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Moody's improves Generali's outlook to positive and affirms its IFS Rating at A3

Milan – Moody's has improved Generali's outlook to positive from stable and affirmed its A3 insurance financial strength rating (IFSR).

The outlooks on Generali's main operating insurance subsidiaries in Italy, France and Germany were also changed to positive from stable.

This change in Generali's outlook by Moody's follows the improvement in the rating agency's outlook on the Government of Italy (Baa3) to positive from stable.

Additionally, the affirmation of Generali's IFS Rating at A3 reflects the Group's very strong business profile, benefitting from leading positions in its chosen markets in Europe, diversification by business lines and relatively low product risk.

Please find below the press release issued by Moody's.

THE GENERALI GROUP

Generali is one of the largest integrated insurance and asset management groups worldwide. Established in 1831, it is present in over 50 countries in the world, with a total premium income of € 95.2 billion and € 863 billion AUM in 2024. With around 87,000 employees serving 71 million customers, the Group has a leading position in Europe and a growing presence in Asia and Latin America. At the heart of Generali's strategy is its Lifetime Partner commitment to customers, achieved through innovative and personalised solutions, best-in-class customer experience and its digitalised global distribution capabilities. The Group has fully embedded sustainability into all strategic choices, with the aim to create value for all stakeholders while building a fairer and more resilient society.

MOODY'S

RATINGS

Rating Action: **Moody's Ratings changes outlook on Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A to positive from stable**

28 May 2025

Paris, May 28, 2025 – Moody's Ratings (Moody's) has today affirmed Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A (Generali)'s A3 insurance financial strength rating (IFSR) and changed the outlook to positive from stable. The outlooks on Generali's main operating insurance subsidiaries in Italy, France and Germany were also changed to positive from stable.

Please click on this link https://www.moody's.com/researchdocumentcontentpage.aspx?docid=PBC_1000011565 for the List of Affected Credit Ratings. This list is an integral part of this Press Release and identifies each affected issuer.

RATINGS RATIONALE

ASSICURAZIONI GENERALI S.P.A

The change in outlook on Generali to positive from stable follows our change in outlook on the Government of Italy (Baa3) to positive from stable. For further information on the sovereign rating action, please refer to our press release dated 23 May 2025 (<https://ratings.moody's.com/ratings-news/443689>).

Generali's ratings are partly constrained by the Italian sovereign rating because of the group's operating and asset exposure to Italy. This exposure is notably reflected in our assessment of Generali's asset quality and capital. In addition, because the group is domiciled in Italy, and mostly issues debts from the Italian holding company, Generali's financial flexibility is also constrained by the credit quality of the sovereign. An improvement in the Italian sovereign credit quality therefore has a positive impact on Generali's credit quality.

Generali's exposure to Italian government bonds remained relatively stable in 2024, representing 10% of its investments and 108% of its shareholders' equity as of YE2024. Generali generated 34% of its insurance premiums written and 31% of its insurance operating results from Italy.

Nonetheless, we currently rate Generali's insurance financial strength rating three notches above the Italian sovereign rating, to reflect the group's very strong business profile, which benefits from leading positions in its chosen markets in Europe, diversification by business lines and relatively low product risk.

The rating also reflects Generali's strong financial profile, despite its exposure to Italian sovereign risk. Generali's capitalization has remained broadly stable over recent years, with a strong Solvency II ratio of 210% at YE2024. Generali's adjusted financial leverage stood at 20% at year-end 2024 and earnings coverage was at 10x in 2024, metrics commensurate with higher-rated peers. Generali also continued to report strong earnings with a return on capital of around 7%, similar to 2023.

SUBSIDIARIES – RATINGS AFFIRMED, POSITIVE OUTLOOK

We continue to align the IFSRs of the rated subsidiaries in Italy, France, and Germany with the IFSR of the Group, reflecting our view that these entities' business and financial profiles combined drive

and benefit from the larger group's financial strength. The positive outlooks on these companies reflect the positive outlook on the parent company.

FACTORS THAT COULD LEAD TO AN UPGRADE OR DOWNGRADE OF THE RATINGS

ASSICURAZIONI GENERALI S.P.A

Upwards pressure on Generali's ratings could result from (1) an improvement in Italy's credit quality, as evidenced by an upgrade of its sovereign rating, (2) a continuation of its strong earnings track record and (3) maintenance of its Solvency II ratio firmly in excess of 200%, with continuously low sensitivities to negative financial market movements.

Downward pressure on the ratings could result from: (1) weakening of Italy's sovereign rating to non-investment grade, or a very significant weakening of the credit quality of the French or German sovereign, or (2) a prolonged deterioration in the group's operating performance and capitalization, or (3) reduced cohesion of the group, as evidenced by a weakening of the support mechanisms within the group and a reduced ability for the Italian operations to benefit from the strengths of other group operations.

SUBSIDIARIES

As the financial strength of Generali's rated subsidiaries is closely intertwined with that of the larger Generali group, any change in Generali's ratings or outlook will likely result in an equivalent change in the subsidiaries' ratings or outlook. Further, downwards pressure on their ratings could result from reduced cohesion in the group or if it becomes apparent that support mechanisms within the group weaken.

PRINCIPAL METHODOLOGIES

The principal methodologies used in rating Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A, Generali Italia S.p.A. and Generali Deutschland AG were Life Insurers published in April 2024 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/rmc-documents/418351>, and Property and Casualty Insurers published in April 2024 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/rmc-documents/418354>. The principal methodology used in rating Generali Deutschland Lebensversicherung AG and Generali Vie was Life Insurers published in April 2024 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/rmc-documents/418351>. The principal methodology used in rating Generali Deutschland Versicherung AG, Dialog Versicherung AG and Generali IARD was Property and Casualty Insurers published in April 2024 and available at <https://ratings.moodys.com/rmc-documents/418354>. Alternatively, please see the Rating Methodologies page on <https://ratings.moodys.com> for a copy of these methodologies.

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