

## PRESS RELEASE

### **BANCA CF+ LAUNCHES STRUCTURED & ACQUISITION FINANCE PLATFORM TO SUPPORT BUSINESS GROWTH. LEOPOLDO AVESANI APPOINTED TO LEAD THE NEW AREA.**

**Milan, 15 May 2026** - Banca CF+ announces the launch of its new **Structured & Acquisition Finance** area, a specialist platform designed to support Italian companies in growth, investment, acquisition and strategic development transactions through structured and customised financing solutions.

The initiative forms part of the Banca CF+ Group's evolution path, recently strengthened **by the integration with Banca Sistema**, with the aim of further expanding its specialist expertise and service offering for companies.

The new structure will operate within **corporate financing, with a focus on acquisition financing, structured finance, extraordinary transactions and support for industrial development plans**, working alongside entrepreneurs, sponsors and companies with flexible solutions tailored to their specific operational and strategic needs.

The new area will be led by **Leopoldo Avesani**, a manager with extensive experience in structured finance and acquisition finance, who will join the Group as Head of Structured & Acquisition Finance, reporting directly to Chief Executive Officer and General Manager Iacopo De Francisco.

*"The creation of the Structured & Acquisition Finance platform represents a further step in our Group's evolution path and in the expansion of our specialist expertise to support businesses," commented Iacopo De Francisco, Chief Executive Officer and General Manager of Banca CF+ and Banca Sistema. "We want to build a **distinctive capability** in the corporate segment, able to support entrepreneurs and investors in the most complex growth, investment and industrial transformation transactions. In this perspective, the integration of Banca CF+ and Banca Sistema's expertise enables us to develop an increasingly complete, diversified and complementary platform."*

*"Banca CF+ Group represents the ideal context in which to continue supporting Italian companies in their transformation projects, with agile, advanced and tailor-made structured finance and acquisition financing solutions," stated Leopoldo Avesani. "The experience gained over the years will form the basis for consolidating this business, together with my colleagues, and contributing to the Bank's growth."*

The operational launch of the new structure represents a further milestone in the Banca CF+ Group's development path, focused on strengthening specialist expertise and building an increasingly integrated and

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