

# Voluntary Public Exchange Offer on all Banca Popolare di Sondrio shares

Strengthening BPER growth while creating value for all stakeholders

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Combined pro-forma key financials	
~€380bn	TFA (rank #3 with ~7% market share)
~#6m	Total clients in Italy
~10%	% of Italian GDP
~#2k	# of banking branches
~€125bn	Net loans to customers
~€155bn	Direct funding <sup>2</sup>
~15.3%	CET1 ratio 24E pro-forma <sup>3</sup> (%)
>€7bn	Total revenues 2027E
>€2bn	Net income 2027E
~15%	RoTE <sup>4</sup> 2027E



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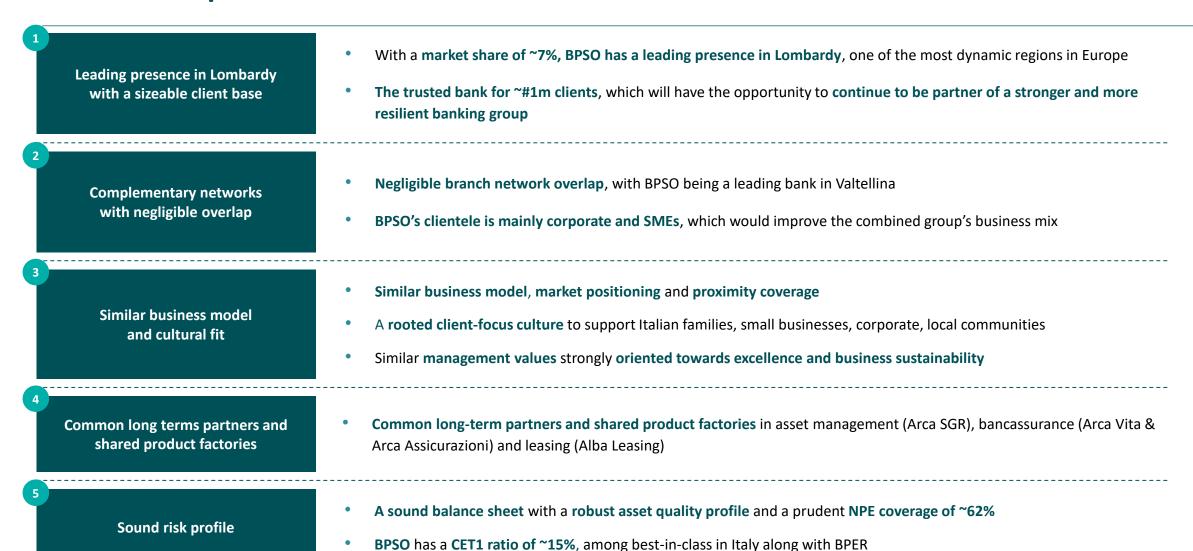
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#### BPSO is the partner with the best industrial fit for BPER



BPER:



## Combining two similar banks to build a stronger, leading Italian banking group

- Enhanced competitive positioning
- BPER to reinforce its leading position in the Italian banking landscape, while preserving and further building upon BPSO legacy and brand
  - Consolidate BPER competitive positioning as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Italian bank by TFA, deposits and loans in Italy, with a pro-forma market share of ~7%
  - Strengthen the footprint in Northern Italy by integrating two high quality and complementary franchises
  - BPSO historical brand will be preserved in all historical areas
- Strong strategic fit and improved operational productivity
- Strong business model fit able to combine the benefits of a national group with those of the proximity model bank
  - Enhance top-line growth by expanding fee-income-generating businesses through an improved range of products and services across all client segments, while also leveraging the excellence of shared product factories
- Ample scope to capitalize on economies of scale and strengthened investment capabilities (i.e. technology, digital banking, security, etc.)

