



# **Italian Leader with European Scale**

*Setting a New Benchmark for Value Creation*

## ***The Merger Project***

*Milan, 13 October 2006*

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# Foreword

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- This presentation describes the Merger agreement and focuses on the industrial rationale and the value creation potential of the Transaction
- The data herein provided takes into account the impact of the announced disposal of branches / banking subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole and does not include any potential further antitrust requirements
- The New Group Business Plan will be developed by the new management team and will be presented in the first half of 2007

# Agenda

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## 1. Transaction Summary

2. Industrial Rationale

3. The Agreement with Crédit Agricole

4. Corporate Governance and Organisational Model

5. Value Creation

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7. Closing Remarks

# Undisputed Italian Leader with European Scale

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## The Italian Leader

- Undisputed leader in all segments with a market share of >20% in customer loans and deposits, roughly twice the next largest player
- Clear leadership in most attractive products
- Strong capital base and best in-class asset quality

## Unique Customer Reach

- Largest domestic branch network: ~5,500 branches, ~17% market share and ~12 million clients
- Best branch footprint making the Group truly nationwide: market share >15% in 15 regions out of 20
- High penetration of local markets: market share <5% only in 9 provinces out of 103
- Particular strength in the wealthiest areas of Italy: strong retail presence covering more than 70% of Italian household wealth

## Strategic and Complementary International Presence

- Strong and complementary presence in Central and Eastern Europe reaching over 6 million clients in 10 countries through ~1,400 branches<sup>(1)</sup>
- Most extensive international network among Italian banks with a presence in 34 countries

**Undisputed leadership in attractive Italian market with strategic international scale**

*Note: Data as of 2005 year end pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole*

*(1) Including Ukrspbank in Ukraine and Panonska in Serbia (acquisitions underway)*

# Significant Value Creation with Very Low Execution Risk

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## Significant Synergy Generation

- ~€1.6bn estimated pre-tax synergies in 2009, with a further ~€100m of cost synergies in 2010
  - ~€1bn cost synergies, equivalent to ~10.6% of 2005 combined cost base<sup>(1)</sup> and representing ~63% of total synergies 2009
  - ~€0.6bn revenue synergies, equivalent to ~3.5% of 2005 combined revenue base<sup>(1)</sup> and representing ~37% of total synergies 2009
- One-off integration costs estimated at ~€1.6bn

*Very low execution risk due to the friendly nature of the merger, proven track record in managing integrations and compatible organisational models*

(1) 2005 combined revenues and costs pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole

# A Shared Commitment to Sustainable Growth

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## The Merger of Two Banks Sharing Common Values

- Solid value creation fostering social cohesion and taking a long term approach to preserving the environment
- Building on local strengths, promoting local economies and respecting local differences
- Client-oriented policies
- Valuing relationships through high quality services and products
- Harnessing human capital as a strong lever to enhance corporate value
- Taking a responsible attitude towards all stakeholders through continuous and constructive dialogue

*Ready to face the challenges of delivering sustainability*

# Attractive Proposition for All Stakeholders

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## Shareholders

- Ordinary payout in excess of 60% while maintaining a sound capital base
- Possibility to return excess capital to shareholders
- Transaction EPS accretive for both Banca Intesa and Sanpaolo IMI shareholders
- Higher growth potential than stand-alone entities
- Modern governance rules ensuring fair representation of all Shareholders and effective management

## Clients

- A true “local” bank in all Italian regions with unrivalled retail presence
- Enhanced product and service offering as result of new investments in technology and product innovation
- Even more competitive pricing for clients in some products thanks to cost efficiencies

## Employees

- Creation of an industry leader, able to attract and retain talent
- Professional growth opportunities for all employees
- Stimulating and transparent environment where merit is rewarded
- Transparent rules and disclosure of strategies in order to enhance internal cohesion

## Society and Environment

- An important growth engine for the countries where the Group operates, particularly Italy, able to favour infrastructure development initiatives and Italian corporates’ main business projects in Italy as well as abroad
- Great attention to the specific needs of all segments of society and promotion of financial inclusion (i.e. immigrants, young people, Third Sector, etc.)
- Strong commitment to the protection of the environment and local communities strengthening sustainable performances

*Fully committed to value creation, leveraging a unique market presence*



# Key Terms and Clear Corporate Governance

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<b>Key Terms and Conditions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Friendly transaction to be implemented via a merger of equals</li><li>■ 3.115 new Banca Intesa ordinary shares for each Sanpaolo IMI ordinary / privileged share</li><li>■ Combined market capitalisation of ~€72bn<sup>(1)</sup></li><li>■ Conditions: subject to shareholders' and relevant regulatory approval</li></ul>
<b>Agreement with Crédit Agricole</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Disposal of CR Parma, FriulAdria and 193 branches to Crédit Agricole</li><li>■ Feasibility study to assess the possibility of a pan-European joint-venture in asset management</li><li>■ Put / Call agreements with Crédit Agricole on the activities attributable to 65% of Nextra sold in 2005 if the joint-venture in AM is not considered feasible</li></ul>
<b>Clear Corporate Governance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Legal HQ in Turin, operating HQs in Milan and in Turin</li><li>■ Modern corporate governance proposition through Dual Model:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Supervisory Board - Approval of strategic decisions</li><li>■ Management Board - Group management</li></ul></li><li>■ Well-defined allocation of responsibilities<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ One Chairman at Supervisory Board level (Giovanni Bazoli) and 1 Chairman at Management Board level (Enrico Salza)</li><li>■ One Empowered CEO: Corrado Passera, part of the Management Board</li><li>■ Two general managers. One of them, Pietro Modiano, deputy to the CEO</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Organisational Model</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>■ Enhancement of the "Banca dei Territori" model: the most appropriate way for managing different regional realities</li><li>■ Adoption of a single national brand for Banca Intesa S.p.A. and Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. branch networks</li></ul>

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on share prices as of 11 October 2006

# Key Transaction Dates

		Status
26 August 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of the Merger Project guidelines by Banca Intesa and Sanpaolo IMI Boards</li> </ul>	✓
12 October 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of the Agreement with Crédit Agricole by Banca Intesa Board</li> <li>Approval of the Merger Project by Banca Intesa and Sanpaolo IMI Boards</li> </ul>	✓
End November / Beginning December 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of Merger Documentation (“Progetto di Fusione”) by Banca Intesa and Sanpaolo IMI EGMs</li> </ul>	
By End December 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All relevant regulatory approval</li> </ul>	
1 January 2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Merger effective</li> </ul>	

*Note: Timetable is indicative and may change depending on legal and regulatory considerations*

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# The Undisputed Italian Leader

Product / Segment	Market Share	Ranking (#)	Δ vs. Next Largest Player
Loans to Customers	20.2%	1	+9.6pp
Mortgages	19.0%	1	+2.0pp
Consumer Credit <sup>(1)</sup>	15.4%	1	+4.1pp
Factoring	25.3%	1	+9.5pp
Customer Deposits	20.4%	1	+10.0pp
Asset Management	30.9%	1	+15.8pp
Bancassurance	27.5%	1	+14.8pp
Private Banking	23.4%	1	+6.6pp
Foreign Trade Settlements	27.4%	1	+13.6pp

Source: 2005 Annual Reports, Bank of Italy, UIC, IAMA, Assifact, Assogestioni, Assofin, Ass. Italiana Private Banking and Thomson Financial

Note: Data as of 2005 year end pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole, except for asset management (June 2006). Market shares based on the following metrics: for mortgages and consumer credit, new business; for asset management, OICR funds; for bancassurance, life new premiums; for private banking, total assets' clients; for factoring, cumulated turnover; for foreign trade settlements, total value of payments (goods)

