

PRESS RELEASE

INTESA SANPAOLO: IGNACIO JAQUOTOT APPOINTED AS NEW HEAD OF THE INTERNATIONAL SUBSIDIARY BANKS DIVISION

Turin – Milan, 10 October 2013 - Intesa Sanpaolo announces that Ignacio Jaquotot assumes responsibility for the Group's International Subsidiary Banks Division.

Born in Zaragoza (Spain), Jaquotot graduated from the Universidad Complutense of Madrid and has held important positions within the Intesa Sanpaolo Group which have enabled him to gain a depth of professional experience. Most recently, he held the position of CEO of VUB Banka, the Slovak subsidiary with more than 200 branches, 32 *corporate* branches and a branch in the Czech Republic. Since 1984, Jaquotot has held various positions both in Europe and South America, first assuming responsibility for the headquarters in Barcelona and Madrid, and subsequently heading the Group's activities in Latin America with the role of General Manager in Uruguay, Chile and Paraguay.

Carlo Messina, CEO of Intesa Sanpaolo, commented: "With his deep international experience, gained across various continents, and his strong track record within the Group, Ignacio is the ideal choice for our International Subsidiary Banks Division. We are convinced that our international activity will be able to derive great benefit and renewed vigour from his contribution".

*Intesa Sanpaolo operates in Central and Eastern Europe and in the Middle East and North Africa, with more than **1,500 branches** and about **29,000 employees**; the Group's subsidiary banks serve **8.4 million customers**, in **12 countries**, in both the retail and commercial banking sectors.*