender of Coupons, in each case at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States (which expression, as used in these Conditions, means the United States of America (including the States and the District of Columbia, its territories, its possessions and other areas subject to its jurisdiction)).

Fixed Rate Notes in definitive form (other than CMS Linked Interest Notes or Long Maturity Notes (as defined below)) should be presented for payment together with all unmatured Coupons appertaining thereto (which expression shall for this purpose include Coupons falling to be issued on exchange of matured Talons), failing which the amount of any missing unmatured Coupon (or, in the case of payment not being made in full, the same proportion of the amount of such missing unmatured Coupon as the sum so paid bears to the sum due) will be deducted from the sum due for payment. Each amount of principal so deducted will be paid in the manner mentioned above against surrender of the related missing Coupon at any time before the expiry of 10 years after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) in respect of such principal (whether or not such Coupon would otherwise have become void under Condition 8 (*Prescription*) or, if later, five years from the date on which such Coupon would otherwise have become due, but in no event thereafter.

Upon any Fixed Rate Note in definitive form becoming due and repayable prior to its Maturity Date, all unmatured Talons (if any) appertaining thereto will become void and no further Coupons will be issued in respect thereof.

Upon the date on which any Floating Rate Note, CMS Linked Interest Note or Long Maturity Note in definitive form becomes due and repayable, unmaturing Coupons and Talons (if any) relating thereto (whether or not attached) shall become void and no payment or, as the case may be, exchange for further Coupons shall be made in respect thereof. A “**Long Maturity Note**” is a Fixed Rate Note (other than a Fixed Rate Note which on issue had a Talon attached) whose nominal amount on issue is less than the aggregate interest payable thereon **provided that** such Note shall cease to be a Long Maturity Note on the Interest Payment Date on which the aggregate amount of interest remaining to be paid after that date is less than the nominal amount of such Note.

If the due date for redemption of any definitive Note is not an Interest Payment Date, interest (if any) accrued in respect of such Note from (and including) the preceding Interest Payment Date or, as the case may be, the Interest Commencement Date shall be payable only against surrender of the relevant definitive Note.

5.3 **Payments in respect of Global Notes**

Payments of principal and interest (if any) in respect of Notes represented by any Global Note will (subject as provided below) be made in the manner specified above in relation to definitive Notes and otherwise in the manner specified in the relevant Global Note against presentation or surrender, as the case may be, of such Global Note (if such Global Note is not intended to be issued in NGN form) at the specified office of any Paying Agent outside the United States. On the occasion of each payment, (i) in the case of any Global Note which is not issued in new global note (“NGN”) form, a record of such payment made on such Global Note, distinguishing between any payment of principal and any payment of interest, will be made on such Global Note by the Paying Agent, and such record shall be *prima facie* evidence that the payment in question has been made and (ii) in the case of any Global Note which is a NGN, the Paying Agent shall instruct Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to make appropriate entries in their records to reflect such payment.

5.4 **General provisions applicable to payments**

The holder of a Global Note shall be the only person entitled to receive payments in respect of Notes represented by such Global Note and the Issuer will be discharged by payment to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note in respect of each amount so paid. Each of the persons shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the beneficial holder of a particular nominal amount of Notes represented by such Global Note must look solely to Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, as the case may be, for his share of each payment so made by the Issuer to, or to the order of, the holder of such Global Note.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Condition, if any amount of principal and/or interest in respect of Notes is payable in U.S. dollars, such U.S. dollar payments of principal and/or interest in respect of such Notes will be made at the specified office of a Paying Agent in the United States if:

- (a) the Issuer has appointed Paying Agents with specified offices outside the United States with the reasonable expectation that such Paying Agents would be able to make payment in U.S. dollars at such specified offices outside the United States of the full amount of principal and interest on the Notes in the manner provided above when due;
- (b) payment of the full amount of such principal and interest at all such specified offices outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions on the full payment or receipt of principal and interest in U.S. dollars; and
- (c) such payment is then permitted under United States law without involving, in the opinion of the Issuer, adverse tax consequences to the Issuer.

All payments in respect of the Notes are subject in all cases to (i) any applicable fiscal or other laws and regulations in the place of payment, but without prejudice to the provisions of Condition 7 (*Taxation*); and (ii) any withholding or deduction required pursuant to an agreement described in Section 1471(b) of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the “**Code**”) or otherwise imposed pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any regulations or agreements thereunder, any official interpretations thereof, or any law implementing an intergovernmental approach thereto.

5.5 **Payment Day**

If the date for payment of any amount in respect of any Note or Coupon is not a Payment Day, the holder thereof shall not be entitled to payment until the next following Payment Day in the relevant place and shall not be entitled to further interest or other payment in respect of such delay. For these purposes, “**Payment Day**” means any day which (subject to Condition 8 (*Prescription*)) is:

- (a) a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in:
 - (i) the relevant place of presentation (if applicable);
 - (ii) each Additional Financial Centre specified in the relevant Final Terms; and
- (b) either (A) in relation to any sum payable in a Specified Currency other than euro, a day on which commercial banks and foreign exchange markets settle payments and are open for general business (including dealing in foreign exchange and foreign currency deposits) in the principal financial centre of the country of the relevant Specified Currency (if other than the place of presentation and any Additional Financial Centre and which if the Specified Currency is Australian dollars or New Zealand dollars shall be Melbourne and Wellington, respectively) or (B) in relation to any sum payable in euro, a day on which the TARGET2 System is open.

5.6 **Interpretation of principal and interest**

Any reference in these Conditions to principal in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable:

- (a) any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to principal under Condition 7 (*Taxation*);
- (b) the Final Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (c) the Early Redemption Amount of the Notes;
- (d) the Optional Redemption Amount(s) (if any) of the Notes;
- (e) in relation to Zero Coupon Notes, the Amortised Face Amount (as defined in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*)); and
- (f) any premium and any other amounts (other than interest) which may be payable by the Issuer under or in respect of the Notes.

Any reference in these Conditions to interest in respect of the Notes shall be deemed to include, as applicable, any additional amounts which may be payable with respect to interest under Condition 7 (*Taxation*).

6. **REDEMPTION, PURCHASE AND CANCELLATION**

6.1 **Redemption at maturity**

Unless previously redeemed or purchased and cancelled as specified below, each Note (including each CMS Linked Interest Note) will be redeemed by the Issuer at its Final Redemption Amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the relevant Final Terms in the relevant Specified Currency on the date specified as the maturity date in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Maturity Date**”).

The Issuer shall have the right to call, redeem, repay or repurchase the Senior Notes only in accordance with and subject to the conditions set out in Articles 77(2) and 78a of the CRR being met (see Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.4 (*Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event*), Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer*), Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*) and Condition 6.12 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Senior Notes*)).

The Issuer shall have the right to call, redeem, repay or repurchase the Subordinated Notes only in accordance with and subject to the conditions set out in Articles 77 and 78 of the CRR being met (see Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.3 (*6.3 Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*), Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer*), Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*) and Condition 6.11 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes*)). Pursuant to Article 12-bis, paragraph 1, letter a), of the Italian Banking Act, the Maturity Date of the Senior Non-Preferred Notes shall not fall earlier than twelve months after their Issue Date.

The Maturity Date of Subordinated Notes shall not fall earlier than five years after their Issue Date, as provided under the Applicable Banking Regulations.

6.2 **Redemption for tax reasons**

The Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part:

- (a) at any time (if this Note is neither a Floating Rate Note, a CMS Linked Interest Note, a Floating-Fixed Rate Note (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) nor a Fixed-Floating Rate Note (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions)); or
- (b) on any Interest Payment Date (if this Note is either a Floating Rate Note, a CMS Linked Interest Note, a Fixed-Floating Rate Note (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) or a Floating-Fixed Rate Note (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions)),

on giving not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee and the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), if the Issuer satisfies the Trustee immediately before the giving of such notice that:

- (a) on the occasion of the next payment due under the Notes, the Issuer has or will become obliged to pay additional amounts as provided or referred to in Condition 7 (*Taxation*) as a result of any Tax Law Change; and
- (b) such obligation cannot be avoided by the Issuer taking reasonable measures available to it.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.2, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two duly authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred (and such evidence shall be sufficient to the Trustee and conclusive and binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders).

Notes redeemed pursuant to this Condition 6.2 will be redeemed at the Early Redemption Amount (as defined in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*)) together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

In the case of Senior Notes, any redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.2 shall be subject to Condition 6.12 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment and repurchase of Senior Notes*).

In the case of Subordinated Notes, any redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.2 shall be subject to Condition 6.11 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes*).

6.3 **Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons**

This Condition 6.3 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Subordinated Notes.

If a Regulatory Call is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, upon the occurrence of a Regulatory Event any Series of Subordinated Notes may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part:

- (a) at any time (if neither the Floating Rate Note Provisions, the CMS Linked Interest Note Provisions, the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) nor the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable); or
- (b) on any Interest Payment Date (if either the Floating Rate Note Provisions, the CMS Linked Interest Note Provisions, the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) or the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable),

on giving not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable).

Upon the expiry of any such notice as referred to in this Condition 6.3, the Issuer shall be bound to redeem the Notes in accordance with this Condition 6.3, at their early regulatory redemption amount (the "**Early Redemption Amount (Regulatory)**") which shall be their Final Redemption Amount or such other redemption amount as may be specified in, or determined in accordance with the provisions of, the relevant Final Terms, together with accrued interest (if any) thereon.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.3, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two duly authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred (and such evidence shall be sufficient to the Trustee and conclusive and binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders).

Any redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.3 shall be subject to Condition 6.11 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes*).

6.4 **Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event**

This Condition 6.4 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Senior Preferred Notes or Senior Non-Preferred Notes.

If an Issuer Call due to a MREL Disqualification Event is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, then in cases where the Issuer determines that a MREL Disqualification Event has occurred and is continuing with respect to a Series of Senior Preferred Notes or Senior Non-Preferred Notes, any such Series may be redeemed at the option of the Issuer in whole, but not in part:

- (a) at any time (if neither the Floating Rate Note Provisions, the CMS Linked Interest Note Provisions, the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) nor the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable); or
- (b) on any Interest Payment Date (if either the Floating Rate Note Provisions, the CMS Linked Interest Note Provisions, the Fixed-Floating Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) or the Floating-Fixed Rate Note Provisions (in respect of the Interest Period calculated in accordance with the Floating Rate Note Provisions) are specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable),

on giving not less than 30 days nor more than the maximum period of notice specified in the applicable Final Terms to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable).

Upon the expiry of any such notice as is referred to in this Condition 6.4, the Issuer shall be bound to redeem the Notes in accordance with this Condition 6.4, at their Early Redemption Amount (as defined

in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*)) together (if appropriate) with interest accrued to (but excluding) the date of redemption.

Prior to the publication of any notice of redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.4, the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two duly authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that the Issuer is entitled to effect such redemption and setting forth a statement of facts showing that the conditions precedent to the right of the Issuer so to redeem have occurred (and such evidence shall be sufficient to the Trustee and conclusive and binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders).

Any redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.4 shall be subject to Condition 6.12 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Senior Notes*).

6.5 **Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)**

If an Issuer Call is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, the Issuer may, having given:

- (a) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice (or such other notice period stated in the relevant Final Terms) to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*); and
- (b) not less than 15 days before the giving of the notice referred to in (a) above, notice to the Trustee and to the Issuing and Paying Agent,

(which notices shall be irrevocable and shall specify the date fixed for redemption), redeem all or, if partial redemption is stated to be applicable in the relevant Final Terms, some only, of the Notes then outstanding on any Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount(s) specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the relevant Final Terms together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the relevant Optional Redemption Date. Any such redemption must be of a nominal amount not less than the Minimum Redemption Amount and not more than the Maximum Redemption Amount, in each case as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms. In the case of a partial redemption of Notes, the Notes to be redeemed ("**Redeemed Notes**") will be selected individually by lot on a *pro rata* basis, in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, and on a *pro rata* basis and in accordance with the rules of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (to be reflected in the records of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg as either a pool factor or a reduction in nominal amount at their discretion), in the case of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note, not more than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (such date of selection being hereinafter called the "**Selection Date**"). In the case of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes, a list of the serial numbers of such Redeemed Notes will be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) not less than 15 days prior to the date fixed for redemption (or such other notice period stated in the relevant Final Terms). The aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by definitive Notes shall bear the same proportion to the aggregate nominal amount of all Redeemed Notes as the aggregate nominal amount of definitive Notes outstanding bears to the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes outstanding, in each case on the Selection Date, **provided that** such first mentioned nominal amount shall, if necessary, be rounded downwards to the nearest integral multiple of the Specified Denomination, and the aggregate nominal amount of Redeemed Notes represented by a Global Note shall be equal to the balance of the Redeemed Notes. No exchange of the relevant Global Note will be permitted during the period from (and including) the Selection Date to (and including) the date fixed for redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.5 and notice to that effect shall be given by the Issuer to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) at least five days prior to the Selection Date.

