

#### ILLIMITY BANK S.P.A.

ILLUSTRATIVE REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ON ITEM 4 ON THE AGENDA OF THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS OF
ILLIMITY BANK S.P.A. OF 22 APRIL 2021, IN SINGLE CALL

Prepared pursuant to article 123-ter of Legislative Decree no. 58 of 24 February 1998 as amended and article 84-quater of CONSOB Regulation no. 11071/1999 as amended

Approved by the Board of Directors on 10 March 2021

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#### To our Shareholders,

You have been called to attend an Ordinary General Meeting at 10:00 a.m. on 22 April 2021, in single call, to discuss and adopt resolutions on the following agenda:

- 1. [omissis].
- 2. [omissis].
- 3. [omissis].
- 4. Report on remuneration paid, pursuant to article 123-ter of Italian Legislative Decree no. 58/1998.
- 5. [omissis].
- 6. [omissis].
- 7. [omissis].

This illustrative report has accordingly been prepared pursuant to article 123-ter of Legislative Decree no. 58 of 24 February 1998 as amended (the "TUF") and article 84-quater of CONSOB Regulation no. 11071/1999 as amended (the "Issuers' Regulation") and provides a description of item 4 on the agenda of the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting, as well as the relative draft resolutions that you are called to adopt.



#### To our Shareholders,

We have called you to attend an Ordinary General Meeting to submit, *inter alia*, to your non-binding vote, Section II of the "Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020" contained in the attached document that forms an integral part of the illustrative report to the Shareholders' Meeting, prepared in accordance with Legislative Decree no. 58/1998 (the "TUF"), as revised with the amendments brought by Legislative Decree no. 49 of 10 May 2019 (articles 114-bis and 123-ter), and with article 84-quater of CONSOB Regulation no. 11971/1999 (the "Issuers' Regulation"), as well as in accordance with the Supervisory Provisions for Banks pursuant to the 25th amendment of Circular no. 285 of the Bank of Italy of 17 December 2013 on remuneration matters.

The Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020 consists of two Sections:

Section I ("2021 Remuneration Policy") provides a clear and comprehensible description of:

- a) the company's remuneration policy with reference to 2021, for the members of the management bodies and control bodies (without prejudice to the requirements of article 2402 of the Italian Civil Code), general managers and key managers, material risk takers and the remaining personnel;
- b) the procedures used to adopt and implement such policy.

**Section II** ("**Report on Compensation Paid in 2020**") in a clear and comprehensible manner, by individual name for members of the management and control bodies and general managers, and in aggregate form for key managers, of the following:

- a) provides a suitable representation of each of the items of which remuneration consists, including compensation in case of termination of office or of the employment relationship, describing their consistency with the company's remuneration policy with regard to year 2020;
- b) illustrates in detail the compensation paid for any reason and by any mean by the Bank and its subsidiaries and associates with reference to year 2020, noting any components of this compensation that relate to activities performed in years previous to 2020 and also disclosing any compensation to be paid in one or more subsequent years for activities performed in 2020, providing where applicable an estimate for the components that were not objectively quantifiable in the reference year 2020.

In addition, Section II provides a description of the qualitative and quantitative information required by article 450 of the Capital Requirements Regulation concerning the application of the 2020 Remuneration Policy and contains the information relating to any investments in the Issuer held by members of the management and control bodies, by the Chief Executive Officer and Key Managers, and by their non-legally separated spouses and under-age children, in accordance with the provisions of article 84-quater, paragraph 4, of the Issuers' Regulation.

The Shareholders Meeting is accordingly invited to express its non-binding vote on Section II of the Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020.

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The Board of Directors therefore submits the following proposed resolution to the Shareholders' Meeting.



#### **PROPOSAL**

"The Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting of illimity Bank S.p.A.

- having examined the "Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020" (the "Report") prepared by the Board of Directors pursuant to article 123-ter of Legislative Decree no. 58 of 24 February 1998 (the "TUF"), article 84-quater of CONSOB Regulation no. 11971/1999 (the "Issuers' Regulation") and to the provisions of Circular no. 285/2013 of the Bank of Italy on remuneration matters;
- having examined and discussed, in particular, Section II of the aforementioned Report, prepared pursuant to article 123-ter, paragraph 3, of the TUF and article 84-quarter of the Issuers' Regulation and representing a report on the compensation paid in 2020;
- given that, pursuant to article 123-ter, paragraph 6, of the TUF, the Shareholders' Meeting is called to express a non-binding vote on Section II of the aforementioned Report;

#### RESOLVES

1. to express a favourable opinion, pursuant to article 123-ter, paragraph 6, of the TUF, as amended by Legislative Decree no. 49 of 10 May 2019, and for all other legal purposes, on Section II of the Report".

Milan, 10 March 2021

On behalf of the Board of Directors

The Chair

#### Attached annex:

1. Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020



# Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020

Prepared pursuant to article 3 of Legislative Decree no. 49 of 10 May 2019, which revised article 123-*ter* of Legislative Decree no. 58/1998, to the Issuers' Regulation revised on 11 December 2020 and to the 25th revision of the Bank of Italy's Circular no. 285/13



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#### LETTER FROM THE CHAIR OF THE REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

Shareholders,

I am pleased to present illimity's 2021 Report on Remuneration Policy and its implementation in 2020.

Since 2019 illimity has been laying the foundations of the path it originally set out in its 2018–23 Business Plan, initiating Direct Banking operations while at the same time moving towards becoming a Banking Group by acquiring companies specialising in managing "distressed loans", also by using innovative platforms (neprix S.r.l. and IT Auction S.r.l.), and subsequently creating a new entity for managing credit funds (illimity SGR S.p.A.).

This growth path has continued, despite the profound emergency that characterised 2020, an emergency to which illimity was able to respond effectively due the resilience of its organisation and its operating structure, confirming the adaptability of its business model also to sudden changes.

Apart from keeping its economic results and capital ratios firm, during the past year illimity also achieved important strategic objectives, taking operating decisions which will provide their benefits in future years on matters ranging from entry into the UTP loan portfolio market to the launch of Open Banking and the joint venture in HYPE.

As a consequence, on my own behalf but also on behalf of the members of the Remuneration Committee, I would like to thank all the illimiters for providing a significant contribution to the success of illimity as well as for their commitment and dedication in these complicated times.

In this new context illimity has also confirmed itself as the bank for people, families and businesses.

With this background, the Committee has been working with illimity to draw up the Bank's 2021 Remuneration Policy, taking into account the People Strategy, the evolution of the Business Model and the results forecast for 2021 in the 2018-2023 Business Plan.

The proposed policy further strengthens the alignment of the remuneration and incentive system to the interests of investors and shareholders, as confirmation of our high level of commitment to corporate social responsibility.

As a new item for 2021, which we submit for your approval, we bring to your attention the extension of the annual incentive scheme (MBO) to the Chief Executive Officer and Top Management, which is seen as a means of further aligning – through the remuneration structure – the interests of all the stakeholders involved, in accordance with the requirements of the central supervisory bodies in the banking sector.

The compensation strategy for illimiters continues to be strongly based on an alignment with stakeholders:

- all illimiters are shareholders:
- management and key members of staff are provided with incentives for creating long-term value;
- all illimiters are given incentives to maintain an excellent performance;
- sustainable incentives for sustainable levels of performance: the Bonus Pool is based on progress made compared to the planned objectives;



• the existence of a "Total Value Proposition": an innovative and tailored welfare and flexible benefits system designed to respond to the demands and needs of each illimiter, with special emphasis on parenthood and family care.

The Bank's commitment to corporate social responsibility is confirmed by the setting up of the Sustainability Committee on 30 January 2020 and the inclusion in the annual incentive schemes of the requirement to maintain a high level of Customer Experience & People Engagement. For a more complete view of illimity's commitment on these issues we invite you to consult our Sustainability Profile, which provides a comprehensive picture of our character as a Sustainable Native Company.

As confirmation of the desire to continue with a transparent exchange of views and constructive dialogue, you will find a clear representation of the objectives and related incentives for the Chief Executive Officer, the members of Top Management and the remaining Key Managers in the proposed 2021 remuneration policy.

The Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020 is set out in two sections, implementing the requirements of Legislative Decree no. 49 of 2019 relative to article 123-ter of the TUF (Legislative Decree no. 58/1998, the "Consolidated Law on Finance" applicable to listed companies) which introduced the Shareholder Rights Directive II into Italian law, both of which prepared in accordance with the latest Italian and European legislative requirements.

We are therefore also inviting your view on the compensation paid in 2020 as well as asking you to cast a binding vote on the 2021 Remuneration Policy.

Shareholders, we would like to thank you in advance for the attention you will dedicate to this report and trust that you will appreciate the work performed, the items making up the remuneration policy and the transparent approach we have taken in presenting these to you and all the stakeholders.

Milan, 2 March 2021

With best wishes,

#### Paola Galbiati

Chair of the Remuneration Committee illimity Bank S.p.A.



#### INTRODUCTION

This document, which contains the **Report on the 2021 Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid in 2020**, has been prepared by illimity Bank S.p.A. (hereinafter also **"illimity"** or the **"Issuer"** or the **"Bank"**) pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 58/1998 (the "TUF"), amended for the changes made by Legislative Decree no. 49 of 10 May 2019 – articles 14-*bis* and 123-*ter* – and to the "Issuers' Regulation" – article 84-*quarter*, as updated on 11 December 2020 – as well as in accordance with the Supervisory Provisions for banks as per the 25th revision of the Bank of Italy's Circular no. 285 of 17 December 2013 on remuneration (**"Circular no. 285/13"**). It consists of two sections:

Section I (Report on the Remuneration and Incentive Policy) describes in a clear and comprehensible manner:

- a) the Company's policy on the remuneration of members of the management bodies and control bodies (without prejudice to article 2402 of the Italian Civil Code), general managers and key management personnel, key personnel (material risk takers) and all other personnel, with reference to 2021;
- b) the procedures used to adopt and implement such policy.

In addition, the first section describes the way the remuneration policy contributes to the Company's business strategy, to the pursuit of its long-term interests and to its sustainability.

It is pointed out that pursuant to Consob Regulation no. 17221 of 12 March 2010 as amended on related party transactions (the "Consob Regulation"), as incorporated in the "Regulation for the management of transactions with parties forming part of the Bank's Single Perimeter and transactions of personal interest", approved on 17 January 2018, the approval of the Policy by the Shareholders' Meeting exempts the Company from the need to apply said procedure in the resolutions of the Board of Directors on matters regarding the remuneration of the directors and key management personnel if the latter comply with the Policy. Furthermore, pursuant to article 13, paragraph 1, of the Consob Regulation, the above-mentioned procedure does not apply to resolutions adopted by shareholders' meetings pursuant to article 2389, paragraph 1, of the Italian Civil Code regarding the compensation due to members of the Board of Directors, nor to resolutions on the remuneration of directors with specific duties, forming part of the overall amount determined in advance by the shareholders' meeting pursuant to article 2389, paragraph 3, second sentence, of the Italian Civil Code. The above Regulation of the Bank is available on the Issuer's website <a href="https://www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section Investor Relations.

**Section II** (Report on Compensation Paid), by individual name for members of the management and control bodies and general managers and in aggregate for key management personnel, clearly and comprehensibly:

- a) provides a suitable presentation of each of the items making up the remuneration, including the schemes involved in case of termination of office or of the Employment Relationship, noting their consistency with the company's remuneration policy for 2020;
- b) analytically describes the compensation paid in 2020 for whatever reason and in whatever form by the Bank or by its subsidiaries or associates, stating any components of this compensation that relate to work performed in years prior to 2020 and also indicating the compensation to be paid in one or more subsequent years for the work performed in 2020, possibly providing an estimate for the components relating to 2020 that are not objectively quantifiable.

In addition, Section II provides the disclosures of a qualitative and quantitative nature required by article 450 of the Capital Requirements Regulation (CRR) on the application of the 2020 remuneration policy and contains information concerning the investments held in the Issuer by members of the management and control bodies,



by the Chief Executive Officer and by Key Management Personnel, as well as by their non-legally separated spouses and minor children in accordance with the requirements of article 84-quarter, paragraph 4, of the Issuers' Regulation.

The Bank has adopted a remuneration and incentive policy for 2021 for the members of the corporate bodies having a strategic supervision, management and control function and for the remaining personnel, including the key personnel of the Bank and the companies it controls (the "Policy" or the "Remuneration Policy" or also the "Remuneration and Incentive Policy"), prepared in accordance with the provisions of the mentioned Circular no. 285/13 as well as in light of the recommendations of the Corporate Governance Code promoted by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. (the "Corporate Governance Code").

This Policy was approved by illimity's Board of Directors on 10 March 2021 on the proposal of the Remuneration Committee and after consultation with the Risk Committee.

It is recalled that: i) on 4 September 2018, the Shareholders' Meeting, in ordinary session, appointed the new Board of Directors to hold office until the approval of the financial statements for the year ending 31 December 2021 and ii) on 18 January 2019, the Shareholders' Meeting, in ordinary session, *inter alia*, appointed the Bank's Board of Statutory Auditors and determined the compensation due to its members and the Directors for 2019 and 2020, also for the work performed by such as part of internal board committees,.

Given this, the Shareholders' Meeting of illimity Bank S.p.A., called in ordinary session to resolve on this Report, will also be called, on the basis of the provisions of articles 2383, 2364 and 2389 of the Italian Civil Code and article 24 of the Bylaws: (i) to make appointments as part of the total renewal of the Board of Directors; and (ii) to determine the compensation of the Directors, also for the work performed by such as part of internal board committees.

Subsequently, on the basis of the provisions of article 2389 of the Italian Civil Code and article 24 of the Bylaws, the newly-appointed Board of Directors will establish the compensation due to the Chief Executive Officer, consistent with the criteria set in this Report.

Lastly, it is noted that such Policy concerns the Issuer and the banking group it heads (the "**Group**"). For subsidiaries subject to separate sector laws and regulations, such as illimity SGR S.p.A., specific remuneration policies have been adopted in line with the present Policy, except for the rules consistent with the laws and regulations applicable to such and in line with the requirements of the transitional and final discipline of the supervisory provisions on the remuneration and incentive policies and practices in banks and banking groups.

On 10 March 2021, on the proposal of the Remuneration Committee and after consultation with the Risk Committee, illimity's Board of Directors resolved to put (i) the first section of the Report on the 2021 remuneration policy to a binding vote of the Shareholders' Meeting called to approve the 2020 annual financial statements and (ii) the second section of the Report on compensation paid in 2020 to a consultative vote.

The text of this present document is publicly available at the Company's registered office and in the remuneration section of its website up to the twenty first day preceding the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called to approve the 2020 financial statements, in accordance with current law.

The information documents relating to the existing compensation plans based on financial instruments may be found on the Issuer's website <a href="https://www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section <a href="https://www.illimity.com">Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings</a>.



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# **DEFINITIONS**

Board of Statutory Auditors	illimity's Board of Statutory Auditors.			
Bonus Pool	The total amount of the variable remuneration deriving from the MBO scheme, the estimate of which is based on the actual and long-term results taking into consideration quantitative and qualitative objectives and financial and non-financial objectives, depending on the Group's capital and liquidity targets.			
Business Plan or Plan	The Issuer's business plan for the years 2018-2023.			
Chief Executive Officer	The Chief Executive Officer of illimity Bank S.p.A. and "Corporate body with management functions" of such.			
Circular no. 285/13	Circular no. 285 of the Bank of Italy dated 17 December 2013, as amended, which among other things governs the remuneration and incentive policies and practices of banks.			
Code of Ethics	The Code of Ethics of illimity Bank, approved on 15 November 2019.			
Consolidated Law on Banking or TUB	Legislative Decree no. 385 of 1 September 1993 as amended.			
Group	the illimity Bank S.p.A. group, registered at no. 245 in the Banking Group roll.			
illimity or the "Company" or the "Issuer"	illimity Bank S.p.A., with registered office at Via Soperga 9, Milan, the parent company of the illimity Bank S.p.A group.			
Italian Stock Exchange	Borsa Italiana S.p.A., with registered office at Piazza degli Affari 6, Milan.			
Key Management Personnel	Those persons who, pursuant to IAS 24 and the Corporate Governance Code, have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the entity, directly or indirectly, including any director (whether executive or otherwise) of that entity.			
Key Personnel (Risk Takers or MRTs)	Those persons whose professional activity has, or could have, a material effect on the Group's risk profile, identified in accordance with the criteria and by the means stated in Circular no. 285/13.			
RAF or Risk Appetite Framework	The framework that defines – consistent with the maximum risk that may be assure the business model and the strategic plan – risk propensity, tolerance thresholds, limits, risk management policies and the processes needed to define and implement.			



Remuneration Committee	The Bank's Remuneration Committee set up pursuant to Circular no. 285/13 and the Corporate Governance Code.		
Risk Committee	illimity's Risk Committee set up pursuant to Circular no. 285/13 and the Corporate Governance Code.		
Shareholders' Meeting	The general meeting of the Issuer's shareholders.		
Top Management	The following mangers who report directly to illimity's Chief Executive Officer: Head of Distressed Credit Investment & Servicing; Head of SME; Head of Direct Banking and Chief Digital Operations Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Head of Central Functions; Chief Lending Officer.		
Total Reward	The total remuneration package, consisting of skill development and training in addition to the fixed or variable components of remuneration governed by this Policy.		



#### SECTION I – REPORT ON THE 2021 REMUNERATION AND INCENTIVE POLICY

# 1. REMUNERATION POLICY AS SUPPORT FOR THE CREATION OF LONG-TERM VALUE FOR ALL STAKEHOLDERS

illimity is characterised by having a strongly innovative and highly technological business model concentrating on the development of a specialised Bank clearly focused on specific segments that are very broad, dynamic and little served by the Italian market. More specifically, the Bank:

- provides credit to high-potential Italian businesses with a non-optimal financial structure and/or with a low rating or without a rating, including the non-performing loans segment (Unlikely-To-Pay - UTP);
- sets its sights on becoming a leading operator in the secured and unsecured corporate distressed credit sector (non-performing exposures, whether these are classified as NPLs or UTPs);
- provides banking services and products to families and businesses via a digital platform (Direct Bank).

