

## **Press Release**

# **BCC Banca Iccrea has successfully issued a new Senior Preferred Social Bond for Euro 500 million.**

The strong demand (approximately three times the offer) from institutional investors allowed the Group to record the lowest credit spread ever.

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BCC Banca Iccrea, parent company of BCC Iccrea Group, has successfully completed the placement of a new Senior Preferred Social Bond dedicated to institutional investors. The issuance has a five-year maturity, a nominal amount of €500 million and an expected rating of BBB (Stable) / BBB (Positive) / BBBH (Stable) (S&P / Fitch / DBRS).

This represents the fourth Social Bond issuance by the Group (the fifth ESG issuance, including the Green Bond issued in 2025). The net proceeds of the notes will be allocated to finance or refinance, in whole or in part, eligible social activities as defined in the Issuer's Green, Social & Sustainability Bond Framework, with particular focus on financing SMEs with less than 50 employees operating in economically disadvantaged areas, with the aim of supporting their growth and promoting employment.

The issuance received orders for approximately €1.5 billion (about three times the amount offered) from over 100 institutional investors globally. The strong and well-diversified demand enabled the final spread to be set at mid-swap +68 bps (27 bps tighter than initial guidance). This represents the lowest credit spread ever achieved by the Group. The annual coupon was consequently set at 3.250%.

Additionally, the final spread is more than 330 bps tighter than that of senior bonds issued by the Group just three years ago, underscoring a strong recognition of the Issuer by both the domestic and international financial community.

In terms of geographical distribution, the placement included both Italian investors (46%) and foreign investors, among whom: the UK and Ireland (19%), DACH (15%), France (11%), Iberia (4%), Benelux (3%), and others (2%).

By investor type, 65% was allocated to funds, 25% to banks and 10% to hedge funds.

BofA Securities, Equita, Mediobanca, Natixis, NatWest (B&D) and Santander acted as Joint Bookrunners for the placement.

The BCC Iccrea Group is the largest cooperative banking group in Italy and the 9<sup>th</sup> largest worldwide in terms of revenue. It is also the only national banking group with entirely Italian capital, the second in terms of number of branches and one of the five systemically important institutions. The Group, at the top of the system in terms of capital strength, currently comprises 112 cooperative credit banks, operating in over 1,700 Italian municipalities with over 2,400 branches, and other banking, financial and instrumental companies controlled by BCC Banca Iccrea. The Group is affiliated with Tertio Millennio ETS Foundation, a nonprofit organization established in 2002 within the Cooperative Credit system, dedicated to promoting social solidarity activities in Italy and abroad.

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