(1) Including Agos

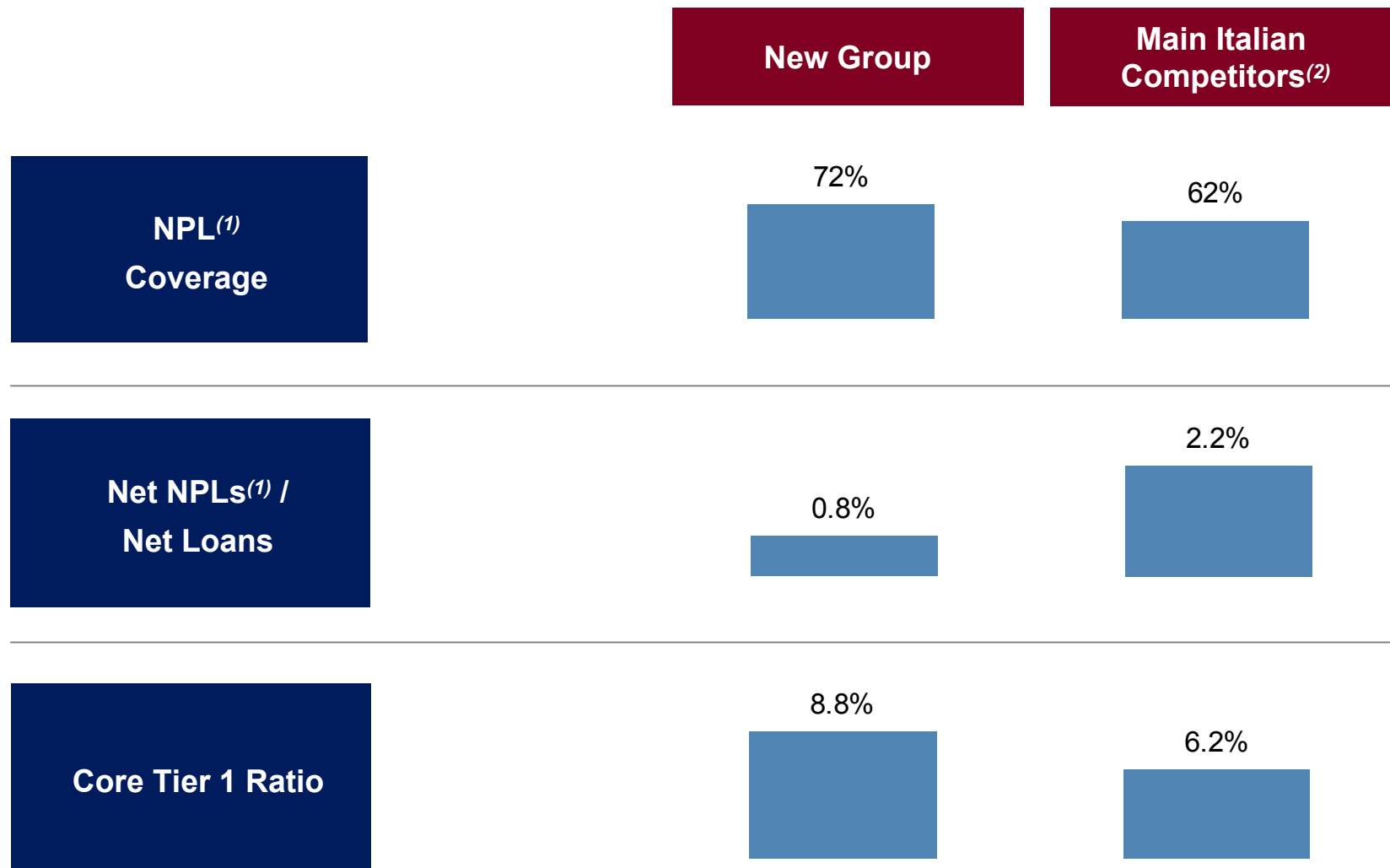
# The Italian Market Has High Growth Potential

Products	Indicators	Italy	Europe <sup>(1)</sup>	Δ
Current accounts	Current accounts/ inhabitant	0.8	1.0	-20%
Credit cards	Cards/inhabitant	0.5	0.8	-38%
Life insurance	Reserves/GDP (%)	26.1	49.7	-23.6p.p.
Mortgages	Stock/GDP (%)	19.2	52.7	-33.5p.p.
Consumer finance	Stock/GDP (%)	5.5	8.9	-3.4p.p.

Source: Central Banks, RBR Payment Cards in Europe, local category associations, McKinsey analysis

(1) Includes: France, Germany, UK, Spain, Portugal, Belgium, Sweden, the Netherlands, Switzerland

# Financial Strength Built on Best in Class Asset Quality and Sound Capital Base

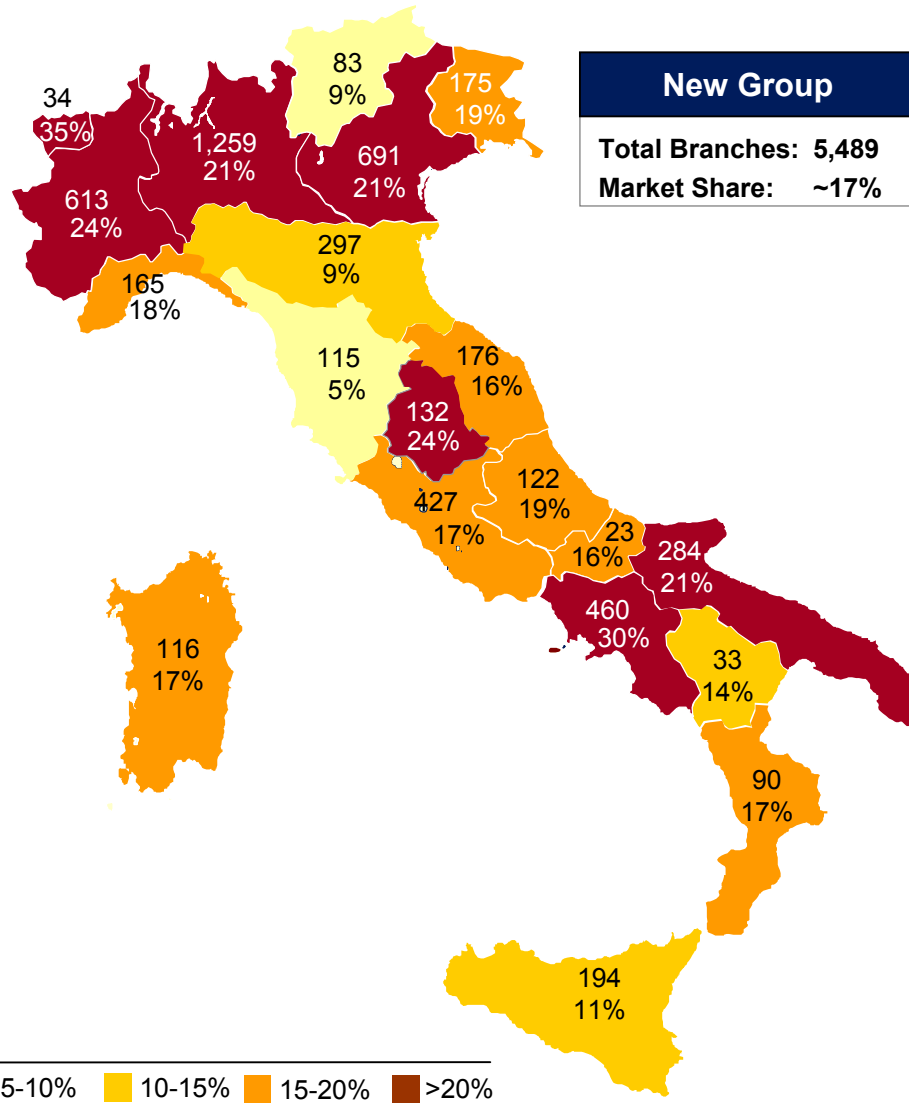


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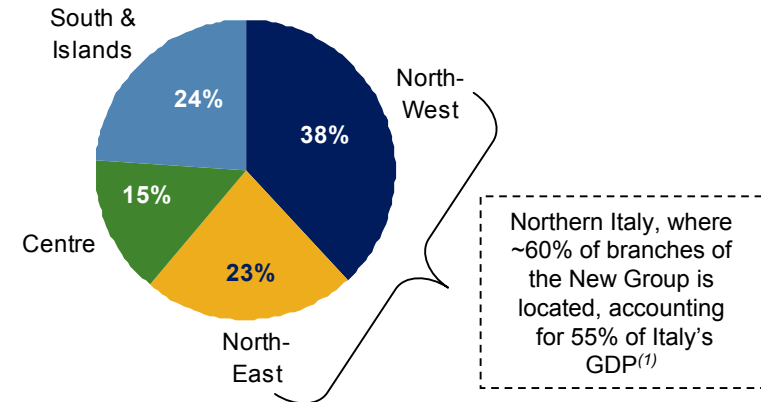
(1) Sofferenze