In the case of Senior Notes, the call option pursuant to this Condition 6.5 shall be subject to Condition 6.12 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment and repurchase of Senior Notes*).

In the case of Subordinated Notes, no call option in accordance with this Condition 6.5 may be exercised by the Issuer to redeem, in whole or in part, such Notes prior to the fifth anniversary of their Issue Date. Starting from the fifth anniversary of their Issue Date, the redemption pursuant to this Condition 6.5 shall be subject to Condition 6.11 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes*).

6.6 Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)

This Condition 6.6 may be applicable only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Senior Preferred Notes.

If an Investor Put is specified in the relevant Final Terms as being applicable, upon the holder of any Note giving to the Issuer in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) not less than 15 nor more than 30 days' notice (or such other notice period stated in the relevant Final Terms), the Issuer will, upon the expiry of such notice, redeem, subject to, and in accordance with, the terms specified in the relevant Final Terms, such Note on the Optional Redemption Date and at the Optional Redemption Amount together, if appropriate, with interest accrued to (but excluding) the Optional Redemption Date.

To exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, if this Note is in definitive form and held outside Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg, deliver, at the specified office of any Paying Agent at any time during normal business hours of such Paying Agent falling within the notice period, a duly completed and signed notice of exercise in the form (for the time being current) obtainable from any specified office of any Paying Agent (a "**Put Notice**") and in which the holder must specify a bank account (or, if payment is required to be made by cheque, an address) to which payment is to be made under this Condition accompanied by this Note or evidence satisfactory to the Paying Agent concerned that this Note will, following delivery of the Put Notice, be held to its order or under its control. If this Note is represented by a Global Note or is in definitive form and held through Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg, to exercise the right to require redemption of this Note the holder of this Note must, within the notice period, give notice to the Issuing and Paying Agent of such exercise in accordance with the standard procedures of Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (which may include notice being given on his instruction by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg or any common depositary or, as the case may be, common safekeeper for them to the Issuing and Paying Agent by electronic means) in a form acceptable to Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg from time to time and, if this Note is represented by a Global Note which has not been issued in NGN form, at the same time present or procure the presentation of the relevant Global Note to the Issuing and Paying Agent for notation accordingly.

Any Put Notice given by a holder of any Note pursuant to this Condition 6.6 shall be irrevocable except where, prior to the due date of redemption, an Event of Default has occurred and the Trustee has declared the Notes to be due and payable pursuant to Condition 9 (*Events of Default and enforcement*), in which event such holder, at its option, may elect by notice to the Issuer to withdraw the notice given pursuant to this Condition 6.6.

6.7 Early Redemption Amounts

For the purpose of Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.3 (*Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*), Condition 6.4 (*Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event*) and Condition 9 (*Events of Default and enforcement*), each Note will be redeemed at its "**Early Redemption Amount**" calculated by (or on behalf of) the Issuer as follows:

- (a) in the case of a Note with a Final Redemption Amount equal to the Issue Price, at the Final Redemption Amount thereof;
- (b) in the case of a Note (other than a Zero Coupon Note) with a Final Redemption Amount which is or may be less or greater than the Issue Price or which is payable in a Specified Currency other than that in which the Note is denominated, at the amount specified in, or determined in the manner specified in, the relevant Final Terms or, if no such amount or manner is so specified in the relevant Final Terms, at its nominal amount; or
- (c) in the case of a Zero Coupon Note, at an amount (the "**Amortised Face Amount**") calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$\text{Early Redemption Amount} = \text{RP} \times (1 + \text{AY})^y$$

where:

RP means the reference price as defined in the relevant Final Terms (the "**Reference Price**");

AY means the accrual yield, as specified in the relevant Final Terms (the “**Accrual Yield**”), expressed as a decimal; and

y is a fraction the numerator of which is equal to the number of days (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of 12 months of 30 days each) from (and including) the Issue Date of the first Tranche of the Notes to (but excluding) the date fixed for redemption or (as the case may be) the date upon which such Note becomes due and repayable and the denominator of which is 360,

or on such other calculation basis as may be specified in the relevant Final Terms.

6.8 **Purchases**

The Issuer or any of its Subsidiaries may at any time, including for marketing purposes, purchase the Notes (**provided that**, in the case of definitive Notes, all unmatured Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto are purchased therewith) at any price in the open market or otherwise. Such Notes may be held, reissued, resold or, at the option of the Issuer, surrendered to any Paying Agent for cancellation.

In the case of Senior Notes, any purchase pursuant to this Condition 6.8 shall be subject to Condition 6.12 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Senior Notes*).

In the case of Subordinated Notes, any purchase pursuant to this Condition 6.8 shall be subject to Condition 6.11 (*Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes*).

6.9 **Cancellation**

All Notes which are redeemed will forthwith be cancelled (together with all unmatured Coupons and Talons attached thereto or surrendered therewith at the time of redemption). All Notes so cancelled and any Notes purchased and cancelled pursuant to Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*) (together with all unmatured Coupons and Talons cancelled therewith) shall be forwarded to the Issuing and Paying Agent and cannot be reissued or resold.

6.10 **Late payment on Zero Coupon Notes**

If the amount payable in respect of any Zero Coupon Note upon redemption of such Zero Coupon Note pursuant to Condition 6.1 (*Redemption at maturity*), Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.3 (*Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*), Condition 6.4 (*Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event*), Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*) or Condition 6.6 (*Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investor Put)*) or upon its becoming due and repayable as provided in Condition 9 (*Events of Default and enforcement*) is improperly withheld or refused, the amount due and repayable in respect of such Zero Coupon Note shall be the amount calculated as provided in Condition 6.7(c) above as though the references therein to the date fixed for the redemption or the date upon which such Zero Coupon Note becomes due and payable were replaced by references to the date which is the earlier of:

- (a) the date on which all amounts due in respect of such Zero Coupon Note have been paid; and
- (b) five days after the date on which the full amount of the moneys payable in respect of such Zero Coupon Notes has been received by the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Trustee and notice to that effect has been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

6.11 **Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Subordinated Notes**

This Condition 6.11 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Subordinated Notes.

- (a) In the case of Subordinated Notes, any call, redemption, repayment or repurchase pursuant to Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.3 (*Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*), Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*), Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*) or Condition 14 (*Meeting of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver And Substitution*) (including for the avoidance of doubt, any modification in accordance with

Condition 14) is subject to compliance with the then Applicable Banking Regulations, including: the Issuer having the prior permission of the Relevant Authority in accordance with Articles 77 and 78 of the CRR, where either:

- (i) on or before such call, redemption, repayment or repurchase (as applicable), the Issuer replaces the Notes with Own Funds instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for its income capacity; or
 - (ii) the Issuer has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Authority that its Own Funds would, following such call, redemption, repayment or repurchase, exceed the capital requirements laid down in the Applicable Banking Regulations by a margin that the Relevant Authority considers necessary; and
- (b) in respect of a call, redemption repayment or repurchase prior to the fifth anniversary of the Issue Date of the relevant Notes, if and to the extent required under Article 78(4) of the CRR or the Capital Instruments Regulation:
- (i) in the case of redemption pursuant to Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), the Issuer having demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Authority that the change in the applicable tax treatment of the Notes is material and was not reasonably foreseeable as at the Issue Date; or
 - (ii) in case of redemption pursuant to Condition 6.3 (*Redemption of Subordinated Notes for regulatory reasons*), the Issuer has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Authority that the change in the regulatory classification of the Notes was not reasonably foreseeable as at the Issue Date; or
 - (iii) on or before the relevant call, redemption, repayment or repurchase, the Issuer replaces the Notes with Own Funds instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for its income capacity and the Relevant Authority has permitted that action on the basis of the determination that it would be beneficial from a prudential point of view and justified by exceptional circumstances; or
 - (iv) the Subordinated Notes are repurchased for market making purposes,

subject in any event to any different conditions or requirements as may be provided from time to time under the Applicable Banking Regulations.

The Relevant Authority may grant a general prior permission, for a specified period which shall not exceed one year, to redeem or purchase (including for market making purposes) the Subordinated Notes, in the limit of a predetermined amount, which shall not exceed the lower of (i) 10 per cent. (or any other threshold as may be requested or required by the Relevant Authority from time to time) of the aggregate nominal amount of the relevant Subordinated Notes and (ii) 3 per cent. (or any other threshold as may be requested or required by the Relevant Authority from time to time) of the outstanding aggregate nominal amount of the Tier 2 Instruments of the Issuer at the relevant time, subject to criteria that ensure that any such redemption or purchase will be in accordance with the conditions set out at letters (i) and (ii) of sub-paragraph (a) of the preceding paragraph.

For the avoidance of doubt, any refusal of the Relevant Authority to grant its permission in accordance with Article 78 of the CRR shall not constitute a default of the Issuer for any purposes.

6.12 Regulatory conditions for call, redemption, repayment or repurchase of Senior Notes

This Condition 6.12 applies only to Notes specified in the relevant Final Terms as being Senior Preferred Notes or Senior Non-Preferred Notes.

In the case of Senior Notes, any call, redemption, repayment or repurchase pursuant to Condition 6.2 (*Redemption for tax reasons*), Condition 6.4 (*Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event*), Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*), Condition 6.6 (*Redemption at the option of the Noteholders (Investors Put)*)), Condition 6.8 (*Purchases*) or Condition 14 (*Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver*

And Substitution) (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any modification in accordance with Condition 14) is subject, to the extent such Senior Notes qualify at such time as liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements or, in case of a redemption pursuant to Condition 6.4 (*Redemption of Senior Notes due to a MREL Disqualification Event*), qualified as liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements before the occurrence of the MREL Disqualification Event, to compliance with the then Applicable Banking Regulations, including the condition that the Issuer has obtained the prior permission of the Relevant Authority in accordance with Article 78a of the CRR, where one of the following conditions is met:

- (A) on or before such call, redemption, repayment or repurchase (as applicable), the Issuer replaces the Senior Notes with Own Funds Instruments or Eligible Liabilities Instruments of equal or higher quality at terms that are sustainable for its income capacity; or
- (B) the Issuer has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Authority that its Own Funds and Eligible Liabilities would, following such call, redemption, repayment or repurchase, exceed the requirements for Own Funds and Eligible Liabilities laid down in the Applicable Banking Regulations by a margin that the Relevant Authority considers necessary; or
- (C) the Issuer has demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Relevant Authority that the partial or full replacement of the Eligible Liabilities with Own Funds Instruments is necessary to ensure compliance with the Own Funds requirements laid down in the Applicable Banking Regulations for continuing authorization,

subject in any event to any different conditions or requirements as may be provided from time to time under the Applicable Banking Regulations.

The Relevant Authority may grant a general prior permission, for a specified period which shall not exceed one year, to redeem or purchase (including for market making purposes) Senior Notes, in the limit of a predetermined amount, instruments, subject to criteria that ensure that any such redemption or purchase will be in accordance with the conditions set out in sub-paragraphs (A) and (B) of the preceding paragraph. For the avoidance of doubt, any refusal of the Relevant Authority to grant its permission in accordance with Article 78a of the CRR shall not constitute a default of the Issuer for any purposes.

