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Banca Ifis S.p.A. Registered office in Venice - Mestre, Via Terraglio 63 Fully paid-up share capital 53.811.095 Euro Tax Code and Reg. No. with the Companies Register of Venice and Rovigo 02505630109 Group VAT number 04570150278 Registered with the Register of Banks under No. 5508 Parent Company of the Banca Ifis S.p.A. Banking Group, registered with the Register of Banking Groups

NOTICE OF CALL OF ORDINARY SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

The Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting is convened of Banca Ifis S.p.A. (the "Bank" or the "Company") in a single call for 18 April 2024 at 10:00 at the Company's registered office at No. 11 Via E. Gatta, Mestre to resolve on the following

Agenda

- Financial statements as at 31 December 2023:

 1.1)approval of the financial statements as at 31 December 2023, presentation of the consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2023 and the consolidated non-financial statement pursuant to Italian Legislative Decree No. 254 of 30/12/2016 Sustainability Report;

 2) allocation of the period result; related and consequent resolutions;
- 2) Remuneration:

2.1) Report on remuneration policy and remuneration paid pursuant to Art. 123-ter of Italian Legislative Decree No. 58/1998: approval of Section I - 2024 Banca Ifis Group Remuneration and Incentive Policy;

2.2) Report on remuneration policy and remuneration paid pursuant to Art. 123-ter of Italian Legislative Decree No. 58/1998: non-binding resolution on Section II - Information on fees paid in FY 2023;

related and consequent resolutions;

3) Appointment of a director. Related and consequent resolutions.

The Company - in accordance with the provisions of Art. 106, paragraph 4, of Decree-Law No. 18 of 17 March 2020 converted into law with amendments by Law No. 27 of 24 April 2020, as amended and supplemented (the "**Cura Italia Decree**"), the effectiveness of which was most recently extended to the Shareholders' Meetings to be held by 30 April 2024 by Art. 3, paragraph 12-*duodecies*, of Decree-Law No. 215 of 30 December 2023, as converted with Law No. 18 of 23 February 2024 - has decided to avail itself of the option to provide that Shareholders' attendance of the Shareholders' Meeting shall take place exclusively through the conferment of proxy (or sub-delegation) to the representative designated by the Company pursuant to Article 135-*undecies* of Legislative Decree No. 58 of 24 February 1998 (the "**Consolidated Law on Finance**", or "**TUF**") - Monte Titoli S.p.A, with registered office in Milan (the "**Designated Representative**" or "**Monte Titoli**") in the manner specified below in the paragraph "*Attendance of and representation at the Shareholders' Meeting*", with all and any physical attendance of persons therefore being precluded. The Designated Representative may also be granted proxies or sub-delegations pursuant to Article 135-*novies* of the TUF, as an exception to Article 135-*undecies*,



paragraph 4, of the TUF, in the manner specified below in the paragraph "Proxy (or sub-delegation) to the Designated Representative pursuant to Article 135-novies of the TUF".

It should be noted that, without prejudice to the foregoing regarding the possibility for those with voting rights to attend exclusively through the Designated Representative, the directors, the auditors, the meeting secretary, the notary, the Designated Representative himself, the representatives of the auditing firm as well as the other subjects whose attendance of the Shareholders' Meeting is required, may also participate in the latter by means of telecommunications that guarantee their identification, without the need for the chairman, secretary and notary to be in the same place. Instructions for participating in the Shareholders' Meeting by telecommunications means will be made known by the Company to the directors and auditors, as well as to all others entitled to attend, other than those who are entitled to vote. Any changes will be promptly notified in the same way as the publication of the notice and/or through the information channels provided for by the legislation in force over time.

Share capital and voting rights

The share capital amounts to 53.811.095,00 Euro, represented by 53.811.095 ordinary shares with a nominal amount of 1,00 Euro each.

Shares are indivisible. Each gives the right to one vote with the exception of treasury shares held in portfolio at the date of the Meeting.

