



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **INTEGRATION PLAN WITH THE PREMAFIN-FONDIARIA SAI GROUP**

BOLOGNA, 25 May 2012 – The Board of Directors of Unipol Gruppo Finanziario, in its meeting held today, has duly taken notice of the articulated proposal of Premafin Finanziaria S.p.A. – Holding di Partecipazioni received on 23 May, with regard to the economic terms of the planned integration with the Premafin - Fondiaria Sai Group, and has deferred all appraisals and decisions on this matter until completion of the necessary in-depth examination of the proposal, which will also draw on the input of the appointed advisors.

With regard to the creeping speculation, reported in certain sectors of the press in the last few days, on the financial strength of Unipol Gruppo Finanziario and/or Unipol Assicurazioni, the Board of Directors would like to stress that these rumours are entirely unfounded and that – as shown in its accounting records which are available to the public – on 31 March 2012 its capital excess was over one billion Euros, which is approximately 1.5 times the solvency margin required.

In regard to any conjecture designed to discredit the Unipol Group in its project to rescue the Premafin – Fondiaria Sai Group, it has to be pointed out that any malicious and deliberate distortion of the real financial position of the Unipol Group may alter Unipol share prices.

Unipol Gruppo Finanziario therefore warns against the spreading of false information, and shall take all appropriate measures to defend its own interests and safeguard the fairness of market information.

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