(2) UniCredit, Capitalia, MPS, BNL

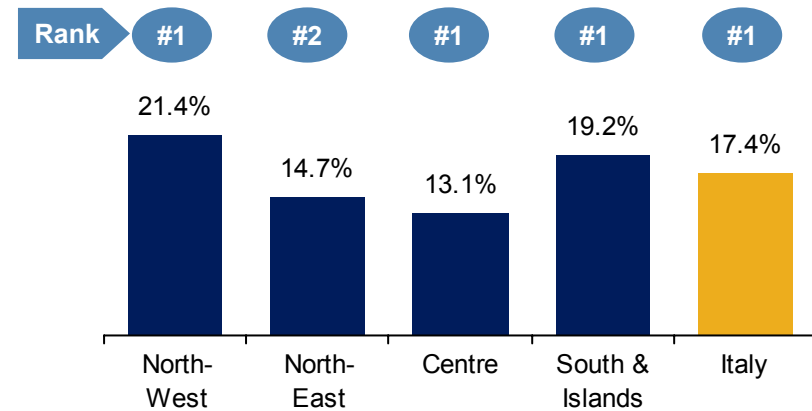
# Unique Customer Reach



## Branch Distribution by Geography



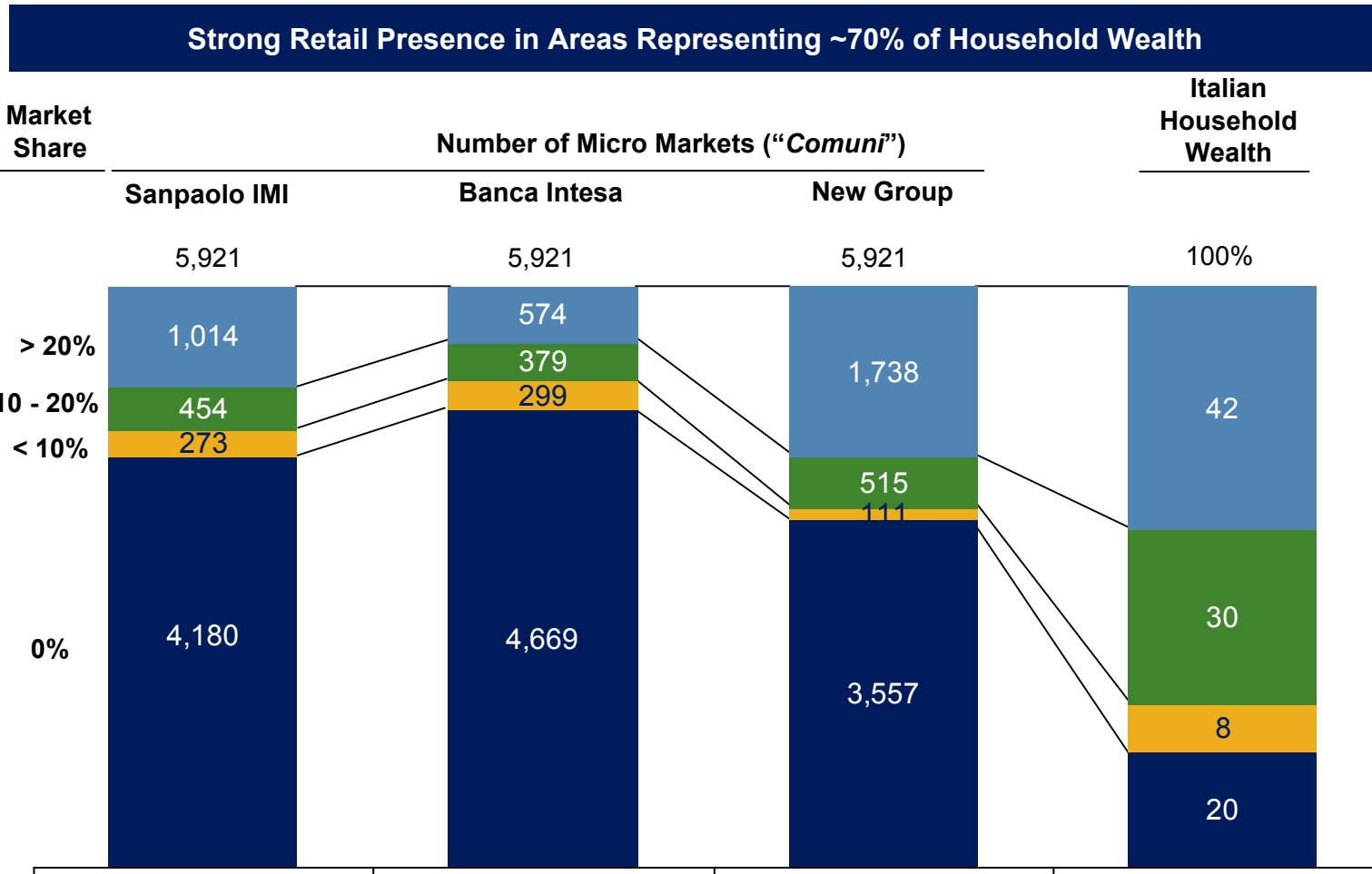
## Market Share and Positioning of the New Group



Source: Bank of Italy. Data as of 2005 year end pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole

(1) Source: Bank of Italy regional accounting reports as of May 2006 based on 2005 data