7. TAXATION

All payments of principal and interest in respect of the Notes and Coupons by the Issuer will be made without withholding or deduction for or on account of any present or future taxes or duties of whatever nature imposed or levied by or on behalf of any Tax Jurisdiction unless such withholding or deduction is required by law. In such event, the Issuer will pay such additional amounts as shall be necessary in order that the net amounts received by the holders of the Notes or Coupons after such withholding or deduction shall equal the respective amounts of principal and interest (in case of Senior Notes not qualifying at such time as liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements only) or the respective amounts of interest only (in case of Senior Notes qualifying at such time as liabilities that are eligible to meet the MREL Requirements and of Subordinated Notes) which would otherwise have been receivable in respect of the Notes or Coupons, as the case may be, in the absence of such withholding or deduction; except that no such additional amounts shall be payable with respect to any Note or Coupon:

- (a) presented for payment in the Republic of Italy; or
- (b) presented for payment by, or on behalf of, a holder or a beneficial owner of a Note or Coupon being a resident in the Republic of Italy or who is liable for such taxes or duties in respect of such Note or Coupon by reason of his having some connection with the Republic of Italy; or
- (c) to the extent that interest or any other amount payable is paid to a non-Italian resident entity or a non-Italian resident individual which is resident for tax purposes in a country which does not allow the Italian tax authorities to obtain an adequate exchange of information in respect of the beneficiary of the payments made from Italy; or

- (d) in all circumstances in which the requirements and procedures set forth in Legislative Decree No. 239 (as amended or supplemented from time to time) have not been met or complied with except where such requirements and procedures have not been met or complied with due to the actions or omissions of the Issuer or its agents; or
- (e) presented for payment more than 30 days after the Relevant Date (as defined below) except to the extent that the holder thereof would have been entitled to an additional amount on presenting the same for payment on such thirtieth day assuming that day to have been a Payment Day (as defined in Condition 5.5 (*Payment Day*)); or
- (f) presented for payment by or on behalf of a holder who would be able to avoid such withholding or deduction by making, or procuring, a declaration of non-residence or other similar claim for exemption but has failed to do so;
- (g) in respect of Notes classified as atypical securities where such withholding or deduction is required under Law Decree No. 512 of 30 September 1983, as amended or supplemented from time to time; or
- (h) where it will be required to withhold or deduct any taxes imposed pursuant to or in connection with Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, the U.S. Treasury Regulations thereunder any official interpretations thereof or any agreements, law, regulation or other official guidance implementing an intergovernmental approach thereto in connection with any payments.

As used in these Conditions:

- (i) “**Tax Jurisdiction**” means the Republic of Italy or in either case, any political subdivision or any authority thereof or therein having power to tax; and
- (j) the “**Relevant Date**” means the date on which such payment first becomes due, except that, if the full amount of the moneys payable has not been duly received by the Trustee or the Paying Agent on or prior to such due date, it means the date on which, the full amount of such moneys having been so received, notice to that effect is duly given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

8. PRESCRIPTION

The Notes and Coupons will become void unless presented for payment within a period of 10 years (in the case of principal) and five years (in the case of interest) after the Relevant Date (as defined in Condition 7 (*Taxation*)) therefor.

There shall not be included in any Coupon sheet issued on exchange of a Talon any Coupon the claim for payment in respect of which would be void pursuant to this Condition or Condition 5.2 (*Presentation of definitive Notes and Coupons*) or any Talon which would be void pursuant to Condition 5.2 (*Presentation of definitive Notes and Coupons*).

9. EVENTS OF DEFAULT AND ENFORCEMENT

9.1 Events of Default

The Notes are, and they shall immediately become, due and repayable at their Early Redemption Amount together with, if appropriate, accrued interest thereon if the Issuer is subject to compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) pursuant to Articles 80 and following of the Italian Banking Act or voluntary winding-up (*liquidazione volontaria*) pursuant to Article 96-*quinquies* of the Italian Banking Act.

Proceedings for the opening of a compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) in respect of the Issuer may only be initiated in the Republic of Italy (and not elsewhere), by the Trustee on behalf of the Noteholders, in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Italy.

In the event of a voluntary winding-up (*liquidazione volontaria*), or compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) of the Issuer, the Trustee at its discretion may, and if so requested

in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding or if so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution of the holders of the Notes shall (subject in each case to being indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction), give written notice to the Issuer that the Notes are, and they shall accordingly thereupon immediately become, due and repayable at the Early Redemption Amount (as described in Condition 6.7 (*Early Redemption Amounts*)), together with accrued interest (if any) as provided in the Trust Deed.

No remedy against the Issuer other than as specifically provided by this Condition 9.1, Condition 9.2 (*Enforcement*) or the Trust Deed shall be available to the Trustee or to the holders of the Notes and the related Coupons, whether for the recovery of amounts owing under the Trust Deed, in respect of the Notes and the related Coupons or in respect of any breach by the Issuer of any of its obligations under the Trust Deed, the Notes and the related Coupons or otherwise.

For the avoidance of doubt, the non-payment by the Issuer of any amount due and payable under these Notes, or the taking of any crisis prevention measure or crisis management measure in relation to the Issuer in accordance with the BRRD, is not an event of default.

9.2 **Enforcement**

The Trustee may at any time, at its discretion and without notice, take such proceedings against the Issuer as it may think fit to enforce the provisions of the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons, provided that the Issuer shall not by virtue of the institution of any such proceedings, other than proceedings for the compulsory winding-up (*liquidazione coatta amministrativa*) or voluntary winding-up (*liquidazione volontaria*) of the Issuer, be obliged to pay any sum or sums sooner than the same would otherwise have been payable by it pursuant to these Conditions and the Trust Deed. The Trustee shall not in any event be bound to take any such proceedings or any other action in relation to the Trust Deed, the Notes or the Coupons unless (i) it shall have been so directed by an Extraordinary Resolution or so requested in writing by the holders of at least one-quarter in aggregate nominal amount of the Notes then outstanding and (ii) it shall have been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction.

No Noteholder or Couponholder shall be entitled to proceed directly against the Issuer unless the Trustee, having become bound so to proceed, fails so to do within a reasonable period and such failure shall be continuing.

10. **REPLACEMENT OF NOTES, RECEIPTS, COUPONS AND TALONS**

Should any Note, Coupon or Talon be lost, stolen, mutilated, defaced or destroyed, it may be replaced at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Paying Agent in Luxembourg upon payment by the claimant of such costs and expenses as may be incurred in connection therewith and on such terms as to evidence and indemnity as the Issuer may reasonably require. Mutilated or defaced Notes, Coupons or Talons must be surrendered before replacements will be issued.

11. **PAYING AGENTS**

The names of the initial Paying Agents and their initial specified offices are set out below.

The Issuer is entitled, with the prior written approval of the Trustee, to vary or terminate the appointment of any Paying Agent and/or appoint additional or other Paying Agents and/or approve any change in the specified office through which any Paying Agent acts, **provided that:**

- (a) there will at all times be an Issuing and Paying Agent and a Paying Agent with its specified office in a country outside the relevant Tax Jurisdiction; and
- (b) so long as the Notes are listed on any Stock Exchange or admitted to listing by any other relevant authority, there will at all times be a Paying Agent with a specified office in the place required by the rules and regulations of the relevant Stock Exchange or any other relevant authority.

In addition, the Issuer shall forthwith appoint a Paying Agent having a specified office in New York City in the circumstances described in Condition 5.4 (*General provisions applicable to payments*). Any variation, termination, appointment or change shall only take effect with the prior written approval of

the Trustee (other than in the case of insolvency, when it shall be of immediate effect) after not less than 30 nor more than 45 days' prior notice thereof shall have been given to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

Notification of any change in the Paying Agents or the Calculation Agent or their specified offices will be made in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

In acting under the Agency Agreement, the Paying Agents are under no fiduciary duty and act solely as agents of the Issuer and, in certain circumstances specified therein, of the Trustee and do not assume any obligation to, or relationship of agency or trust with, any Noteholders or Couponholders. The Agency Agreement contains provisions permitting any entity into which any Paying Agent is merged or converted or with which it is consolidated or to which it transfers all or substantially all of its assets to become the successor paying agent.

12. EXCHANGE OF TALONS

On and after the Interest Payment Date on which the final Coupon comprised in any Coupon sheet matures, the Talon (if any) forming part of such Coupon sheet may be surrendered at the specified office of the Issuing and Paying Agent or any other Paying Agent in exchange for a further Coupon sheet including (if such further Coupon sheet does not include Coupons to (and including) the final date for the payment of interest due in respect of the Note to which it appertains) a further Talon, subject to the provisions of Condition 8 (*Prescription*).

13. NOTICES

All notices regarding the Notes will be deemed to be validly given if published (a) in a leading English language daily newspaper of general circulation in London, and (b) if and for so long as the Notes are admitted to trading on, and listed on the Official List of the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and the rules of that exchange so require, a daily newspaper of general circulation in Luxembourg and/or the Luxembourg Stock Exchange's website (*www.bourse.lu*). It is expected that any such publication in a newspaper will be made in the *Financial Times* in London and the *Luxemburger Wort* in Luxembourg. The Issuer shall also ensure that notices are duly published in a manner which complies with the rules of any stock exchange or other relevant authority on which the Notes are for the time being listed or by which they have been admitted to trading. Any such notice will be deemed to have been given on the date of the first publication or, where required to be published in more than one newspaper, on the date of the first publication in all required newspapers. If publication as provided above is not reasonably practicable, a notice will be given in such other manner, and will be deemed to have been given on such date, as the Trustee shall approve. Couponholders will be deemed for all purposes to have notice of the contents of any notice given to the Noteholders in accordance with this Condition.

Until such time as any definitive Notes are issued, there may, so long as any Global Notes representing the Notes are held in their entirety on behalf of Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, be substituted for such publication in such newspaper(s) the delivery of the relevant notice to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg for communication by them to the holders of the Notes and, in addition, for so long as any Notes are listed on a stock exchange or are admitted to trading by another relevant authority and the rules of that stock exchange or relevant authority so require, such notice will be published in a daily newspaper of general circulation in the place or places required by those rules or on the website of such stock exchange. Any such notice shall be deemed to have been given to the holders of the Notes on the date of delivery to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg.

Notices to be given by any Noteholder shall be in writing and given by lodging the same, together (in the case of any Note in definitive form) with the related Note or Notes, with the Issuing and Paying Agent or the Paying Agent in Luxembourg. Whilst any of the Notes are represented by a Global Note, such notice may be given by any holder of a Note to the Issuing and Paying Agent by delivery to Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg as aforesaid.

14. MEETINGS OF NOTEHOLDERS, MODIFICATION, WAIVER AND SUBSTITUTION

14.1 Meeting of Noteholders, modification and waiver

The Trust Deed contains provisions for convening meetings of the Noteholders to consider any matter affecting their interests, including the sanctioning by Extraordinary Resolution of a modification of the

Notes, the Coupons or any of the provisions of the Trust Deed. Such a meeting may be convened by the Issuer or the Trustee and shall be convened by the Issuer if required in writing by Noteholders holding not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being remaining outstanding. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution is two or more persons holding or representing a clear majority in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned meeting two or more persons being or representing Noteholders whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented, except that at any meeting the business of which includes the modification of certain provisions of the Notes or the Coupons or the Trust Deed (including modifying the date of maturity of the Notes or any date for payment of interest thereon, reducing or cancelling the amount of principal or the rate of interest payable in respect of the Notes or altering the currency of payment of the Notes or the Coupons), the quorum shall be two or more persons holding or representing not less than two-thirds in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding, or at any adjourned such meeting two or more persons holding or representing not less than one-third in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding. An Extraordinary Resolution passed at any meeting of the Noteholders shall be binding on all the Noteholders, whether or not they are present at the meeting, and on all Couponholders.

