

PRESS RELEASE

Deed of the merger through absorption of CARIFE SIM S.p.A. into OPTIMA S.p.A. SIM

Modena -15 December 2017. We hereby inform that the Deed of the merger through absorption of CARIFE SIM S.p.A. into OPTIMA S.p.A. SIM - executed on 12 December 2017 - has been registered with the respective competent Registers of Companies of the companies parties to this merger transaction.

The merger legal effects shall take place as of 20 December 2017, while the accounting and tax effects shall be backdated as of 1 July 2017.

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