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Significant value creation with low execution risk

- ~€290m expected synergies to be realised in full by 2027, with a smooth integration and limited social impacts
  - ~€100m estimated pre-tax revenues synergies from improved network productivity and cross-selling opportunities stemming from the integration and optimisation of value-added businesses (i.e. Private Banking / Wealth Management, Consumer Finance, Factoring and Payments)
  - ~€190m estimated pre-tax cost synergies, mainly from improved operational efficiency and sharing of investments in technology
- Low execution risk given BPER proven track-record to successfully integrate similar banks with limited business disruption and social impacts
  - One-off integration charges estimated at ~€400m pre-tax, 75% expensed in 2025 and the remaining in 2026
- A stronger Italian bank
- A solid and more resilient group to exploit future opportunities and withstand future challenges
  - The new group will be able to generate a large revenues base well above €7bn and deliver ~€4bn operating income¹ by 2027E
- A sound asset quality (net NPE ratio at 1.1%) and capital position among best in class (CET1 ratio of 15.3%<sup>2</sup>)
- Strengthening and accelerating

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- The combination with BPSO is fully coherent with B:Dynamyc | Full Value 2027 strategic objectives, strengthening and accelerating BPER path for high quality and sustainable growth
  - Combined net income 2027E above €2bn with a RoTE³ '27E of ~15%, leveraging on improved revenue dynamics, enhanced efficiency and sound risk profile



Notes: 1. Calculated as total revenues – operating costs (incl. D&A); 2. Combined entity's capital position as of 2024 YE pro-forma for 75% integration costs to be expensed in 2025; 3. Calculated as: combined net income 2027E / Tangible Book Value 2027E based on CET1 ratio target of 14.5%



#### Creating value for BPSO stakeholders through an excellence-driven project

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#### **Shareholders**

By adhering to the Voluntary Public Exchange Offer, BPSO shareholders will

- Benefit from BPER's superior stock liquidity compared to BPSO current level, with the combined entity offering even greater
  potential
- Hold a stock in a more solid and resilient group, with a more robust operating income<sup>1</sup> generation able to withstand potential future challenges
- Participate to the envisaged value creation of the combined entity generated through synergies
- Benefit from improved profitability and capital generation with a higher pay-out ratio, ultimately leading to a more attractive and sustainable shareholders' remuneration

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#### Clients

Families, SMEs, Communities, Territories

- Reinforcing and broadening the proximity coverage model thus becoming "GO-TO bank" for families, SMEs and corporate
- Strengthening (i) investment capacity in product & service innovation and digitalisation, and (ii) ability to scale-up investments in technology, i.e. acceleration to cloud application, cybersecurity, adoption of AI/GenAI
- Reinforcing ESG commitment with strong focus on green transition and inclusivity, ensuring sustainable progress for communities and local economies

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#### **Employees**

#### BPSO's workforce to be fully empowered in the new group

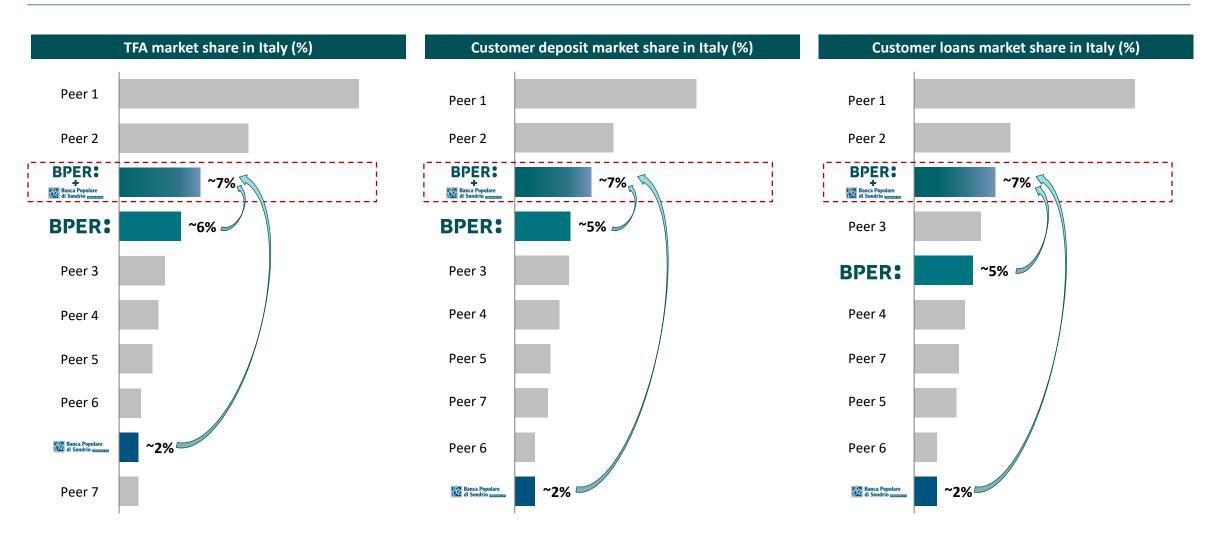
- Up-skilling programs to support development and career opportunities
- Initiatives to optimize people talent towards high added-value activities
- Possibility to extend BPER Academy project, launched in January 2025, to BPSO's employees to further support their professional development and strengthen skills in digitalization and technological development

