

Implementing the European Green Deal and the Circular Economy Action Plan – the Role of Intesa Sanpaolo

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### Intesa Sanpaolo Group

Highlights



1069 €/mld
Total Asset



**4.185** €/mld 2021 Net Income



20.6 mln Customers 13.5 mln in Italy

7.1 mln abroad



**50.9** €/mld Market Capitalisation<sup>(1)</sup>



465.3 €/mld Loans disbursed



**63.8** €/mld Shareholder's Equity



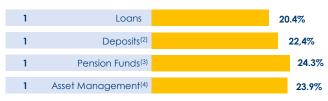
**555.6** €/mld Direct customers deposits



4.719
Branches
3.740 in Italy
979 abroad

# Leadership in Italy is based on a lasting relationship with customers

Ranking in Italy



Figures as at 31 December 2021

- (2) Including Bonds
- (3) Data as at 30 September 2021
- (4) Mutual Funds; Data as at 30 September 2021

Eurozone Ranking		Bai	nks Market Capitalisation	
	HSBC			128,1
1	BNP Paribas		77,8	
	Sberbank		65,8	
	UBS		60,7	
2	Banco Santander		53,7	
3	Ing		51	
4	Intesa Sanpaolo		50,9	
	Lloyds Banking		43,4	
5	Credit Agricole		41,3	
6	Nordea Bank		41,3	
	Barclays		39,6	
7	BBVA		37,6	

Source: Bloomberg prices as at 31 January 2022

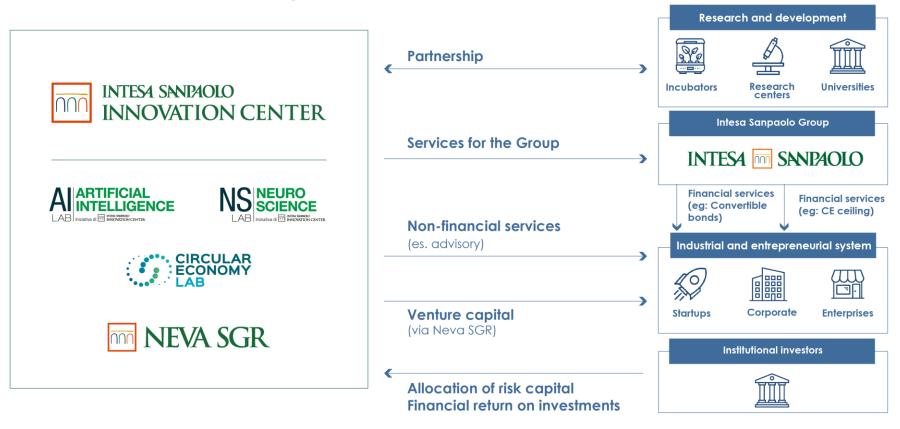
## **Intesa Sanpaolo Innovation Center**

Intesa Sanpaolo Innovation Center is the Intesa Sanpaolo Group company dedicated to the frontier of innovation.

It explores future scenarios and trends, develops multidisciplinary applied research projects, supports startups, accelerates the **business** transformation of companies according to the criteria of Open Innovation and the Circular Economy, favors the development of innovative ecosystems and spreads the culture of innovation, to make Intesa Sanpaolo the driving force of a more aware, inclusive and sustainable economy.



### Our role in the Country's innovation





### Stakeholder system and targets

Analyze **future trends**develop multidiscipli
applied research projec
collaboration with researchers of excelle

Evaluate **startups** and support those with high potential, also in connection with venture capital funds and thanks to the subsidiary **NEVA SGR** 

Support the developme innovation **ecosyste** international scope by promotin meeting between supply and demand for innovation

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ate business transformation port long-term corporate ment through Open on programs

Support the transition path of the counties where we operate towards the Circular Economy (CE)

ng the culture of **innovation** noing the **Group's identity** as ng force of a new economy



### Our international presence



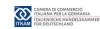
### **Examples of partnerships and** collaborations























































































## Intesa Sanpaolo's strategic path on Circular Economy

The Circular Economy is increasingly recognized as a crucial part of the solution to climate change and is core in the strategic interests of regulators (EU), other stakeholders and companies











































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### The CE in the most recent system initiatives

In the last years, there have been numerous European and national policy initiatives that have contributed to outlining complex and ambitious targets in terms of a new industrial policy and transformation of the EU economic model.