The Trustee may agree, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, to any modification of, or to the waiver or authorisation of any breach or proposed breach of, any of the provisions of the Notes or the Trust Deed, or determine, without any such consent as aforesaid, that any Event of Default or potential Event of Default shall not be treated as such, where, in any such case, it is not, in the opinion of the Trustee, materially prejudicial to the interests of the Noteholders so to do or may agree, without any such consent as aforesaid, to any modification which is of a formal, minor or technical nature or to correct a manifest error. In addition, the Trustee shall, provided it receives a certificate signed by two authorised signatories of the Issuer certifying that each change which the Issuer requires the Trustee to make pursuant to Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C) is a Benchmark Amendment and that the effect of the required drafting of such change is solely to implement a Benchmark Amendment, consent to any Benchmark Amendment (as defined in Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C)), irrespective of the effect thereof on affected Noteholders and without any liability thereto provided further, however, that the Trustee shall not be obliged to agree to any Benchmark Amendment which, in its sole opinion, would have the effect of (i) exposing the Trustee to any liabilities in respect of which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction or (ii) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the rights or protections of the Trustee in the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement and/or these Conditions (as applicable).

No consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders shall be required in connection with effecting any Benchmark Amendment as described in Condition 4.2(h)(iii)(C). Any such modifications shall be binding on the Noteholders and the Couponholders and, unless the Trustee agrees otherwise, any such modification shall be notified to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.

In connection with the exercise by it of any of its trusts, powers, authorities and discretions (including, without limitation, any modification, waiver, authorisation or determination), the Trustee shall have regard to the general interests of the Noteholders as a class (but shall not have regard to any interests arising from circumstances particular to individual Noteholders or Couponholders whatever their number) and, in particular but without limitation, shall not have regard to the consequences of any such exercise for individual Noteholders or Couponholders (whatever their number) resulting from their being for any purpose domiciled or resident in, or otherwise connected with, or subject to the jurisdiction of, any particular territory or any political sub-division thereof and the Trustee shall not be entitled to require, nor shall any Noteholder or Couponholder be entitled to claim, from the Issuer, the Trustee or any other person any indemnification or payment in respect of any tax consequences of any such exercise upon individual Noteholders or Couponholders except to the extent already provided for in Condition 7 (*Taxation*) and/or any undertaking or covenant given in addition to, or in substitution for, Condition 7 (*Taxation*) pursuant to the Trust Deed. In effecting any Benchmark Amendment the Trustee shall not have regard to the effect thereof on any Noteholder.

With respect to the Senior Non-Preferred Notes, any waiver or modification of the Notes or the Trust Deed may be sanctioned in accordance with the provisions of this Condition 14 only to the extent permitted under Article 12-*bis*, paragraph 4, of the Italian Banking Act, and the Issuer shall deliver to the Trustee a certificate signed by two duly authorised signatories of the Issuer stating that such waiver

or modification of the Notes or the Trust Deed is permitted under Article 12-*bis*, paragraph 4, of the Italian Banking Act.

14.2 Substitution or modification of the Notes

If a Substitution or modification of the Notes is specified as being applicable in the relevant Final Terms, (i) in cases where a Regulatory Event or a Tax Law Change has occurred and is continuing (with respect to Subordinated Notes), or a MREL Disqualification Event or a Tax Law Change has occurred and is continuing (with respect to Senior Notes), and/or (ii) with respect to all Notes, in order to ensure the effectiveness and enforceability of the Bail-In Power in accordance with Condition 19 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In Power*) or in accordance with applicable law, the Issuer shall be entitled, having given not less than 30 nor more than 60 days' notice to the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and, in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*), the Noteholders (which notice shall be irrevocable), at any time either to modify the provisions of the Trust Deed and/or the terms and conditions of the Notes of such Series, which modification, for the avoidance of doubt, in each case shall be treated as being outside the scope of the Reserved Matters, provided that:

- (a) such substitution or modification is reasonably necessary in the sole opinion of the Issuer to ensure, as applicable, that no Regulatory Event, Tax Law Change or MREL Disqualification Event would exist thereafter, or that the effectiveness and enforceability of the Bail-In Power in accordance with Condition 19 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In Power*) or in accordance with applicable law is ensured;
- (b) following such substitution or modification of the existing Notes (the “**Existing Notes**”):
 - (A) the terms and conditions of the Notes, as so modified (the “**Modified Notes**”), or the terms and conditions of the securities issued to substitute the Existing Notes (the “**New Securities**”), as applicable, are not materially less favourable to a holder of the Existing Notes (as reasonably determined by the Issuer and other than in respect of the effectiveness and enforceability of the Bail-In Power in accordance with Condition 19 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In Power*) or in accordance with applicable law and any provisions referred to under (e) below) than the terms and conditions applicable to the Existing Notes prior to such substitution or modification;
 - (B) the Modified Notes or the New Securities, as applicable, shall have a ranking at least equal to that of the Existing Notes and shall feature the same tenor, principal amount, interest rates (including applicable margins), Interest Payment Dates and redemption rights as the Existing Notes;
 - (C) the Modified Notes or the New Securities, as applicable, are assigned (or maintain) the same solicited credit ratings (if any) as were assigned to the Existing Notes immediately prior to such substitution or modification, provided that such change in rating, if any, shall only be relevant for the purposes of this Condition 14.2(b)(C), if related specifically to the substitution or modification;
 - (D) the Modified Notes or the New Securities, as applicable, continue to be listed on a recognised stock exchange, if the Existing Notes were listed immediately prior to such substitution or modification;
- (c) the substitution or modification does not itself give rise to any right of the Issuer to redeem the Existing Notes prior to their Maturity Date, without prejudice to the provisions under Condition 6.5 (*Redemption at the option of the Issuer (Issuer Call)*);
- (d) the Relevant Authority has approved such substitution or modification (if such approval is required under the Applicable Banking Regulations or the MREL Requirements applicable at that time), or has received prior written notice thereof (if such notice is required under the Applicable Banking Regulations or the MREL Requirements applicable at that time) and, following the expiry of all relevant statutory time limits, the Relevant Authority is no longer entitled to object or impose changes to the proposed substitution or modification; and
- (e) any substitution or modification made under this Condition 14.2 can also determine a change in the governing law provided under Condition 18.1 (*Governing law*) from English law to Italian

law and/or in the jurisdiction and service of process provisions set out in Conditions 18.2 (*Submission to jurisdiction*) and 18.3 (*Appointment of process agent*), if the Issuer determines that such changes are necessary to ensure that the Notes remain or, as appropriate, become, eligible for the purposes of the MREL Requirements.

In connection with any substitution or modification made in this Condition 14.2, the Issuer shall comply with the rules of any stock exchange on which the Notes are then listed or admitted to trading and of any authority that is responsible for the supervision or regulation of such exchange.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Condition 14.1 (*Meeting of Noteholders, modification and waiver*), the Trustee shall be obliged, without any consent or sanction of the Noteholders, to consent to any modification to the provisions of the Trust Deed and/or the terms and conditions of the Notes of such Series or any substitution of such Notes that the Issuer considers reasonably necessary to ensure, as applicable, that no Regulatory Event, Tax Law Change or MREL Disqualification Event would exist thereafter, or that the effectiveness and enforceability of the Bail-In Power in accordance with Condition 19 (*Contractual Recognition of Bail-In Power*) or in accordance with applicable law is ensured, provided that the Issuer certifies in writing to the Trustee that such substitution or modification is reasonably necessary to comply with such criteria set out in sub-paragraph (a) above, and that the conditions set out in sub-paragraphs (b), (c), (d) and to the extent applicable, (e), above have been satisfied, and that the changes to be effected are those necessary to give effect to and do no more than give effect to the criteria set out in paragraph (a) above, (such certificate, a “**Modification Certificate**”), provided that:

- (i) the Modification Certificate in relation to such substitution or modification shall be provided to the Trustee both at the time the Trustee is notified of the proposed substitution or modification and on the date that such substitution or modification takes effect; and
- (ii) the Trustee shall not be obliged to agree to any substitution or modification which, in the sole opinion of the Trustee would have the effect of (i) exposing the Trustee to any liability against which it has not been indemnified and/or secured and/or pre-funded to its satisfaction or (ii) increasing the obligations or duties, or decreasing the rights or protection, of the Trustee in the Trust Deed and/or these Conditions.

When implementing any substitution or modification pursuant to this Condition 14.2, the Trustee shall not consider the interests of the Noteholders, the Couponholders or any other person and shall act and rely solely and without further investigation on any certificate or evidence provided to it by the Issuer pursuant to this Condition 14.2 and shall disregard whether any substitution or modification constitutes a Reserved Matter. The Trustee shall not be liable to the Noteholders, the Couponholders or any other person for so acting or relying, irrespective of whether any such substitution or modification is or may be materially prejudicial to the interests of any such person or is within the scope of the Reserved Matters.

Any such substitution or modification shall be binding on all Noteholders and Couponholders and shall be notified by the Issuer as soon as reasonably practicable to the Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*).

14.3 **Substitution of the Issuer**

The Trustee may, without the consent of the Noteholders or Couponholders, agree with the Issuer to the substitution of the Issuer (or of any previous substitute) as the principal debtor under the Notes, the Coupons and the Trust Deed, by its Successor in Business or by any Subsidiary of the Issuer subject, in the case of the substitution by a Subsidiary of the Issuer, to the unconditional and irrevocable guarantee of the Issuer being given in respect of the Notes, to the Trustee being satisfied that the interests of the Noteholders will not be materially prejudiced thereby and to certain other conditions set out in the Trust Deed being complied with.

For the purpose of this Condition 14.3:

“**Successor in Business**” means any company which, as a result of any amalgamation, merger or reconstruction: (a) owns beneficially the whole or substantially the whole of the undertaking, property and assets owned by the Issuer immediately prior thereto; and (b) carries on, as successor to the Issuer, the whole or substantially the whole of the business carried on by the Issuer immediately prior thereto.

15. **INDEMNIFICATION OF THE TRUSTEE AND TRUSTEE CONTRACTING WITH THE ISSUER**

The Trust Deed contains provisions for the indemnification of the Trustee and for its relief from responsibility, including provisions relieving it from taking action unless indemnified and/or secured and/or prefunded to its satisfaction.

The Trust Deed also contains provisions pursuant to which the Trustee is entitled, *inter alia*, (a) to enter into business transactions with the Issuer and/or any of its Subsidiaries and/or its Successor in Business and to act as trustee for the holders of any other securities issued or guaranteed by, or relating to, the Issuer and/or any of its Subsidiaries and/or its Successor in Business, (b) to exercise and enforce its rights, comply with its obligations and perform its duties under or in relation to any such transactions or, as the case may be, any such trusteeship without regard to the interests of, or consequences for, the Noteholders or Couponholders and (c) to retain and not be liable to account for any profit made or any other amount or benefit received thereby or in connection therewith.

16. **FURTHER ISSUES**

The Issuer shall be at liberty from time to time without the consent of the Noteholders or the Couponholders to create and issue further notes having terms and conditions the same as the Notes or the same in all respects save for the amount and date of the first payment of interest thereon and so that the same shall be consolidated and form a single Series with the outstanding Notes.

17. **CONTRACTS (RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES) ACT 1999**

No person shall have any right to enforce any term or condition of this Note under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

18. **GOVERNING LAW AND SUBMISSION TO JURISDICTION**

18.1 **Governing law**

The Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement, the Notes and the Coupons and any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Trust Deed, the Agency Agreement, the Notes and the Coupons are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law, save that (i) Condition 3 (*Status of the Notes*), and (ii) Condition 19 (*Contractual recognition of Bail-In Power*), together with any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with (i) and (ii), are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, Italian law.

18.2 **Submission to jurisdiction**

The Issuer irrevocably agrees, for the benefit of the Trustee, the Noteholders and the Couponholders, that the courts of England are to have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes which may arise out of or in connection with the Trust Deed, the Notes and/or the Coupons (including a dispute relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Trust Deed, the Notes and/or the Coupons) and accordingly submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

The Issuer waives any objection to the courts of England on the grounds that they are an inconvenient or inappropriate forum.

18.3 **Appointment of process agent**

The Issuer has, in the Trust Deed, appointed The Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the UK at 1 Princes Street, London W1B 2AY, United Kingdom as its agent for service of process, and undertakes that, in the event of The Italian Chamber of Commerce and Industry for the UK ceasing so to act or ceasing to be located in England, it will appoint another person as its agent for service of process in England in respect of any suit, action or proceedings (together referred to as “**Proceedings**”) arising out of or in connection with the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons (including any Proceedings relating to any non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with the Trust Deed, the Notes and the Coupons). Nothing herein shall affect the right to serve Proceedings in any other manner permitted by law.