As at the date of publication of this notice, the Company holds 1.343.018 treasury shares (equal to 2,496% of the share capital), whose voting right is suspended pursuant to Art. 2357-*ter*, paragraph 2 of the Italian Civil Code. Therefore, as of the date of this notice, there are 52.468.077 voting rights exercisable at the Meeting. Pursuant to Article 2368, paragraph 3 of the Italian Civil Code, as referred to in Article 2357-*ter*, paragraph 2, last sentence of the Italian Civil Code, treasury shares (i) are counted in the capital for the purpose of calculating the quotas required for the regular constitution of the Shareholders' Meeting, but (ii) are not counted in the capital for the purpose of calculating the majority and quota required for the approval of shareholders' meeting resolutions.

On the website <u>www.bancaifis.it</u> (Section "About us/Corporate Governance/Ownership structure") (<u>https://www.bancaifis.it/chi-siamo/corporate-governance/azionariato/</u>) details are provided on the amount of the share capital and its composition.

Eligibility to attend and vote

The eligibility to attend and exercise the voting right at the Shareholders' Meeting - that may only be exercised through the designated representative - is certified by the specific communication to be requested by each entitled subject to its own depositary intermediary, sent to the Company by the authorised intermediary in favour of the subject who has the right to vote, based on the evidence relating to the end of the accounting day of 9 April 2024, the seventh trading day prior to the date set for the Shareholders' Meeting in single call (the "record date").

All crediting or debiting of the accounts subsequent to said date have no relevance for the right to exercise the right to vote at the Shareholders' Meeting. Those who are found to own the shares only after that date, based on the records made on the accounts, will not be entitled to attend and vote at the Shareholders' Meeting. The communication from the authorised intermediary must be received by Banca Ifis Corporate Affairs, at the registered office, by the end of the third trading day preceding the day set for the Shareholders' Meeting (i.e. by 15 April 2024). However, the right to attend and vote remains unaffected in case the notice is received by the Company after the above-mentioned deadline, provided that it is received before the beginning of the meeting's single call.

Attendance of and representation in the Shareholders' Meeting



Pursuant to Article 106, subsection 4 of the Cura Italia Decree, the Bank availed itself of the option to provide that participation in the Shareholders' Meeting is permitted exclusively by proxy, in particular, by conferring proxy, free of charge, to the Designated Representative, i.e. Monte Titoli.

Proxies may be conferred, in the manner described below, alternatively pursuant to:

- (i) article 135-undecies of the TUF, by means of the "*Proxy form to the designated representative*"; or
- (ii) Article 135-novies of the TUF, by means of the "Ordinary proxy (or sub-delegation) form".

For any clarification concerning the granting of proxy to the Designated Representative (and in particular concerning the filling in of the proxy form and the voting instructions and their transmission), Monte Titoli S.p.A. can be contacted by e-mail at <u>registerservices@euronext.com</u> or by phone at the following number (+39) 02,3363581 (on working days, from 9.00 to 17.00).

Delegation of Designated Representative pursuant to article 135-undecies of the TUF

Those entitled to vote may grant proxy with voting instructions, on all or some of the items on the agenda, to Monte Titoli in its capacity as Designated Representative pursuant to Article 135-*undecies* of the TUF, at no cost to the delegating party (except for any shipping costs).

This proxy must be granted by means of the specific proxy form available, together with the relevant instructions for its completion and transmission, on the Company's website (<u>www.bancaifis.it</u>), section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis</u>).

The proxy must be received, together with a copy of a currently valid identity document of the delegating shareholder or, if the delegating shareholder is a legal entity, of the *pro tempore* legal representative or of another subject with appropriate powers, together with appropriate documentation certifying their qualification and powers, by the Designated Representative, by the end of the second trading day prior to the date of the Shareholders' Meeting (i.e. by 23.59 on 16 April 2024), according to the following alternative procedures: (i) transmission of an electronically reproduced copy (PDF) to the certified email address rd@pec.euronext.com (subject line "Proxy Banca Ifis Shareholders' Meeting April 2024") from one's own certified email address (or, failing that, from one's own ordinary email address, in which case the proxy with voting instructions must be signed with a qualified or digital electronic signature); (ii) transmission of the original, by courier or registered mail with return receipt, to the following address: Monte Titoli S.p.A., Piazza degli Affari n. 6, 20121 Milan (Ref. "Proxy Banca Ifis Shareholders" Meeting April 2024"), sending a copy reproduced electronically (PDF) in advance by ordinary e-mail to rd@pec.euronext.com (subject line: "Proxy Banca Ifis Shareholders' Meeting April 2024"). The proxy and the related voting instructions are revocable by the end of the second trading day prior to the date set for the Meeting (i.e. by 23:59 on 16 April 2024) in the manner set forth above for conferral. Proxies have no effect on proposals for which no voting instructions have been provided.