# High Penetration of Local Markets, Particularly Strong in the Wealthiest Areas



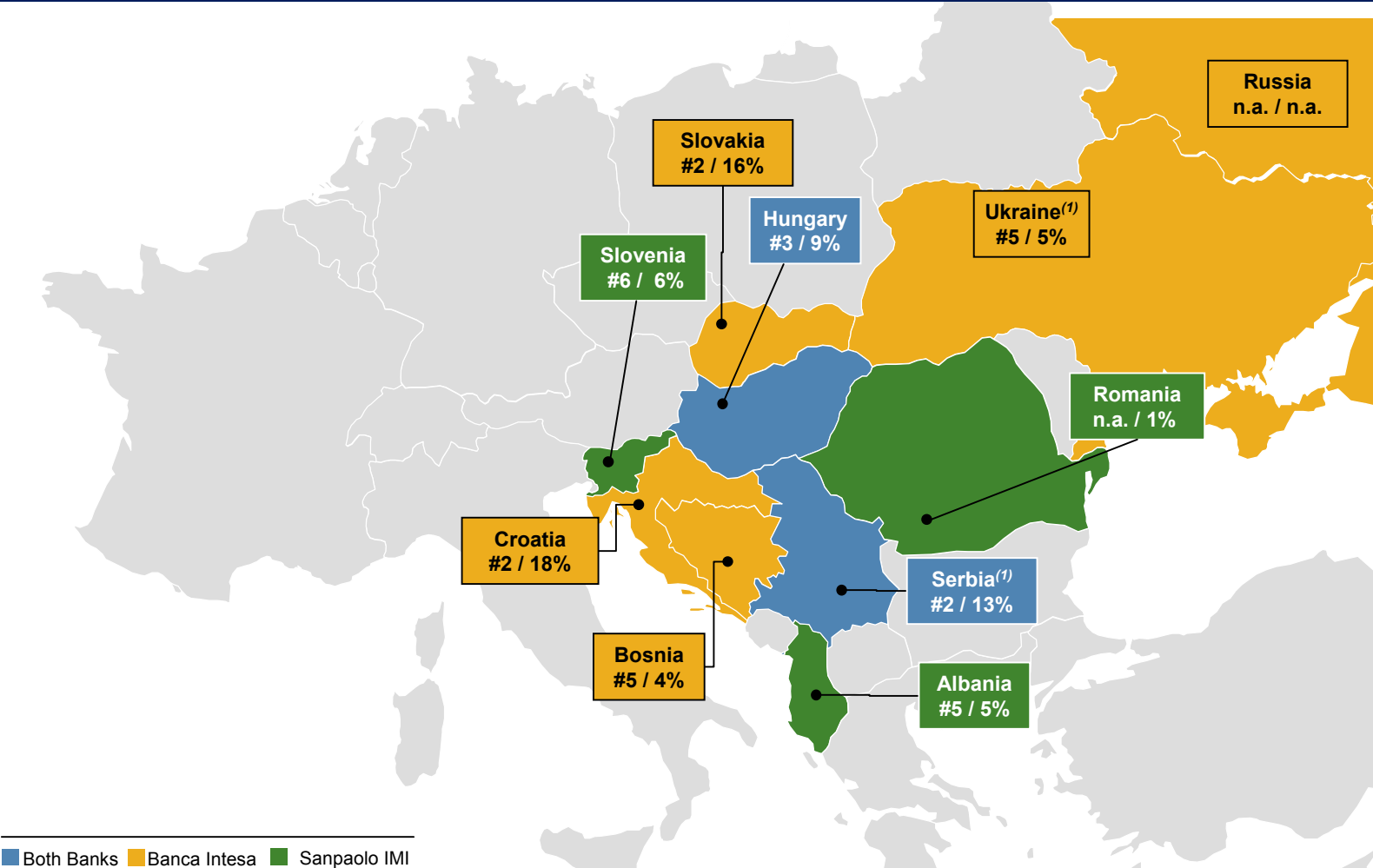
***"Banca dei Territori" organisational model with strong local brands will help to maximise local reach***

Source: Istat, Bank of Italy  
 Note: Data as of 2005 year end pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole



# Strong and Complementary Strategic Presence in Fast Growing Central and Eastern European Markets

## Combined Presence in CEE



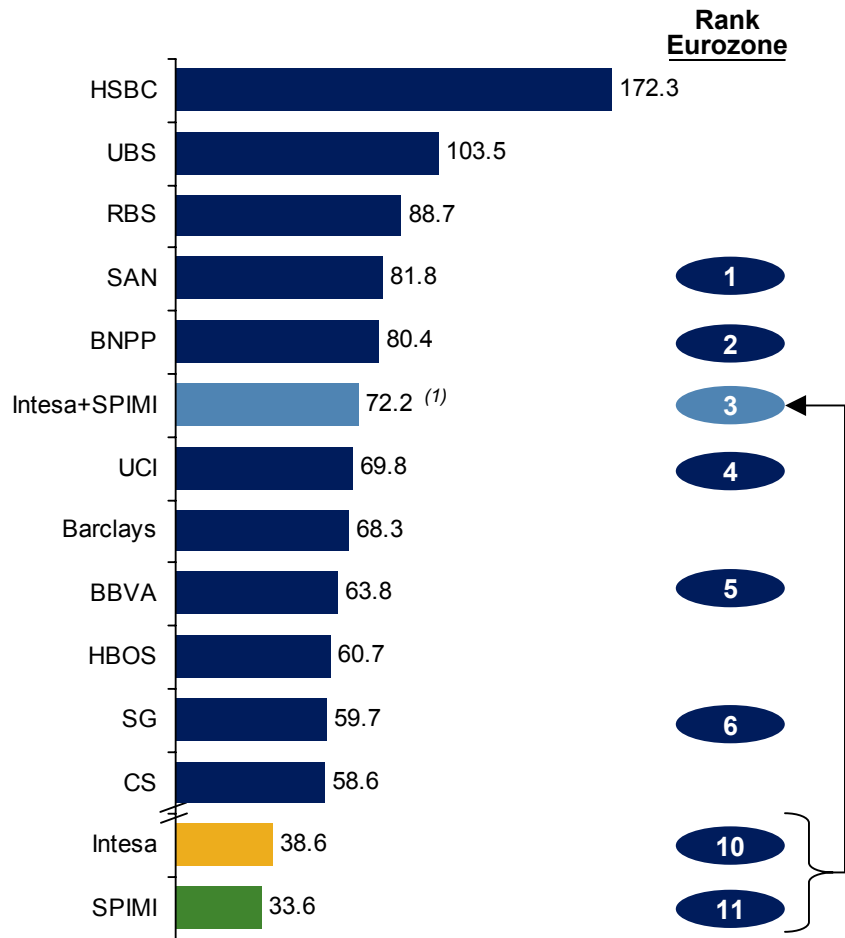
**Presence in 10 countries, total assets of over €25bn and ~1,400 branches<sup>(1)</sup>**

Source: Annual reports, public information. Market shares and rankings calculated on total assets

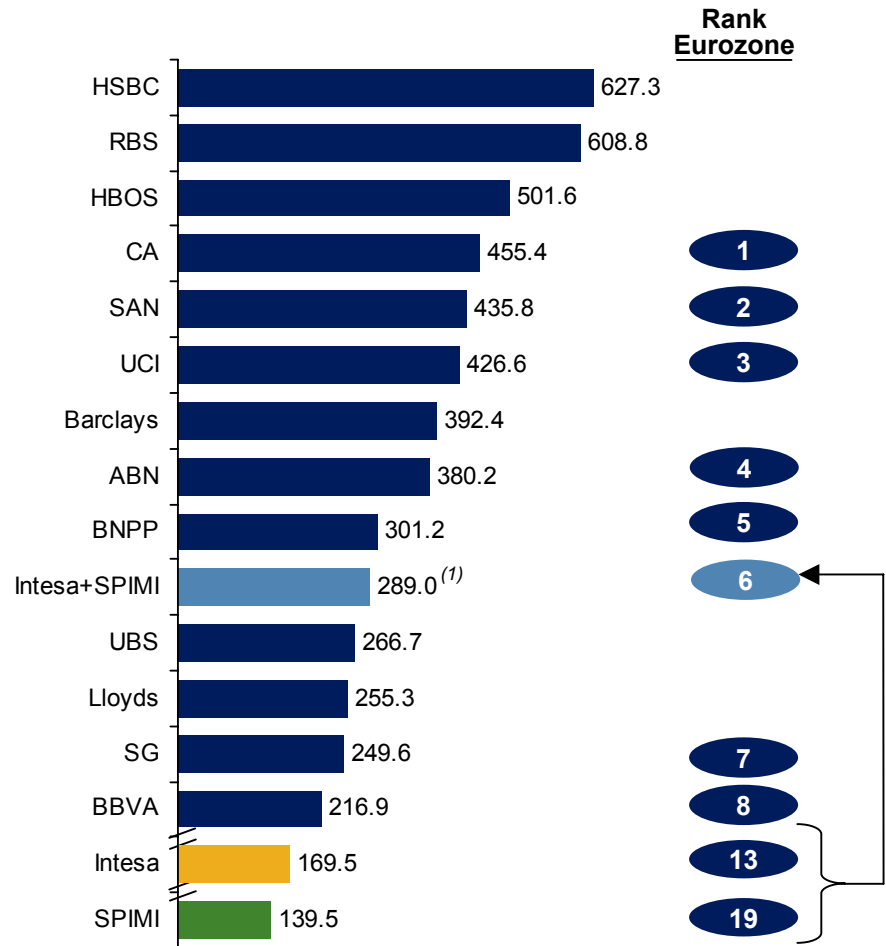
(1) Including Ukrspbank in Ukraine and Panonska in Serbia (acquisitions underway)