19. **CONTRACTUAL RECOGNITION OF BAIL-IN POWER**

Notwithstanding any provision of these Conditions or any other agreements, arrangements, or understandings between the Issuer and any holder of the Notes and without prejudice to Article 55(1) of the BRRD, each Noteholder, by virtue of its acquisition of the Notes (whether on issuance or in the secondary market), acknowledges and accepts the existence of, agrees to be bound by and consents to:

- (a) the effects of the exercise of the Bail-In Power by the Relevant Authority, which exercise may include and result in any of the following, or some combination thereof:
 - (A) the reduction of all, or a portion, of the principal amount in respect of the Notes together with any accrued but unpaid interest due thereon and any additional amounts (if any) due in relation thereto;
 - (B) the conversion of all, or a portion, of the principal amount in respect of the Notes together with any accrued but unpaid interest due thereon and any additional amounts (if any) due in relation thereto, into ordinary shares, other securities or other obligations of the Issuer or another person (and the issue to or conferral on the holder of such shares, securities or obligations), including by means of an amendment, modification or variation of these Conditions;
 - (C) the cancellation of the Notes or the principal amount in respect of the Notes together with any accrued but unpaid interest due thereon and any additional amounts (if any) due in relation thereto; and
 - (D) the amendment or alteration of the maturity of the Notes or amendment of the amount of interest payable on the Notes, or the date on which the interest become payable, including by suspending payment for a temporary period; and
- (b) the variation of these Conditions, as deemed necessary by the Relevant Authority, to give effect to the exercise of the Bail-In Power by the Relevant Authority.

Each Noteholder further agrees that the rights of the Noteholders are subject to, and will be varied if necessary so as to give effect to, the exercise of any Bail-In Power by the Relevant Authority.

Upon the Issuer becoming aware of the exercise of the Bail-In Power by the Relevant Authority with respect to the Notes, the Issuer shall provide a notice to the holders of the Notes in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) as soon as reasonably practicable. The Issuer shall also deliver a copy of such notice to the Trustee and the Issuing and Paying Agent for information purposes. Any delay or failure by the Issuer to give notice shall not affect the validity and enforceability of the Bail-In Power nor the effects on the Notes described in this Condition 19.

The exercise of the Bail-In Power by the Relevant Authority with respect to the Notes shall not constitute an Event of Default and the terms and conditions of the Notes shall continue to apply to the outstanding principal amount of the Notes subject to any modification of the amount of interest payments to reflect the reduction of the outstanding principal amount, and any further modification of the terms that the Relevant Authority may decide in accordance with applicable laws and regulations, including in particular the BRRD and the SRM Regulation, and any other relevant provisions under the Applicable Banking Regulations.

Each Noteholder also acknowledges and agrees that this provision is exhaustive on the matters described herein to the exclusion of any other agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to the application of the Bail-In Power

Schedule 2

Forms of Global and Definitive Notes, Coupons and Talons

Part 1

Form of Temporary Global Note

ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.

BANCO BPM S.p.A.
(the “Issuer”)

(incorporated as a joint stock company (società per azioni) in the Republic of Italy)

TEMPORARY GLOBAL NOTE

This Note is a Temporary Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of English Law Notes of the Issuer (the “Notes”) of the Nominal Amount, Specified Currency(ies) and Specified Denomination(s) as are specified in the Final Terms applicable to the Notes (the “Final Terms”) or drawdown prospectus (“Drawdown Prospectus”), a copy of which is annexed hereto. If a Drawdown Prospectus is annexed hereto, each reference in this Temporary Global Note to “Final Terms” shall be read and construed as a reference to the final terms of the Notes set out in such Drawdown Prospectus. References herein to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 1 to the Trust Deed (as defined below) as completed by the Final Terms but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the said Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail. Words and expressions defined in the Conditions and the Trust Deed shall bear the same meanings when used in this Global Note. This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and a Trust Deed (such Trust Deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the “Trust Deed”) dated 11 June 2021 and made between the Issuer and Citicorp Trustee Company Limited as trustee for the holders of the Notes.

For value received, the Issuer, subject as hereinafter provided and subject to and in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, promises to pay to the bearer hereof on the Maturity Date and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of such Notes on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions and the Trust Deed together with any other sums payable under the Conditions and the Trust Deed, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent or any of the other Paying Agents located outside the United States, its territories and possessions (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV (“Euroclear”) and Clearstream Banking, S.A. (“Clearstream, Luxembourg” and together with Euroclear, the “relevant Clearing Systems”). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of each such customer’s interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a relevant Clearing System (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the relevant Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part II or Part III of Schedule One hereto or in Schedule Two hereto.

On any redemption of, or interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems, and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One hereto and the relevant space in Schedule One hereto recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of such Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof. Any failure to make entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

Payments of principal and interest (if any) due prior to the Exchange Date (as defined below) will only be made to the bearer hereof to the extent that there is presented to the Issuing and Paying Agent by the relevant Clearing System a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a beneficial interest in a particular nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership in the form required by it. The bearer of this Global Note will not (unless upon due presentation of this Global Note for exchange, delivery of the appropriate number of Definitive Notes (together, if applicable, with the Coupons and Talons appertaining thereto in or substantially in the forms set out in Parts 3, 4 and 5 of Schedule 2 to the Trust Deed) or, as the case may be, issue and delivery (or, as the case may be, endorsement) of the Permanent Global Note is improperly withheld or refused and such withholding or refusal is continuing at the relevant payment date) be entitled to receive any payment hereon due on or after the Exchange Date.

On or after the date (the "**Exchange Date**") which is 40 days after the Issue Date, this Global Note may be exchanged (free of charge) in whole or in part for, as specified in the Final Terms, either (a) Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons and the relevant information supplementing, replacing or modifying the Conditions appearing in the Final Terms has been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) or (b) either (if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note) interests recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems in a Permanent Global Note or (if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note) a Permanent Global Note, which, in either case, is in or substantially in the form set out in Part 2 of Schedule 2 to the Trust Deed (together with the Final Terms attached thereto) upon notice being given by the relevant Clearing Systems acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note and subject, in the case of Definitive Notes, to such notice period as is specified in the Final Terms.

If Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons have already been issued in exchange for all the Notes represented for the time being by the Permanent Global Note, then this Global Note

may only thereafter be exchanged for Definitive Bearer Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons pursuant to the terms hereof. This Global Note may be exchanged by the bearer hereof on any day (other than a Saturday or Sunday) on which banks are open for general business in London.

The Issuer shall procure that Definitive Notes or (as the case may be) the Permanent Global Note shall be issued and delivered and (in the case of the Permanent Global Note where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note) interests in the Permanent Global Note shall be recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems in exchange for only that portion of this Global Note in respect of which there shall have been presented to the Issuing and Paying Agent by the relevant Clearing Systems a certificate to the effect that it has received from or in respect of a person entitled to a beneficial interest in a particular nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note (as shown by its records) a certificate of non-US beneficial ownership in the form required by it.

On an exchange of the whole of this Global Note, this Global Note shall be surrendered to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent. The Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, on an exchange of the whole or part only of this Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems such that the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of this Global Note so exchanged; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, on an exchange of part only of this Global Note details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule Two hereto and the relevant space in Schedule Two hereto recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of this Global Note so exchanged. On any exchange of this Global Note for a Permanent Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One to the Permanent Global Note and the relevant space in Schedule One thereto recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note as aforesaid, the bearer hereof shall (subject as provided in the next paragraph) in all respects (except as otherwise provided herein) be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the related Coupons and/or Talons (if any) in the form(s) set out in Parts 3, 4 and 5 (as applicable) of Schedule 2 to the Trust Deed.

Each person (other than the relevant Clearing Systems) who is for the time being shown in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by the relevant Clearing Systems as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and any other Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal and interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, the right to which shall be vested, as against the Issuer, solely in the bearer of this Global Note in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Global Note and the Trust Deed.

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

This Global Note and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law and the Issuer has in the Trust Deed submitted to the jurisdiction of the courts of England for all purposes in connection with this Global Note and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it.

Notwithstanding the definition of “Payment Day” in the Conditions, while all the Notes are represented by this Global Note and this Global Note is deposited with, if not issued in NGN form, a common depository for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system or, if issued in NGN form, a common safekeeper for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, “**Payment Day**” means:

- (a) if the currency of payment is euro, any day on which the TARGET2 System is open and a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in each (if any) additional financial centre; or
- (b) if the currency of payment is not euro, any day which is a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in the principal financial centre of the currency of payment and in each (if any) additional financial centre.

Further Information relating to the Issuer is provided, pursuant to Article 2414 of the Italian Civil Code, in Schedule 3 (*Further Information relating to the Issuer*) hereto.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by Citibank, N.A., London Branch as Issuing and Paying Agent and, if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note (a) which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility or (b) in respect of which effectuation is to be applicable, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

In Witness whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be signed manually or in facsimile by a person duly authorised on its behalf.

Issued on

BANCO BPM S.p.A.

By:

Duly Authorised

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by
Citibank, N.A., London Branch
as Issuing and Paying Agent.

By:

Authorised Officer

¹Effectuated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

.....
as common safekeeper

By.....

¹ This should only be completed where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note.

Schedule One*

Part I Interest Payments

Date made	Interest Payment Date	Total amount of interest payable	Amount of interest paid	Confirmation of payment by or on behalf of the Issuer

* Schedule One should only be completed where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

**Part II
Redemptions**

Date made	Total amount of principal payable	Amount of principal paid	Remaining nominal amount of this Global Note following such redemption*	Confirmation of redemption by or on behalf of the Issuer

* See most recent entry in Part II or III or Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

Part III
Purchases and Cancellations

Date made	Part of nominal amount of this Global Note purchased and cancelled	Remaining nominal amount of this Global Note following such purchase and cancellation*	Confirmation of purchase and cancellation by or on behalf of the Issuer

* See most recent entry in Part II or III or Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

Schedule Two*

Exchanges for Definitive Notes or Permanent Global Note

The following exchanges of a part of this Global Note for Definitive Notes or a part of a Permanent Global Note have been made:

Date made	Nominal amount of this Global Note exchanged for Definitive Notes or a part of a Permanent Global Note	Remaining nominal amount of this Global Note following such exchange**	Notation made by or on behalf of the Issuer

* Schedule 2 should only be completed where the Final terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

** See most recent entry in Part II or Part III of Schedule One or in this Schedule Two in order to determine this amount.

Schedule Three

Further Information relating to the Issuer

[To be scheduled to the Global Note in the form shown in Annex 4 (Further Information relating to the Issuer) of the Procedures Memorandum]

Part 2
Form of Permanent Global Note

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]²

BANCO BPM S.p.A.
(the “Issuer”)

(incorporated as a joint stock company (società per azioni) in the Republic of Italy)

PERMANENT GLOBAL NOTE

This Note is a Permanent Global Note in respect of a duly authorised issue of English Law Notes of the Issuer (the “Notes”) of the Nominal Amount, Specified Currency(ies) and Specified Denomination(s) as are specified in the Final Terms applicable to the Notes (the “Final Terms”) or drawdown prospectus (“Drawdown Prospectus”), a copy of which is annexed hereto. If a Drawdown Prospectus is annexed hereto, each reference in this Permanent Global Note to “Final Terms” shall be read and construed as a reference to the final terms of the Notes set out in such Drawdown Prospectus. References herein to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions of the Notes as set out in Schedule 1 to the Trust Deed (as defined below) as completed by the Final Terms but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the said Conditions and the information in the Final Terms, the Final Terms will prevail. Words and expressions defined in the Conditions shall bear the same meanings when used in this Global Note. This Global Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and a Trust Deed (such Trust Deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the “Trust Deed”) dated 11 June 2021 and made between the Issuer and Citicorp Trustee Company Limited as trustee for the holders of the Notes.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, promises to pay to the bearer hereof on the Maturity Date and/or on such earlier date(s) as all or any of the Notes represented by this Global Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, the amount payable under the Conditions in respect of such Notes on each such date and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of the Notes from time to time represented by this Global Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions and the Trust Deed together with any other sums payable under the Conditions and the Trust Deed, upon presentation and, at maturity, surrender of this Global Note to or to the order of the Issuing and Paying Agent or any of the other Paying Agents located outside the United States, its territories and possessions (except as provided in the Conditions) from time to time appointed by the Issuer in respect of the Notes. If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the aggregate amount from time to time entered in the records of both Euroclear Bank SA/NV (“Euroclear”) and Clearstream Banking, S.A. (“Clearstream, Luxembourg” and together with Euroclear, the “relevant Clearing Systems”). The records of the relevant Clearing Systems (which expression in this Global Note means the records that each relevant Clearing System holds for its customers which reflect the amount of each such customer’s interest in the Notes) shall be conclusive evidence of the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note and, for these purposes, a statement issued by a relevant Clearing System (which statement shall be made available to the bearer upon request) stating the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note at any time shall be conclusive evidence of the records of the relevant Clearing System at that time.