Delegation (or sub-delegation) of Designated Representative pursuant to article 135-*novies* of the TUF

Moreover, the Company specifies that the Designated Representative may also be granted proxies or sub-proxies pursuant to Art. 135-*novies* of the TUF, as an exception to Art. 135-*undecies*, paragraph 4, of the TUF.

Those who do not intend to make use of the intervention procedure set out in Art. 135-*undecies* of the TUF may alternatively participate and exercise their voting right by granting a proxy or sub-proxy to the Designated Representative pursuant to Art. 135-*novies* of the TUF, containing voting instructions on all or some of the proposals on the agenda, by using the proxy/sub-proxy form, available on the Company's website (www.bancaifis.it), section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis).



With regard to the transmission of proxies/sub-proxies, also electronically, the methods described above shall be followed with regard to proxies pursuant to Art. 135-*undecies* of the TUF and reported in the proxy form. In order to allow the Company and the Designated Representative to receive and verify the proxies (or sub-delegations) in advance of the start of the Shareholders' Meeting proceedings, it is recommended that the persons entitled to vote receive the proxies (or sub-delegations) in advance of the start of the Shareholders' Meeting proceedings by 17:00 on the day prior to the Shareholders' Meeting in single call (i.e. 17 April 2024); it being understood that the Designated Representative may accept proxies and/or sub-delegations and/or voting instructions even after the aforementioned deadline as long as it is before the start of the Shareholders' Meeting proceedings. By this deadline (i.e. 17 April 2024) the proxy and voting instructions can always be revoked in the same way as they were granted.

Right to ask questions

Pursuant to Art. 127-*ter* of the TUF, those who have the right to vote may ask questions on the items on the agenda before the Shareholders' Meeting. Applications must be received by Banca Ifis Corporate Affairs, at the registered office, during office hours (9.00-13.00/14.00-17.00), no later than 9 April 2024 inclusive, the seventh trading day prior to the date set for the Shareholders' Meeting, and may be sent, together with the communication issued by an authorised intermediary certifying the ownership of the shares by the applicant, to the certified e-mail address <u>segreteria@bancaifis.legalmail.it</u>, which also receives ordinary e-mails. The Company does not guarantee a reply to applications received after this deadline.

Those who attest to ownership of shares on the date of application are entitled to a response. For this purpose, a certification, effective until the aforementioned date, issued by the depositary intermediary, attesting the ownership of the shares by the applicant, must be produced, also after the filing of the application, provided that it is within the third day following the record date (i.e. by 12 April 2024). However, the notice is not necessary if the Company receives the notice from the intermediary required for participation in the Shareholders' Meeting. In the event that the shareholder has requested from its depository intermediary the notice of entitlement to attend the Shareholders' Meeting, it will be sufficient to include in the request the references of such notice that may have been issued by the authorised intermediary.

In order to facilitate the organisation of the answers, the questions shall contain the reference to the page number of the explanatory report drawn up by the Board of Directors pursuant to Art. 125-*ter* of the TUF or any other document made available to the Meeting. Only applications strictly pertinent to the items on the agenda will be taken into consideration.

Questions duly submitted and received by the above deadline will be answered at the latest within three trading days prior to the Shareholders' Meeting (i.e. by 15 April 2024) by means of publication on the Company's website <u>www.bancaifis.it</u>, section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis</u>). No response will be due if the information requested is already made available by the Company on its website, in the section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis</u>), or if the reply has already been published. Questions with the same content may be answered as one. Questions that are not pertinent to the agenda will not be answered.

