

## Press Release

# BCC Banca Iccrea has successfully launched a new Covered Bond for Euro 500 million to institutional investors only.

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BCC Banca Iccrea, parent company of the BCC Iccrea Group, has successfully issued a new Covered Bond destined to institutional investors for an amount of 500 million euros and a maturity 5.5 years under the 10 billion euros Obbligazioni Bancarie Garantite Program.

The issue is the first European Covered Bond (Premium) issued by the Group in compliance with the new European regulation which was implemented in Italy on 30 March 2023.

The bond, which will be listed on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange, has an expected rating of Aa3 (Moody's), a fixed rate coupon of 3.875% and a maturity date on January 2029.

The issuance (that has received orders above 750 million euro) has been allocated with the following geographical distribution: Italy (55%), Germany-Austria (20%), BeneLux (9%), Nordics (6%), France (4%), Iberia (2%) and Others (4%). Regarding the investors' type, 69% has been allocated to banks, 16% to central banks/official institution, 14% to funds and 1% to others.

The bonds, documented under the issuer's Euro 10,000,000 Covered Bond (Obbligazioni Bancarie Garantite) Programme unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed as to payment of interest and principal by Iccrea Covered Bond S.r.l.,” are ECB Eligible and LCR Level 1.

Barclays (Co-arranger of the Program with BCC Banca Iccrea), LBBW, Natixis, NORD/LB and Unicredit acted as Joint Bookrunners.

“We are pleased to have concluded this new issuance that, according to our 2023-2025 Business Plan, aims to raise the necessary resources for the BCC Iccrea Group and its 117 BCCs through the Covered Bond Programme, so that the Group can continue to finance local needs and reach the target of 50 billion euros in new credit disbursements in the next three years – commented the General Manager of the BCC Iccrea Group, Mauro Pastore – This is another important sign of the solidity of our actions to support local communities, along a path that aims to satisfy the funding needs of our BCCs with diversified sources, including also secured funding, in order to stabilise their liquidity profile”

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The BCC Iccrea Group is the largest cooperative banking group, the only national banking group with 100% Italian capital and the fourth largest in Italy in terms of assets, with total consolidated assets as at 31 March 2023 amounting to € 171.5 billion. Today the BCC Iccrea Group is made up of 117 BCCs, present in over 1,700 Italian municipalities with almost 2,500 branches, and other banking, financial and product companies controlled by BCC Banca Iccrea. The BCCs of the Group at 31 March 2023 made around € 90 billion of net loans throughout Italy and took in direct funding from customers of around € 129 billion, with over 5 million customers and about 850 thousand shareholders. The BCC Iccrea Group is among the best banking groups in terms of capital quality with a CET 1 Ratio of 19.3% (data as at 31 March 2023).

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