

PRESS RELEASE**Filing of candidatures for the integration of the Board of Statutory Auditors and the Board of Directors for the rest of the three-year period 2021-2023**

Modena - 31 May 2021. BPER Banca would like to announce that, by the deadline set by the Articles of Association and indicated in the notice calling the Shareholders' Meeting of 23 June 2021, published on 13 May 2021 and subsequently integrated with notice of 21 May 2021, therefore by the deadline of 29 May 2021, (i) Ms Daniela Travella, candidate not elected on the list from which the resigning Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors was drawn, has sent confirmation of her candidature for the appointment of the Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors, pursuant to art. 33, paragraph 5, of the Articles of Association (point 1 (a) on the Agenda); (ii) proposals for candidatures have also been filed for the appointment of a Standing Auditor (point 1 (b) on the Agenda) and, if necessary, an Alternate Auditor (point 1 (c) on the Agenda).

The related dossiers for publication will be made available, by the legal deadline, at the registered office, on the Bank's website www.bper.it - Sito Istituzionale > Governance > Shareholders' Meeting, as well as in the 1INFO storage mechanism.

We would also like to announce that, **on the other hand, no proposals for candidature have been received for the integration of the Board of Directors for the rest of the three-year period 2021-2023.** Therefore, in compliance with current legislation and the Articles of Association, each Shareholder has the right to submit candidatures - in the manner and in compliance with the requirements indicated in the Board of the Directors' Report on this item on the agenda - by 8 June 2021, the deadline for submission of individual motions.

For more information in this regard, please refer to the aforementioned Board of Directors' Report published on the Bank's website www.bper.it - Sito Istituzionale > Governance > Shareholders' Meeting.

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