# Leading European Player

## Market Capitalisation (€bn)



## Customer Loans (€bn)



**The New Group will be one of the top Eurozone banks**

Source: FactSet. 2005 Annual Reports. Sample including only publicly traded European banks, except ING and Fortis (due to the high weight of the insurance business)  
Prices as of 11 October 2006

(1) Data as of 2005 year end pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole

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# The Agreement at a Glance: Summary and Strategic Rationale

## Strategic Rationale

- Pre-emptively addressing antitrust issue
- Address branch overlap
- Maximise value from disposals
- Restore all options to develop New Group asset management business

## Banking Network

- Disposal to Crédit Agricole ("CA") of
  - 100% of CR Parma e Piacenza (310 branches as of 30 June 2006)
  - 76% of FriulAdria (149 branches as of 30 June 2006)
  - Additional 193 retail branches, again to pre-empt antitrust issues
- Aggregate cash purchase price of ~€6bn
- Pre-tax capital gain of ~€4bn

## Asset Management

- Assess the possibility of a pan-European joint-venture in asset management
- Put / Call agreements up to October 2007 with CA on the activities attributable to the 65% of Nextra sold in 2005 by Banca Intesa to CA at a price in line with the price of the original sale

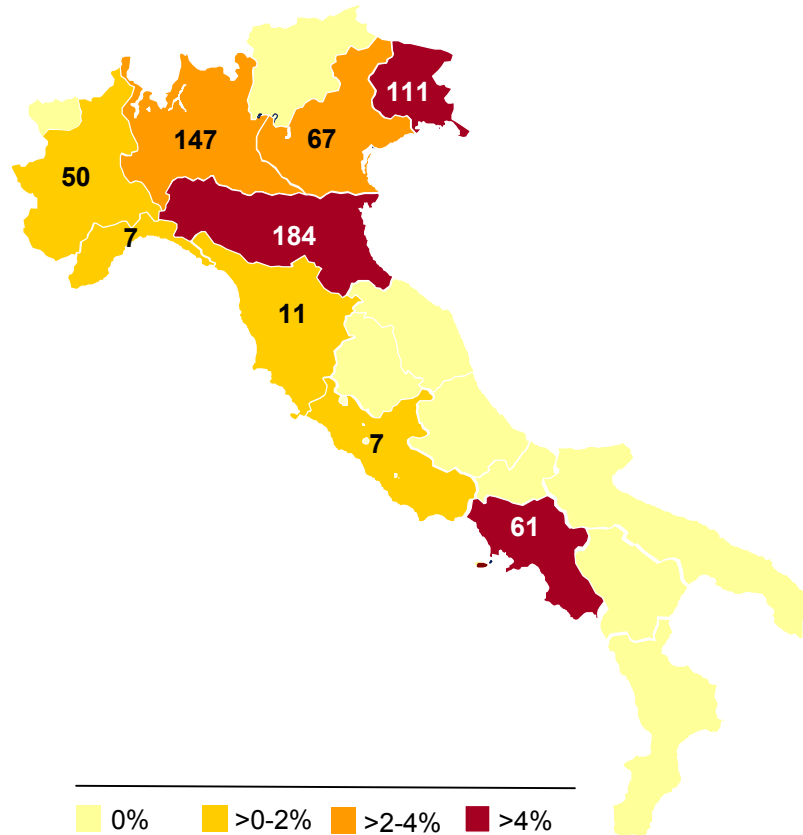
## Other

- Consumer credit joint venture - related to Banca Intesa network - to remain in force for 3 year period, at the end of which a call / put option is exercisable for the sale to CA of Banca Intesa's 49% interest in Agos
- Transaction closing conditional on the merger

*Sizeable pre-tax capital gain of ~€4bn and complete freedom in developing the New Group's asset management business*

# Banking Network: Disposal of 652 Branches to Crédit Agricole

## Agreed Banking Perimeter <sup>(1)</sup>



## Key Financials

	Data (1H06)	Implied Multiple
Net Equity	€2bn	3.2x
Direct Customer Deposits	€24bn	0.26x
Indirect Customer Deposits	€44bn	0.14x
Net Income	€201m	16.6x <sup>(2)</sup>
Branches	652	€9.6m per branch

*Cash consideration of ~€6bn, with a pre-tax capital gain of ~€4bn, fully recognises value of sold assets*

(1) Bank of Italy. Data as of December 2005

(2) Based on FY06 expected Net Income

# Asset Management: Re-Acquiring Full Flexibility

## Current Structure



## Key Terms of the Agreement

- Feasibility study to assess the possibility of a pan-European joint-venture in asset management
- If joint-venture project not feasible
  - Put / call agreement on the activities attributable to the 65% of Nextra sold in 2005 at a price in line with the price of the original sale (€816m)
  - Exercise period: from the date of the branches' sale (Jan-Mar 2007) up to October 2007
- Existing agreements to remain in force with respect to the exclusive distribution until exercise of the call/put options, with the exception of the following
  - Crédit Agricole shall waive the right to purchase, following the merger, Sanpaolo IMI AM companies
  - Crédit Agricole acknowledges that Sanpaolo IMI branch network does not fall within the scope of the distribution agreement

*The New Group will have complete freedom in developing the significant potential of the asset management business*

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# Effective Corporate Governance through Dual Model and One Empowered CEO

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## Supervisory Board



- Members elected by the General Shareholders' Meeting
  - Supervising the activities of the Management Board
  - Specifically responsible for the approval of main strategic initiatives proposed by the Management Board
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## Management Board



- Members elected by Supervisory Board
  - Responsible for the group management in accordance with the general strategic guidelines defined by the Supervisory Board
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## CEO

