

## PRESS RELEASE

### FITCH RATINGS UPGRADES BPER BANCA'S LONG-TERM DEPOSIT RATING TO "A-" FROM "BBB+"

Modena, 12 May 2026 – BPER Banca informs that Fitch Ratings has today upgraded the Bank's long-term deposit rating to "A-" from "BBB+" and affirmed its short-term deposit rating at "F2".

As part of the rating action on several Italian banking groups, the agency has upgraded the deposit ratings to reflect the revised view of increased depositor protection due to depositor preference in Italy and the bank's individual resolution buffer requirements and applicable resolution strategies. The rating action follows the publication on 8 May 2026 of the updated Bank Rating Criteria.

Fitch Ratings' press release with a full list of the ratings assigned to BPER Banca can be found on the rating agency's website [fitchratings.com](https://www.fitchratings.com).

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