As part of its Business Plan, the illimity Banking Group sets out guidelines to growth that are based on 6 competitive advantages:







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Top integrated skills



At 31 December 2020 illimity had more than 3.5 €/bn of total loans (and therefore classified as a medium-size Banking Group in 2021) and is now listed on the FTSE Italia STAR index only two years after its initial listing¹, also in consideration of its alignment with the highest corporate governance standards right from the start-up phase.

From this standpoint, illimity's business model is characterised by flexibility, agility and rapdity of response, factors required to support highly dynamic customer segments.

The 2021 Remuneration and Incentive Policy, as per Section I of this Report, sets out the objectives of the remuneration and incentive schemes in the consolidation stage of the Bank's operations and activates the incentivising tools for aligning management to the strategic objectives established throughout the Plan.

The overall remuneration strategy (which among other things envisages a variable component of remuneration proportionate to the maintenance of capital and liquidity ratios and the achievement of performance objectives, and which is, in part, serviced by shares of the Bank based on specifically-related capital increases) has been

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Its ordinary shares were admitted to trading on the STAR segment - "High-Requirement Securities Segment" - of the Electronic Stock Market ("MTA") organised and managed by Borsa Italiana under Borsa Italiana's Provision no. 8688 of 2 September 2020.



established with the aim of providing a remuneration structure that can attract and retain the key skills functional to developing the business and achieving the planned results, compatible with the Bank's capital and economic-financial sustainability.

In this context, the following key principles of the incentive scheme for management planned for 2021 have importance, based as they are on a strong alignment with the Bank's shareholders, investors and in general all of its stakeholders:

- the inclusion of the Chief Executive Officer and Top Management in the annual incentive scheme (MBO) in order to further align the remuneration structure of Top Management with the Bank's shareholders, investors and other management, taking into account any applicable regulatory requirements;
- manager remuneration suitably balanced in the variable component, in line with the expectations of profitability, taking into account the risk level assumed, detailed in the Plan, and without altering the gradual consolidation of the results themselves;
- making "all the Issuer's employees shareholders"2.

The Remuneration Policy is drawn up in line with the business context and the purposes described, as well as being consistent with the applicable regulatory provisions and the expectations of growth set out in the Business Plan, summarised below with reference to 2023 (Figure 1):



Figure 1

In this respect, in line with the guidelines for growth set out in the plan, in the fourth quarter of 2020 illimity finalised the agreements with the Sella Group for the creation of an equally-owned illimity/Sella Group joint venture in the Fintech HYPE<sup>3</sup> - a leader in Italy in innovative financial services provided by non-banking operators - with the aim of generating significant value for all of its stakeholders.

The Policy also identifies and rewards the actions that highlight the very purpose of illimity, being to support the "country as a system" through the development of the segment of the market it serves as confirmation of a responsibility towards investors, shareholders, employees and the economic system as a whole, the underlying driver of its strategy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See paragraph 16 below: Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> On 22 December 2020 the contribution deed was signed, effective 1 January 2021, having as object the acquisition by Fabrick S.p.A. of 37.66% of the share capital of HYPE S.p.A. ("HYPE"). On the same date illimity subscribed the increase in HYPE's capital for cash and the deed was signed for the contribution of the direct bank business into HYPE, which took the company's total holding in HYPE to 50% with effect from 1 January 2021.



As evidence of the commitment towards corporate social responsibility, the Sustainability Committee was set up in January 2020 with the aim of establishing the Group's sustainability strategy and, then, monitoring the way this is carried out; in this sense also the remuneration policy is geared towards the creation of sustainable value over time for all the stakeholders and the eco-system in which the Group operates.

#### 2. DETAILS OF THE PROPORTIONALITY PRINCIPLE

In application of the proportionality principle the regulatory framework requires banks to establish remuneration and incentive policies that take into account their features and size, as well as the risk and complexity of the activities performed.

Considering the characteristics of its loans, the way the Group is structured and current legislation, illimity categorises itself among the medium-sized intermediaries given its total assets and the operating complexity resulting from its business model, the sphere in which it operates and the type of risks it assumes.

Since the date of its listing on the MTA (5 March 2019), illimity has ensured compliance with the regulatory provisions characterising middle-sized Banking Groups, doing this by way of introducing governance controls – including the setting up of the Remuneration Committee – and through the establishment of even more stringent rules on the structure of variable remuneration.

The present Remuneration Policy therefore provides details of the relative rules and criteria for recognising and paying the variable component of remuneration by means that are in line with those required for medium-sized banks by laws and regulations, consistent with the aim of aligning the business's objectives and values, including corporate social responsibility, the strategic path undertaken and the policies of prudent risk management pursued by the Bank in accordance with applicable law.



#### 3. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

The Remuneration Policy is established within the legislative framework for remuneration and incentive schemes, as represented by the following sources:

- at a European Union level:
  - Directive 2019/878/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019, which amended previous Directive 2013/36/EU on access to the activity of credit institutions and the prudential supervision of credit institutions and investment firms ("CRD V");
  - Regulation (EU) 2019/876 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2019 on prudential requirements for credit institutions and investment firms (the "CRR");
  - Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014 of 4 March 2014 that supplements CRD
     IV with regard to technical regulatory standards with respect to qualitative and appropriate quantitative criteria to identify categories of staff whose professional activities have a material impact on an institution's risk profile ("risk takers");
  - Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 527/2014 of 12 March 2014 that supplements CRD IV with regard to regulatory technical standards, specifying the classes of instruments that adequately reflect the credit quality of an institution as a going concern and are appropriate to be used for the purposes of variable remuneration;

#### at a national level:

- article123-ter, as amended by Legislative Decree no.49/2019, and article 114-bis of the TUF, which respectively govern the contents of the "Report on remuneration and compensation paid" and the "information to the market on the granting of financial instruments to company officers, employees and collaborators";
- Title IV, Chapter 1, of the 25th revision to Circular no. 285/13, on the remuneration and incentive policies and practices adopted to align national regulatory requirements to the guidelines on remuneration and incentives promulgated by the EBA, already effective from 1 January 2017 and reported in the following;
- the revision published by the Bank of Italy on 19 March 2019 on the transparency of banking and financial transactions and services, with particular reference to the propriety of relations between intermediates and customers;
- the Issuers' Regulation, as revised by Consob on 11 December 2020;
- with reference to the collective asset management sector, the provisions of the Regulation of the Bank of Italy implementing articles 4-undecies and 6, paragraphs 1b) and 1c-bis), of the TUF.

The following complete the above provisions:

"Guidelines on sound remuneration policies under Articles 74(3) and 75(2) of Directive 2013/36/EU and disclosure under Article 450 of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013", designed to harmonise the way in which the European directive is effected in the various countries;



- "Guidelines on sound remuneration policies under the UCITS Directive and AIFMD", designed to harmonise national transcription into national laws on remuneration and incentives in companies managing AIFs and UCITS funds;
- the ECB's guidelines on non-performing loans ("NPLs") published on 20 March 2017;
- Directive 2014/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on markets in financial instruments ("Mifid II"), on the requirements for proper conduct with customers, in effect since January 2018;
- the "Draft Guidelines on sound remuneration policies under Directive 2013/36/EU" and Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy under consultation in the period November 2020 January 2021, with which the present policies are aligned with reference to the underlying principles, such as gender neutrality and corporate social responsibility.

#### 4. OBJECTIVES OF THE REMUNERATION POLICY

The Remuneration and Incentive Policy is designed to motivate staff towards achieving illimity's short and medium/long-term objectives, in compliance with the Company's values and the levers identified in the 2018-2023 Business Plan, by contributing to:

- the alignment of the interests of management and all employees, fully involved in the "value-building" process, to those of investors;
- the creation of value sustainable over time for all the stakeholders and the eco-system in which the Group operates, balancing short- and long-term incentive plans;
- support for the gradual consolidation of the growth directives of the new bank, consistent with the plan
  presented to investors;
- the attraction, retention and motivation of illimiters, with a focus on staff with distinctive skills for the pursuit of the Company's growth and business objectives, in an increasingly challenging competitive context, thanks to an inclusive business culture increasingly focused on the Human Touch.

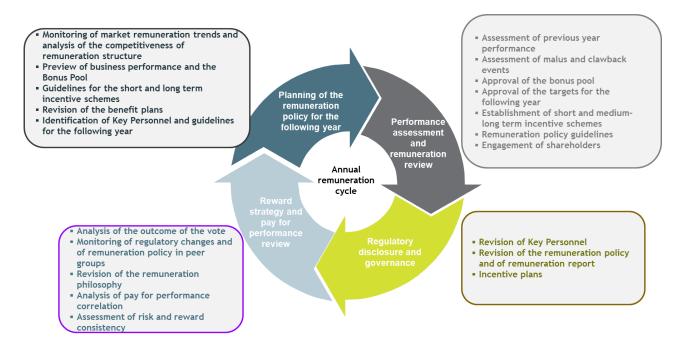
The Remuneration and Incentive Policy accordingly evolves in the ambit of clear and transparent governance, taking into account the overall principle of orientation towards the sound and prudent management of risks and regulatory compliance and towards principles of good professional conduct and the propriety of customer relations.

This Remuneration and Incentive Policy therefore reflects the significant changes that have taken place and/or will take place in the business and in the Group's organisational structure in accordance with the provisions of the Business Plan, as well as any regulatory changes that may have occurred.

## 5. GOVERNANCE OF THE REMUNERATION POLICY

In accordance with the provisions of law, and regulatory and corporate governance requirements, the Remuneration and Incentive Policy is established as part of the annual cycle for the planning, management and control of remuneration in order to ensure that decisions are taken independently, thereby avoiding the risk of possible conflicts of interest and guaranteeing accurate disclosures in compliance with the requirements of law and regulatory provisions, as well as supervisory regulations, all following the process described below:





In particular, the annual cycle for the revision of the Remuneration Policy involves the corporate bodies and business functions, consistent with regulatory provisions, the requirements of the bylaws, the organisational structure and the responsibilities assigned to the various functions, ensuring that each decision is taken by the bodies and functions delegated to take it.

In order to adopt effective remuneration practices that are capable of suitably supporting business strategies and resource management, together with regulatory evolution, illimity monitors general market trends and the practice in remuneration and incentive policies followed in the sectors in which it operates. In this sense, in order to draw up the Remuneration and Incentive Policy described in this Report, the Bank availed itself of the analyses and support of independent experts having specific expertise in remuneration policies and practices, namely Willis Towers Watson Italia S.p.A..

The following sections provide details of the corporate bodies and persons involved in establishing and implementing the remunerative and incentive system.

## 5.1 Shareholders' Meeting

Shareholders in general meeting have the responsibility for approving the remuneration and incentive policy.

More specifically, in addition to establishing the compensation due to the bodies it has appointed, the Shareholders' Meeting:

- expresses its opinion by way of a binding vote on the remuneration and incentive policy regarding the members of corporate bodies with a function of strategic supervision, management and control and all other personnel;
- ii. expresses a non-binding opinion on the Report on Compensation Paid, pursuant to article 3 of Legislative Decree no. 49/2019;
- iii. approves the remuneration plans based on financial instruments (e.g. stock options);
- iv. approves the criteria for determining the any amounts to be agreed in case of the early termination of the Employment Relationship or the early termination of office, including the limits set on such



compensation in terms of the number of annual amounts of fixed remuneration and the maximum amount that derives from their application;

v. approves, in accordance with the increased quorums envisaged by applicable laws and regulations and by illimity's current bylaws, any proposal that may be made by a corporate body with a strategic supervision function to set a limit to the ratio between the variable and fixed components of individual remuneration exceeding 1:1 (in any case not exceeding 200%).

Clear and complete information on the Remuneration Policy that the Board of Directors proposes to adopt, on the proposal of the Remuneration Committee and after consultation with the Risk Committee, is submitted to the Shareholders' Meeting, as well as a report that such policy was effectively and properly followed during the course of the previous year.

It should be recalled that illimity's 2020 Remuneration Policy was approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020 with a 100% vote in favour by the shareholders in attendance, as confirmation of the alignment to the guidelines of investors and proxy advisors and to the applicable regulatory framework.

At the subsequent meeting of 22 December 2020, 98.3% of those in attendance approved the proposal to update the Remuneration Policy (with reference to the provisions of Paragraph 4.2), in order to adapt the incentive schemes to the pandemic situation that even now continues to characterise the global scenario, in view of the resilience shown by illimity's business model.

#### 5.2 Board of Directors

Availing itself of the fact that the Remuneration Committee acts with both a proposing and advisory role, the Board of Directors of illimity Bank S.p.A. ensures that the remuneration and incentive systems adopted are consistent with the overall decisions taken by the Bank in terms of risk assumption, strategies, long-term objectives, corporate governance structure and internal controls.

In this context, and without prejudice to the responsibilities assigned to the Shareholders' Meeting, the Board of Directors:

- submits the remuneration and incentive policy to the Shareholders' Meeting, re-examines it on at least an annual basis and is responsible for its proper implementation, in respect of which it ensures that the relative report has been prepared and that this is submitted to the Shareholders' Meeting;
- ensures that the remuneration and incentive policy is suitably documented and accessible within the corporate structure;
- establishes the remuneration and incentive schemes for at least the following persons: the executive
  directors; the general manager (if appointed); the heads of the main business lines; persons who report
  directly to the bodies with a strategic supervision, management and control function; persons in charge
  and staff of a level higher than the corporate control functions;
- ensures that the remuneration and incentive schemes are consistent with the overall decisions taken by the Group in terms of risk assumption, strategies, long-term objectives, corporate governance structure and internal controls;
- participates in, and has the final responsibility for, the preparation of the self-assessment conducted
  to identify Key Group Personnel and approves/supervises any exclusion of staff who despite having
  the quantitative requirements fail to satisfy the qualitative criteria established by laws and regulations



on the matter.

In application of article 123-ter, paragraph 3-bis of the TUF, in exceptional circumstances illimity may temporarily make an exception to its remuneration and incentive policies, without prejudice to compliance with binding laws and regulatory requirements and with the Regulation for the management of transactions with parties falling within the Bank's Single Perimeter and transactions of personal interest.

Exceptional circumstances shall mean those situations in which making an exception to the remuneration policies is necessary for pursuing the long-term and sustainability interests of the Bank as a whole or ensuring its ability to stay on the market.

The derogation proposal was drawn up by the Chief Executive Officer and describes, with motivating reasons, the exceptional circumstances by virtue of which the derogation is considered necessary, the items from which derogation is planned among those below qualifying as "may be derogated from" and the effects on capital following the derogation, in accordance with the applicable prudent rules and capital restrictions to which the Bank is bound.

The proposal was approved by the Board of Directors after receiving the favourable opinion of the Remuneration Committee and after consulting with the Risk Committee and the Board of Statutory Auditors for the matters for which they are respectively responsible, and is consistent with the Related Party Transactions Procedure.

The items of the remuneration and incentive policy to which an exception may be made regard the provisions contained in Section 1, Chapters 14, 15, 16 and 17 of this Report, with exclusive reference to the short-term variable components described therein.

#### 5.3 Chief Executive Officer

In his capacity as a corporate body with functions to manage the Bank, the Chief Executive Officer:

- determines and approves the operational process to establish the criteria underlying the remuneration and incentive system, in accordance with the provisions of the remuneration and incentive policy;
- is responsible for applying the remuneration policy and setting out the objectives and proposals for the Bonus Pool and incentives consistent with the provisions of these present Policies.

#### **5.4 Remuneration Committee**

The Board of Directors avails itself of the proposing and advisory capacity of the Remuneration Committee which consists of three directors, all non-executive, of whom the majority are independent.

In accordance with the provisions of Circular no. 285/13 as well as those of the Corporate Government Code, in this context the Remuneration Committee:

- has the duty to make proposals on the compensation of personnel whose remuneration and incentive schemes are decided by the Board of Directors;
- has duties of an advisory nature in determining the criteria to be used for establishing the compensation of all Key Personnel;



- expresses its opinion on the results of the process of identifying Key Personnel, including any
  exclusions, also availing itself of the information received from the competent business functions;
- directly supervises the proper application of the rules for the remuneration of the heads of the business control functions, in close cooperation with the Board of Statutory Auditors;
- looks after the preparation of the documentation to be submitted to the Board of Directors for the relative decisions;
- collaborates with the other sub-committees of the Board of Directors and in particular the Risk Committee;
- ensures the involvement of the business functions (Risk Management, Compliance, Human Resources, IR & Strategic Planning) in the process for the preliminary drafting and subsequent control of the remuneration and incentive policies and practices;
- expresses a view, as necessary using the information received from the competent business functions, on the achievement of the performance objectives to which the incentive plans are linked and on the satisfaction of the other conditions set for paying compensation;
- provides suitable feedback on its activities to the corporate bodies, including the Shareholders'
   Meeting;
- expresses an independent opinion on the Group's remuneration policies and practices, in general, with reference to the reconciliation with resource retention objectives and the limitation of business risks;
- in relation to the provision of services and, in general, to the governance of the Bank's products, expresses an opinion on the effectiveness of the policies themselves in managing conflicts of interest and on the risk management requirements relating to the conduct of the staff, in order to ensure that the interests of customers are not jeopardised by the remuneration policies and practices adopted in the short, medium and long term.

In 2020, the Remuneration Committee met eight times, with 100% of its members in attendance on all occasions.

At the date of preparation of this report the Committee consists of the following members4:

- Paola Elisabetta Galbiati Chair to the Committee
- Martin Ngombwa Member
- Marcello Valenti Member

#### 5.5 Risk Committee

The Risk Committee performs an advisory role with respect to the approval of the remuneration policies for the purpose of ensuring that the incentives underlying the Bank's remuneration and incentive system are consistent with the RAF.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Marcello Valenti and Paola Elisabetta Maria are directors co-opted by the Issuer's Board of Directors on 10 February 2021 and will remain in office until the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called to approve the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2020. These directors were appointed following the resignation of Messrs. Giancarlo Bruno and Luca Rovati on 29 December 2020.



