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NEWS RELEASE

Verona, 30 December 2016

Results of the pre-emptive offer of the Banco Popolare shares subject to withdrawal

We would like to announce that 27 December 2016 marked the end of the period of the pre-emptive offer under option of Banco Popolare shares for which the right of withdrawal was exercised following the approval of the decision to merge Banco Popolare - Società Cooperativa (the "Company") and Banca Popolare di Milano s.c. a. r.l. (the "Merger"), to be implemented through the formation of a new joint stock company called Banco BPM Società per Azioni ("Banco BPM"). At the end of the pre-emption period, the Company has received expressions of interest to purchase a total of 178,859 shares (at a unit price of Euro 3.156).

We would also like to take this opportunity to inform you that following the deadline set for exercising the right of withdrawal (9 November 2016) and the date on which the number of shares involved in the preemptive offer was announced pursuant to art. 2437 *quater* of the Italian Civil Code (24 November 2016), additional notices of withdrawal for 22,091 shares of the Company have been received, which were sent by the deadline on 9 November 2016 mentioned above; the total number of shares of the Company for which the right of withdrawal has been exercised therefore comes to 37,758,265.

You are reminded that payment of the shares purchased after exercising the option and pre-emption rights and the crediting of the shares purchased will only be carried out after the effective date of the Merger, namely 1 January 2017 (with settlement through Monte Titoli S.p.A. and the respective intermediaries). After the merger, those entitled to the allocation of shares will receive the newly issued ordinary shares of Banco BPM, the company resulting from the Merger, on the basis of an exchange ratio of 1 ordinary Banco BPM share for every 1 share of the Company. Similarly, the shares for which the option and pre-emption rights were not exercised will be exchanged for Banco BPM shares, based on the same exchange ratio mentioned above (with these shares being permanently subject to the lock-up restriction as per art. 2437-bis, paragraph 2, of the Italian Civil Code).

The terms and conditions governing the settlement of the shares acquired on the exercise of the option and pre-emption right will be communicated, after the Merger has become effective, by Banco BPM in the manner foreseen by law and, in any case, with a notice that will be published in at least one national daily newspaper and on the website of Banco BPM (www.bancobpmspa.it).

Any offer on the stock exchange of the shares subject to withdrawal not purchased under the pre-emptive offer (in accordance with art. 2437 *quater*, paragraph 4, of the Italian Civil Code) will be decided and communicated by Banco BPM according to the law after the Merger has become effective.

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