

PRESS RELEASE

UNIPOL: SALE OF 51% HOLDING IN BNL VITA S.p.A. FINALIZED

Unipol Gruppo Finanziario and BNP Paribas have arranged the schedule for the sale of Unipol's holding in BNL Vita.

The operation will be completed over the next few months, subject to the required legal authorization being obtained.

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Unipol Gruppo Finanziario and BNP Paribas today entered into a supplementary agreement to the option agreement, relating to Unipol Gruppo Finanziario's 51% holding in BNL Vita (the 'Holding') which was signed on 22 December 2009.

Under this agreement, BNP Paribas will purchase the Holding via the subsidiary Cardif Assicurazioni S.p.A., at a price of €325.2m to be paid in cash.

The sale of the Holding will enable Unipol Gruppo Finanziario to make a net capital gain of more than €50m on the individual accounts and will have no significant effect on the consolidated income statement for the current year.

The sale will also lead to an improvement of seven percentage points in Unipol Gruppo Finanziario's consolidated solvency margin compared with 31 December 2010.

The Holding will be transferred over the next few months, subject to the BNP Group obtaining all the permits required by law.

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