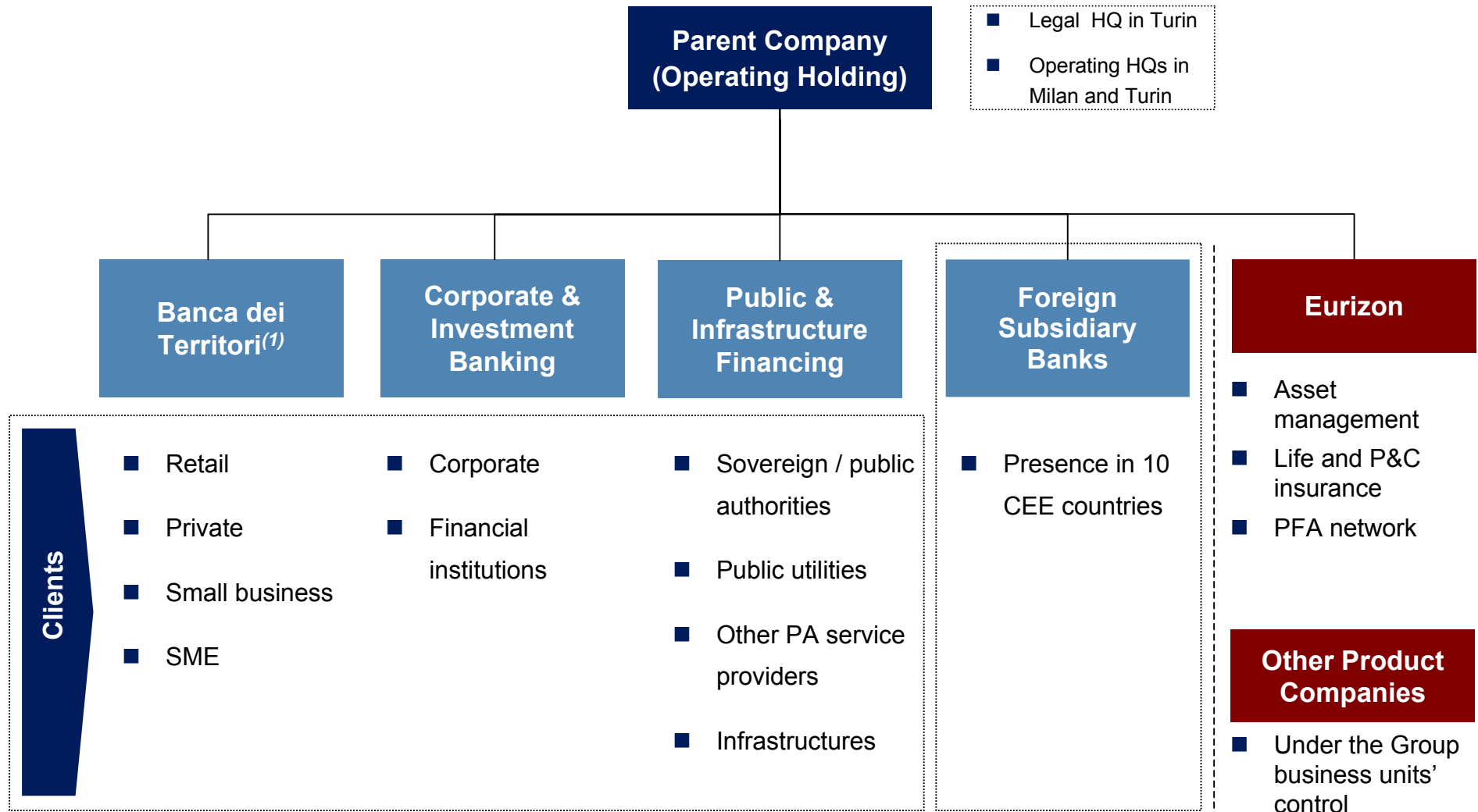


- One empowered CEO, member of the Management Board

*Modern governance rules ensuring fair representation of all shareholders and effective management*



# Divisional Model with Clearly Identified Business Units (1/2)



(1) Domestic commercial banking

# Divisional Model with Clearly Identified Business Units (2/2)

Key Characteristics	Banca dei Territori <sup>(1)</sup>	Corporate & Investment Banking	Public & Infrastructure Financing	Foreign Subsidiary Banks
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The leading banking distribution network in Italy                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ~5,500 domestic branches with ~12m retail clients</li> <li>- creation of a specialised “Private Bank” with 190 dedicated service centres</li> <li>- ~300 specialised SME centres</li> <li>- ~4,000 investment advisors in the branch network</li> <li>- unique platform for direct channels</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Co-ordination of an integrated product companies platform, incl.:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Credit cards</li> <li>- Leasing</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Largest corporate player in Italy</li> <li>■ Group provider for corporate and investment banking services, working closely with other business units to leverage strong customer base</li> <li>■ Leading Italian debt equity capital markets platform, with critical mass in several plain vanilla and structured products</li> <li>■ Undisputed leadership in factoring</li> <li>■ Leveraging strong competencies and brands</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Creation of a leading Italian player through the merger of Banca OPI / BIIS                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ~€23bn lending to PA customers</li> <li>- 22% market share in Italy</li> </ul> </li> <li>■ Dedicated product offer, incl.:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lending</li> <li>- Municipal bonds</li> <li>- Project financing</li> <li>- Equity investments</li> <li>- Advisory</li> <li>- Securitisations</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Strong CEE positioning with enhanced growth potential<sup>(2)</sup>:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- presence in 10 countries</li> <li>- ~1,400 branches</li> <li>- €25bn total assets</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

(1) Domestic commercial banking

(2) Including Ukrsofsbank in Ukraine and Panonska in Serbia (acquisitions underway)

# Enhancing Territorial Strength through the “Banca dei Territori” Model

## Main Features

- Clear flat and effective management structure with key role of area managers
- Local character maintained through valuable brands and separate legal entities
- Specialisation through dedicated branches and customer service models
- Full use of multi-channel delivery of banking services
- Single operating and back office platform

## Benefits for the New Group

- Clear management ownership and accountability
- Build on the strong local ties of the Group’s regional brands
- Enable effective management of local diversity and meet customer needs
- Reduce cost to serve customer and improve convenience
- Ensure scale efficiencies and effective business process management

## The New Group Network Model

- Enhanced territorial strength through regional banks concentrated in their traditional geographical areas
- A network of the merged Banca Intesa S.p.A. / Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. branches under a common umbrella brand complemented by regional banks with strong local brands
- Elimination of commercial overlap through branch transfers facilitating customer reach

*The most appropriate way for managing different regional realities*

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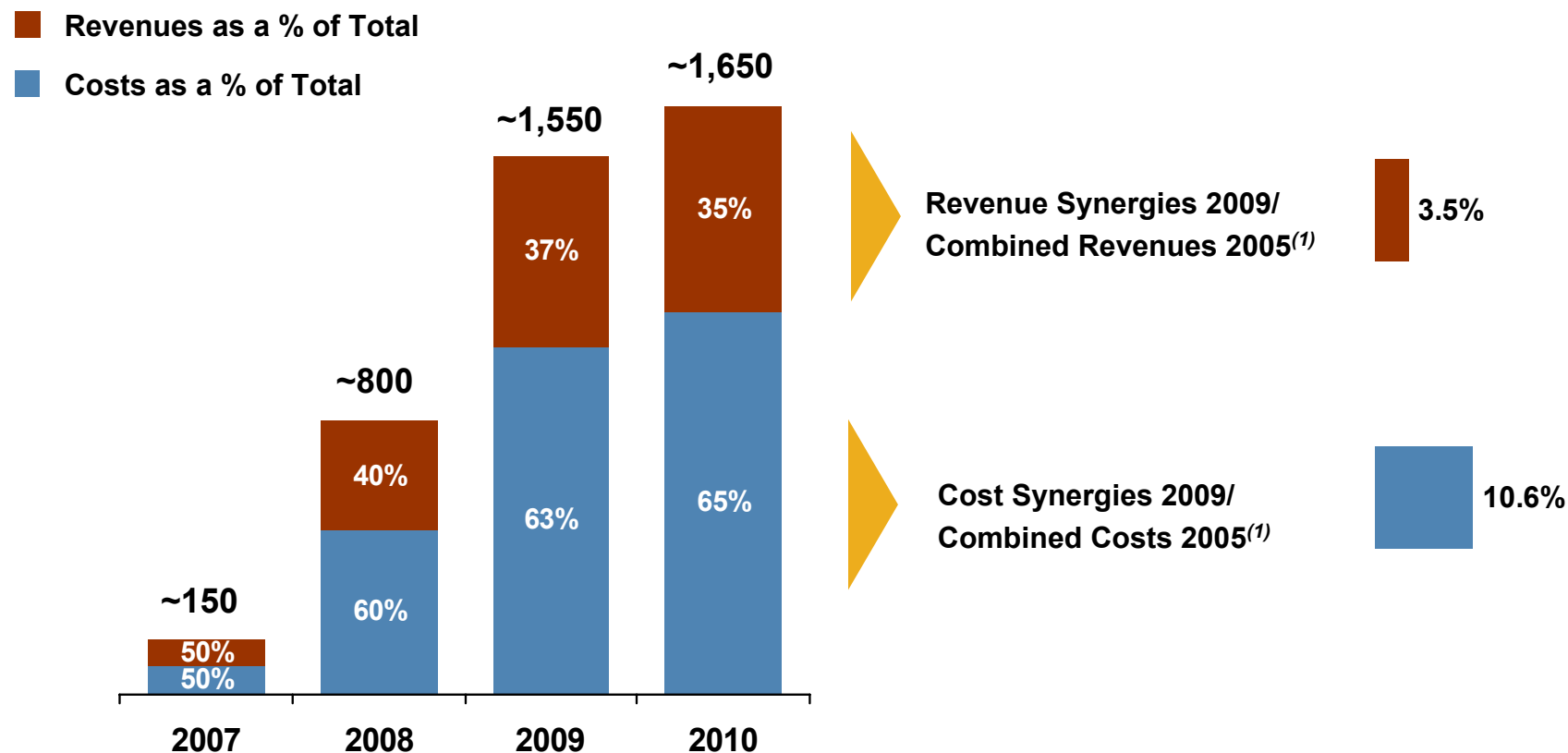
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# €1.6bn Synergies by 2009, with Further ~€100m in 2010