#### 5.6 Human Resources

The Human Resources Function in illimity contributes to the preparation of the remuneration policy and looks after its application together with the Remuneration Committee, the CFO & Head of Central Functions and the Chief Executive Officer, in accordance with the Issuer's need to attract and retain the professional figures required to achieve its long-term objectives while at the same time ensuring sound and prudent risk management. In this respect the Human Resources Function:

- draws up and submits to the Remuneration Committee the proposed revision of the Remuneration Policy and Report on Compensation Paid;
- availing itself of the contribution of the Business Control Functions, ensures compliance with the regulations applicable to these present policies and that they have been correctly applied;
- coordinates the process for identifying and determining the Key Personnel, taking account of regulatory provisions and the criteria set out in these present policies, availing itself of the contribution of the Business Control Functions, in particular the Chief Risk Officer (the "CRO") and the Compliance & AML Function;
- proposes a performance appraisal system, remuneration criteria and career paths consistent with the remuneration policy; in this respect it additionally coordinates the establishment and assignment of the performance objectives as part of the incentive schemes;
- availing itself of the contribution of the Chief Financial Officer (the "CFO") and the CRO, checks
  whether the objectives have been met and whether the conditions exist for access to the forms of
  variable remuneration;
- monitors the trends and practices to be found on the reference labour market in order:
  - o to formulate proposals for the revision of the Policy;
  - o to formulate solutions for revising the remuneration and incentive system in terms of the instruments, means, operating mechanisms and parameters adopted by the Group.

#### 5.7 Compliance and AML

The Compliance & AML Function of illimity performs a preventive scrutiny and monitoring of the Remuneration Policy to ensure it complies with the legislative framework; it additionally checks that the Company's incentive schemes are consistent with the objectives of complying with the law, the bylaws and the Code of Ethics and Conduct adopted by the Bank, as well as the standards of conduct applicable to the Bank, so that the legal and reputational risks inherent above all in customer relations are suitably contained.

The Compliance & AML Function:

- in conjunction with the Business Control Functions ensures that the present Policies are appropriate and respond to the requirements of laws and regulations and that they are working properly;
- checks that the Company's incentive scheme is consistent with the objectives of complying with the law, the bylaws and the Code of Ethics and Conduct, ensuring that the legal and reputational risks are suitably addressed, with particular regard to customer relations;
- checks consistency with the present Policy and internal regulations and procedures, reporting any risks of non-compliance to the corporate bodies in charge;
- checks the consistency of the process followed for identifying Key Personnel with applicable laws and



regulations.

#### 5.8 Chief Risk Officer

The Chief Risk Officer of illimity, or CRO, supports the Risk Committee and the Remuneration Committee in ensuring that the remuneration schemes are consistent with the Bank's prudent risk management policies and that the Bank's incentives underlying the remuneration and incentive system are consistent with the RAF and with the management of the Bank's risk, capital and liquidity profiles. It additionally contributes to the process of identifying the Risk Takers for the aspects regarding the materiality of the contribution to risk made by the holders of authorisation powers. In particular, the CRO:

- supports the Human Resources Function in ensuring that the Policies are consistent with the risk propensity expressed in the Risk Appetite Framework and identifying any objectives designed to mitigate important risks;
- assesses consistency with the Risk Appetite Framework of the proposed Bonus Pool and access gates
  to variable remuneration ex ante and checks the levels reached ex post, with reference to risk
  management;
- ensures the suitability of the qualitative and quantitative assessments to be adopted for determining Key Personnel compared to the Group's risk profile, consistent with the recommendations made in the Risk Appetite Framework.

#### 5.9 Internal Audit

At least on an annual basis, illimity's Internal Audit verifies that the remuneration practices respond to the requirements of the Bank's remuneration and incentive policy, approved from time to time, and to those of applicable laws and regulations, from the standpoint of risk control and the safeguarding of the Company's assets. The results of these verifications are brought to the attention of the Shareholders' Meeting and, where necessary, to the Supervisory Authorities.

#### 6. IDENTIFICATION OF "KEY GROUP PERSONNEL" FOR 2021

In accordance with the provisions of the EBA guidelines and Circular no. 285/13, illimity has identified the Group's Key Personnel by means of a structured process and on the basis of criteria in line with the Risk Appetite Framework and with the system of authorisation powers approved by illimity, consistent with the "Guidelines for the identification of Material Risk Takers of the Banking Group", which, pursuant to applicable legislation form an integral part of this Report (attached as Annex 1).

The identification of Key Group Personnel, meaning the category of staff whose professional activity has, or may have, a material effect on the Group's risk profile, in accordance with the above-mentioned guidelines, was based on the Bank's operational and organisational characteristics, taking into account both qualitative criteria, namely responsibilities and/or powers to assume risk, and quantitative criteria, namely remuneration levels.

In accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and the progressive articulation of the system of powers of authorisation to support the implementation of the directional lines of the Business Plan, the CRO



and the Human Resources Area have established additional criteria for identifying persons who assume or may assume significant risks for the Bank or the Group (which include 2 additional items compared to the previous year).

The additional criteria have been established in order to identify:

- Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have originated Risk Weighted Assets for Credit Risk and Market Risk ("RWAs") amounting to at least 7% of the Group's total RWAs.
- Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel
  is completed, have contributed to Concentration Risk for credit exposures with one or more
  transactions included in the TOP 20.
- Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have contributed significantly to material Operating Losses, understood as being the top 20 Operating Losses recognised in the process for recording these over the past two years (LDC process, Loss Data Collection).
- Staff who, although not identified by the application of the previous criteria and/or not having a formal
  organisational position, from the analyses and assessments conducted by the CRO are considered
  able to exercise significant future influence in strategic and operational terms over the Bank's
  operational processes and decisions.

This process led to the identification of the following figures who may qualify as persons forming part of the category of Key Personnel:

- executive and non-executive members of the Board of Directors, including the Chief Executive Officer;
- Top Management and in particular: the Head of Distressed Credit Investment & Servicing, the Head of SME, the Head of Direct Banking and Chief Digital Operations Officer, the Chief Financial Officer and the Head of Central Functions, the Chief Lending Officer and the Chief Executive Officer of neprix S.r.l.;
- the heads of the Business Control Functions and in particular: the Chief Risk Officer, the Head of Compliance & AML and the Head of Internal Audit;
- the General Manager of neprix and, in application of the additional criteria established by illimity, the Head of Crossover, the Head of Turnaround, the Head of NPL Senior Financing and the Head of Portfolios, the Head of Special Situations RE, the Head of Business Operations & Credit Support, the Head of Open Banking, the Head of Factoring, the Managing Director of illimity SGR;
- the heads of the support functions and in particular: General Counsel Head of Corporate & Legal Affairs, the Head of Human Resources, the Head of Administration & Accounting, the Chief Communication Officer, the Head of Investors Relations & Strategic Planning, the Head of Budget & Control, the Head of ALM & Treasury and the Chief Information Officer.

An analysis of the quantitative criteria provided in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014 did not lead to the identification of any persons further to those already identified within the meaning of the qualitative criteria of this regulation and with respect to the above-mentioned additional criteria.

The identification process was concluded in February 2021 and the results were submitted to the Remuneration Committee and the Risk Committee, and then to the Board of Directors at its meeting of 10



March 2021, following verification by the control functions in charge, in particular the Compliance & AML function with reference to the verification of alignment of the criteria applied to regulatory requirements, and the CRO regarding the possibility of a material effect occurring on the Bank's various risk categories.

The updating of the process led to the identification of 4 additional positions compared to the similar process carried out in December 2020, given the evolution of the Bank's organisational model in the meantime.

The identified resources represent approximately 6% of the number of the Group's employees at 28 February 2021.

Key Management Personnel, with the exclusion of the parent company's statutory auditors, are all included in the perimeter of the Group's Key Personnel.

In line with legislative requirements, the process will be updated at the latest by the end of 2021 in order to identify any additional persons who may have a material effect on the Bank's risk profile during 2021 for at least three successive months.

#### 7. REMUNERATION

By "remuneration" is meant compensation in any form – in cash, financial instruments or fringe benefits – or compensation in the form of other benefits (for example: pension benefits on an individual and discretionary basis, golden parachutes, etc.) – disbursed directly or indirectly as consideration for employment or professional services rendered in favour of the Bank.

In accordance with the provisions of Circular no. 285/13, total remuneration is divided into a fixed component and a variable component, ensuring that there is a clear distinction between the two.

The ratio between the fixed component and the variable component is suitably balanced, accurately determined and carefully assessed in relation to the characteristics of the Bank and the various categories of staff, in particular persons falling within the category of Key Personnel.

In this respect illimity has established the maximum<sup>5</sup> ratios for the various categories of staff as follows (ratio of variable to fixed):

- for the Group's Key Personnel belonging to the business function: up to 200%;
- for the Group's Key Personnel belonging to the support function: up to 150%;
- for the Group's Key Personnel belonging to the Business Control Functions: 33%;
- for the remaining staff, variable remuneration is in all cases limited to 200% for the business functions and 100% for the other functions.

With particular reference to the Key Personnel of the business functions and support functions, the above limits represent the maximum ratios relating to the progressive consolidation of the results of the Business Plan. In this respect, 2021 is seeing a continuation towards the consolidation of the directional guidelines included in the Business Plan and will accordingly be characterised by considerably more contained actual ratios for the variable components, consistent with the path towards a further strengthening of the economic and financial conditions forecast in the 2021 budget.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In accordance with the applicable supervisory provisions, illimity has not submitted a new resolution in this respect to shareholders since the approval of the increase of the ratio 2:1 by the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020, as the assumptions on the basis of which this increase was approved have not changed, not even with respect to the staff to which it relates and the extent of the limit.



It should be noted that the Chief Executive Officer and the other members of the Group's Top Management continue to have a theoretical limit of variable remuneration compared to fixed remuneration of 1:1.

#### 8. FIXED REMUNERATION

The purpose of fixed remuneration is to attract and retain key professional figures for the execution of the Bank's directional guidelines.

The fixed component of staff remuneration consists of the following components:

- gross annual salary (GAS), linked to the dimensions and complexities governed;
- possible position/function allowances designed to reward the professional expertise contributed, linked to maintaining the position and adjusted in line with applicable regulatory provisions;
- possible compensation of a recurring nature for collaborators not having a formal Employment Relationship;
- benefits whose value is detailed by category of beneficiary and granted on the basis of predetermined criteria, not linked to performance, designed to increase the appeal of the remuneration package and therefore the motivation and loyalty of the employee. The benefits are granted on the basis of a flexible policy which, given a predetermined amount, allows the beneficiary to adjust the enjoyment of the additional benefits over the base components as a function of individual needs and requirements. The relative means of assignment and enjoyment are governed by a specific regulation; a series of examples follows:
  - personal use of company car;
  - lodging;
  - additional contribution to the supplementary pension fund;
  - health insurance;
  - extra-professional insurance policy.

In addition, a Directors and Officers ("**D&O**") insurance policy is included for all of the company's directors and officers (i.e. members of the Board of Directors and the Board of Statutory Auditors), which is also extended to managers and function heads who may be exposed to risks, with the exclusion of any fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.

#### 9. VARIABLE REMUNERATION

Variable remuneration is the component of remuneration linked to performance and/or other factors that is not included in fixed or recurring remuneration and granted and paid in line with the regulatory provisions on variable remuneration.

The components which in accordance with the Remuneration Policy may be classified as variable remuneration are as follows:

the "Long-term Incentive Plan" (the "LTIP") introduced in 2020 following approval by the same Shareholders' Meeting called to resolve on the present remuneration policy, relating to the Chief Executive Officer and the 4 members of illimity's Top Management with the aim of aligning their



interests to those of the shareholders and of the remaining management and accordingly having objectives linked to the priorities established in the Business Plan;

- the long-term "Stock Option Plan" (il "SOP") introduced in 2019 and intended for the Issuer's "key personnel" and/or any subsidiaries (with the exclusion of the Chief Executive Officer and Top Management) having the aim of aligning the interests of management and of employees in general to those of long-term shareholders and accordingly linked to the objectives set out in the Business Plan;
- the short-term incentive scheme ("MBO") based on an appraisal of individual performance of staff of the Issuer and/or the Group compared to the assigned objectives, with the following beneficiaries:
  - the Chief Executive Officer and Top Management;
  - the other Key Personnel of the Issuer and/or the Group;
  - the remainder of the Group's staff;
- the "Employee Stock Ownership Plan" (the "**ESOP**"), whose first award cycle began in 2019, designed to motivate all employees towards the creation of value, making them participants in the growth of the Issuer and/or the Group over the timescale of the Business Plan;
- retention bonuses, having an exceptional nature, subject to a decision-making process, designed to retain specific expertise and paid in line with legislative and regulatory provisions on variable remuneration;
- possible entry bonuses or buyouts, only awarded within one year of hiring and subject to applicable regulations. Any entry bonuses awarded on hiring are not included in the calculation of the ratio of variable to fixed remuneration, since in accordance with Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy they are paid in a lump sum on hiring;
- possible specific components of remuneration designed to preserve the value of commercial know-how and/or specialist skills (extension of notice agreements awarded in constancy of the Employment Relationship). In accordance with regulatory provisions on remuneration, such agreements are not included in the calculation of the ratio of variable remuneration to fixed remuneration with reference to determined compensation for the part not exceeding the latest annual amount of fixed remuneration.

In general, the variable component is subject to verification of the conditions for access/activation (gates) which, for all the components described, with the exception of the entry bonuses awarded on hiring or non-competition agreements and/or agreements for the extension of notice for which the compensation does not exceed the latest annual amount of fixed remuneration, provide for the maintenance of capital stability and liquidity ratios at least equal to the tolerance levels set in the RAF, in addition to specific conditions and objectives defined for the single incentive plans.

With the exception of the components explicitly indicated in that sense (any entry bonuses awarded on hiring or non-competition agreements and/or agreements for the extension of notice for which the compensation does not exceed the latest annual amount of fixed remuneration), the whole of variable remuneration is subject to compliance with the maximum ratio with respect to fixed remuneration<sup>6</sup> approved by the Shareholders' Meeting for the specific category.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> As measurable at 31 December 2020.



Variable remuneration granted by way of any of the above-defined incentive schemes (with the exception of any entry bonuses awarded on hiring or non-competition agreements and/or agreements for the extension of notice for which the compensation does not exceed the latest annual amount of fixed remuneration) is additionally subject to claw-back clauses that may be activated in the event of remuneration already paid, in the cases and by the means governed by the applicable regulations.

Variable remuneration is additionally subject to deferral and *malus* mechanisms as well as settlement partially in cash and partially in financial instruments, in line with the strictest regulatory provisions established for key personnel and, prudently, for the heads of business functions who report to Top Management.

#### 10. COMPENSATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The system for remunerating corporate bodies is based on compliance with applicable legislation and observance of the policies whose aim is to ensure sound and prudent management of the Bank given its long-term strategies.

Fixed compensation is envisaged for non-executive directors, plus the reimbursement of expenses incurred in exercising office.

It is noted that the Shareholders' Meeting of illimity Bank S.p.A., called in ordinary session to discuss and adopt resolutions on this Report, will also be called, on the basis of the requirements of articles 2383, 2364 and 2389 of the Italian Civil Code: (i) to appoint members to office as part of the total renewal of the Board of Directors; and (ii) to determine the compensation of the Directors, also for the work performed by such as part of internal board committees.

#### Boards of Directors of subsidiaries

After consultation with the Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors of the parent company proposes compensation for the members of the Boards of Directors of the Company's subsidiaries. As far as non-executive directors are concerned, this compensation is set in a fixed amount.

Members with executive powers receive an amount of variable remuneration calculated in accordance with the provisions governed by these present remuneration policies.

Members of the Board of Directors of subsidiaries who are employees of the Group receive no emoluments for their position on the Board of Directors other than in respect of specific positions.

#### 11. COMPENSATION OF THE BOARD OF STATUTORY AUDITORS

The regulations introduced by Ministerial Decree no. 169/2010 have been taken as the basis for determining the compensation of the members of the Board of Statutory Auditors. These establish that compensation should be calculated in relation to:

- the activities performed pursuant to article 2403, first paragraph, and article 2404 of the Italian Civil Code;
- the preparation of their report on the financial statements of the previous year;



 participation at the meetings of the Board of Directors or shareholders, and those of the Board of Statutory Auditors, excluding those relating to the annual financial statements and the periodic meetings required by law, taking into account the indicators specifically identified in the same article.

The Shareholders' Meeting of BIP of 18 January 2019 that appointed the new control body following the resignation of all the standing and substitute members of the Board of Statutory Auditors also determined the compensation due to the statutory auditors for the three-year period of activity, *pro-rata temporis*, in accordance with the Remuneration Policy approved by the same Shareholders' Meeting. More specifically, the remuneration of the control body was determined in the following way (plus reimbursement for any expenses incurred in exercising office) as follows:

- Chair: EUR 70,000 per annum gross;
- Standing auditors (each): EUR 50,000 per annum gross.

Attendance fees are not envisaged.

In addition, any expenses incurred in exercising office are reimbursed.

#### 12. MARKET PRACTICE AND BENCHMARKING

illimity monitors market practice for remuneration and incentives on a regular basis, also referring to market benchmarks<sup>7</sup>, in order to assess the competitiveness of its reward strategy.

The peer group used to monitor market practice for the position of Chief Executive Officer was selected by starting from a panel of European and Italian companies characterised by operating in the speciality finance sector and/or geographical proximity and/or companies operating in the financial sector listed on the Borsa Italiana FTSE Midcap index.

The analysis performed to find companies with specifics comparable with those of illimity led to the identification of a peer group consisting of the following: Anima; Banca IFIS; doValue; Arrow Global; Banca Sistema; Hoist Finance; B2Holding; Cerved; Kruk; Banca Farmafactoring; and Dea Capital. In particular, in addition to Italian and European companies operating in the speciality finance sector, mid-cap companies operating in asset management were also included in the peer group.