Initiative Description Implications in the CE context



Transform EU policies on climate, energy, transport and taxation to reduce net greenhouse gas emissions by at least 55% by 2030 compared to the levels of the 1990



✓ <u>March 2022</u> – A new plan including initiatives and proposals to make sustainable products the norm in the EU, promote circular business models and empower consumers in the green transition



Transformation of the European energy system to avoid the EU's dependence on Russian fossil fuels and tackle the climate crisis March 2022 - published the European plan aimed at:

- ✓ strengthen long-term energy efficiency measures, including a 4% increase in the energy efficiency target set under the 'Fit for 55' linked to the European Green Deal
- ✓ Diversify supply, create partnerships and cooperate on hydrogen
- ✓ Accelerate the diffusion of renewable energies also with a view to closing the energy cycle (e.g. self-consumption): 2030 targets for renewables from 40% to 45%



A common classification system for sustainable economic activities, aimed at companies, finance and policymakers based on 6 environmental objectives, including the circular economy.

- ✓ <u>December 2021</u> First delegated act on sustainable activities for climate change mitigation and adaptation published, including technical screening criteria
- ✓ <u>March 2022</u> The Platform for sustainable finance reports recommendations for the four remaining environmental objectives of the EU taxonomy
- √ <u>Starting 2024</u>, financial institutions will have to disclose exposure to "sustainable activities", including circular ones, aligned with the objectives of the EU Taxonomy



Facility of the Next Gen EU consisting of **an investment and reform package** divided into six missions.

About **37% of the resources** are dedicated to **green** investments.

- ✓ The update of the Italian National Strategy for the Circular Economy (published in late June 2022) is part of the reforms to support the investments of Mission 2, Green Revolution and Ecological Transition, of the PNRR to improve the capacity for efficient and sustainable waste management and the circular economy paradigm.
- ✓ Strategic approach mainly oriented to the waste management area, leaving out some of CE's most ambitious peculiarities for industry



### **EU Action plan for Circular Economy**

The EU's new circular action plan paves the way for a cleaner and more competitive Europe.



30<sup>th</sup> March 2022 – The EU Commission presents a package of European Green Deal proposals as **new rules to make almost all physical goods on the EU market more** friendly to the environment, circular, and energy efficient throughout their whole lifecycle from the design phase through to daily use, repurposing and end-of-life

- a new strategy to make textiles more durable, repairable, reusable and recyclable, to tackle fast fashion, textile waste and the destruction of unsold textiles, and ensure their production takes place in full respect of social rights
- boost the internal market for construction products and ensure that the regulatory framework in place is fit for making the built environment deliver on our sustainability and climate objectives
- new rules to empower consumers in the green transition so that consumers are better informed about the environmental sustainability of products and better protected against greenwashing



"To a **truly circular economy in the EU**: decoupled from energy and resource dependencies, more resilient to external shocks and respectful of nature and people's health"

Frans Timmermans, Executive Vice-President for the European Green Deal



## EU taxonomy for sustainable activities

What the EU is doing to create an EU-wide classification system for sustainable and circular activities

EU Taxonomy: a common classification system for sustainable economic activities, to direct investments towards effective projects and activities in Europe

provides companies, investors and policymakers with appropriate definitions for which economic activities can be considered environmentally sustainable

#### MAIN UPDATES

- 9 December 2021 A first delegated act on sustainable activities for climate change adaptation and mitigation objectives was published, including their technical screening criteria
- A second delegated act for the remaining objectives will be published in 2022
- 30 march 2022 the Platform for Sustainable Finance reports with recommendations toward EU Commission on technical screening criteria for the four remaining environmental objectives of the EU taxonomy

