

## PRESS RELEASE

## Resignation of Claudia Mezzabotta as Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors and replacement with Carlo Carrera Substitute Statutory Auditor

Milan, 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022 BFF Bank S.p.A. ("BFF" or the "Bank") announces that, today, Ms. Claudia Mezzabotta has resigned irrevocably as Standing Auditor and Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors with immediate effect.

In particular, Ms. Mezzabotta, stated: *"My decision is due to the fact that my very recent appointment as member of the Board of Statutory Auditors of another listed issuer, at its Shareholders' Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022, has made it urgent and necessary for me to reconsider the number of relevant offices that I have held to date for the purposes of complying with the requirements the "fit and proper" regulations and the new and important workload that they imply, also in the immediate future, also considering the time limits to which my appointment with your Company is subject, pursuant to art. 2401 of the Italian Civil Code.*

*After a careful analysis of the new situation that has arisen due to the very recent assignment I have been given, I have decided to resign from the position I hold with your Company, considering that it is no longer appropriate and no longer feasible for me to be compliant with the limit to the maximum number of positions provided for by the above-mentioned regulations. I would nevertheless like to take this opportunity to thank the Directors, my fellow Statutory Auditors and all the employees of your Company whom I have met over the last few days for their helpfulness, professionalism and courtesy."*

Ms Claudia Mezzabotta was appointed, on 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2022, as Substitute Auditor elected from the minority list submitted to the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on 25 March 2021.

There are no indemnities or other benefits due following termination of office.

Pursuant to Article IA.2.6.7 of the Instructions to the Regulation of Markets organised and managed by Borsa Italiana S.p.A., it should also be noted that, on the basis of the information made available to the Bank, as of today, Ms. Claudia Mezzabotta does not hold, either directly or indirectly, any BFF ordinary shares.

Accordingly, pursuant to the law and the Articles of Association, as from today, Mr. Carlo Carrera, currently Substitute Auditor also elected from the minority list submitted to the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021, takes over the position of Standing Auditor and Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors.

Mr. Carlo Carrera will remain in office until the next Shareholders' Meeting, which will be convened by the Bank without delay, in order to reconstitute a Board of Statutory Auditors that complies with the regulations also concerning the balance between genders.

The *curriculum vitae* of Mr Carlo Carrera, together with the list of positions held, is available at the Bank's registered office and on the Bank's website at [Governance > Board of Statutory Auditors](#).

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