## Pre-Tax Synergies (€m)

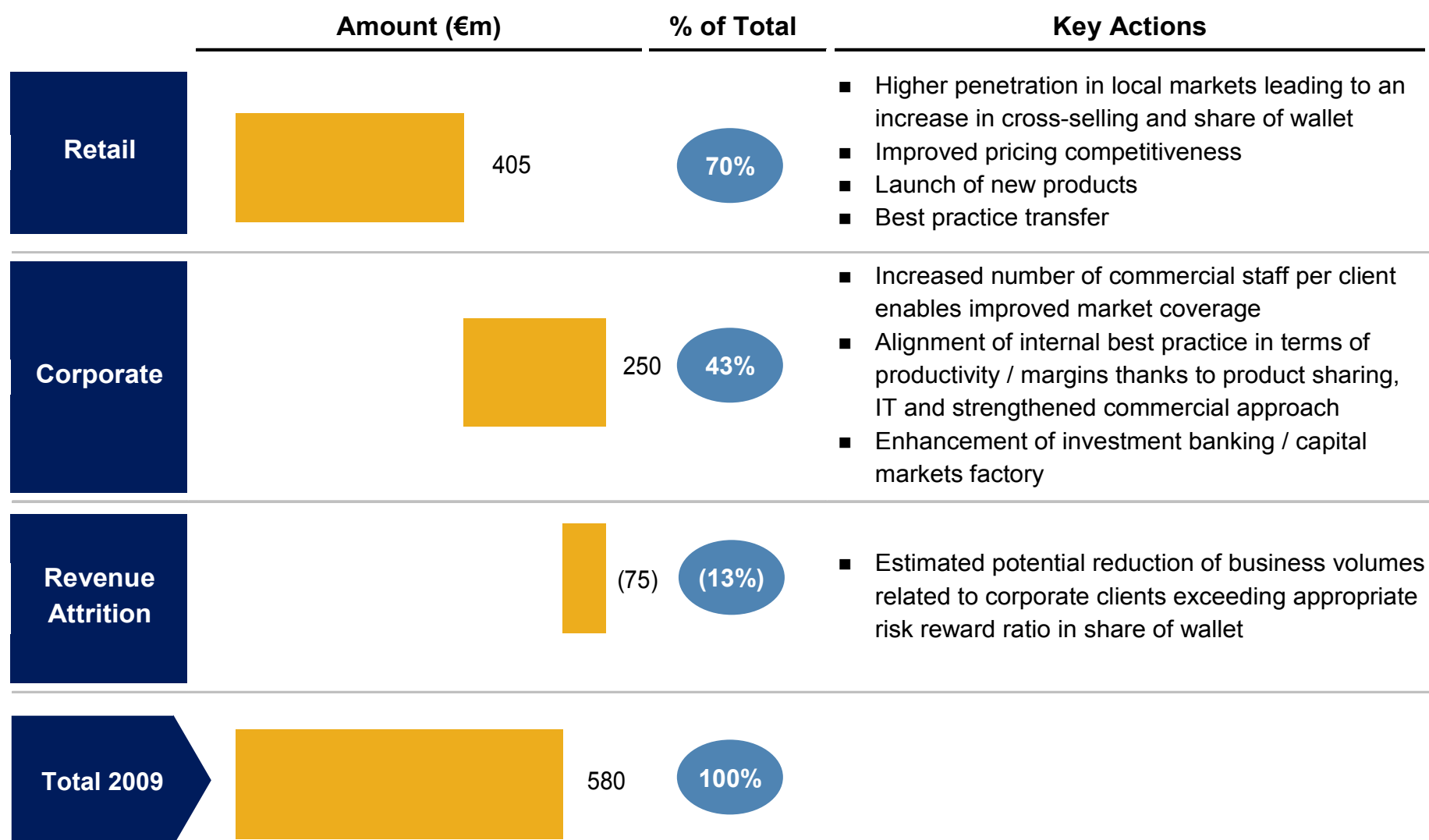


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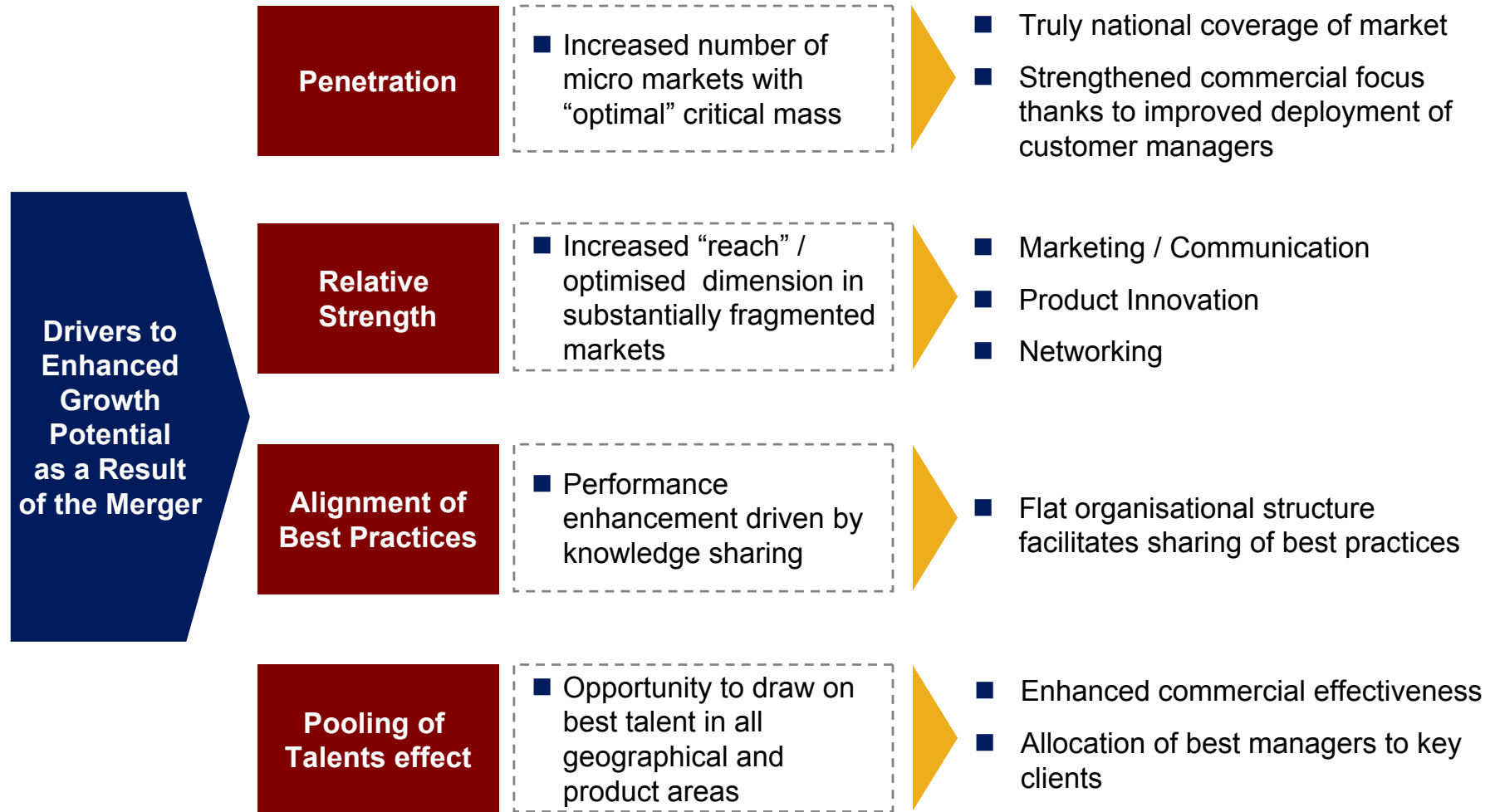
# Cost Synergies Breakdown and Key Actions