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#### **Consolidating BPER role as a leading Italian bank**

The combination with BPSO will consolidate BPER leading position in the rapidly evolving Italian banking landscape

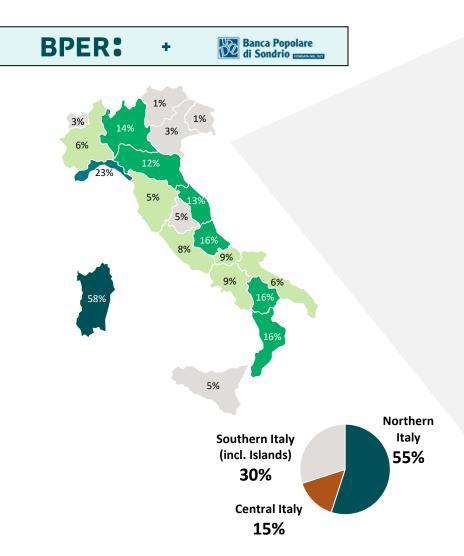


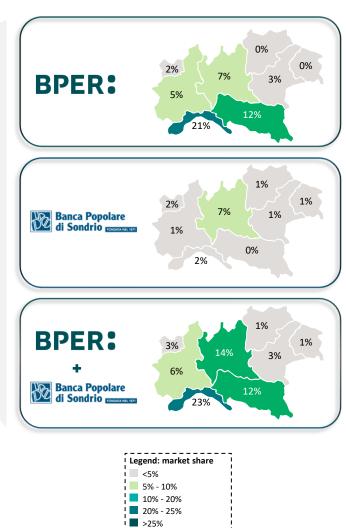
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## Improved coverage and competitive positioning in the Italian landscape

With a nationwide market share exceeding 10%, the new group will have a strengthened foothold in Northern Italy which generates ~70% of the country's exports

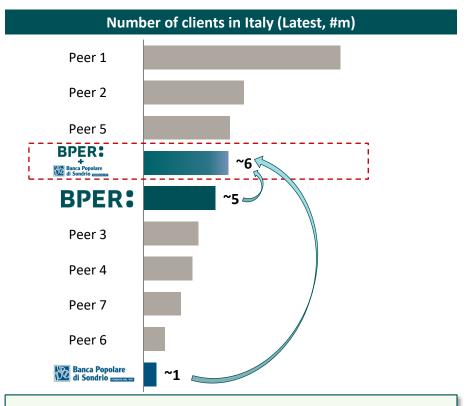






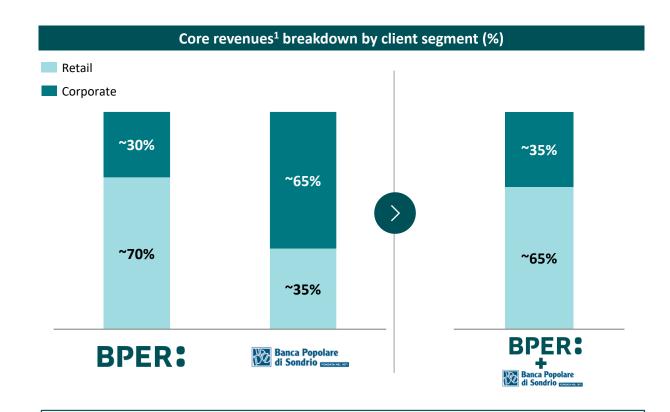
## Combining the benefits of a nation-wide group with those of a proximity model bark

A large franchise of ~6m clients with a more balanced mix among private, retail, SMEs and corporate



#### **Enlarging BPER client base ...**

• The GO-TO bank for a large client base of ~#6m Italian families and corporate clients, the third franchise in the Italian landscape