If the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, the nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be the amount stated in the

² This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

relevant Final Terms or, if lower, the nominal amount most recently entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in the relevant column in Part II or Part III of Schedule One hereto or in Scheduled One hereto.

On any redemption of, or payment of interest being made in respect of, or purchase and cancellation of, any of the Notes represented by this Global Note the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered pro rata in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and, upon any such entry being made, the nominal amount of the Notes recorded in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems and represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the aggregate nominal amount of the Notes so redeemed or purchased and cancelled; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One hereto and the relevant space in Schedule One hereto recording any such redemption, payment or purchase and cancellation (as the case may be) shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer. Upon any such redemption or purchase and cancellation, the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be reduced by the nominal amount of such Notes so redeemed or purchased.

Payments due in respect of Notes for the time being represented by this Global Note shall be made to the bearer of this Global Note and each payment so made will discharge the Issuer's obligations in respect thereof and any failure to make entries referred to above shall not affect such discharge.

If the Notes represented by this Global Note were, on issue, represented by a Temporary Global Note then on any exchange of such Temporary Global Note for this Global Note or any part hereof, the Issuer shall procure that:

- (a) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered in the records of the relevant Clearing Systems such that the nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of the Temporary Global Note so exchanged; or
- (b) if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One hereto and the relevant space in Schedule One hereto recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of the Temporary Global Note so exchanged.

[On any exchange of the Temporary Global Note issued in respect of the Notes for this Global Note or any part hereof, details of such exchange shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One hereto and the relevant space in Schedule One hereto recording such exchange shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of the Temporary Global Note so exchanged.]³

[Upon any further Tranche of Notes of this Series being issued, details of such increase in the size of the Series shall be entered by or on behalf of the Issuer in Schedule One hereto and the relevant space in Schedule One hereto recording such increase shall be signed by or on behalf of the Issuer, whereupon the nominal amount of this Global Note and the Notes represented by this Global Note shall be increased by the nominal amount of such further Tranche.]⁴

³ Delete where the issue is made in accordance with TEFRA C.

⁴ Delete where the issue is made in accordance with TEFRA D.

This Global Note may be exchanged (free of charge) in whole, but not in part, for security printed Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons in or substantially in the forms set out in Parts 3, 4 and 5 of Schedule 2 to the Trust Deed (on the basis that all the appropriate details have been included on the face of such Definitive Notes and (if applicable) Coupons and/or Talons and the relevant information supplementing, replacing or modifying the Conditions appearing in the Final Terms has been endorsed on or attached to such Definitive Notes) either, as specified in the Final Terms:

- (a) upon not less than 60 days' written notice being given to the Issuing and Paying Agent by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note); or
- (b) upon the occurrence of an Exchange Event.

An "**Exchange Event**" means:

- (a) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
- (b) the Issuer has been notified that both Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg have been closed for business for a continuous period of 14 days (other than by reason of holiday, statutory or otherwise) or have announced an intention permanently to cease business or have in fact done so and, in any such case, no alternative clearing system satisfactory to the Trustee is available; or
- (c) the Issuer has or will become subject to adverse tax consequences which would not be suffered were the Notes represented by this Global Note in definitive form.

If this Global Note is exchangeable following the occurrence of an Exchange Event:

- (i) the Issuer will promptly give notice to Noteholders in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) upon the occurrence of such Exchange Event; and
- (ii) Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg (acting on the instructions of any holder of an interest in this Global Note) or the Trustee may give notice to the Issuing and Paying Agent requesting exchange and, in the event of the occurrence of an Exchange Event as described in (3) above, the Issuer may also give notice to the Issuing and Paying Agent requesting exchange.

Any such exchange shall occur on a date specified in the notice not more than 60 days after the date of receipt of the first relevant notice by the Issuing and Paying Agent.

The first notice requesting exchange in accordance with the above provisions shall give rise to the issue of Definitive Notes for the total nominal amount of Notes represented by this Global Note. Any such exchange as aforesaid will be on any day other than a Saturday or a Sunday on which banks are open for business in London by the bearer of this Global Note.

The aggregate nominal amount of Definitive Notes issued upon an exchange of this Global Note will be equal to the aggregate nominal amount of this Global Note. Upon exchange of this Global Note for Definitive Notes, the Issuing and Paying Agent shall cancel it or procure that it is cancelled.

Until the exchange of the whole of this Global Note as aforesaid, the bearer hereof shall (subject as provided in the next paragraph) in all respects be entitled to the same benefits as if he were the bearer of Definitive Notes and the related Coupons and/or Talons (if any) in the form(s) set out in Parts 3, 4 and 5 (as applicable) of Schedule 2 to the Trust Deed.

Each person (other than Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg) who is for the time being shown in the records of Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as the holder of a particular nominal amount of the Notes represented by this Global Note (in which regard any certificate or other document issued by Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg as to the nominal amount of such Notes standing to the

account of any person shall be conclusive and binding for all purposes save in the case of manifest error) shall be treated by the Issuer, the Trustee, the Issuing and Paying Agent and any other Paying Agent as the holder of such nominal amount of such Notes for all purposes other than with respect to the payment of principal and interest on such nominal amount of such Notes, the right to which shall be vested, as against the Issuer, solely in the bearer of this Global Note in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Global Note and the Trust Deed.

No rights are conferred on any person under the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 to enforce any term of this Global Note, but this does not affect any right or remedy of any person which exists or is available apart from that Act.

Notwithstanding the definition of “Payment Day” in the Conditions, while all the Notes are represented by this Global Note and this Global Note is deposited with, if not issued in NGN form, a common depository for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg and/or any other relevant clearing system or, if issued in NGN form, a common safekeeper for Euroclear and/or Clearstream, Luxembourg, “**Payment Day**” means:

- (a) if the currency of payment is euro, any day on which the TARGET2 System is open and a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in each (if any) additional financial centre; or
- (b) if the currency of payment is not euro, any day which is a day on which dealings in foreign currencies may be carried on in the principal financial centre of the currency of payment and in each (if any) additional financial centre.

Further information relating to the Issuer is scheduled hereto, pursuant to Article 2414 of the Italian Civil Code.

This Global Note and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it are governed by, and shall be construed in accordance with, English law and the Issuer has in the Trust Deed submitted to the jurisdiction of the courts of England for all purposes in connection with this Global Note and all non-contractual obligations arising out of or in connection with it.

This Global Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by Citibank, N.A. as Issuing and Paying Agent and, if the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note (i) which is intended to be held in a manner which would allow Eurosystem eligibility or (ii) in respect of which the effectuation is to be applicable, effectuated by the entity appointed as common safekeeper by the relevant Clearing Systems.

In Witness whereof the Issuer has caused this Global Note to be signed manually or in facsimile by a person duly authorised on its behalf.

Issued on

BANCO BPM S.p.A.

By:

Duly Authorised

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by
Citibank, N.A., London Branch as Issuing and Paying Agent.

By:

Authorised Officer

⁵Effectuated without recourse,
warranty or liability by

.....
as common safekeeper

By:.....

⁵ This should only be completed where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is intended to be a New Global Note.

Schedule One*

Part I Interest Payments

Date made	Interest Payment Date	Total amount of interest payable	Amount of interest paid	Confirmation of payment by or on behalf of the Issuer

* Schedule One should only be completed where the Final Terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

**Part II
Redemption**

Date made	Total amount of principal payable	Amount of principal paid	Remaining nominal amount of this Global Note following such redemption*	Confirmation of redemption by or on behalf of the Issuer

* See most recent entry in Part II or III or Schedule One in order to determine this amount.

**Part III
Purchases and Cancellations**

Date made	Part of nominal amount of this Global Note purchased and cancelled	Remaining nominal amount of this Global Note following such purchase and cancellation*	Confirmation of purchase and cancellation by or on behalf of the Issuer

* See most recent entry in Part II or III or Schedule One in order to determine this amount.

Schedule One*

[Exchanges]⁶ [Increases]⁷

Date made	[Nominal amount of Temporary Global Note exchanged for this Global Note]⁶	[Amount of increase in nominal amount of this Global Note following issue of further Tranche]⁷	Nominal amount of this Global Note following such [exchange]⁶ [increase]^{**}	Notation made by or on behalf of the Issuer

* Schedule One should only be completed where the final terms indicates that this Global Note is not intended to be a New Global Note.

** See most recent entry in Part II or Part III of Schedule One or in this Schedule One in order to determine this Amount.

⁶ Delete where the issue is made in accordance with TEFRA C.

⁷ Delete where the issue is made in accordance with TEFRA D.

Schedule Two

Further Information relating to the Issuer

[To be scheduled to the Global Note in the form shown in Annex 4 (Further Information relating to the Issuer) of the Procedures Memorandum]

Part 3
Form of Definitive Note

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]⁸

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[Specified Currency and nominal amount of Tranche]

NOTES DUE

[Year of Maturity]

This Note is one of a Series of English Law Notes of [Specified Currency(ies) and Specified Denomination(s)] the Issuer (“Notes”). References herein to the Conditions shall be to the Terms and Conditions [endorsed hereon/set out in Schedule 1 to the Trust Deed (as defined below) which shall be incorporated by reference herein and have effect as if set out herein] as completed by the relevant information (appearing in the Final Terms (the “Final Terms”)) endorsed hereon but, in the event of any conflict between the provisions of the said Conditions and such information in the Final Terms, such information will prevail. Words and expressions defined in the Conditions shall bear the same meanings when used in this Note. This Note is issued subject to, and with the benefit of, the Conditions and a Trust Deed (such Trust Deed as modified and/or supplemented and/or restated from time to time, the “Trust Deed”) dated 11 June 2021 and made between the Issuer and Citibank Trustee Company Limited as trustee for the holders of the Notes.

For value received, the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, promises to pay to the bearer hereof on the Maturity Date or on such earlier date as this Note may become due and repayable in accordance with the Conditions and the Trust Deed, the amount payable on redemption of this Note and to pay interest (if any) on the nominal amount of this Note calculated and payable as provided in the Conditions and the Trust Deed together with any other sums payable under the Conditions and the Trust Deed.

Further information relating to the Issuer is scheduled hereto, pursuant to Article 2414 of the Italian Civil Code.

This Note shall not be valid unless authenticated by Citibank, N.A., London Branch as Issuing and Paying Agent.

In Witness whereof this Note has been executed on behalf of the Issuer.

Issued as of

BANCO BPM S.p.A.

By:

⁸ This legend can be deleted if the Notes have an initial maturity of 365 days or less.

Duly Authorised

Authenticated without recourse, warranty or liability by
Citibank, N.A., London Branch as Issuing and Paying Agent.

By:

Authorised Officer

[Conditions]

[Conditions to be as set out in Schedule 1 to this Trust Deed or such other form as may be agreed between the Issuer, the Issuing and Paying Agent, the Trustee and the relevant Dealer(s), but shall not be endorsed if not required by the relevant Stock Exchange]

Final Terms

[Here to be set out the text of the relevant information supplementing, replacing or modifying the Conditions which appears in the Final Terms relating to the Notes]

Further Information relating to the Issuer

[To be scheduled to the Global Note in the form shown in Annex 4 (Further Information relating to the Issuer) of the Procedures Memorandum]

Part 4
Form of Coupon

On the front:

BANCO BPM S.p.A.

