



PRESS RELEASE

ANIMA Holding: submission of the request for admission to listing on the Mercato Telematico Azionario of Borsa Italiana

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ANIMA Holding S.p.A. - the holding and parent company of ANIMA Sgr, the first independent player in the asset management sector in Italy, has filed a request with Borsa Italiana for the admission to list and trade its shares on the Mercato Telematico Azionario organized and managed by Borsa Italiana. The company has also filed a request with CONSOB for the approval of the Prospectus relating to the Public Offering and listing of its shares.

Marco Carreri, CEO of Anima Holding and ANIMA Sgr commented: « *We are proud to undertake a key step - through the listing - in the development path started almost five years ago. The ANIMA Group has proved to have a sound business model; this is evidenced by our revenues, which in 2013 amounted to around Euro 220 million, an increase of more than 30% compared to 2012.*»

ANIMA Holding is the new name of Asset Management Holding, chosen by the Shareholders' meeting held on February 5, 2014, in order to combine the brand of the Sgr to the listing procedure, so conveying those values such as saving, independence and high service in the professional management of investments, which characterize the activities of the Sgr since its incorporation.

The Selling Shareholders are Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A., Banca Popolare di Milano S.c.a.r.l., Lauro Quarantadue S.p.A. (fully controlled by Clessidra SGR S.p.A. on behalf of the Clessidra Capital Partners II fund) and Prima Holding 2 S.p.A (in which Lauro 42, BMPS and some managers of the ANIMA Group have a participation). Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A. and Banca Popolare di Milano S.c.a.r.l., strategic partners of the Anima Group, will continue to be the main shareholders of the Company also after the listing process is completed.

The Global Coordinators for the transaction are Goldman Sachs International, Banca IMI and UniCredit Corporate & Investment Banking, which together with UBS Investment Bank, will also act as Joint Bookrunners. Banca IMI will act as Lead Manager for the Public Offering. UniCredit Corporate & Investment Banking will act as Sponsor. Chiomenti and Shearman & Sterling act as counsels of the Company and Linklaters as counsel of the global coordinators. Ernst & Young is the independent auditor.

ANIMA Holding S.p.A. uses the simplification regime set forth by Article 70, paragraph 8, and 71, paragraph 1, of CONSOB Regulation on Issuers No. 11971/1999, and therefore applies the option exempting from the duties to publish the information documents required by Article 70, paragraph 6, and 71, paragraph 1, of the aforementioned Regulation on Issuers in case of mergers, demergers, capital increases with contribution in kind, acquisitions and sales.



ANIMA is a leading Italian independent asset management operator, with over €46 billion of assets under management (as at 31st December 2013). A synthesis of different, complementary paths and specialisations, ANIMA nowadays offers one of the largest range of products and services available on the market. ANIMA's offering is composed of Italian collective investment schemes, foreign SICAV and alternative investment funds. The company also offers institutional and private pension funds, as well as private wealth and institutional asset management services. For further information, please visit www.animaholding.it.

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