#### ... while improving client diversification

 A more balanced and diversified business mix thanks to BPSO strong focus towards corporate and SMEs, to capture high-quality fee income opportunities and increase share of wallet



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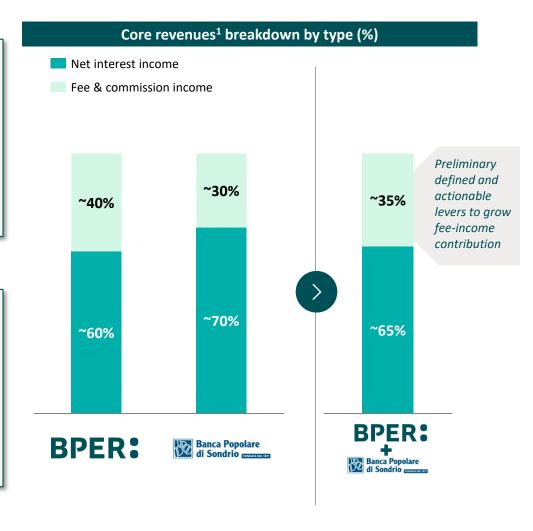
## Strong business fit allowing to enhance offer proposition and increase share of wall

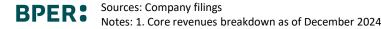
Capitalizing on the excellence of shared product factories, the new group will enhance product and service offering across all client segments, delivering high top-line growth mainly through fee-generating businesses



Boost fee-income generation from shared product factories in asset management, bancassurance and leasing

Optimisation in Private & Wealth
Management, Factoring, Consumer
Finance, Digital Banking and
Payments, by integrating the
excellence of BPER and BPSO in each
segment

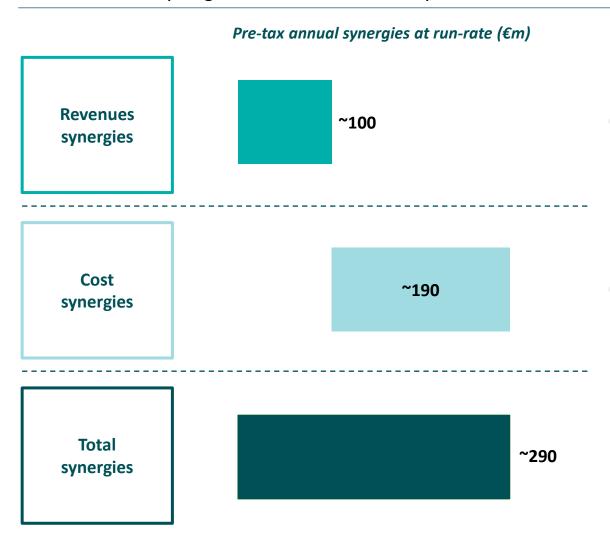






#### Significant value creation with low execution risk

~€290m annual synergies at run-rate, to be fully achieved in 2027



- Envisaged revenues synergies from (i) aligning BPSO's network productivity
  at BPER standards in Northern Italy, (ii) rolling out BPER commercial best
  practices to increase client share of wallet and (iii) cross-selling
  opportunities leveraging on shared product factories
- Cost synergies will be achieved through (i) streamlining central functions,
   (ii) enhancing operational efficiency, (iii) optimizing the branch network, and
   (iv) pooling investments in technology, innovation and digitalization
- Integration costs estimated at ~€400m (i.e. ~2x run-rate cost synergies), expensed for 75% in 2025 and the remaining in 2026

#### Strong track-record of flawless execution in integrating banks

As demonstrated in precedent transactions (i.e. Unipol Banca, Banco di Sardegna, UBI carve-out, Banca Carige), BPER has a proven track-record to:

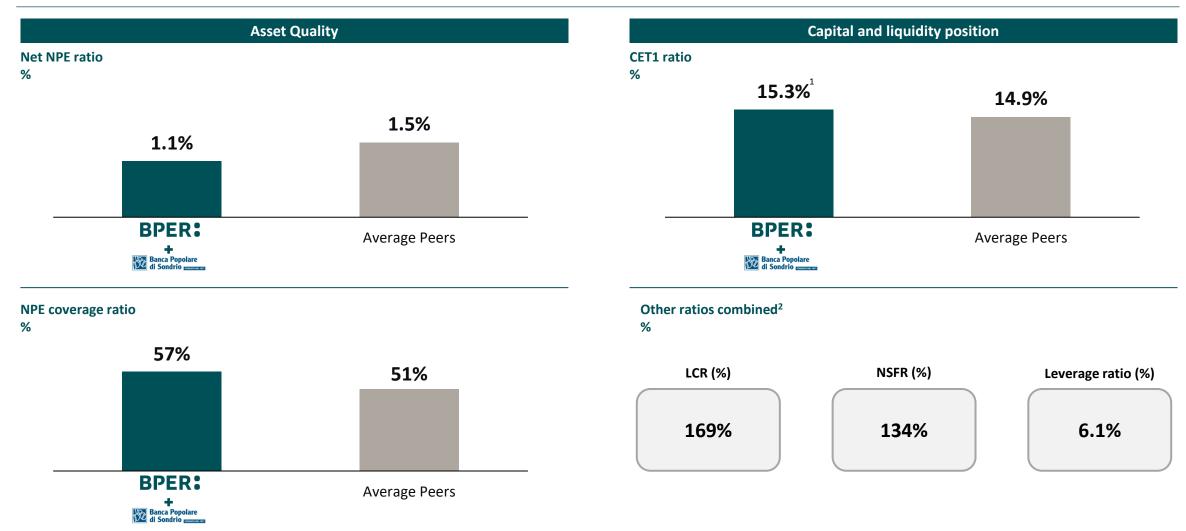
- Ensure efficient and well-structured integration of banks resembling BPSO characteristics
- Adopt a responsible and disciplined approach to minimize social impacts, leveraging the "VES" scheme and the natural workforce turnover





## Robust asset quality and sound capital position among best-in-class in Italy

Among the safest banks in Italy, with a top-tier risk profile across all key indicators



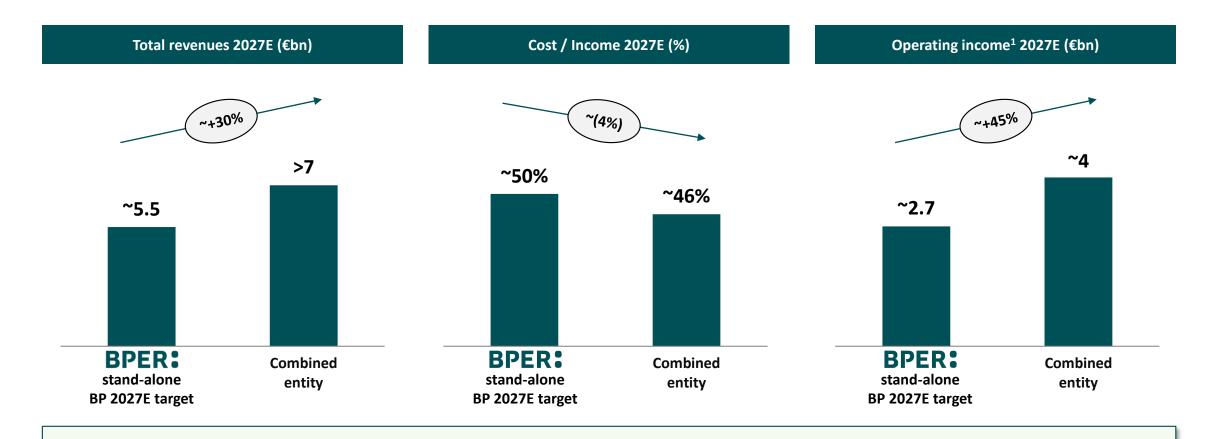


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## A stronger and resilient banking group able to face future challenges...