[Specified Currency and nominal amount of Tranche]

NOTES DUE

[Year of Maturity]

Series No. [●]

[Coupon appertaining to an English Law Note in the denomination of [Specified Currency and Specified Denomination].⁹

Part A
[For Fixed Rate Notes:

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to the Terms and Conditions of the said Notes.

Coupon for
[●]
due on [●], [●]]

Part B
[For Floating Rate Notes or CMS Linked Interest Notes:

Coupon for the amount due in accordance with the Terms and Conditions endorsed on, attached to or incorporated by reference into the said Notes on [the Interest Payment Date falling in [●] [●]/[●]].

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.]

Part C
[For Fixed-Floating Rate Notes:

From [●] to [●]:

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to the Terms and Conditions of the said Notes.

Coupon for
[●]
due on [●], [●]]

and

From [●] to [●]:

Coupon for the amount due in accordance with the Terms and Conditions endorsed on, attached to or incorporated by reference into the said Notes on [the Interest Payment Date falling in [●] [●]/[●]].

⁹ Delete where the Notes are all of the same denomination.

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.]

Part D

[For Floating-Fixed Rate Notes:

From [●] to [●]:

Coupon for the amount due in accordance with the Terms and Conditions endorsed on, attached to or incorporated by reference into the said Notes on [the Interest Payment Date falling in [●] [●]/[●]].

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to such Terms and Conditions, under which it may become void before its due date.]

and

From [●] to [●]:

This Coupon is payable to bearer, separately negotiable and subject to the Terms and Conditions of the said Notes.

Coupon for
[●]
due on [●], [●]]

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]¹⁰

¹⁰ Delete where the original maturity of the Notes is 364 days or less.

Part 5
Form of Talon

On the front:

BANCO BPM S.p.A.

[Specified Currency and nominal amount of Tranche]

NOTES DUE

[Year of Maturity]

Series No. [●]

[Talon appertaining to an English Law Note in the denomination of [Specified Currency and Specified Denomination]]¹¹.

On and after [●] further Coupons [and a further Talon]¹² appertaining to the Note to which this Talon appertains will be issued at the specified office of any of the Paying Agents set out on the reverse hereof (and/or any other or further Paying Agents and/or specified offices as may from time to time be duly appointed and notified to the Noteholders) upon production and surrender of this Talon.

This Talon may, in certain circumstances, become void under the Terms and Conditions endorsed on the Note to which this Talon appertains.

[ANY UNITED STATES PERSON WHO HOLDS THIS OBLIGATION WILL BE SUBJECT TO LIMITATIONS UNDER THE UNITED STATES INCOME TAX LAWS, INCLUDING THE LIMITATIONS PROVIDED IN SECTIONS 165(j) AND 1287(a) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.]¹³

¹¹ Delete where the Notes are all of the same denomination.

¹² Not required on last Coupon sheet.

¹³ Delete where the original maturity of the Notes is 365 days or less.

On the back of Coupons and Talons:

ISSUING AND PAYING AGENT

Citibank, N.A., London Branch
Citigroup Centre
Canada Square
Canary Wharf
London E14 5LB
United Kingdom

Schedule 3

Provisions for Meetings of Noteholders

- 1.1 (a) As used in this Schedule the following expressions shall have the following meanings unless the context otherwise requires:
- (i) **“voting certificate”** shall mean an English language certificate issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which it is stated:
 - (A) that on the date thereof Notes (whether in definitive form or represented by a Global Note and not being Notes in respect of which a block voting instruction has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in such voting certificate or any adjourned such meeting) were deposited with such Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of such Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control or blocked in an account with a clearing system and that no such Notes will cease to be so deposited or held or blocked until the first to occur of:
 - (1) the conclusion of the meeting specified in such certificate or, if later, of any adjourned such meeting; and
 - (2) the surrender of the certificate to the Paying Agent who issued the same; and
 - (B) that the bearer thereof is entitled to attend and vote at such meeting and any adjourned such meeting in respect of the Notes represented by such certificate;
 - (ii) **“block voting instruction”** shall mean an English language document issued by a Paying Agent and dated in which:
 - (A) it is certified that Notes (whether in definitive form or represented by a Global Note and not being Notes in respect of which a voting certificate has been issued and is outstanding in respect of the meeting specified in such block voting instruction and any adjourned such meeting) have been deposited with such Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of such Paying Agent) were held to its order or under its control or blocked in an account with a clearing system and that no such Notes will cease to be so deposited or held or blocked until the first to occur of:
 - (1) the conclusion of the meeting specified in such document or, if later, of any adjourned such meeting; and
 - (2) the surrender to the Paying Agent not less than 48 hours before the time for which such meeting or any adjourned such meeting is convened of the receipt issued by such Paying Agent in respect of each such deposited Note which is to be released or (as the case may require) the Note or Notes ceasing with the agreement of the Paying Agent to be held to its order or under its control or so blocked and the giving of notice by the Paying Agent to the Issuer in accordance with paragraph 18 hereof of the necessary amendment to the block voting instruction;

- (B) it is certified that each holder of such Notes or a duly authorised agent on his behalf has instructed such Paying Agent that the vote(s) attributable to the Note or Notes so deposited or held or blocked should be cast in a particular way in relation to the resolution or resolutions to be put to such meeting or any adjourned such meeting and that all such instructions are during the period commencing 48 hours prior to the time for which such meeting or any adjourned such meeting is convened and ending at the conclusion or adjournment thereof neither revocable nor capable of amendment;
 - (C) the aggregate principal amount of the Notes so deposited or held or blocked are listed distinguishing with regard to each such resolution between those in respect of which instructions have been given as aforesaid that the votes attributable thereto should be cast in favour of the resolution and those in respect of which instructions have been so given that the votes attributable thereto should be cast against the resolution; and
 - (D) one or more persons named in such document (each hereinafter called a “**proxy**”) is or are authorised and instructed by such Paying Agent to cast the votes attributable to the Notes so listed in accordance with the instructions referred to in (c) above as set out in such document;
 - (iii) “**24 hours**” shall mean a period of 24 hours including all or part of a day upon which banks are open for business in both the place where the relevant meeting is to be held and in each of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices (disregarding for this purpose the day upon which such meeting is to be held) and such period shall be extended by one period or, to the extent necessary, more periods of 24 hours until there is included as aforesaid all or part of a day upon which banks are open for business in all of the places as aforesaid; and
 - (iv) “**48 hours**” shall mean a period of 48 hours including all or part of two days upon which banks are open for business both in the place where the relevant meeting is to be held and in each of the places where the Paying Agents have their specified offices (disregarding for this purpose the day upon which such meeting is to be held) and such period shall be extended by one period or, to the extent necessary, more periods of 24 hours until there is included as aforesaid all or part of two days upon which banks are open for business in all of the places as aforesaid.
- (b) A holder of a Note (whether in definitive form or represented by a Global Note) may obtain a voting certificate in respect of such Note from a Paying Agent or require a Paying Agent to issue a block voting instruction in respect of such Note by depositing such Note with such Paying Agent or (to the satisfaction of such Paying Agent) by such Note being held to its order or under its control or being blocked in an account with a clearing system, in each case not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the relevant meeting and on the terms set out in sub-paragraph (a)(i)(A) or (a)(ii)(A) above (as the case may be), and (in the case of a block voting instruction) instructing such Paying Agent to the effect set out in sub-paragraph (a)(ii)(B) above. The holder of any voting certificate or the proxies named in any block voting instruction shall for all purposes in connection with the relevant meeting or adjourned meeting of Noteholders be deemed to be the holder of the Notes to which such voting certificate or block voting instruction relates and the Paying Agent with which such Notes have been deposited or the person holding the same to the order or under the control of

such Paying Agent or the clearing system in which such Notes have been blocked shall be deemed for such purposes not to be the holder of those Notes.

2. The Issuer or the Trustee may at any time and the Issuer shall upon a requisition in writing in the English language signed by the holders of not less than 10 per cent. in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding convene a meeting of the Noteholders and if the Issuer makes default for a period of seven days in convening such a meeting the same may be convened by the Trustee or the requisitionists. Every such meeting shall be held at such time and place as the Trustee may appoint or approve.
3. At least 21 days' notice (exclusive of the day on which the notice is given and the day on which the meeting is to be held) specifying the place, day and hour of meeting shall be given to the holders of the relevant Notes prior to any meeting of such holders in the manner provided by Condition 13 (*Notices*). Such notice, which shall be in the English language, shall state generally the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting thereby convened but (except for an Extraordinary Resolution) it shall not be necessary to specify in such notice the terms of any resolution to be proposed. Such notice shall include statements, if applicable, to the effect that Notes may, not less than 48 hours before the time fixed for the meeting, be deposited with Paying Agents or (to their satisfaction) held to their order or under their control or blocked in an account with a clearing system for the purpose of obtaining voting certificates or appointing proxies. A copy of the notice shall be sent by post to the Trustee (unless the meeting is convened by the Trustee) and to the Issuer (unless the meeting is convened by the Issuer).
4. A person (who may but need not be a Noteholder) nominated in writing by the Trustee shall be entitled to take the chair at the relevant meeting or adjourned meeting but if no such nomination is made or if at any meeting or adjourned meeting the person nominated shall not be present within 15 minutes after the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting the Noteholders present shall choose one of their number to be Chairman, failing which the Issuer may appoint a Chairman. The Chairman of an adjourned meeting need not be the same person as was Chairman of the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
5. At any such meeting two or more persons present holding Definitive Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than one-tenth of the nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding shall (except for the purpose of passing an Extraordinary Resolution) form a quorum for the transaction of business and no business (other than the choosing of a Chairman) shall be transacted at any meeting unless the requisite quorum be present at the commencement of the relevant business.
6. The quorum at any such meeting for passing an Extraordinary Resolution shall (subject as provided below) be two or more persons present holding Definitive Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate a clear majority in nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding PROVIDED THAT at any meeting the business of which includes any of the following matters (each, a "**Reserved Matter**") (each of which shall, subject only to Clause 18.2 of the Trust Deed, only be capable of being effected after having been approved by Extraordinary Resolution) namely:
 - (a) reduction or cancellation of the amount payable or, where applicable, modification, except where such modification is in the opinion of the Trustee bound to result in an increase, of the method of calculating the amount payable or modification of the date of payment or, where applicable, of the method of calculating the date of payment in respect of any principal or interest in respect of the Notes, provided however, for the avoidance of doubt, that a Benchmark Amendment (as defined in the Conditions) shall not constitute a Reserved Matter;

- (b) alteration of the currency in which payments under the Notes and Coupons are to be made;
- (c) alteration of the majority required to pass an Extraordinary Resolution;
- (d) the sanctioning of any such scheme or proposal as is described in paragraph 19(i) below; and
- (e) alteration of this proviso or the proviso to paragraph 7 below;

the quorum shall be two or more persons present holding Definitive Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than two-thirds of the nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.

If within 15 minutes (or such longer period not exceeding 30 minutes as the Chairman may decide) after the time appointed for any such meeting a quorum is not present for the transaction of any particular business, then, subject and without prejudice to the transaction of the business (if any) for which a quorum is present, the meeting shall if convened upon the requisition of Noteholders be dissolved. In any other case it shall stand adjourned to such day and such time and place as indicated in the original notice to Noteholders of the initial meeting, or if not so indicated, it shall stand adjourned for such period, being not less than 13 clear days nor more than 42 clear days from the date of the initial meeting, and to such place as may be appointed by the Chairman either at or subsequent to such meeting and approved by the Trustee and indicated in the notice convening the adjourned meeting.