	Amount (€m)	% of Total	Key Actions
<b>IT</b>	270	28%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Unification of IT architecture</li> <li>■ Rationalisation of software / hardware management and info providers</li> </ul>
<b>Central Functions</b>	140	14%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Integration and rationalisation of new combined structure</li> </ul>
<b>Administrative Expenses</b>	310	32%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Economies of scale</li> <li>■ Unification of procurement functions</li> <li>■ Renegotiation of purchasing agreements</li> </ul>
<b>Back Office/ Support Structures Banking Network</b>	160	16%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Integration of back office at both central and local level</li> <li>■ Alignment to best practice</li> </ul>
<b>Product Companies</b>	90	9%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Integration of product companies (e.g. Leasint / Intesa Leasing)</li> </ul>
<b>International Network</b>	10	1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Economies of scale in overlapping CEE banking subsidiaries</li> <li>■ Integration of international offices</li> </ul>
<b>Total 2009</b>	980	100%	<p>Personnel cost savings 07-09 equal to €360m, representing ~7% of combined personnel costs in 2005, mainly from central functions and back office rationalisation</p>

# Revenue Synergies Breakdown and Key Actions



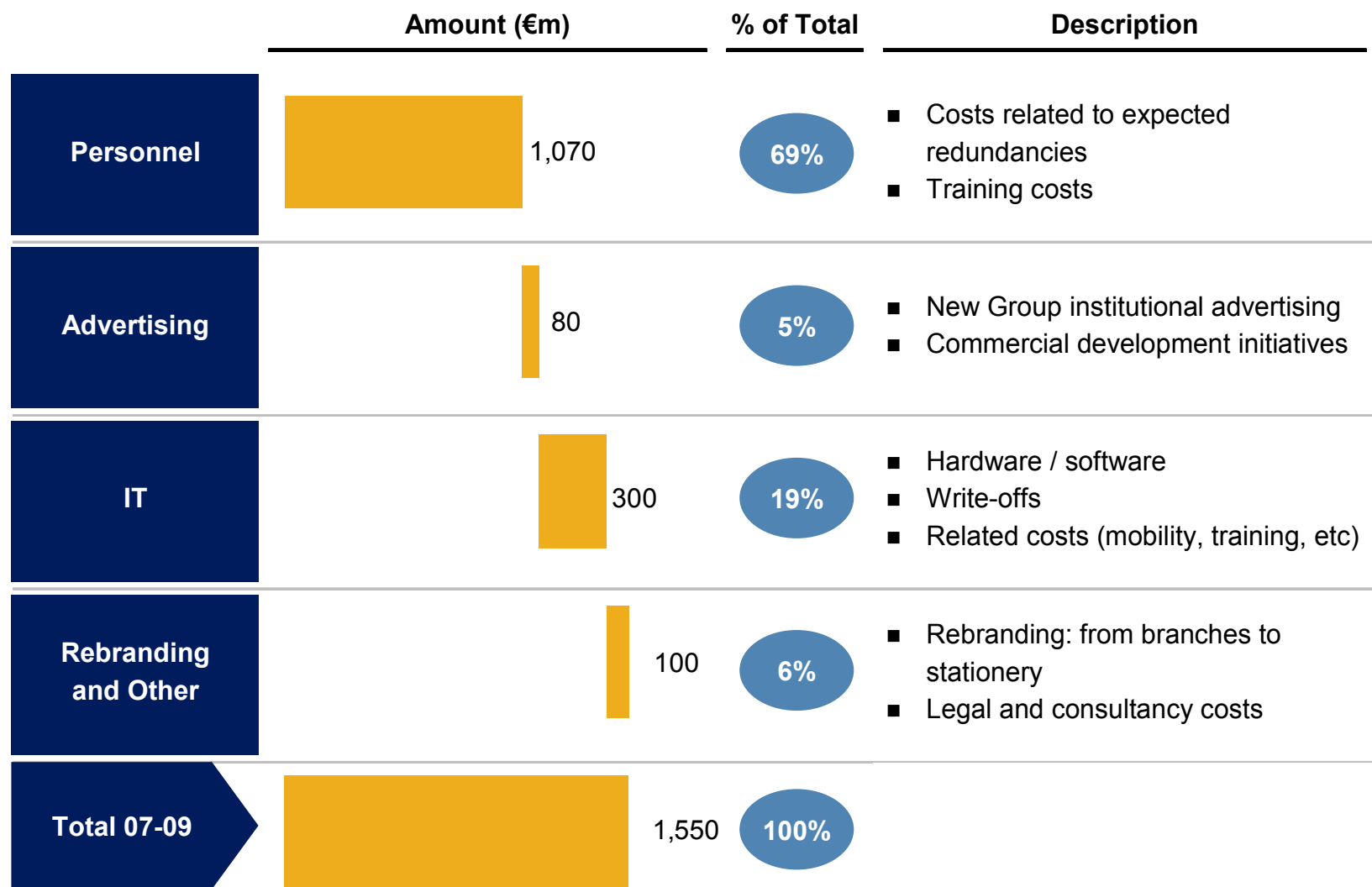
# Key Factors Empowering the Growth Potential of the Group



*Greater growth potential for New Group in highly fragmented local Italian banking markets*



# Integration Costs Estimated at €1.6bn



# Main Combined Financial Targets

	Combined 2005 Adjusted <sup>(1)</sup>	Excluding Restructuring Costs	
		2009	CAGR 05-09
Operating Margin (€bn)	7.2	13.4	16.9%
Net Income (€bn)	3.9	7.0	14.9%
EPS (€)	0.31	0.54	14.9%

*Strong value creation with further upside potential returns from excess capital*



(1) Data pro-forma for the announced disposal of branches / subsidiaries to Crédit Agricole (not including the capital gain) and adjusted excluding main non-recurring items

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# Integration Process Timeline

	Description	Expected Timeline
 <p><b>Phase 1: Merger Agreement</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Creation of one integration unit reporting directly to the CEO</li> <li>■ Definition of procedures for co-ordination of former Sanpaolo IMI and Banca Intesa networks</li> <li>■ Definition of new divisional business model</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Now – Year End</li> </ul>
 <p><b>Phase 2: Merger Process</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Appointment of the management team</li> <li>■ IT diagnostic, choice of target IT system and software development</li> <li>■ Integration of central functions</li> <li>■ Organisation and IT migration</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 18-24 months after merger</li> </ul>

*Merger completion, with full roll-out of Banca dei Territori, by 2008*

# Low Execution Risk

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## Integration Process with a Low Execution Risk thanks to:

- Friendly nature of the transaction
- Proven track-record in managing integrations
- Empowered Chief Executive Officer
- Dedicated integration unit directly reporting to the Chief Executive Officer
- Compatible organisational models

# Agenda

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1. Transaction Summary
2. Industrial Rationale
3. The Agreement with Crédit Agricole
4. Corporate Governance and Organisational Model
5. Value Creation
6. Integration Process

## 7. Closing Remarks

## Closing Remarks

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**Italian leader with European scale**

**Unique customer reach, with high penetration of local markets, creates one of the best domestic competitive positions in European banking**

**Significant synergy generation due to the domestic nature of the deal**

**Low execution risk due to friendly nature of the deal, proven track record in managing integrations and compatible organisational models**

*Full commitment to value creation for all stakeholders*