Above €7bn revenues allowing to fully unleash economies of scale and to generate a robust operating income of ~€4bn by 2027



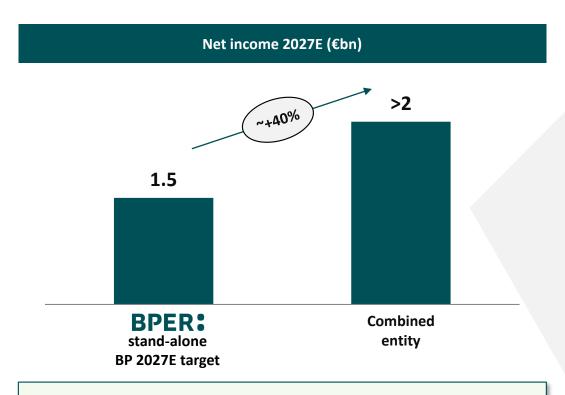
Strengthening and accelerating B:Dynamyc | Full Value 2027 high quality growth



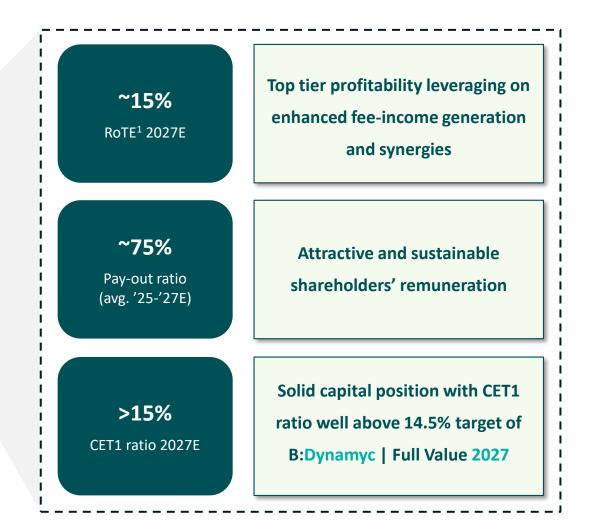
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## ... driving high-quality net income growth while maintaining strong profitability and organic capital generation

Exceeding €2bn net income by 2027, with sustainable and attractive shareholders' remuneration and solid capital position



The transaction would boost net income generation,
>€2bn in '27E including synergies, i.e. ~+40% vs BPER stand-alone
target of B:Dynamyc | Full Value 2027





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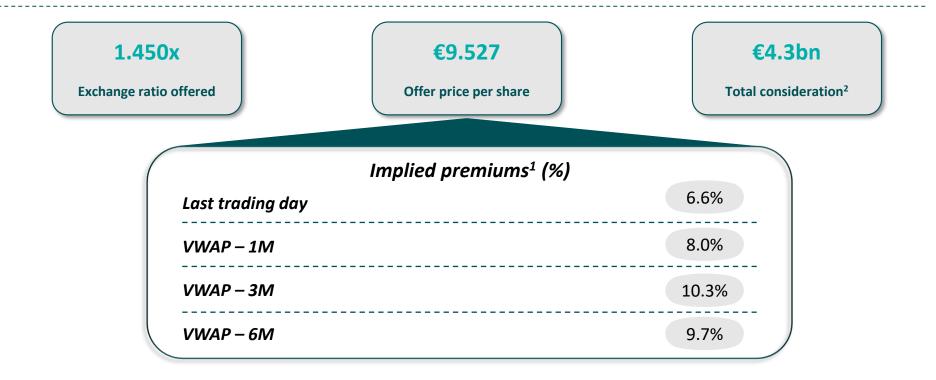


## Key elements of the proposed transaction structure (1/2)

Voluntary public exchange offer

- Voluntary public exchange offer by BPER on all of the ordinary shares of BPSO (the "Offer"):
  - BPER to offer 29 newly issued ordinary shares for every 20 shares tendered, equivalent to an exchange ratio of 1.450x

Consideration offered





## Key elements of the proposed transaction structure (2/2)

## BPER aims at the full integration of the two groups and create value for all stakeholders Condition of effectiveness of the Offer would include inter alia: Reaching a stake equal to at least 50%+1 share of BPSO's share capital ("Condition Threshold") **Main conditions** BPER reserves the right to waive such Condition Threshold should the acceptance rate be of at least 35%+1 of BPSO's share capital, of the offer resulting in a dominant influence BPSO not adopting any defensive measures (even if authorised at BPSO's shareholders' meeting) or measures inconsistent with the objectives of the Offer **Authorizations** The Offer will be subject, inter alia, to (i) supervisory authorities' unconditional authorisations and (ii) unconditional antitrust clearance 18 April 2025 – EGM to mandate the BoD to issue new ordinary shares to be exchanged in the context of the Offer **Key milestone** June - July 2025 - Offer period