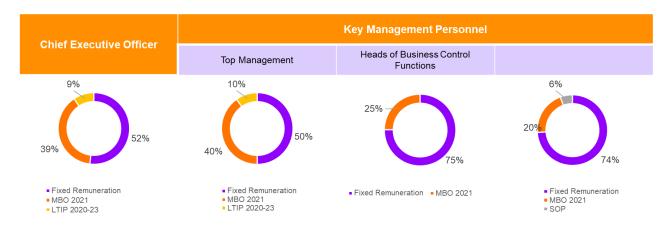
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Determined by Willis Towers Watson.



#### 13. PAY-MIX OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The following diagram sets out the target pay-mix for 2021 for the Chief Executive Officer and Key Management Personnel<sup>8</sup>, a category which also includes the members of Top Management<sup>9</sup>, Heads of Control Functions<sup>10</sup> and other Key Management Personnel<sup>11</sup> in consideration of the annual and long-term incentive plans governed by this present Policy:



#### 14. REMUNERATION OF ILLIMITY'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND TOP MANAGEMENT

The remuneration of illimity's Chief Executive Officer and the remaining members of Top Management consists of the following components<sup>12</sup>:

- Fixed remuneration, including the benefit policy established by the category to which they belong<sup>13</sup>
- Short-term variable remuneration: MBO incentive scheme
- Long-term variable remuneration: Long Term Incentive Plan 2020-2023.

#### MBO incentive scheme:

The MBO incentive scheme sets itself the aim of rewarding the achievement of annual objectives and the adoption of conduct forming part of long-term planning, at the same time supporting the dissemination of a "value-building" culture consistent with the risk management objectives set out in the Bank's Risk Appetite Framework.

The granting of variable remuneration under the MBO scheme for 2021 depends on achieving the objectives and conduct contained in the individual schedule assigned to the Chief Executive officer and to each member of Top Management.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The remuneration package also includes the benefits attributed on the basis of a general policy and, for employees, the *Employee Stock Ownership Plan*. Further details are provided in paragraph 14 below.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Head of SME, Head of Direct Banking, Head of Distressed Credit & Investments, CFO & Head of Central Functions, Chief Lending Officer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Chief Risk Officer, Head of Internal Audit, Head of Compliance & AML and Data Protection Officer.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> General Counsel and Head of Administration & Accounting.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> The Chief Executive Officer and Top Management are holders of illimity ordinary shares as well as illimity special shares. Further details are provided in Section II.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> As managers of the Bank, they may be members of the *Employee Stock Ownership Plan*.



The following table (Figure 2) sets out details from the **schedule of 2021 objectives for the Chief Executive Officer** (target bonus equal to 75% of fixed remuneration):

Macro Area	Area	Peso	КРІ		
Financials	1 - Redditività	20%	ROE		
		15%	Cost/income		
	2 - Rischio	15%	Gross Organic NPE ratio		
Strategy	3- Implementazione azioni strategiche*	25%	TBD Azioni strategiche da implementare "pro-rata" nel 2021  Evoluzione banca diretta:  supporto allo sviluppo della joint venture in Hype e delle sinergie con la banca finalizzazione e lancio progetto banca diretta per Small Business, Micro Enterprises POE e relative partnership strategiche  Evoluzione progettualità strategiche di neprix (e.g. operatività non captive, progetto Quimi stensione operatività SGR su nuovi comparti e raccolta fondi Accelerazione progetti innovazioni (e.g. Al, dati)  Ottimizzazione del capitale Sviluppo attività a contenuto commissionale (e.g. Capital Markets) Lancio Fondazione illimity		
ESG	4 - Leadership & engagement	25%	Valutazione della qualità della leadership + People Engagement (Posizionamento illimity nel Ranking GPTW per l'anno 2021)		

Figure 2 – Schedule of the Ohief Executive Officer's 2021 objectives

A maximum performance level is envisaged, above which the incentive remains constant, as well as a threshold level, below which the scheme does not trigger and consequently does not generate any payment.

The following graph (Figure 3), shows the incentive curve for the MBO scheme which links the total weighted level for reaching the performance objectives included in the individual objectives schedule to pay-out level (no award is envisaged for a performance below the minimum threshold level of 80%):

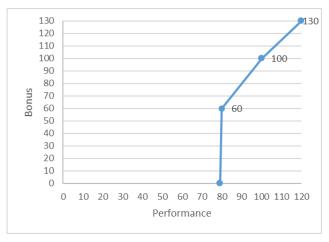


Figure 3 – 2021 MBO incentive curve

Payment of the corresponding variable remuneration depends on the actual availability of the bonus pool, in accordance with the matters described in Chapter 16 of this Report, as well as overcoming the following gates:



- CET1 Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF as measured at 31/12/2021;
- LCR Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF as measured at 31/12/2021;
- Net Income >0 at 31/12/2021;
- No breaches of laws, regulations or corporate codes at an individual level.

Any bonus is then settled as follows for the Chief Executive Officer and for members of Top Management (Figure 4):

- 60% up-front (of which 50% in cash and 50% in ordinary shares);
- 40% deferred for three years (to be disbursed, in the absence of malus, as to 50% in cash and 50% in ordinary shares of the Bank).

The portion in illimity ordinary shares is subject to a lock-up period of 12 months for the up-front portion and 6 months for the deferred portion.

If the annual variable remuneration is lower than EUR 80,000 the Bonus is paid fully up-front and in cash.

Recognition of the deferred portions depends upon compliance with the capital and liquidity requirements measured at 31 December of the year of reference, in line with the limits established from year to year in the gates of the remuneration and incentive policies in force at the time.

The cash portion of the vested Bonus to be settled up-front is disbursed on condition that at the time of the actual payment the Employment Relationship still holds and is not on the other hand already terminated, or that any notice period has not expired.

In the case of termination of the Employment Relationship during the deferral period and on the assumption of a "bad leaver", as provided in the MBO 2021 Plan Regulation, the Beneficiary loses all entitlement to the Bonus.

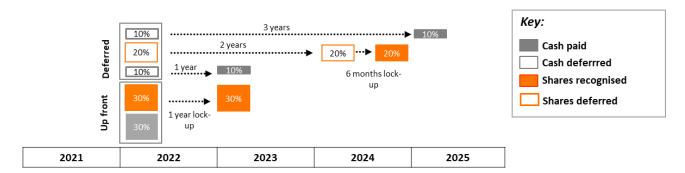


Figure 4 – Pay-out scheme for CEO and Top Management (bonus ≥ 80K/Euro)

Lastly, ex post adjustment mechanisms exist (*malus* and *claw-back*). More specifically, depending on the extent to which the objectives have been achieved, the incentive can also be reduced to zero.

A request for revocation or return may be made for the whole of the incentive granted, wholly or in part, in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the grant date:

conduct that has caused the Bank to incur a significant loss;



- breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise
  an influence on the management of the Bank and related parties (pursuant to article 53, paragraph 4,
  and following of the TUB);
- breach of remuneration and incentive obligations;
- with reference to Key Management Personnel who are beneficiaries of variable remuneration, in case of data relating to the gates or vesting conditions that subsequently turn out to be manifestly wrong;
- in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.

Further information on the features of the MBO 2021 Plan, including any effects arising from the cessation of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of incentive plans based on financial instruments, can be found in the relative Information Document, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Attachment 3A to the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website at the address <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.

#### Long-Term Incentive Plan 2020-2023

The *Long-Term Incentive Plan 2020-2023* (hereinafter the "LTIP Plan"), approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020, has the following aims:

- to strengthen the alignment between the interests of the beneficiaries and those of the shareholders and all the stakeholders;
- to motivate the beneficiaries to achieve the objectives of the Business Plan;
- to support the creation of value and corporate social responsibility in the long term, in line with both Circular no. 285/13 on remuneration and incentive policies and practices and the recommendations included in article 6 of the Corporate Governance Code.

The LTIP Plan, which in 2020 regarded illimity's Chief Executive Officer and four members of Top Management (in total 5 beneficiaries) provides for the awarding of an incentive, granted subject to achieving the objectives set in the Business Plan (see Table1).

The theoretical opportunity for total long-term variable remuneration for the four-year period, equal to a maximum of EUR 400,000 for each participant, provides for an equal balance between a component in illimity shares and a component in cash (50% cash/50% shares).

The annual impact of the reference variable remuneration for each year compared to fixed remuneration is in absolute terms EUR 100,000.

The vested incentive is calculated at the end of the four-year performance period on the basis of the extent to which the performance objectives, consistent with the Business Plan, have been met, as shown below (Table 1):

Section I - Table 1 – Performance in the LTI Plan – 2020-2023			
Objectives	Performance	% of incentive vested (100% = maximum)	Weight
ROE at 31/12/2023	≥25% 20.1% – 24.9% 20% <20%	100% 61%-99% 60% 0%	60%



Cost/Income ratio at 31/12/2023	≤30% 30.1% – 34.9% 35% >35%	100% 61%-99% 60% 0%	15%
Gross Organic NPE ratio at 31/12/2023	≤8% 8.1% – 9.9% 10% >10%	100% 61%-99% 60% 0%	15%
Customer Experience (illimity's position in the Net Promoter Score ranking as the average for 2022-2023)	$\leq 3^{rd}$ between 9 <sup>th</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> > 10 <sup>th</sup>	100% 61%-99% 60% 0%	5%
People Engagement (illimity's position in the Great Place to Work ranking as the average for 2022-2023)	≥75%ile Median – 75%ile Median <median< td=""><td>100% 61%-99% 60% 0%</td><td>5%</td></median<>	100% 61%-99% 60% 0%	5%

For each objective the respective incentive vests on reaching a performance of at least 60% and increases on a linear basis to 100% on achieving 100% of the objective.

The vesting of the Bonus is dependent on overcoming the following gates:

- CET1 ratio greater than or equal to the tolerance threshold defined in the Risk Appetite Framework in force for each year of the plan's term, for two consecutive quarters in each year, as well as the figure at 31 December 2023;
- LCR greater than or equal to the tolerance threshold defined in the Risk Appetite Framework in force for each year of the plan's term, for two consecutive quarters in each year, as well as the figure at 31 December 2023;
- net profit for 2022 and 2023 greater than or equal to zero;
- no violation of laws, regulations or corporate governance codes at an individual level.

Any incentive vested at the end of the vesting period on the basis of the extent to which the individual objectives have been met is granted, in illimity shares and in cash, in the following way:

- 60% up-front, 50% in shares and 50% in cash;
- 40% deferred for 3 years, 50% in shares and 50% in cash.

The portion of the incentive in shares is subject to another period of non-availability (lock-up) of 6 months, thus establishing an overall timescale that is far longer than the provisions set out in the regulatory framework applicable to illimity's size and operating complexity.

On the opinion of the Remuneration Committee (and after consultation with the Risk Committee), the Board of Directors may reduce the vested incentive down as far as zero, taking into account, among other things, the overall risk, the performance of the markets and the company's overall reputation.

Lastly, ex post adjustment mechanisms exist (*malus* and *claw-back*). More specifically, depending on the extent to which the objectives have been achieved, the incentive can also be reduced to zero.

A request for revocation or return may be made for the whole of the incentive granted, wholly or in part, in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the grant date:



- conduct that has caused the Bank to incur a significant loss;
- breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise
  an influence on the management of the Bank and related parties (pursuant to article 53, paragraph 4,
  and following of the TUB);
- breach of remuneration and incentive obligations;
- with reference to the Chief Executive Officer and Key Management Personnel who are beneficiaries
  of variable remuneration, in case of data relating to the gates or vesting conditions that subsequently
  turn out to be manifestly wrong;
- in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.

Further information on the features of the LTIP Plan, including any effects arising from the cessation of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of incentive plans based on financial instruments, can be found in the relative Information Document, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Attachment 3A to the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website at the address <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.

## 15. VARIABLE REMUNERATION OF OTHER KEY GROUP PERSONNEL AND OF KEY PERSONNEL

The following section provides a description of the Long-term Incentive Scheme, the Stock Option Plan 2019-2023, introduced in 2019, and the MBO scheme for 2021, the latter with details for Key Management Personnel and the heads of business functions who report directly to Top Management:

## Stock Option Plan ("SOP")

The SOP has the following objectives:

- to align the interests of management with those of the long-term shareholders;
- to support the growth of the Issuer and/or its subsidiaries in the long-term and build loyalty in key personnel<sup>14</sup> to achieve the strategic directional lines.

The Plan, set up in 2019, the year in which the Company's was listed, provides for the awarding of option rights (the "**Option Rights**"), the vesting of which is conditional upon reaching the targets set in the Business Plan, as described below (Table 2).

Performance is measured at 31 December 2023, consistent with the timescale of the Strategic Plan.

Targets linked to the specific responsibilities of the position are set for the Head of Human Resources and the Financial Reporting Officer, replacing the profitability objective, in accordance with regulatory provisions.

For each target, the relative incentive vests on reaching a performance of at least 60% and increases on a linear basis to 100% on achieving 100% of the objective set in the Business Plan for 2023.

The Board of Directors may increase or decrease the number of instruments granted, within a ceiling of 20%, and in any case within the maximum limit of the total Option Rights that may be awarded, depending on the

<sup>14</sup> Key personnel coincide with the beneficiaries of the SOP as defined in the Plan Regulation ("SOP - Stock Option Plan 2019-2023").



overall results achieved and the risks assumed, after receiving the positive opinion of the Remuneration Committee and the Risk Committee.

Targets	Target level	Target performance 2023	% of entitlement granted (100% = maximum)	Weight	
	Target not reached	> 35%	0%		
Cost/Income	Target minimum	= 35%	60%	15%	
ratio <sup>15</sup>	Target partially reached	30.1 – 34.9%	61% - 99%	15%	
	Target fully reached	≤ 30%	100%		
	Target not reached	< 20%	0%	60%	
ROE <sup>16</sup>	Target minimum	= 20%	60%		
RUE	Target partially reached	20.1% - 24.9%	61% - 99%		
	Target fully reached	≥ 25%	100%		
	Target not reached	> 10%	0%		
Gross organic	Target minimum	= 10%	60%	450/	
NPE ratio <sup>17</sup>	Target partially reached	8.1% - 9.9%	61% - 99%	15%	
	Target fully reached	≤ 8%	100%	1	
	Target not reached	< 12%	0%		
CET1 capital	Target minimum	= 12%	60%	100/	
ratio <sup>18</sup>	Target partially reached	12.1% - 14.9%	61% - 99%	10%	
	Target fully reached	≥ 15%	100%	1	

The granting of option rights, calculated on a pro-rata basis with respect to the ceiling of the ratio between variable remuneration and fixed remuneration and in accordance with the provisions of the Bank of Italy's recent provisions, is additionally dependent on overcoming the following gates:

- CET1 ratio greater than or equal to the tolerance threshold defined in the Risk Appetite Framework in force for each year of the plan's term, for two consecutive quarters in each year, as well as the figure at 31 December 2023;
- LCR greater than or equal to the tolerance threshold defined in the Risk Appetite Framework in force for each year of the plan's term, for two consecutive quarters in each year, as well as the figure at 31 December 2023;
- net profit for 2022 and 2023 greater than or equal to zero;
- no violation of laws, regulations or corporate governance codes at an individual level.

In addition, the instruments granted on the basis of the extent to which each target has been reached are subject to another period of non-availability (lock-up) of 6 months, thus establishing an overall timescale that is far longer than the provisions set out in the regulatory framework applicable to illimity's size and operating complexity. The Option Rights awarded by way of membership of the SOP contribute annually, pro-rata, to the definition of the level of total variable remuneration whose incidence with respect to fixed remuneration cannot exceed the maximum limits set in this Policy.

Lastly, there are also ex post adjustment mechanisms (*malus* and *claw-back*). More specifically, depending on the extent to which the targets have been achieved, the number of instruments can be reduced to zero.

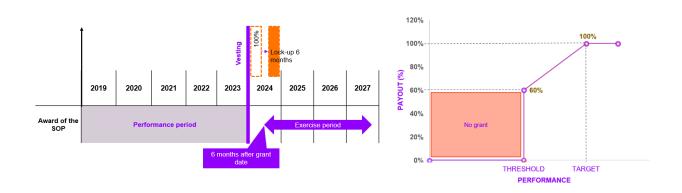


During the exercise period, the Option Rights granted may be used to subscribe illimity shares on the basis of the exercise price determined on award.

The Option Rights awarded, during the exercise period, may be used for the subscription of illimity shares at the exercise price defined at the time of assignment.

A request for revocation or return, wholly or in part, may be made for the Option Rights granted, or the relative amount (in cash or in shares) for shares already subscribed, in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the grant date:

- conduct that has caused the Bank to incur a significant loss;
- breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise
  an influence on the management of the Bank and connected parties (pursuant to article 53, paragraph
  4, and following of the TUB);
- breach of remuneration and incentive obligations;
- with reference to Key Management Personnel who are beneficiaries of variable remuneration, in case
  of data relating to the gates or vesting conditions that subsequently turn out to be manifestly wrong;
- in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.



For further information on the features of the SOP, including any effects arising from the termination of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of the incentive plans based on financial instruments, reference should be made to the respective Information Document, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Annex 3A of the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.

## MBO incentive scheme:

As noted above, the MBO 2021 scheme – applicable to all of the Bank's employees except for Top Management, albeit structured in different ways - seeks to reward the progress made in reaching the annual targets and the adoption of conduct consistent with long-term planning, while at the same time supporting the dissemination of a "value building" culture in accordance with the risk management objectives set out in the Bank's Risk Appetite Framework, consistent with applicable regulatory provisions.

Granting of the variable remuneration arising from the MBO scheme for 2021 is dependent on achieving the targets and lines of conduct contained in the individual schedule given to each beneficiary. The assessment



of individual performance is based on role and organisational position and may therefore include, with different weightings:

- Group objectives (financial & risk) (in line with the targets set for 2021 in the Business Plan);
- business objectives/strategic initiatives linked to the business results of the area of reference and/or the implementation of strategic initiatives (assigned on the basis of individual responsibilities compared to the implementation of the plan's directional lines);
- ESG objectives, linked to People Engagement and to the skills and illimity leadership model.

Targets are consistent with the type of business conducted by the Group company in which the beneficiaries work and with any specific provisions of law applicable to the sector.

