

Joint Press Release

CATTOLICA ASSICURAZIONI AND BANCA POPOLARE DI VICENZA RENEW THEIR STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP

Verona, December 14th, 2012. Today, Cattolica Assicurazioni soc. coop. and Banca Popolare di Vicenza s.c.p.a.¹ have renewed their strategic partnership agreement, by extending its expiration to 2022.

The renewed agreement, in view of the changed market conditions, reaffirms and strengthens the cooperation undertaken by the two Groups in 2007, focusing on the growth of the insurance Companies object of the partnership. The agreement confirms the existing commitments of exclusive distribution of Cattolica Group's products through Banca Popolare di Vicenza Group's network, which counted 639 branches as at 09.30.2012.

The agreement includes a lock-up commitment on 4,120,976 Cattolica shares owned by Banca Popolare di Vicenza.²

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¹ Banca Popolare di Vicenza is a related party of Cattolica, pursuant to Consob Regulation 1722/2010, by virtue of the existing shareholding and governance relationships (Banca Popolare di Vicenza holds 13.16% of Cattolica's capital; Cattolica holds 0.455% of the Bank's capital). The deal, qualified as of "minor relevance" pursuant to Consob Regulation 17221/2010, has been resolved after obtaining a positive - yet non-binding - opinion of Cattolica's Related Parties Committee, pursuant to the existing procedure for the management of related party transactions.

The remuneration of Directors of the companies involved in the operation will not undergo change following the finalization of the deal.

² Within the terms and in the ways prescribed by the existing applicable laws and regulations the Company will fulfill the obligations prescribed by the same provisions .