Additions to the agenda and presentation of new resolution proposals

Pursuant to Art. 126-*bis* of the TUF, shareholders that individually or jointly represent at least one fortieth of the share capital may ask, within ten days of publication of this call notice (i.e. by 25 March 2024), to supplement the list of items on the agenda to be discussed, indicating in that request the additional matters proposed; they may also present proposals for resolution on items already on the agenda.

The application, together with the communication certifying the ownership of the shareholding and a copy of an identity document (for natural persons) or of the documentation certifying the relevant powers (for legal entities), must be submitted in writing and delivered to Corporate Affairs, at the



registered office of the Bank, during office hours (9.00-13.00/14.00-17.00), or sent by certified e-mail to the address <u>segreteria@bancaifis.legalmail.it</u>, together with the report indicated below as well as the certifications, issued by an authorised intermediary, certifying the possession of at least 2,5% of the capital and indicating the shareholding right that can be exercised.

Supplementation is not permitted for items on which the Shareholders' Meeting resolves, in accordance with the law, on the proposal of the Directors or on the basis of a plan or report prepared by them that is different to those set out in Art. 125-*ter*, paragraph 1, of the TUF.

Any additions to the agenda or the presentation of further proposals for resolutions on items already on the agenda will be notified, in the same form prescribed by law for the notice of call, at least fifteen days before the date set for the Meeting (i.e. by 3 April 2024).

Shareholders who request the integration of the list of items to be discussed or submit proposals for resolutions on items already on the agenda shall prepare a report containing the reasons for the proposals for resolutions on the new items they propose to discuss, or the reasons for further proposals for resolutions: this report shall be sent to the Board of Directors by the deadline for submitting the related request, as indicated above. The report will be made available to the public, accompanied by any assessments by the Board of Directors, at the same time as the publication of the notice of supplementation of the agenda or the presentation of further proposals for resolution in the manner prescribed by law.

Given that participation in the Shareholders' Meeting is permitted exclusively through the Designated Representative, for the sole purpose of this Meeting, those who have the right to vote may submit individually to the Company resolution proposals on the items of the agenda - pursuant to Art. 126-*bis*, paragraph 1, penultimate sentence of the TUF - well in advance and, in any case, by 3 April 2024. The aforementioned proposals, clearly and completely formulated, must be sent to the Company by the aforementioned deadline in the manner indicated above. These proposals, if any, shall indicate the item on the agenda of the Meeting to which they refer, the text of the proposed resolution and the personal data of the applicant, as well as information concerning the ownership of the shares and the related voting right. In order to allow all shareholders to know the individual proposals that will be submitted and to give their voting instructions to the Designated Representative also on the same, the Company shall publish by 4 April 2024 on its website <u>www.bancaifis.it</u>, section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis</u>) the aforementioned proposals, reserving the right to verify - for the purpose of publication - their relevance with respect to the items on the agenda, their completeness, their compliance with the applicable regulations, as well as the legitimacy of the proposers.

For the purposes of the foregoing, the Company reserves the right to verify the relevance of the proposals with respect to the items on the agenda, their completeness and their compliance with applicable regulations, as well as the legitimacy of the proposers.

Voting by correspondence or electronic means

There are no provisions for voting by correspondence or electronic means.

Documentation

The following are made available to shareholders at the registered office and on the website <u>www.bancaifis.it</u> section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders'</u> <u>meeting - Banca Ifis</u>): the documents and information pursuant to Art. 125-quater of the TUF.

The documentation relating to this Shareholders' Meeting, including the Directors' Explanatory Report on the proposals concerning the items on the agenda pursuant to Art. 125-*ter* of the TUF, will be made available to the public by the legal deadlines at the Company's registered office and at the authorised storage mechanism eMarket Storage <u>www.emarketstorage.com</u>, as well as on the website <u>www.bancaifis.it</u> under the section "About us/Corporate Governance/Shareholders' meeting" (<u>Shareholders' meeting - Banca Ifis</u>).

Shareholders are entitled to inspect all documents filed at the registered office and may obtain copies



thereof.

Venice-Mestre, 15 March 2024

The Chairman of the Board of Directors (Ernesto Fürstenberg Fassio)

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