Targets are solely linked to the specific responsibilities and illimity's leadership model for the Group's key personnel with business control functions as well as for the Head of Human Resources and the Financial Reporting Officer of illimity Bank S.p.A..

No breach of internal or external regulations is acceptable and no exceptions are made to this rule.

The target incentive is contained for all beneficiaries, consistent with the alignment of the remuneration strategy to the business strategy, focused on adaptation to the opportunities of variable potential in a progressive manner, in line with the consolidation of the results of the Plan. The actual Bonus is determined, subject to the availability of the Bonus Pool, on the basis of the extent to which the assigned targets have been met.

The granting of the corresponding variable remuneration is dependent on overcoming the following gates:

- CET1 Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF for the measurement at 31/12/2021;
- LCR Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF for the measurement at 31/12/2021;
- net income >0 at 31/12/2021;
- no breach of laws, regulations or business codes at an individual level.

In addition, with regard to the Group's Key Personnel, alongside the risk assessment already provided on the approval of the "vested" Bonus Pool at an overall level, an "individual risk assessment" is also envisaged with regard to the business areas, in case of the definition of any significant individual Bonuses, designed to identify any potential inconsistency between the results achieved, their sustainability with respect to the RAF and the remuneration levels attained.

With regard to the remaining Key Group Personnel, any settlement is as follows (Figure 4): 80% up-front (of which 60% in cash and 20% in the Bank's ordinary shares) and 20% deferred for three years (to be settled, in the absence of *malus*, in the Bank's ordinary shares). The component in illimity ordinary shares is subject to a lock-up period of 6 months for the part settled up-front and of 6 months for the deferred portion



Figure 5 – Pay-out scheme for the remaining Key Personnel (bonus ≥ 80K/Euro)



With regard to the same remaining Key Group Personnel, if the target variable remuneration <sup>19</sup> is greater than 100% of the Fixed Remuneration, the significant amounts relating to the MBO 2021 will be settled in the following way, in accordance with that envisaged for the CEO and Top Management (Figure 5):

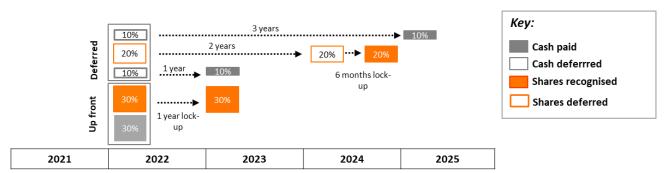


Figure 6 - Pay-out scheme for the remaining Key Personnel with cap > 100% and bonus ≥ 80K/Euro

The Bonus is however paid wholly up-front and in cash in the case of annual variable remuneration of less than EUR 80,000.

The above deferral scheme is also consistent with the stricter requirements in terms of deferral applicable to variable remuneration exceeding EUR 424,809, the regulatory threshold identified as the lower of 25% of the remuneration of Italian high earners, as per EBA data at 31 December 2017, and 10 times the average total remuneration of the Group's employees<sup>20</sup>.

Lastly, there are also ex post adjustment mechanisms (*malus* and *claw-back*). More specifically, depending on the extent to which the targets have been achieved, the number of instruments can be reduced to zero.

Recognition of the deferred portions is also dependent on satisfying the capital and liquidity requirements as of 31 December of the year in question, in line with the limits defined from year to year in the gates of the remuneration and incentive policies in force at the time.

The cash portion of the vested Bonus to be settled up-front will be paid out on condition that at the time of the actual payment the Employment Relationship is still in force, meaning that it has not already been terminated or that notice has not been given.

In the case of the termination of the Employment Relationship during the deferral period, in the case of a "good leaver", as governed by the Regulation of the MBO 2021 Plan, the beneficiary will be entitled to receive the portions of bonus that have vested.

Lastly, ex post correction mechanisms (e.g. *malus* and *claw-back*) are envisaged, as contained in the Regulation of the 2021 MBO Plan. In particular, in consideration of the achievement level of the targets, incentives may contract until annulment.

A request for revocation or return, wholly or in part, may be made for the entire incentive in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the grant date:

conduct that has caused the Bank to incur a significant loss;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Considering all the forms of variable Remuneration, on a pro-rata basis as applicable; more specifically, the MBO annual incentive Plan, the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) and the Stock Option Plan (SOP).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> illimity elects the option, made available under supervisory provisions, to update this level on a three-yearly basis.



- breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise
  an influence on the management of the Bank and connected parties (pursuant to article 53, paragraph
  4, and following of the TUB);
- breach of remuneration and incentive obligations;
- in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.

Further information on the features of the MBO 2021 Plan, including any effects arising from the cessation of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of incentive plans based on financial instruments, can be found in the relative Information Document, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Attachment 3A to the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website at the address <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.

#### 16. VARIABLE REMUNERATION OF THE OTHER MEMBERS OF STAFF

All the Group's other employees are members of the ESOP (see below).

In addition, all the Group's personnel, with the exclusion of illimity SGR S.p.A., are involved in the MBO scheme for 2021, with the aim of rewarding an individual's contribution to the implementation of the Plan's directional lines and the achievement of the annual targets and incentivise the adoption of conduct consistent with long-term planning, while at the same time supporting the dissemination of a "value building" culture in accordance with the risk management objectives set out in the Bank's Risk Appetite Framework, consistent with applicable regulatory provisions.

The granting of variable remuneration in connection with the MBO 2021 Plan is dependent on achieving the profitability targets and alignment with Group level risk, function targets and conduct consistent with illimity's system of values. The objectives are structured as follows:

- Group objectives (financial & risk) (in line with the targets set for 2021 in the Business Plan);
- business objectives linked to the results of the area of reference and/or the implementation of initiatives (assigned on the basis of individual responsibilities compared to the implementation of the plan's directional lines);
- conduct consistent with illimity's conduct model (illimity's leadership model for holders of managerial positions).

Targets are consistent with the type of business conducted by the Group company in which the beneficiaries work and with any specific provisions of law applicable to the sector.

No breach of internal or external regulations is acceptable and no exceptions are made to this rule.

The bonus payable is determined, subject to availability in the Bonus Pool, on the basis of the extent to which the assigned targets have been met.

Payment of the corresponding variable remuneration is dependent on overcoming the following gates:

- CET1 Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF 2020 for the measurement at 31/12/2021;
- LCR Ratio ≥ tolerance threshold defined in the RAF 2020 for the measurement at 31/12/2021;
- net income >0 at 31/12/2021;
- no breach of laws, regulations or business codes at an individual level.



In addition, with regard to personnel for whom the ratio between variable remuneration and fixed remuneration is greater than or equal to 100% and who belong to the business functions, the introduction of an "individual risk assessment" is also envisaged in case of the definition of any significant individual Bonuses, designed to identify any potential inconsistency between the results achieved, their sustainability with respect to the RAF and the remuneration levels attained.

The Bonus vested on achieving the set targets and after ensuring that the access conditions have been satisfied is settled in cash up-front.

If the target variable remuneration<sup>21</sup> is greater than 100% of the Fixed Remuneration, the significant amounts relating to the MBO 2021 will be settled in the following way, in accordance with that envisaged for the CEO and Top Management (Figure 6):

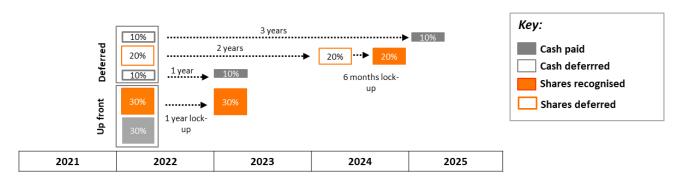


Figure 7 – Pay-out scheme for the remaining personnel with cap > 100% and bonus ≥ 80K/Euro

The portion in cash of the vested Bonus to be settled up-front will be paid out on condition that at the time of the actual payment the Employment Relationship is still in force, meaning that it has not already been terminated or that notice has not been given.

In the case of the termination of the Employment Relationship, the provisions described in the relative Regulation will apply to any deferred portions and/or shares in lock-up, with respect to the various cases of "good leaver"/"bad leaver".

Further information on the features of the MBO 2021 Plan, including any effects arising from the cessation of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of incentive plans based on financial instruments, can be found in the relative Information Document, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Attachment 3A to the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website at the address www.illimity.com under the section Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings.

## 17. DETERMINATION OF THE BONUS POOL FOR THE ANNUAL INCENTIVE SCHEME (MBO)

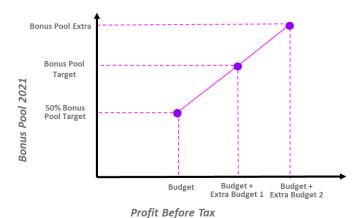
In accordance with the relevant supervisory provisions, the total amount of variable remuneration that may be paid at a Group level (Bonus Pool) is determined on the basis of 2021 earnings, risk parameters compared to the Risk Appetite Framework and the extent to which the Plan objectives have been met for the year in question.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Considering all the forms of variable Remuneration, on a pro-rata basis as applicable; more specifically the MBO annual incentive Plan, the Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP) and the Stock Option Plan (SOP).



and the CFO.

The connection between profitability, risk and remuneration is established via the direct link between the Bonus Pool and the results of the performance of the business, measured by the use of consolidated profit before tax, in accordance with the following scheme approved by the Board of Directors on 25 February 2021, after receiving the favourable opinion of the Remuneration Committee and the Risk Committee:



After receiving the motivated opinion of the Remuneration Committee and consulting with the Risk Committee and the Board of Statutory Auditors, the Board of Directors may confirm the Bonus Pool, increase it by up to 20% or reduce it to zero, taking into consideration the results of the assessments made separately by the CRO

## 18. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN (ESOP)

The aim of the ESOP is to motivate and engage all employees over the period of the Plan by giving them the opportunity to become shareholders of the Company.

The ESOP is intended for all the employees of the Bank and/or the Group and provides for the awarding of a maximum number of the Bank's ordinary shares for each annual cycle.

More specifically, the ESOP's beneficiaries are employees who have either (i) an outstanding permanent employment contract with the Bank or one of the Group companies, or (ii) a fixed-term contract, in being for at least 6 months and with a remaining term of at least 6 months with respect to the award date of each annual cycle (the "Employment Relationship").

The implementing regulation approved by the Board of Directors of Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A. on 18 January 2018 provides, in accordance with the resolution adopted by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019 and in line with the regulatory and supervisory provisions applicable to the Bank, that the value of the ordinary shares of the Bank to be awarded to beneficiaries as a whole, with the exception of persons having an Employment Relationship under which they qualify as managers (the "Managers"), shall amount to EUR 2,000. For beneficiaries who are Managers, the value of the Bank's ordinary shares is EUR 100.

Further information on the features of the ESOP, including any effects arising from the cessation of the relationship on the rights assigned as part of incentive plans based on financial instruments, may be found in the Information Document on the ESOP, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Annex 3A of the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.



## 19. RISK ALIGNMENT (MALUS AND CLAW-BACK)

The variable remuneration awarded as part of the described schemes may be reduced to zero in case of:

- evidence of a breach of individual compliance, following the reporting of serious matters by the control
  functions or by the Supervisory Authority. More specifically, on the occurrence of such a situation, the
  Chief Executive Officer, after consulting with the Head of Human Resources, may assess the need for
  a possible reduction of the Bonus, even down to zero. In the event such findings relate to persons
  belonging to the control function or to the Group's Key Personnel, the relative decisions are taken after
  receiving the opinion of the Remuneration Committee;
- failure to overcome the Gates envisaged by the reference Policy on the vesting of the deferred portion.

In line with current provisions, all employees shall moreover mandatorily return the whole of the variable remuneration paid in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the payment date, in terms of both the up-front component and the deferred component:

- conduct by the employee during the period of reference of the variable remuneration that has caused the Bank to incur a significant loss;
- breach of the obligations set pursuant to article 26 of the TUB or, if the employee is the party concerned, breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise an influence on the management of the Bank and related parties pursuant to article 53, paragraph 4, and following of the TUB;
- breach of remuneration and incentive obligations;
- with reference to Key Management Personnel who are beneficiaries of variable remuneration, in case of data relating to the gates or vesting conditions that subsequently turn out to be manifestly wrong;
- in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence.

## 20. PROHIBITION OF HEDGING STRATEGIES

Personnel may not use strategies for personal hedging or insurance on their remuneration that may alter or invalidate the effects of risk alignment inherent in the remuneration mechanisms governed by this present Policy.

In accordance with the provisions introduced by Title IV, Chapter 2, Section 1, paragraph 5, of Circular no. 285/13, illimity requires Key Personnel to communicate any financial investments they have made which may affect risk alignment mechanisms and, more generally, the objective of prudent risk management, in order to take them into account in establishing the mechanisms for alignment to the incentive scheme risk, as well as to the existence or opening of custody and administration accounts with other intermediaries.

The Compliance & AML function conducts sample tests to ensure compliance with this prohibition, informing Human Resources of the outcome.



#### 21. COLLABORATION AND PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

The criteria underlying the granting of professional and collaboration engagements are based on the principles of expertise, cost-effectiveness, transparency and propriety.

All compensation and/or amounts paid for whatever reason to the above parties shall be appropriately documented and in any case proportionate to the work performed, also taking into consideration market terms and conditions and applicable laws and regulations.

More specifically, with reference to members of professional institutes, fees shall be agreed in advance under the most advantageous conditions for the Bank, taking into account the nature of the engagement and market terms and conditions.

Relations with collaborators are governed on the basis of a "standard contract" in which the work to be performed and the agreed fee are specified.

In accordance with regulatory provisions, collaborators are assessed as part of the process for identifying Key Personnel, and if identified as a "Risk Taker" are subject to the relative rules and regulations.

#### 22. THE DIRECT BANK: THE CUSTOMER AT THE CENTRE

In performing its activity of placing banking and payment products, as governed by the provisions of the Consolidated Law on Banking and the Consolidated Law on Finance, illimity pays constant attention to the interests and needs of its customers, and accordingly makes the transparency of the contractual conditions and the correctness of conduct priority values for its employees, making reputation an integral part of its business model. Total reward, including the variable component of remuneration and the training and development offer, establishes customer satisfaction and loyalty as one of the Bank's priority objectives. In addition, the organisational and procedural structure is designed to prevent risks of a legal and reputational nature connected with customer relations.

The Direct Bank's incentive schemes are based on the same principles that guide the schemes of all illimiters:

- Group objectives (financial & risk) (in line with the targets set for 2021 in the Business Plan);
- business objectives/strategic initiatives linked to the business results of the area of reference and/or the implementation of strategic initiatives (assigned on the basis of individual responsibilities compared to the implementation of the plan's directional lines);
- ESG objectives, linked to People Engagement and to the skills and illimity leadership model.

The objectives linked to the individual contributions comply with the following principles:

- they are determined in accordance with business objectives and values and long-term strategies;
- they are inspired by the criteria of diligence, transparency and propriety in customer relations, the containment of legal and reputational risks and customer protection and loyalty;
- they are not exclusively based on commercial objectives and do not act as an incentive to place products that are unsuitable for the needs and financial requirements of customers;
- remuneration does not cause incentives that may induce personnel to pursue their own interests or those of the intermediary to the detriment of customers;
- account is taken of any risk that may constitute a harm for customers, adopting suitable precautions;



- any variable component of remuneration:
  - o is, therefore, based on quantitative and qualitative criteria;
  - does not constitute an incentive for offering a specific product or a specific category or combination of products if this may lead to harming customers;
  - o is suitably balanced compared to the fixed component of remuneration;
  - o is subject to adjustment mechanisms that allow for the reduction (also significantly) or elimination of the component.

In particular, the parties for whom these guidelines are intended (hereinafter the "relevant parties") are identified as relations personnel and anyone who creates, develops and launches products and services for customers, as well as those to whom they report hierarchically.

## 23. AGENTS, MEDIATORS AND FINANCIAL CONSULTANTS

As things currently stand, for agents in financial activity, financial consultants and mediators, other than the Bank's employees, remuneration is generally "recurring" and relates to the typical operations performed by the agent/consultant/mediator, and accordingly does not include any incentive mechanisms (by way of example recurring fees include those paid on the basis of a "fixed" percentage of the volumes contributed and/or the earnings generated by the referred business).

In addition, in accordance with regulatory provisions, financial agents, financial consultants and mediators are assessed as part of the process for identifying Key Personnel, and if identified as such are subject to the relative rules and regulations.

If the activity of the agent/consultant/mediator can be classified as the placement of banking products and services, any non-recurring compensation is governed by the provisions of paragraph 22.

## 24. REMUNERATION OF THE PERSONNEL OF ILLIMITY SGR

The authorisation process for the formation of an Asset Management Company (SGR) within the Banking Group was completed in 2020.

The company is subject to the laws and regulations governing the sector that derive from the transposition into Italian law of the AIFMD Directive, as included in the Bank of Italy's Regulation issued on 5 December 2019 in implementation of articles 4-*undecies* and 6, paragraph 1b) and 1c-*bis*), of the TUF), taking into account the specifics envisaged in case of membership of a Banking Group and the transitional and final provisions of Circular no. 285/13 on remuneration and incentive policies and practices.

The SGR has a remuneration and incentive policy for its personnel that is consistent with the principles and aims of the Group's Remuneration Policy and takes into account applicable regulatory provisions, with particular reference to:



- the role of the shareholders' meeting and the corporate bodies, providing for governance processes consistent with the size and complexity of the SGR, within the ambit of the parent company's coordination and control role<sup>22</sup>;
- the identification of Key Personnel at an SGR level and the contribution to the process of identifying the Group's Key Personnel;
- a clear distinction between fixed remuneration and variable remuneration, the latter including any incentive schemes based on "carried interest";
- the establishment of an upper limit to variable remuneration of 2:1 compared to fixed remuneration;
- incentive schemes parameterised to the performance indicators of the SGR and the AIFs managed and measured excluding the risks concerning their operations and taking account of the level of capital and of the liquidity needed to deal with the assets and investments undertaken in the SGR and the funds established, through the determination of SGR "entry gates", in addition to the conditions established at a Group level, and of mechanisms for determining the "Bonus Pool";
- specific provisions for malus conditions at an SGR level (in addition to the conditions established at a Group level) and clawback mechanisms;
- specific provisions for the termination of the Employment Relationship or termination of office;
- requirements for remuneration disclosures.

