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AM Best assegna il rating bbb+ all'emissione obbligazionaria del 5 dicembre

Trieste. Si comunica che l'agenzia di rating A.M. Best ha assegnato il rating bbb+ all'emissione obbligazionaria subordinata conclusa il 5 dicembre 2012.

Si allega di seguito il comunicato stampa originale di A.M. Best.

A.M. Best Assigns Rating to Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A.'s Forthcoming New Senior Dated Subordinated Notes

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A.M. Best Europe – Rating Services Limited has assigned a debt rating of “bbb+” to the EUR 1,250 million senior dated subordinated notes due 2042 and callable 2022 to be issued by Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A. (Generali) (Italy). The assigned outlook is negative.

The notes will be issued by Generali under the EUR 7 billion Euro Medium Term Note (EMTN) that was renewed in April this year.

The notes will pay a fixed annual coupon of 7.75% until the call date in December 2022, when the interest rate will convert to a floating rate based on the three-month Euro Interbank Offered Rate plus a margin. The proceed of the issue is intended to be used to strengthen the group's capital position and to support its future funding needs, while benefitting from improved market conditions.

Debt leverage ratios are expected to remain within A.M. Best's tolerance levels, and A.M. Best will continue to monitor the evolution of Generali's interest coverage ratio in the future.

The methodology used in determining these ratings is Best's Credit Rating Methodology, which provides a comprehensive explanation of A.M. Best's rating process and contains the different rating criteria employed in the rating process. Key criteria utilised include “Insurance Holding Company and Debt Ratings”. Best's Credit Rating Methodology can be found at www.ambest.com/ratings/methodology.

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