If within 15 minutes (or such longer period not exceeding 30 minutes as the Chairman may decide) after the time appointed for any adjourned meeting a quorum is not present for the transaction of any particular business, then, subject and without prejudice to the transaction of the business (if any) for which a quorum is present, the Chairman may either (with the approval of the Trustee) dissolve such meeting or shall adjourn the same to such day and such time and place as indicated in the original notice to Noteholders of the initial meeting, or if not so indicated, it shall stand adjourned for such period, being not less than 13 clear days (but without any maximum number of clear days), and to such place as may be appointed by the Chairman either at or subsequent to such adjourned meeting and approved by the Trustee and indicated in the notice convening the adjourned meeting, and the provisions of this sentence shall apply to all further adjourned such meetings.

7. At any adjourned meeting two or more persons present holding Definitive Notes or voting certificates or being proxies (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented by them) shall (subject as provided below) form a quorum and shall have power to pass any Extraordinary Resolution other than one on a Reserved Matter or other resolution and to decide upon all matters which could properly have been dealt with at the meeting from which the adjournment took place had the requisite quorum been present PROVIDED THAT at any adjourned meeting the quorum for the transaction of business comprising any Reserved Matter shall be two or more persons present holding Definitive Notes or voting certificates or being proxies and holding or representing in the aggregate not less than one-third of the nominal amount of the Notes for the time being outstanding.
8. Notice of any adjourned meeting at which an Extraordinary Resolution is to be submitted shall be given in the same manner as notice of an original meeting but as if 10 were substituted for 21 in paragraph 3 above and such notice shall state the relevant quorum. Subject as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to give any notice of an adjourned meeting.
9. Every question submitted to a meeting shall be decided in the first instance by a show of hands and in case of equality of votes the Chairman shall both on a show of hands and on a poll have a casting vote in addition to the vote or votes (if any) to which he may be entitled as a Noteholder or as a holder of a voting certificate or as a proxy or as a representative.

10. At any meeting unless a poll is (before or on the declaration of the result of the show of hands) demanded by the Chairman, the Issuer, the Trustee or any person present holding a Definitive Note or a voting certificate or being a proxy (whatever the nominal amount of the Notes so held or represented by him) a declaration by the Chairman that a resolution has been carried or carried by a particular majority or lost or not carried by a particular majority shall be conclusive evidence of the fact without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against such resolution.
11. Subject to paragraph 13 below, if at any such meeting a poll is so demanded it shall be taken in such manner and subject as hereinafter provided either at once or after an adjournment as the Chairman directs and the result of such poll shall be deemed to be the resolution of the meeting at which the poll was demanded as at the date of the taking of the poll. The demand for a poll shall not prevent the continuance of the meeting for the transaction of any business other than the motion on which the poll has been demanded.
12. The Chairman may with the consent of (and shall if directed by) any such meeting adjourn the same from time to time and from place to place but no business shall be transacted at any adjourned meeting except business which might lawfully (but for lack of required quorum) have been transacted at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
13. Any poll demanded at any such meeting on the election of a Chairman or on any question of adjournment shall be taken at the meeting without adjournment.
14. The Trustee and its lawyers and any director, officer or employee of a corporation being a trustee of these presents and any director or officer of the Issuer and its or their lawyers and any other person authorised so to do by the Trustee may attend and speak at any meeting. Save as aforesaid, but without prejudice to the proviso to the definition of “**outstanding**” in Clause 1, no person shall be entitled to attend and speak nor shall any person be entitled to vote at any meeting of Noteholders or join with others in requesting the convening of such a meeting or to exercise the rights conferred on Noteholders by Condition 9 (*Events of Default and Enforcement*) and Condition 14 (*Meetings of Noteholders, Modification, Waiver and Substitution*) unless he either produces the Definitive Note or Definitive Notes of which he is the holder or a voting certificate or is a proxy. No person shall be entitled to vote at any meeting in respect of Notes held by, for the benefit of, or on behalf of, the Issuer, any Subsidiary or holding company of the Issuer or any Subsidiary of any such holding company. Nothing herein shall prevent any of the proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy from being a director, officer or representative of or otherwise connected with the Issuer.
15. Subject as provided in paragraph 14 hereof at any meeting:
 - (a) on a show of hands every person who is present in person and produces a Definitive Note or voting certificate or is a proxy shall have one vote; and
 - (b) on a poll every person who is so present shall have one vote in respect of each euro 1 or such other amount as the Trustee may in its absolute discretion stipulate (or, in the case of meetings of holders of Notes denominated in another currency, such amount in such other currency as the Trustee in its absolute discretion may stipulate) in nominal amount of the Definitive Notes so produced or represented by the voting certificate so produced or in respect of which he is a proxy.

Without prejudice to the obligations of the proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy any person entitled to more than one vote need not use all his votes or cast all the votes to which he is entitled in the same way.

16. The proxies named in any block voting instruction or form of proxy need not be Noteholders.

17. Each block voting instruction together (if so requested by the Trustee) with proof satisfactory to the Trustee of its due execution on behalf of the relevant Paying Agent shall be deposited by the relevant Paying Agent at such place as the Trustee shall approve not less than 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the proxies named in the block voting instruction propose to vote and in default the block voting instruction shall not be treated as valid unless the Chairman of the meeting decides otherwise before such meeting or adjourned meeting proceeds to business. A notarially certified copy of each block voting instruction shall be deposited with the Trustee before the commencement of the meeting or adjourned meeting but the Trustee shall not thereby be obliged to investigate or be concerned with the validity of or the authority of the proxies named in any such block voting instruction.
18. Any vote given in accordance with the terms of a block voting instruction shall be valid notwithstanding the previous revocation or amendment of the block voting instruction or of any of the relevant Noteholders' instructions pursuant to which it was executed provided that no intimation in writing of such revocation or amendment shall have been received from the relevant Paying Agent by the Issuer at its registered office (or such other place as may have been required or approved by the Trustee for the purpose) by the time being 24 hours before the time appointed for holding the meeting or adjourned meeting at which the block voting instruction is to be used.
19. A meeting of the Noteholders shall in addition to the powers hereinbefore given have the following powers exercisable only by Extraordinary Resolution (subject to the provisions relating to quorum contained in paragraphs 6 and 7 above) namely:
 - (a) Power to sanction any compromise or arrangement proposed to be made between the Issuer, the Trustee, any Appointee and the Noteholders and Couponholders or any of them.
 - (b) Power to sanction any abrogation, modification, compromise or arrangement in respect of the rights of the Trustee, any Appointee, the Noteholders, Couponholders, the Issuer or against any other or others of them or against any of their property whether such rights shall arise under these presents or otherwise.
 - (c) Power to assent to any modification of the provisions of these presents which shall be proposed by the Issuer, the Trustee or any Noteholder.
 - (d) Power to give any authority or sanction which under the provisions of these presents is required to be given by Extraordinary Resolution.
 - (e) Power to appoint any persons (whether Noteholders or not) as a committee or committees to represent the interests of the Noteholders and to confer upon such committee or committees any powers or discretions which the Noteholders could themselves exercise by Extraordinary Resolution.
 - (f) Power to approve of a person to be appointed a trustee and power to remove any trustee or trustees for the time being of these presents.
 - (g) Power to discharge or exonerate the Trustee and/or any Appointee from all liability in respect of any act or omission for which the Trustee and/or such Appointee may have become responsible under these presents.
 - (h) Power to authorise the Trustee and/or any Appointee to concur in and execute and do all such deeds, instruments, acts and things as may be necessary to carry out and give effect to any Extraordinary Resolution.
 - (i) Power to sanction any scheme or proposal for the exchange or sale of the Notes for or the conversion of the Notes into or the cancellation of the Notes in consideration of

shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities of the Issuer or any other company formed or to be formed, or for or into or in consideration of cash, or partly for or into or in consideration of such shares, stock, notes, bonds, debentures, debenture stock and/or other obligations and/or securities as aforesaid and partly for or into or in consideration of cash.

20. Any resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these presents shall be binding upon all the Noteholders whether present or not present at such meeting and whether or not voting and upon all Couponholders and each of them shall be bound to give effect thereto accordingly and the passing of any such resolution shall be conclusive evidence that the circumstances justify the passing thereof. Notice of the result of the voting on any resolution duly considered by the Noteholders shall be published in accordance with Condition 13 (*Notices*) by the Issuer within 14 days of such result being known PROVIDED THAT the non-publication of such notice shall not invalidate such result.
21. The expression “**Extraordinary Resolution**” when used in these presents means (a) a resolution passed at a meeting of the Noteholders duly convened and held in accordance with these presents by a majority consisting of not less than three-fourths of the persons voting thereat upon a show of hands or if a poll is duly demanded by a majority consisting of not less than three-fourths of the votes cast on such poll; or (b) a resolution in writing signed by or on behalf of all the Noteholders, which resolution in writing may be contained in one document or in several documents in like form each signed by or on behalf of one or more of the Noteholders.
22. Minutes of all resolutions and proceedings at every meeting of the Noteholders shall be made and entered in books to be from time to time provided for that purpose by the Issuer and any such minutes as aforesaid if purporting to be signed by the Chairman of the meeting at which such resolutions were passed or proceedings transacted shall be conclusive evidence of the matters therein contained and until the contrary is proved every such meeting in respect of the proceedings of which minutes have been made shall be deemed to have been duly held and convened and all resolutions passed or proceedings transacted thereat to have been duly passed or transacted.
- 22.1 (a) If and whenever the Issuer shall have issued and have outstanding Notes of more than one Series the foregoing provisions of this Schedule shall have effect subject to the following modifications:
 - (i) a resolution which in the opinion of the Trustee affects the Notes of only one Series shall be deemed to have been duly passed if passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the Notes of that Series;
 - (ii) a resolution which in the opinion of the Trustee affects the Notes of more than one Series but does not give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of Notes of any of the Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed if passed at a single meeting of the holders of the Notes of all the Series so affected;
 - (iii) a resolution which in the opinion of the Trustee affects the Notes of more than one Series and gives or may give rise to a conflict of interest between the holders of the Notes of one Series or group of Series so affected and the holders of the Notes of another Series or group of Series so affected shall be deemed to have been duly passed only if passed at separate meetings of the holders of the Notes of each Series or group of Series so affected; and
 - (iv) to all such meetings all the preceding provisions of this Schedule shall *mutatis mutandis* apply as though references therein to Notes and

Noteholders were references to the Notes of the Series or group of Series in question or to the holders of such Notes, as the case may be.

- (b) If the Issuer shall have issued and have outstanding Notes which are not denominated in euro in the case of any meeting of holders of Notes of more than one currency the principal amount of such Notes shall (i) for the purposes of paragraph 2 above be the equivalent in euro at the spot rate of a bank nominated by the Trustee for the conversion of the relevant currency or currencies into euro on the seventh dealing day prior to the day on which the requisition in writing is received by the Issuer and (ii) for the purposes of paragraphs 6, 7 and 15 above (whether in respect of the meeting or any adjourned such meeting or any poll resulting therefrom) be the equivalent at such spot rate on the seventh dealing day prior to the day of such meeting. In such circumstances, on any poll each person present shall have one vote for each euro 1 (or such other euro amount as the Trustee may in its absolute discretion stipulate) in nominal amount of the Notes (converted as above) which he holds or represents.
23. Subject to all other provisions of these presents the Trustee may without the consent of the Issuer, the Couponholders prescribe such further regulations regarding the requisitioning and/or the holding of meetings of Noteholders and attendance and voting thereat as the Trustee may in its sole discretion think fit.

Signatories

Executed as a deed by
BANCO BPM S.p.A. acting
by **Sivia Renna, Attorney**
and
Acting under the authority of that company

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IN THE PRESENCE OF:
Notary Public, London, England
(Sophie J. Milburn)



Executed as a deed by
Citicorp Trustee Company Limited acting
by

}

Witnessed

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Witness Name:
Witness Occupation:
Witness Address:

Signatories

**Executed as a deed by
BANCO BPM S.p.A. acting
by
and
Acting under the authority of that company**



**Executed as a deed by
Citicorp Trustee Company Limited acting
by**



A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'V. Japaul'.

**Viola Japaul
Attorney**

Witnessed



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paul Davies'.

**Paul Davies
Vice President**

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Witness Name:
Witness Occupation:
Witness Address:

**Citi Agency & Trust
Citigroup Centre
25 Canada Square
Canary Wharf
London E14 5LB**