The company may introduce incentive schemes also based on the performance of funds, such as performance fees or carried interest in line with the regulations applicable to the specific form of incentive.

By way of its "Guidelines for Identifying the Material Risk Takers of the Banking Group" (annex 1) the Group also includes the personnel of the Asset Management Company in the process of identifying Key Personnel. The qualitative criteria provided by the EBA technical standards are also adopted in performing the relative analysis, with particular reference to the possibility of significantly affecting the Group's risks within the ambit of material operating units and/or taking into account the impact on the economic, financial and reputational risk to which they may expose the Group. The quantitative criteria provided by the laws and regulations governing any exclusion mechanisms and parameters are also adopted for inclusion in the perimeter

The deferral rules envisaged at a Group level are activated for the personnel of the SGR included as "Key Group Personnel" (percentages and timescale of deferral), without prejudice to the provisions of laws and regulations applicable to the sector.

# 25. COMPENSATION FOR EARLY TERMINATION OF THE EMPLOYMENT RELATIONSHIP AND/OR EARLY TERMINATION OF OFFICE

On termination of the Employment Relationship, illimity may make additional payments to individual employees of the Group exceeding the amounts due by law and under any applicable national and local company collective bargaining agreements (including the employees' leaving entitlement (TFR), compensation in lieu of notice, compensation in lieu of accrued vacation not taken, etc.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> The parent company prepares the document on the remuneration and incentive policies of the whole banking group, ensures these are consistent as a whole, provides the necessary guidelines for their implementation and verifies that they have been properly applied, without prejudice to the responsibility of the Asset Management Company to comply with directly applicable laws and regulations and the proper implementation of the guidelines provided by the parent company.



Such compensation represents "Golden Parachutes" within the meaning attributed by Circular no. 285/13 for persons to whom this regulation is applicable.

Golden Parachutes are incentives that may be agreed by the Bank or other Group companies with individual employees or collaborators in view of or on the occasion of the early termination of the Employment Relationship (in the case of a fixed-term contract before the natural end of the term of that contract) or on the early termination of office on condition that there is an initiative and/or an interest of the Bank in that direction.

As a result, in the case of resignation or in any other situation where payment does not comply with the Group's interests, the conditions for negotiations between the parties for said agreements do not exist.

The amount resulting from applying such clauses/agreements may not, however, exceed a ceiling of 24 monthly instalments of fixed remuneration, established on initiating the agreement by taking into consideration the Group's overall results and the employee's individual performance and also taking into account the duration of the Employment Relationship.

Such amount may in any case not exceed the ceiling of EUR 1,100,000.00.

Such ceilings shall include any amounts attributed to non-competition agreements.

For professionals having key characteristics which are such that the termination of the relationship may lead to risk, the Bank reserves the right to establish non-competition agreements from time to time that provide for the recognition of compensation commensurate with the duration and extent of the restriction determined by such agreement on conclusion of the Employment Relationship and/or termination of office.

In accordance with regulatory provisions, if the relative fees are determined in an amount of up to one year's fixed remuneration there is no need to ascertain whether such are in line with the Bank's overall results, individual performances or the duration of the Employment Relationship, or with the rules on the way in which the payment is made, with particular reference to deferral, malus and the division between cash and financial instruments.

"Golden Parachutes" are included in the calculation of the ratio between the variable and fixed remuneration of the most recent year of the Employment Relationship or of holding office, with the exception of:

- amounts agreed and recognised within a non-competition agreement for the portion which, for each year of the agreement's term, does not exceed the most recent annual amount of fixed remuneration;
- amounts agreed and recognised as part of an agreement between the Bank and the personnel, howsoever reached, for the settlement of a current or potential dispute determined by multiplying 3 monthly instalments of annual global remuneration (gross annual remuneration for the most recent year with the addition of the average of the amounts recognised under the annual incentive scheme, whether upfront or deferred over subsequent years, for the previous two years) by the number of years of seniority, or, with reference to the Key Personnel identified within the business control functions, 12 monthly portions of annual global remuneration determined by the same means, and in any case within the ceiling set by the Shareholders' Meeting.

Any compensation recognised as a Golden Parachute shall be paid in cash generally within one year of the termination of the Employment Relationship and/or termination of office, or, with reference to any components regarding non-competition agreements, on the basis of the timetable established by such agreements.

In case such compensation is recognised for Key Persons, with the exception of any amount recognised within a non-competition agreement which is fully payable in cash and on the basis of the timetable established by



such agreements, if the amount exceeds EUR 80,000 settlement is made as to 60% in cash and 40% in financial instruments. The cash component is all paid up-front. Fifty per cent of the component in financial instruments is settled up-front and 50% is deferred for two years and subject to verification of the capital and liquidity requirements in the year of settlement. Both the up-front component and the deferred component of financial instruments are subject to a lock-up period of 6 months.

The means by which the above are determined and settled may be varied over time on the basis of the evolution of the characteristics and complexity of the Bank and considering the evolution of the applicable regulatory framework.

Any compensation disbursed is subject to the malus and claw-back rules provided for variable remuneration. In particular, the Bank will take action to obtain the refund of any amounts paid, in terms of both the up-front component and the deferred component, in case of the verification of one of the following events within 5 years of the payment date: conduct during the Employment Relationship by the employees, directors or collaborators who are beneficiaries of such, that is in breach of internal or external laws or regulations and has caused the Bank to incur a loss that is considered "significant"; breach of the conditions and limits for assuming risk activities with respect to parties that may exercise an influence on the management of the Bank and connected parties (pursuant to article 53, paragraph 4, and following of the TUB); breach of remuneration and incentive obligations or fraudulent conduct or gross negligence; with reference to Key Management Personnel who are beneficiaries of variable remuneration, in case of data relating to the gates or vesting conditions that subsequently turn out to be manifestly wrong.

The amounts as determined above replace those envisaged by collective bargaining agreements in case of dismissal and will only be recognised against the signing of an agreement with the manager relating to the Employment Relationship and any positions held, as part of a general novation agreement. Such agreements are additionally established after taking into consideration all applicable laws and regulations, as a result of which the payments and disbursements due on the basis of legal provisions are not affected.

There are no outstanding agreements that bind the Bank to the payment of compensation for the early cessation from office with respect to the end of the term for which they have been mandated, in respect of members of the Board of Directors or the Board of Statutory Auditors.

The above rules are not applicable to the amounts agreed in view of or on the occasion of early termination of the Employment Relationship or termination of office of either Key Personnel or other personnel as part of extraordinary operations (such as mergers) or business restructuring processes. In these cases they respond to a logic of business cost containment and the rationalisation of the personnel structure and shall not exceed EUR 100,000.00.

In the same way, with the exception of compliance with the ceiling in absolute terms or in terms of the number of months' remuneration approved by the Shareholders' Meeting, the rules described do not also apply to leaving incentives connected with extraordinary operations (such as mergers) or business restructuring processes and paid to non-key personnel, provided they respond exclusively to a logic of business cost containment and the rationalisation of the personnel structure and encourage acceptance of the support measures, envisaged by law or collective bargaining agreements, for employees as a whole, and do not produce distortionary effects ex ante on the conduct of the staff.

In both cases the amounts recognised are subject to clawback mechanisms in case of fraudulent conduct or gross negligence to the detriment of the Bank.



#### ANNEX 1 – GUIDELINES FOR IDENTIFYING THE MATERIAL RISK TAKERS OF THE BANKING GROUP

#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

The current regulatory framework on remuneration and incentives at a European Union and national level (respectively Directive 2019/878/EU (CRD V) and Circular 285 of the Bank of Italy of 17 December 2013) provides that banks and banking groups must carry out an annual process to identify the staff whose activity has, or may have, a material effect on the risk profile of the bank or banking group ("Material Risk Takers" (MRTs) or "Key Personnel"). Banks are also required to establish a policy regarding the process of identifying Key Personnel which forms an integral part of the remuneration and incentive policy approved annually by the Shareholders' Meeting.

On 18 November 2020, the Bank of Italy submitted for public consultation proposed amendments to the supervisory provisions on the remuneration policies and practices of banks and banking groups contained in Circular no. 285 of the Bank of Italy of 17 December 2013. The amendments relating to this consultation, which ended on 17 January 2021, are designed to incorporate the changes introduced by Directive 2019/878/EU (CRD V) – which amends Directive 2019/36/EU (CRD V) – and takes into account the proposals for the revision of the EBA's Guidelines on Remuneration Policies and Practices<sup>23</sup>.

More specifically, CRD V remits to the EBA the responsibility for the preparation of a draft of Regulatory Technical Standards ("RTS"), a document designed to determine the correct definitions and the criteria for a precise identification of all material risk takers. The European Commission's Delegated Regulation, which incorporates the draft of the RTS issued by the EBA and will replace the existing Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014, has not yet been published.

All this said and considered, illimity has prepared the present Guidelines (drawn up to determine roles and responsibilities as part of the process to identify illimity's Material Risk Takers) and consequently identified the Material Risk Takers for 2021 in accordance with the criteria envisaged by the present regulatory framework, even if this is currently subject to revision:

## At a European Union level:

• Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014 (hereinafter also the "Delegated Regulation") that establishes in detail:

- qualitative criteria, in that these regard the role, decision-making power and managerial responsibility of staff members, also taking into consideration the Group's internal organisation and the nature, extent and complexity of the activities performed;
- quantitative criteria, in that these regard the thresholds for the level of the total gross remuneration paid, in absolute and relative terms, and the parameters that enable staff to be placed in the same remuneration band as top management and persons that assume risk. The possibility is, however, envisaged of excluding certain members of staff, identified only by applying quantitative criteria on the basis of objective conditions and consistent with specific limitations provided by the Regulation itself;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> In fact the latter was designed to update the Guidelines on Remuneration Policies and Practices, issued in implementation of the provisions of article 74, paragraph 3, of CRD IV (EBA/GL/2015/22) to bring such guidelines into line with the amendments made to CRD V. To this end EMA initiated a public consultation on 29 October 2020 – not yet completed – on the proposals to amend such guidelines.



#### at a national level:

Circular 285 of the Bank of Italy of 17 December 2013 (hereinafter Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy), which for the identification of Key Personnel cross-references to the criteria provided in the above-mentioned Delegated Regulation, also noting the opportunity to identify and apply, if necessary, additional criteria for identifying other persons who assume material risks.

The same Circular points out that the parent company of a banking group is responsible for the identification of Key Personnel for the whole of the Group having regard to all group companies, regardless of whether they are subject to banking regulations at an individual level or not.

The parent company also ensures the overall consistency of the identification process for the whole group as well as coordination between the provisions contained in the Circular and any other rules that may be applicable to each company, also as a result of the specific sector to which a company belongs, taking into account the results of the assessments conducted by the single components of the Group that are required to do this on an individual basis.

## These present Guidelines govern:

- i. the roles and responsibilities of the business functions and corporate bodies involved in the process of identifying the Group's Key Personnel;
- ii. the regulatory and additional criteria used for identifying the Group's Key Personnel.

The following are therefore reported in an annex as an integral part of the Guidelines:

- i. the matrix summarising the responsibilities, the timing, the activities and the inputs and outputs for each stage in the process of identifying Material Risk Takers (annex 1);
- ii. the rationale used for identifying the illimity Banking Group's Key Personnel pursuant to the qualitative and quantitative criteria envisaged by the above-mentioned Regulation (annex 2);
- iii. annex A to Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy that establishes the information to be sent for excluding personnel from the list of Risk Takers (annex 3).

## 2. SCOPE OF APPLICATION

This document establishes the Guidelines applicable to the whole of the illimity Banking Group.

In accordance with supervisory provisions, as parent company of the illimity Banking Group, illimity has the responsibility for identifying the persons having a material impact on the Group's risk profile, having regard to all the companies in the Group, regardless of whether they are subject to a prudent supervisory framework or not

By way of these guidelines, the parent company ensures overall consistency of the identification process for the whole group as well as coordination between the provisions relating to the banking perimeter (Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy) and any other rules that may be applicable to each company of the same group, also as a result of the specific sector to which a company belongs.

Group companies play an active part in the process for identifying Key Group Personnel carried out by the parent company, providing the latter with the information required and abiding by the indications received.



The parent company is responsible for the implementation of the process for identifying Key Personnel with reference to all the companies of the Group, even if they operate in jurisdictions other than Italy.

If required to carry out the identification of the Risk Takers on an individual basis, these companies adopt similar criteria to those included in this document, compatibly with local or sector laws and regulations, coordinating with the parent company, which looks after the overall consistency of the identification process for the Group as a whole.

In any event the individual companies are always responsible for compliance with the laws and regulations directly applicable to them.

#### 3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

## 3.1 Shareholders' Meeting

On the proposal of the Board of Directors the Shareholders' Meeting approves the Remuneration Policy including the criteria for the identification of the members of staff having a material impact on the Group's risk profile as part of its approval of the Report on Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid.

#### 3.2 Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for the process for identifying staff who have or may have a material effect on the Banking Group's risk profile. As a consequence:

- i. it approves the criteria for identifying the Risk Takers of the Group and ensures these are subject to a periodic review;
- ii. it is responsible for the proper implementation of the process;
- iii. it approves the results of the process for identifying Key Personnel, including any exclusions.

## 3.3 Remuneration Committee

The Remuneration Committee provides its opinion to the Board of Directors on the periodic review of the criteria for identifying Key Personnel, also using the information received from the competent business functions.

In addition, the committee expresses its view on the results of the process for identifying Key Personnel carried out annually on the basis of these present Guidelines, including any exclusions.

## 3.4 Human Resources

The Human Resources function of illimity Bank, responsible for all the Group companies, coordinates the implementation of the process for identifying Key Personnel at a Group level, in line with the criteria and timing established in this document, and as a consequence:

 it prepares and looks after the periodic review of the Guidelines on the process for identifying Key Personnel and submits these periodically, subject to the prior opinion of the business control functions, to the Remuneration Committee for its opinion and to the Board of Directors for its approval;



- ii. on determination of the Group's Remuneration and Incentive Policies (or on interim revision) it coordinates the implementation of the process for identifying Key Personnel at a Group level, obtaining the required information from the other functions involved and also checking the consistency of the identifications at a level of individual company subject to specific laws and regulations;
- iii. it ensures the identification on a continuing basis of the holders of the roles explicitly identified by the qualitative criteria at the beginning of the year or on interim revision;
- iv. it submits the outcome of the implementation of the process to the CRO and the Compliance function and highlights any proposals for exclusion, in order to obtain the relative assessments;
- v. it submits the results of the process for identifying Key Personnel and any proposals for exclusion to the Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors;
- vi. it coordinates and supervises the identification process at a Group level. with reference to the companies of the Group. Regarding companies belonging to specific sectors, such as the asset management sector, the Human Resources function coordinates and supervises that the identification of Key Personnel is carried out in compliance with laws and regulations applicable to the sector and looks after overall consistency within the Group as a whole.

#### 3.5 General Counsel

As far as relations with the Supervisory Authorities are concerned, General Counsel notifies or files authorisation requests for the exclusion of the Key Personnel identified pursuant to the criteria provided in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014.

#### 3.6 CRO Division

The CRO Division of illimity Bank contributes to the provision of the annual information to the Human Resources function that is needed for the process of identifying Key Personnel, with reference to:

- a) the criteria stated in articles 3 and 4 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014;
  - o qualitative, with particular reference to criteria 5), 11), 12) and 13);
  - quantitative, contributing to the verification as to whether the staff identified by virtue of their remuneration levels and not included as part of the Risk Takers identified by means of qualitative criteria, may or may not assume "material" risk positions for the Group.
- b) additional criteria<sup>24</sup>.

With reference to the results of the process for identifying Key Personnel, the CRO expresses a view on the consistency between the positions identified, any exclusion proposals and the Group's Risk Appetite Framework.

The results of the consistency checks performed are formalised as part of the opinion sent to the Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors on determining the Remuneration and Incentive Policies or on the interim revision of the perimeter of Key Personnel.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Pursuant to Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy of 17 December 2013, in order to identify key personnel, banks should apply Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604 of 4 March 2014 and identify and apply criteria additional to those established in such regulation, if necessary in order to identify other persons who assume material risks for the bank.



## 3.7 Compliance & AML

The Compliance & AML function of illimity Bank checks the compliance of these Guidelines and the results of the process for identifying Key Personnel and, therefore, the rationale underlying any proposals for exclusion, with internal and external rules and regulations.

The results of these verifications are formulated as part of the opinion sent to the Remuneration Committee and the Board of Directors on determining the Remuneration and Incentive Policies or on the interim revision of the perimeter of Key Personnel.

#### 4. PROCESS TO IDENTIFY KEY PERSONNEL

In accordance with the criteria adopted by the Banking Group the perimeter of Key Personnel is updated by activating the relative process on the basis of the following sequence:

- 1. at the **beginning of each year**, in order to identify the perimeter of Key Personnel for submission to for approval to the Shareholders' Meeting as part of the annual determination of the Remuneration and Incentive Policy;
- 2. **in December of every year**, for the purpose of the interim review, to ensure that the following are effectively considered as part of the perimeter of Key Personnel for the year of reference:
  - a) all persons who have held one of the positions identified using the qualitative criteria for at least three months in the year of reference;
  - all persons identified using the quantitative criteria on the basis of the remuneration for the previous year's performance who are not subject to an exclusion request or for whom such a request has not been accepted;
- 3. **during the year**, in case of the assignment of a new position holder as part of the positions solely identified by the qualitative criteria.

On updating the perimeter of Key Personnel, the Human Resources function, together with the contribution of the CRO, ensures the consistency of the underlying rationale with the criteria adopted in respect of the Risk Appetite Framework as updated from time to time.

The result of the identification process is formalised by the Human Resources function in a document containing:

- i. the positions identified by applying the qualitative criteria and the relative rationale;
- ii. the names of the persons identified by way of the quantitative criteria, the details of those that have been identified by way of the qualitative criteria and the rationale for any exclusion proposals;
- iii. the names of the key persons identified, their relative positions and responsibilities and the differences compared to the previously-determined list (including the number of people identified as Key Personnel with details of the number of persons identified for the first time).