#### 6 environmental objectives

- 1. Climate change mitigation
- 2. Climate change adaptation
- 3. The sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources
- 4. The transition to a circular economy
- 5. Pollution prevention and control
- 6. The protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems

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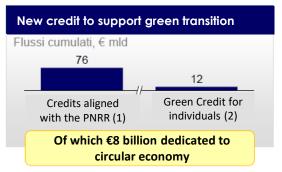
# Intesa Sanpaolo Business Plan effectively supports the EU Action plan<sup>10</sup>

The Circular Economy as a strategy that accelerate the achievment of ESG goals

#### The Business Plan Formula 2022-2025



Supporting Corporates, SMEs and Retail customers in the ESG/climate transition through the strengthening of sustainable credit and dedicated advisory services



#### Enhancement of the commercial offer...

...of dedicated investment and advisory products, such as **funds for the circular economy** 

#### Support to SMEs/Corporates in the transition path



Offering businesses innovation, education and connection services



Enhancing the Bank's **strategic partnership** with the Ellen MacArthur Foundation.



### **Circular Economy Plafond**



Intesa Sanpaolo's 2022-25 Business Plan includes a specific action to support the transition towards a circular economy: the renewal of the CE Plafond, a dedicated credit facility up to  $\in$  8 bn.

The € 8 bn Circular Economy Plafond provides the most innovative clients/projects with credit at favorable terms. Access to these facilities is evaluated against a set of five eligibility criteria developed in partnership with the Ellen MacArthur Foundation and three additional criteria related to green projects.



Solutions that extend the product-life of goods and/or materials



Utilization of renewable/re cycled resources



Increase in efficiency and effectiveness of resources' consumption



Products that can be fully recycled or composted



Innovative technologies to enable circular business models



Production and transmission of renewable energy



Energy efficiency of production processes and buildings



Sustainable management of natural resources and soil, biodiversity

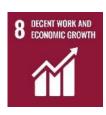
For the  $\leqslant$  6 bn CE Plafond launched by the 2018-2021 Business Plan, approximately  $\leqslant$  7.7 bn was financed, of which approximately  $\leqslant$  5.5 bn in 2021

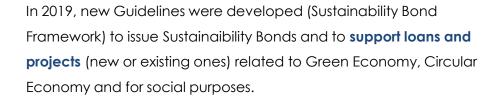


## Sustainability Bond for Circular Economy















In November 2019, Intesa Sanpaolo successfully placed the **first Sustainability Bond focused on Circular Economy**, aimed to support the loans performed by the Bank within the € 6 Bn credit plafond for dedicated to Circular Economy.







The € 750 Mln issuance, with a demand exceeding € 3.5 Bn, was mainly underwritten by institutional investors: Asset Managers (75%), Banks and Private banking (10%), Public Bodies (10%), Insurances and Pension funds (4%).



### **CE Lab – Circular Journey**

### **MISSION**

Experiment and disseminate new models of value creation capable of combining the development of businesses and organizations with the protection and enhancement of human, natural, social and economic capital.

Encouraging the transformation of companies towards a circular model is different for each company, depending on the level of maturity reached, on the issues, technologies, etc. It is possible to design a **Circular Journey** where each company can find an answer to its needs by building a personalized path of Circular transformation.

### **CE LAB PILLARS**



Training courses for companies, aimed at disseminating knowledge about Circular Economy and related opportunities, especially in terms of business, competitiveness and resilience.



CIRCULAR CONNECTION

Dissemination of circular culture on a national and international scale, through events, networking platforms, thematic reports and with the involvement of external actors and partners



CIRCULAR INNOVATION

Circular advisory, aimed at SMEs / Corporates. Business model analysis and innovation services (e.g. Circularity Assessment, Open Innovation programs)





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