By 2025 year-end – Closing and merger of BPSO into BPER





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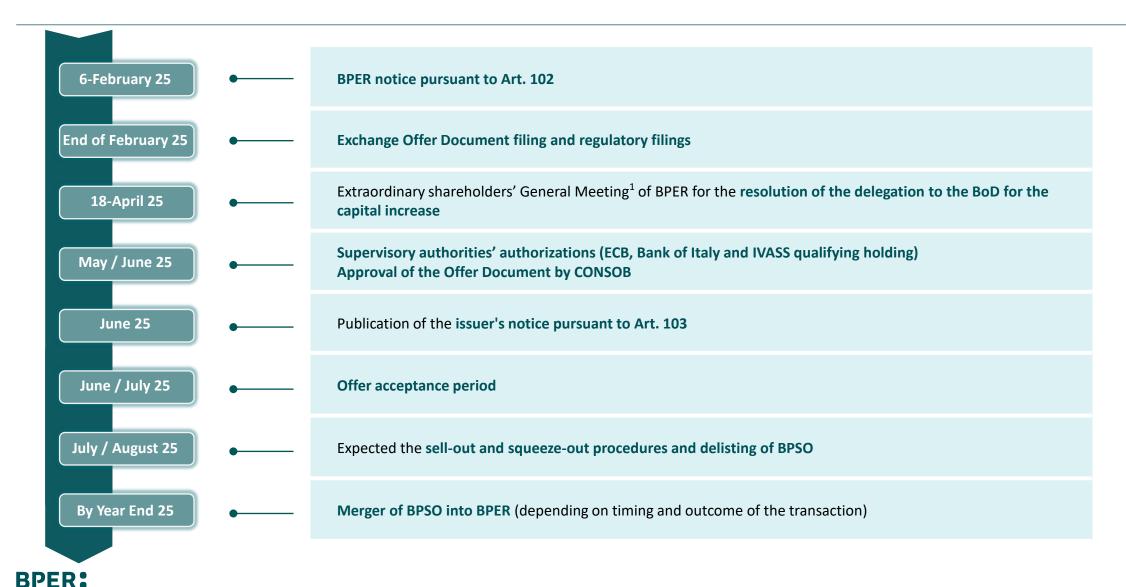


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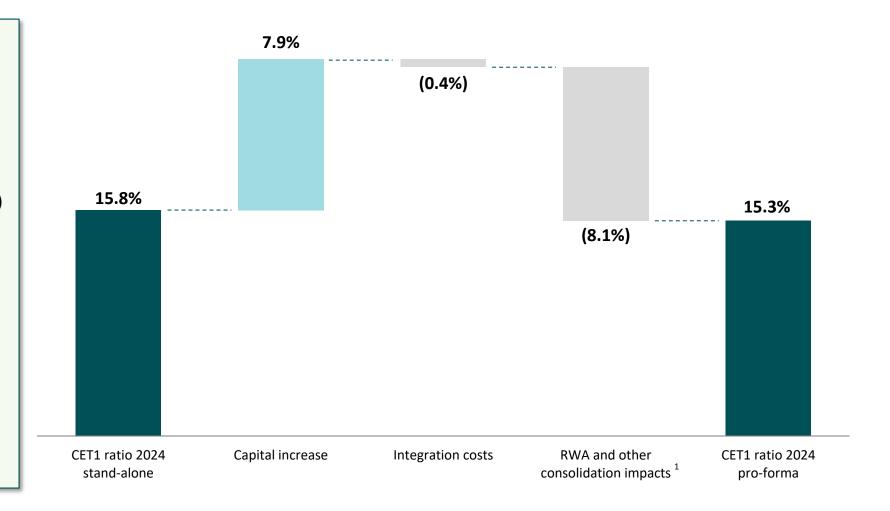
#### Indicative timeline of the transaction





#### Limited capital impact from the transaction

- Limited capital impact from the transaction mainly resulting from:
  - ~€4.3bn capital increase
  - ~€0.2bn from 75% integration costs (post-tax)
  - ~€24bn BPSO RWA consolidation
  - Consolidation of Alba Leasing and other CET1 capital deductions
- Combined entity's pro-forma CET1 ratio 2024 remaining well above 14.5% target of B:Dynamyc | Full Value 2027







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