### 5. IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA

The criteria used for the process for identifying Key Personnel and updating the related list are those, of a qualitative and quantitative nature as stated in articles 3 and 4 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) no. 604/2014, as well as the additional criteria set separately by illimity.

The way in which these criteria are applied in the illimity Group can be found in annex 2 to this document.



In accordance with the possibility envisaged by supervisory provisions, illimity identifies the following criteria in addition to those stated in the Delegated Regulation:

- holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel
  is completed, have originated Risk Weighted Assets for Credit Risk and Market Risk ("RWAs")
  amounting to at least 7% of the Group's total RWAs<sup>25</sup>;
- ii. holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have contributed to Concentration Risk for credit exposures with one or more transactions included in the TOP 20;
- iii. holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have contributed significantly to material Operating Losses, understood as being the top 20 Operating Losses recognised in the process for listing these over the past two years (LDC process, Loss Data Collection);
- iv. staff who, although not identified by the application of the previous criteria and/or not having a formal organisational position, on the basis of the analyses and assessments conducted by the CRO are considered able to exercise significant future influence in strategic and operational terms on the Bank's operational processes and decisions.

Additional criteria ii) and iii) represent changes with respect to the previous version of the "Guidelines".

#### 6. REVISION OF ADDITIONAL CRITERIA

On the periodic preparation of the Remuneration and Incentive Policies the Human Resources function, together with the contribution of the CRO, assesses the need to revise the criteria for identifying personnel having a material impact on the Group's risk profile in order to ensure their continuing consistency with the ownership structure, the organisational structure, the Group's business model and the relative means by which these work.

#### 7. EXCLUSION PROCEDURE

If, after receiving the opinion of the Remuneration Committee, the Board of Directors intends to activate the procedure of exclusion from the perimeter of Key Personnel as part of the relative quantitative criteria stated in paragraph 1 of article 4 of the Delegated Regulation, the Bank must:

- i. on a timely basis, and in any case no later than six months after the end of the previous year, send to the Bank of Italy, by way of the General Counsel, the exclusion notification for staff members awarded total remuneration greater than or equal to EUR 500,000 but less than EUR 750,000.
  - Such notification is accompanied by the reasons underlying the exclusions, providing clear evidence of the assumptions on which these are based and clearly distinguishing between staff members who carry out professional activities and only have authorities in a business unit which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> This criterion reinterprets the legislative provision on the mandatory limits of internal capital for intermediaries having internal risk-measuring models. The indicator is measured at the beginning of the year of reference  $(t_1)$  on the basis of the most updated information available for the purpose of making a preliminary identification of key personnel. It is then measured subsequently during the year, on a quarterly basis; the average of the actual quarterly measurements  $(31/12/t_0, 31/03/t_1, 30/06/t_1, 30/09/t_1, 31/12/t_1)$  for the year of reference  $(t_1)$  is used to consolidate the perimeter of key personnel.

À threshold of 7% was identified by the CRO Division in a specific opinion issued on 19 February 2021.



is not a material business unit and staff members who have no material impact on the risk profile of a material business unit through the professional activities carried out.

The exclusion is valid for the year in which the notification is sent and for the following year. The Bank is not required to file a new application for staff already excluded in the preceding year, on condition that it has ensured that there have been no changes to the assumptions on the basis of which the exclusion was applied;

ii. on a timely basis, and in any case no later than six months after the end of the previous year, file with the Bank of Italy, by way of the General Counsel, the application for advance authorisation for the exclusions for staff members awarded total remuneration greater than or equal to EUR 750,000 or staff members who form part of the 0.3% of personnel who have been awarded the highest total remuneration in the preceding financial year.

The application for advance authorisation shall be accompanied by the detailed reasons, as reported in Annex A of Circular no. 285/13 of the Bank of Italy (included in annex 3 to this present document). The Bank of Italy is required to reply to the application for authorisation filed by the Bank within 3 months of receiving the complete documentation. The authorisation is valid for the year in which the application is made and the following year. The Bank is not required to file a new application for staff already excluded in the preceding year,

The notification as per paragraph (i) above and the application for authorisation as per paragraph (ii) may regard several members of staff or different categories of staff whose exclusion is based on the same assumptions, on condition that the persons for whom exclusion is requested are clearly identifiable and that the same level of information is assured.

The applications for authorisation for exclusion for members of staff who have been awarded total remuneration equal to or greater than EUR 1 million shall however be filed individually for each member of staff.

## 8. APPLICATION OF THE REGULATION AT GROUP COMPANY LEVEL

Any companies individually subject to prudent supervision are required to apply these present Guidelines on an individual basis and notify the parent company of the relative results on a timely basis, and in any case by the end of the phase for identifying the Group's Key Personnel.

In the case, on the other hand of companies subject to specific regulations for the managed asset sector, such as those currently in the perimeter of the illimity Group, Key Personnel are identified in accordance with the Combined Consob-Bank of Italy Regulation of 27 April 2017, which implements Directives 2014/91/EU (UCITS V) and 2011/61/EU (AIFMD), without prejudice to the requirement for Group companies to notify the parent company of the relative results on a timely basis, and in any case by the end of the phase for identifying the Group's Key Personnel.



# 9. RESULTS OF THE PROCESS FOR IDENTIFYING KEY PERSONNEL FOR 2021

ID	Article 3 - Qualitative criteria – COMM REGULATION NO. 604/2014	ISSION DELEGATED	Result
1	The staff member is a member of th its management function;	e management body in	Chief Executive Officer of illimity Bank SpA
2	The staff member is a member of th its supervisory function;	e management body in	Eight non-executive members of the Board of Directors of the parent company illimity Bank) have been identified
3	The staff member is a member of th	e senior management;	The heads of the main functions and business areas who report directly to the Chief Executive Officer:  CFO & Central Function (illimity Bank)  Head of Direct Banking and Digital Operations (illimity Bank)  Head of Distressed Credit Investment & Servicing (illimity Bank)  Head of SME (illimity Bank)  Chief Lending Officer (illimity Bank)  In addition, for consistency with internal rules and regulations:  Chief Reporting Officer - Head of Administration & Accounting (illimity Bank)  Chief Executive Officer of neprix srl
4	The staff member is responsible and accountable to the management body for the activities of the independent risk management function, compliance function or internal audit function;		The heads of the parent company's control functions:  Chief Risk Officer  Head of Compliance & AML and Group Data Protection Officer (DPO)  Head of Internal Audit
5	The staff member has overall responsibility for risk management within a business unit as defined in article 142(1)(3) of Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 which has had internal capital distributed to it in accordance with Article 73 of Directive 2013/36/EU that represents at least 2% of the internal capital of the institution (a 'material business unit');		Not applicable
6	The staff member heads a material	business unit;	Not applicable
7	The staff member has managerial responsibility in one of the functions referred to in point (4) or in a material business unit and reports directly to a staff member identified pursuant to point (4) or (5);		Not applicable
8	The staff member has managerial responsibility in a material business unit and reports directly to the staff member who heads that unit;		Not applicable
9	The staff member heads a function affairs, finance including taxation an resources, remuneration policy, info economic analysis;	d budgeting, human	<ul> <li>Head of Human Resources (illimity Bank)</li> <li>General Counsel (illimity Bank)</li> <li>Head of Administration &amp; Accounting (illimity Bank)</li> <li>Head of Budget &amp; Control (illimity Bank)</li> <li>Head of Capital Markets &amp; Treasury (illimity Bank)</li> <li>Head of IT &amp; Innovation (illimity Bank),</li> <li>Head of Strategic Planning &amp; IR (illimity Bank)</li> <li>Head of Communication (illimity Bank)</li> </ul>
10	The staff member is responsible for, or is a member of, a	Article 80 – Residual risk	Not applicable



	committee responsible for the management of a risk category provided for in Articles 79 to 87 of Directive 2013/36/EU other than credit risk and market risk;	Article 81 – Concentration risk	The permanent members with voting rights of the Credit and Investment Committee (executive) and therefore already included in preceding criteria 1) and 3):  • Chief Executive Officer (illimity Bank)  • Head of SME Division (illimity Bank)  • Head of DCIS Division (illimity Bank)  • Head of CFO Division (illimity Bank)  • Head of CLO Division (illimity Bank)
		Article 82 – Securitisation risk	The permanent members with voting rights of the Finance Committee (executive) and therefore already included in preceding criterion 3):
		Article 84 – Interest rate risk from non-trading book activities	Head of the CFO & Central Functions Department     Head of the Direct Banking and Digital Operations Division (illimity Bank)     Head of the DCIS Division (illimity Bank)     Head of the SME Division (illimity Bank)
		Article 85 – Operational risk	<ul> <li>General Manager of neprix srl (appointed 11/02/2020)</li> <li>Head of Business Operations &amp; Credit Support (on the basis of a CRO opinion of 19/02/21)</li> </ul>
		Article 86 – Liquidity risk	The permanent members with voting rights of the Finance Committee (executive) and therefore already included in preceding criterion 3):
		Article 87 – Risk of excessive leverage	<ul> <li>Head of the CFO &amp; Central Functions Department (Chair)</li> <li>Head of the Direct Banking and Digital Operations Division</li> <li>Head of the DCIS Division</li> <li>Head of the SME Division</li> </ul>
11	With regard to credit risk exposures of a nominal amount per transaction which represents 0.5% of Common Equity Tier 1 capital and is at least EUR 5 million, the staff member:  (a) is responsible for initiating credit proposals, or structuring credit products, which can result in such credit risk exposures; or (b) has authority to take, approve or veto a decision on such credit risk exposures; or (c) is a member of a committee which has authority to take the decisions referred to in point (a) or (b);		The permanent members – with voting rights of the Credit and Investment Committee (executive) and therefore already included in preceding criteria 1), 3) and 10):  Chief Executive Officer (illimity Bank)  Head of the SME Division (illimity Bank)  Head of the DCIS Division (illimity Bank)  Head of the CFO Division (illimity Bank)  Head of the CLO Division (illimity Bank)
12	In relation to an institution to which the derogation for small trading book business provided for in article 94 of Regulation (EU) No. 575/2013 does not apply, the staff member:  (a) has authority to take, approve or veto a decision on transactions on the trading book which in aggregate meet one of the following thresholds: (i) where the standardised		Head of the CFO & Central Functions Department



13	The staff member has managerial responsibility for a group of staff members who have individual authorities to commit the institution to transactions and either of the following conditions is met: (a) the sum of those authorities equals or exceeds a threshold set out in point 11(a), point 11(b) or point 12(a)(i); (b) where an internal model-based approach is approved for regulatory purposes those authorities amount to 5% or more of the institution's internal value-atrisk limit for trading book exposures at a 99th percentile (one- tailed confidence interval). Where the institution does not calculate a value-at-risk at the level of that staff member the value-at-risk limits of staff under the management of this staff member shall be added up;	No staff members identified in addition to those already identified in criteria 1), 3), 9) and 12).
14	With regard to decisions to approve or veto the introduction of new products, the staff member:  (a) has the authority to take such decisions; or  (b) is a member of a committee which has authority to take such decisions;	In addition to the members of the Board of Directors identified in criteria 1) and 2) there are: i) members with voting rights of the Product Committee (executive) in any case included in preceding criteria; ii) members with voting rights of the Risk Committee (within the board) included in in criterion 2).  The following are permanent members of the Product Committee:  Heads of Proposing Divisions:  Head of CFO & Central Functions Department (Chair)  Head of SME Division  Head of DCIS  Head of Direct Banking  Other Heads:  Head of CRO Department  Head of Compliance & AML  Head of Digital Operations  General Counsel
15	The staff member has managerial responsibility for a staff member who meets one of the criteria set out in points (1) to (14).	No staff members identified in addition to those already identified in points 1) to 14)

ID	Article 4 - Quantitative criteria - COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION NO. 604/2014	Result
1	1. Subject to paragraphs 2 to 5, staff shall be deemed to have a material impact on an institution's risk profile where any of the following quantitative criteria are met: a) the staff member has been awarded total remuneration of EUR 500,000 or more in the preceding financial year; b) the staff member is within the 0.3% of the number of staff, rounded up to the next integer, who have been awarded the highest total remuneration in the preceding financial year; c) the staff member was in the preceding financial year awarded total remuneration that is equal to or greater than the lowest total remuneration awarded in that financial year to a member of senior management or meets any of the criteria in points (1), (3), (5), (6), (8), (11), (12), (13) or (14) of article 3.	With reference to points a) and b) of paragraph 4, no persons have been identified in addition to those already identified for the qualitative criteria as per article 3. On the other hand with reference to point c) of paragraph 1 of article 4, 9 staff members have been identified who meet the criterion, as the staff member was in the preceding financial year awarded total remuneration that is equal to or greater than the lowest total remuneration awarded in that financial year to a member of senior management or meets any of the criteria in points (1), (3), (5), (6), (8), (11), (12), (13) or (14).  Nonetheless, the criteria stated in point c) of paragraph 1 of article 4 are not deemed to be met where the institution determines that the professional activities of the staff member do not have a material impact on the institution's risk profile because the staff member, or the category of staff to which the staff member belongs:



- 2. A criterion set out in paragraph 1 shall not be deemed to be met where the institution determines that the professional activities of the staff member do not have a material impact on the institution's risk profile because the staff member, or the category of staff to which the staff member belongs: (a) only carries out professional activities and has authorities in a business unit which is not a material business unit; or (b) has no material impact on the risk profile of a material business unit through the professional activities carried out.
- 3.The condition set out in point (b) of paragraph 2 shall be assessed on the basis of objective criteria which take into account all relevant risk and performance indicators used by the institution to identify, manage and monitor risks in accordance with article 74 of Directive 2013/36/EU and on the basis of the duties and authorities of the staff member or category of staff and their impact on the institution's risk profile when compared with the impact of the professional activities of staff members identified by the criteria set out in article 3 of this Regulation.

- (a) only carries out professional activities and has authorities in a business unit which is not a material business unit; or
- (b) has no material impact on the risk profile of a material business unit through the professional activities carried out. The inclusion of these staff members in the identification perimeter of key personnel depends on the outcome of an assessment to be conducted on the basis of subjective criteria, taking into account in particular:
- a) all the pertinent risk and performance indicators used by the company to identify, manage and oversee risks; b) the duties and powers assigned and their effect on the risk profile of the company compared to the effect of the professional activities of the staff members already indicated on the basis of criteria other than quantitative.

In light of this, the opinion of the CRO Division, issued on 19/02/2021, excludes the possibility, together with complementary considerations of an organisational nature, that such staff should be included as key personnel of the Group, with the sole exceptions of:

- Managing Director of the UTP Fund of the SGR
- Head of Factoring (SME Division)

who are accordingly included as members of the Group's key personnel.

ID	Additional Criteria established in the "Guidelines for the Identification of the Material Risk Takers Banking Group" approved by the BoD on 10/03/2021	Result	Rational	
		Head of Crossover (SME Division)	Opinion of the CRO Division issued on	
		Head of Turnaround (SME Division)		
	Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying	Head of NPL Senior Financing	19/02/2021	
4	key personnel is completed, have originated	Head of Portfolios	(4)	
'	Risk Weighted Assets for Credit Risk and Market Risk (RWAs) amounting to at least 7% of the Group's total RWAs.	Head of Special Situation Real Estate	(*) Already included in the	
		Head of SME Division	list of MRTs by applying the qualitative regulatory	
		Head of DCIS Division	criteria	
		Head of Capital Markets & Treasury		
2	Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have contributed to <b>Concentration Risk</b> for credit exposures with one or more transactions included in the TOP 20.	No persons identified	Opinion of the CRO Division issued on 19/02/2021	



3	Holders of organisational positions who, at the date on which the process for identifying key personnel is completed, have contributed significantly to <b>material Operating Losses</b> , understood as being the top 20 Operating Losses recognised in the process for listing these over the past two years (LDC process, Loss Data Collection).	Head of Business Operations & Credit Support	Opinion of the CRO Division issued on 19/02/2021
4	Staff who, although not identified by the application of the previous criteria and/or not having a formal organisational position, on	Head of Open Banking	Opinion of the CRO Division issued on 19/02/2021
	the basis of the analyses and assessments conducted by the CRO are considered <b>able</b>	Head of Factoring	(*)Already included in the list of MRTs by applying
	to exercise significant future influence – in strategic and operational terms – on the Bank's operational processes and decisions.	Managing Director SGR	the quantitative regulatory criteria pursuant to article 4, paragraph 1c)



#### **SECTION II – REPORT ON COMPENSATION PAID IN 2020**

#### INTRODUCTION

In accordance with applicable regulatory provisions on listed companies, this Section provides information on compensation for 2020 on an individual name basis for the Board of Directors and the Board of Statutory Auditors and in aggregate for Key Management Personnel.

In addition, regarding the qualitative and quantitative disclosures required by article 450 of the CRR, it provides information analysed into top management and members of staff whose actions have a material impact on the Bank's risk profile.

## More specifically,

- the first part provides an appropriate representation of each of the items making up remuneration, including the compensation due on termination of office or the Employment Relationship, noting the consistency of this with the remuneration policy of illimity approved in the preceding year;
- the second part provides analytical details of the compensation paid during the year of reference for whatsoever reason and in whatsoever form by the Company and its subsidiaries and associates, using the tables contained in Annex 3 Schedule 7-bis of the Issuers' Regulation;
- the third part sets out, as required by article 84-quarter, paragraph 4 of the Issuers' Regulation using the criteria established in Annex 3 Schedule 7-bis of that Regulation the holdings in illimity held by members of the management and control bodies, as well as by their non-legally separated spouses and minor children, directly or by way of a controlled company, a trust company or intermediary, that are recorded in the shareholders' register or arise from information that has been received in communications or from the members of the management and control bodies themselves.



#### **FIRST PART**

#### 1. REMUNERATION OF THE MEMBERS OF ILLIMITY'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS

## 1.1 - The provisions of the 2020 Remuneration Policy:

On 18 January 2019, the Shareholders' Meeting<sup>26</sup> of Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A. approved the proposal included at item 2 of the agenda concerning the revision of the compensation of the members of the Board of Directors appointed at the Shareholders' Meeting of 4 September 2018.

Following this, the same Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019 approved the Group's Remuneration and Incentive Policy for 2019 that included the matters that had just been resolved on the compensation of the directors:

- Chair of the Board of Directors: EUR 120,000 per annum gross;
- Chief Executive Officer: EUR 530,000 per annum gross; and
- Directors: EUR 40,000 per annum gross.

The same Shareholders' Meeting also resolved to establish the following additional compensation in relation to the positions held by directors on the board's sub-committees for 2019 and 2020, effective from 1 January 2019:

- Chair of a board sub-committee: EUR 15,000 per annum gross;
- Member of a board sub-committee: EUR 10,000 per annum gross.

Any expenses incurred in exercising office are reimbursed.

Attendance fees are not envisaged.

## 1.2 – The activity of illimity's Board of Directors in 2020<sup>27</sup>:

illimity's Board of Directors met 29 times in 2020 with an average attendance of 90%.

The board's sub-committees met on 38 occasions with an average attendance of 100%.

#### 1.3 - Compensation paid to members of the Board of Directors in 2020:

Compensation paid for 2020 was in line with the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019, with a total for the year of EUR 585,715 including the reimbursement of detailed expenses.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> The same Shareholders' Meeting, acknowledging the resolution adopted by the extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on the same date which approved the proposal for the merger of SPAXS S.p.A. into Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A. (the "Merger") with the relative change of name to "illimity Bank S.p.A.", also approved the proposal for admission to trading on the Electronic Stock Market, which took place on 5 March 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Details of the activities performed by the Remuneration Committee can be found in annex 1.



In accordance with the provisions of the 2020 Remuneration Policy no variable remuneration components were granted during the year and no compensation was paid to any member of the Board of Directors for early termination of office.

The director Gennari received EUR 87,500 during the year as variable remuneration relating to a previous position as General Manager of Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A.<sup>28</sup> that was formally terminated on 31 December 2018.

Reference should be made to Table 1 of the Second Part for a description by individual name of the compensation paid to each member of the Board of Directors in 2020 in accordance with the provisions of the Issuers' Regulation.

## 2. REMUNERATION OF ILLIMITY'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER<sup>29</sup>

In accordance with the provisions of the 2019 Remuneration and Incentive Policy for the Group, the Chief Executive Officer of illimity only received the fixed emolument in 2020 resolved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019, equal to EUR 530,000 gross.

It is recalled that the Chief Executive Officer, together with Top Management, is a member of the Long-Term Incentive Plan 2020-2023 (hereinafter the "LTIP Plan"), approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020. This Plan provides for the awarding of an incentive, whose granting depends on achieving the objectives set in the 2018-2023 Business Plan. As a result, the incentive that has actually vested will only be known at the end of the four-year performance period, on the basis of the degree to which the performance objectives have been met (further details can be found in Section I).

In accordance with the disclosure requirements of the Issuers' Regulation, the following comparative information is provided (Table 1 and Graph 1), by listing period of the company, representing annual changes in:

- the company's results (expressed in terms of consolidated profit before tax for 2019 and 2020);
- the ratio of the Chief Executive Officer's total direct compensation (TDC) to the median gross annual total compensation for all employees (full time equivalent), excluding the Chief Executive Officer himself (the "CEO pay ratio"<sup>30</sup>, calculated in accordance with GRI 102-38).

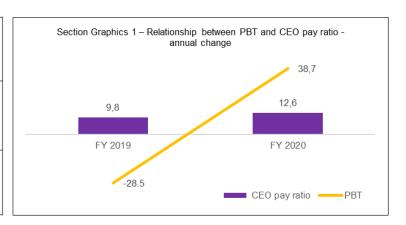
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Deferred portions relating to the 2017 and 2018 incentive schemes vesting in the year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> It is noted that together with Top Management, the Chief Executive Officer holds a portion of the 1,440,000 illimity special shares. illimity's bylaws also provide that such illimity special shares (before the Merger, SPAXS special shares), held by the Chief Executive Officer and by Top Management shall be automatically converted to illimity ordinary shares (i) at a conversion ratio of 1:8 in the case in which, by 20 September 2022, the average price of illimity ordinary shares traded on the Electronic Stock Market, is greater than or equal to EUR 13.9663866 for at least 22 consecutive stock market trading days; or (ii) at a conversion ratio of 1:1 in the case in which, by 20 September 2022, the automatic conversion assumption at point (i) has not occurred.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> The annual change in the CEO's pay-ratio is due to the annual component of the LTIP scheme (calculated pro-rata), even if this has not yet been paid as the the performance assessment period 2020-2023 has not yet ended (for details reference should be made to Section I).



Section II – Table 1	FY 2019	FY 2020
PBT	-28.5	38.7
CEO pay ratio	9.8	12.6



As part of the Company's benefit policy, the Chief Executive Officer also availed himself of the benefits envisaged for the category to which he belongs.

## 3. REMUNERATION OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF STATUTORY AUDITORS

## 3.1 - The provisions of the 2020 Remuneration Policy:

Following the resignation of all its members (standing and substitute), on 18 January 2019 the Shareholders' Meeting appointed the new Board of Statutory Auditors, and in accordance with the Remuneration Policy approved by the same Shareholders' Meeting additionally determined the compensation due to its members for the three-year term:

- Chair: EUR 70,000 per annum gross;
- Standing auditors (each): EUR 50,000 per annum gross.

Attendance fees are not envisaged.

Any expenses incurred in exercising office are reimbursed.

## 3.2 - The activity of the Board of Statutory Auditors in 2020:

The parent company's Board of Statutory Auditors met 27 times in 2020 with an average attendance of 99%.

## 3.3 - Compensation paid to the members of the parent company's Board of Statutory Auditors in 2020

The compensation paid for 2020, solely of a fixed nature, was in line with the provisions of the resolutions adopted by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019, with a total for the year of EUR 170,801 including the reimbursement of detailed expenses.

Reference should be made to Table 1 of the Second Part of this Section for a description by individual name of the compensation paid to each member of the Board of Statutory Auditors in 2020.



## 4 - REMUNERATION OF OTHER KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL31

Consistent with the 2020 Remuneration Policy, the other Key Management Personnel, all included within the perimeter of Key Personnel 2020, received remuneration balanced between fixed and variable during the year.

With specific reference to the MBO 2020 short-term variable component, on 25 February 2021, after consulting with the Risks Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Board of Statutory Auditors for the matters for which they are responsible, the parent company's Board of Directors approved the "derogation clause" included at paragraph 4.2 of the 2020 Remuneration Policy (the "Derogation Clause"), after noting the continuation of the exceptional circumstances caused by the Covid-19 pandemic emergency and the resulting need to take prompt action to defend the company's ability to remain on the market (being a start-up); namely the practical need, also given the important projects currently under way, to maintain the quantitative and qualitative level of the Bank's present workforce, with the capital and liquidity requirements set in the same 2020 Remuneration Policy (Table 2) being satisfied.

## Consequently, it:

- i. made exception to Chapter 15 of the 2020 Remuneration Policy ("Determination of the bonus pool for the annual incentive scheme"), with specific reference to the way in which the MBO 2020 short-term incentive scheme is funded;
- ii. made a total amount of EUR 4 million available to the MBO 2020 scheme (the "2020 bonus pool"), of which 50% already accrued in advance in 2020.

Section II - Table 2 –MBO 2020 gates check				
Indicator	Target at 31/12/2020 (Gates)	Results <sup>32</sup> at 31/12/2020		
CET1 Ratio	13.7%	17.8%		
LCR Ratio	130%	738%		
Net Income	> 0	31.1 Ml/euro		

The MBO 2020 bonuses awarded to the staff category in question, with the exclusion of Top Management who in accordance with the provisions of the 2020 Policy do not receive short-term incentives, are linked to achieving specific Group/Division/Area<sup>33</sup> performance objectives, as shown in Table 3 below in aggregate terms:

<sup>33</sup> Inside this category, key Group personnel having business control functions and the Financial Reporting Officer of illimity Bank S.p.A., have been given objectives solely linked to their specific responsibilities and illimity's leadership model.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> This category consists of Key Management Personnel with the exclusion of the Chief Executive Officer and the parent company's directors and standing statutory auditors, whose remuneration is discussed separately in this Report. In accordance with the requirements of Annex 3 – Schedule 7-bis of the Issuer's Regulation, details of remuneration are provided on an aggregate basis for this residual category of Key Management Personnel.

<sup>32</sup> Results at a Group consolidated level.



Sec	Section II – Table 3 – Other KMP – Degree to which 2020 performance objectives have been met (aggregates)				
ID	2020 objectives	Calculation method (KPI)	Degree achieved		ed
1	Operating margin/Average customers assets	Operating margin excluding the result from own financial resources / Annual average gross customer loans		Target	
2	Total customers' assets EoP	Gross customer loans – Year-end stock	Minimum level		
3	Organic cost of Risk	Loan loss provisions (excluding turnaround) / Annual average gross customer loans (excluding turnaround and excluding NPL portfolios)		Target	
4	Cost of Risk over Group total assets	Loan loss provisions / Annual average gross customer loans(excluding NPL portfolios)	Minimum level		
5	Cost/income	Administrative expenses (Staff costs + other administrative expenses) / operating margin		Target	
6	NSFR	Regulatory calculation			Maximum level

The following are noted in connection with the long-term incentive component:

- two managers classified in the category in question are members of the 2019-2023 Stock Option Plan ("the SOP"), with a total of 79,561 options being awarded on 5 March 2019.
- Top Management are members of the 2020-2023 Long-Term Incentive Plan (hereinafter the "LTIP Plan"), approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020, which provides for the awarding of an incentive whose granting depends on achieving objectives set in the 2018-2023 Business Plan. As a result, the vested incentive is calculated at the end of the four-year performance period on the basis of the extent to which the performance objectives have been met (further details may be found in Section 1).

No compensation was paid to a member of such category in 2020 for the early termination of the Employment Relationship or early termination of office.

As part of the Company's benefit policy, these managers made use of the benefits envisaged for the respective category to which they belong (Top Management, Division Managers, Managers).

Reference should be made to Table A and Table 1, 3A and 3B of the Second Part of this Section for the aggregates of the compensation paid in 2020, in accordance with the provisions of the Issuers' Regulation.

## 5 - REMUNERATION OF KEY PERSONNEL AND OTHER PERSONNEL

This section of the Report describes the variable remuneration paid during 2020 to:

- the remaining Key Personnel 2020 not included as Key Management Personnel as per the previous chapter;
- the remaining personnel of the Group.



In accordance with applicable supervisory provisions reference should be made to Table A of the Second Part of this Section for the relative aggregate disclosures for Key Personnel.

No compensation was paid to members of Key Personnel in 2020 for the early termination of the Employment Relationship or early termination.

## 5.1 - Stock Option Plan 2019-2023 (the "SOP")

The long-term incentive scheme – the Stock Option Plan 2019-2023 – approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019, sets the objective of i) aligning the interests of management to those of the long-term shareholders, ii) supporting the growth of the Issuer and its subsidiaries in the long term and iii) building loyalty in key members of staff<sup>34</sup> in order to achieve the strategic directional guidelines that have been established.

The Plan, introduced in 2019, the year in which the Company was listed, provides for the granting of option rights (the "**Option Rights**") whose vesting depends on achieving the targets of the Business Plan and overcoming the gates identified in the implementation Regulation of the Plan and the relative information document<sup>35</sup>.

In particular, only one staff member was awarded option rights in 2020, these numbering 75,670.

It is recalled that pursuant to the Plan Regulation, no further award was made after 31 December 2020.

Table 4 below represents the current status of the number of options awarded by staff category:

Section II – Table 4 Award status of options by staff category	Year in which options were awarded		Total	
Type of beneficiary	2019	2020	1	
Key personnel	716,053	75,670	791,723	
Other personnel	798,871	180,605	979,476	
Total	1,514,924	256,275	1,771,199	

A total number of 1,771,199 option rights were awarded free of charge, equal to 2.226% of total fully diluted shares, in accordance with the characteristics of a capital increase being at the service of the SOP approved by the ordinary Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019<sup>36</sup>.

Reference should be made to Table A and Table 2 of the Second Part of this Section for the aggregates of the stock options awarded, in accordance with the provisions of the Issuers' Regulation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Key members of staff coincide with the beneficiaries of the SOP as defined in the Stock Option Plan 2019-2023 Regulation; in particular, pursuant to article 2.1 of the Regulation, the beneficiaries are selected by the Chief Executive Officer from the employees whose compensation is not reserved to the decision of the Board of Directors, consistent with illimity's strategies, the targets to be reached, the strategic importance of each role and the impact of the role on the pursuit of the targets as per paragraph 5 of the Regulation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Further information on the features of the SOP can be found in the Information Document on the SOP, prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Scheme 7 of Annex 3A of the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> The Shareholders' Meeting approved an increase in share capital, to service the SOP, of a maximum nominal value of EUR 1,496,671.34 (corresponding to the nominal value implicit in the maximum number of shares to be issued at the effective date of the Merger), for consideration, separable, pursuant to and in accordance with article 2441, paragraph 8, of the Italian Civil Code, and accordingly with the exclusion of option rights, through the issue of 2,100,000 new ordinary illimity shares without nominal value having the same features as the ordinary illimity shares outstanding at the issue date of such new ordinary shares, with regular dividend rights.



## 5.2 - Employee Stock Ownership Plan ("ESOP")

In accordance with the resolutions adopted by the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019 and in line with the regulatory and supervisory provisions applicable to the Bank, the implementing regulation for the ESOP<sup>37</sup> approved by the Board of Directors of Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A. on 18 January 2019 provides for the awarding of a maximum number of ordinary shares of illimity Bank S.p.A. to all the employees of the Bank and/or Group for each annual cycle.

In accordance with the resolution adopted by the board on 18 January 2019<sup>38</sup>, on 12 May 2020 the Chief Executive Officer therefore approved the free-of-charge award to 498 Beneficiaries, identified under the criteria as per paragraph 3 of the Regulation<sup>39</sup>, of a total of 147,327 of the Bank's shares, issued in execution of the delegated powers to increase share capital free-of-charge pursuant to article 2443 of the Italian Civil Code and as per article 5, paragraph 5, of the Company's bylaws by the Board of Directors at its meeting of 15 June 2019.

In accordance with the provisions included in the Plan Regulation and in the information document, the number of shares awarded to each Beneficiary was made dependent on their position vis-à-vis their employment contract; more specifically, this was determined in order to pay an amount of: (i) EUR 2,000 to all non-managerial employees and (ii) EUR 100 to Beneficiaries who are managers of the Company (Table 5).

Section II – Table 5 – ESOP 2020				
Staff category	Number of beneficiaries	Total number of shares awarded in 2020		
Key personnel 2020	21	336		
Other staff	477	146,991		
Total	498	147,327		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> For further details on the features of the ESOP reference should be made to the Information Document on the ESOP prepared and published by the Bank pursuant to Schedule 7 of Annex 3A to the Issuers' Regulation and available on the Bank's website <a href="www.illimity.com">www.illimity.com</a> under the section *Investor Relations/Shareholders and BoD Meetings*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup>On 18 January 2019 the Shareholders' Meeting of Banca Interprovinciale S.p.A. approved, in ordinary session, the proposal of the Board of Directors on the setting up of the Employee Stock Ownership Plan" ("ESOP"), reserved to employees of illimity Bank S.p.A. and its direct and indirect subsidiaries. The same Shareholders' Meeting additionally delegated all the powers considered necessary and/or appropriate to the Board of Directors to implement the ESOP (including the definition and issue of the relative regulation) with the possibility of delegating its powers, duties and responsibilities in respect of the execution and application of the plan to the Chair of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer, also separately, and with the possibility of sub-delegation. On the basis of this delegation, at the same meeting of 18 January 2019 the Board of Directors: i) approved the Regulation for the ESOP; and ii) gave mandate to the Chief Executive Officer to implement the plans according to the procedures and time limits approved at the Shareholders' Meeting of 18 January 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>39</sup> In accordance with the provisions of paragraph 3 of the Regulation, the beneficiaries of the ESOP are all the persons having an Employment Relationship with the Company or any subsidiaries at the Share Award Date which at that date is (i) based on a permanent employment contract or (ii) based on a fixed-term employment contract of whose term at least 6 months' has passed at the award date and at least 6 months remains, and in any case in line with the requirements of fiscal legislation for the purposes of tax and social security benefits. The award date must not fall within a notice period for the resignation or dismissal of the beneficiaries.



# ANNEX 1 – SUMMARY OF THE WORK PERFORMED BY THE REMUNERATION COMMITTEE IN 2020

Date	Activities on the agenda	Percentage attendance of the members of the committee
14/01/20	<ul> <li>Essential elements of change in the Group's 2020 remuneration policy.</li> <li>Regulation of the long-term incentive scheme for the CEO and Top Management.</li> <li>Exceeding the 1:1 limit up to 2:1 for the variable/fixed remuneration ratio.</li> <li>Communication on the second level trade union agreement.</li> </ul>	100%
02/03/2020	<ul> <li>2020 Group Remuneration Policy and Report on the Remuneration Policy and Compensation Paid pursuant to article 123-ter of the Consolidated Finance Law.</li> <li>Compliance Opinion on the consistency of the company's rewards system with respect to the objective of compliance with laws and regulations, the bylaws and any other applicable codes or standards of conduct.</li> <li>Audit Report on correspondence of 2019 remuneration practice with the policies approved in 2019 and laws and regulations.</li> <li>Group Material Risk Takers perimeter for 2020.</li> <li>Revision of CEO and Top Management variable remuneration (LTIP Regulation).</li> <li>MBO 2020 Plan Regulation.</li> <li>illimity SGR S.p.A. remuneration policy.</li> <li>Information on the failure to overcome the Gates set by the 2019 Remuneration Policy on the activation of the 2019 MBO incentive scheme.</li> <li>Information on the results of the performance assessment of the Heads of control functions 2019 and of the Chief Reporting Officer.</li> <li>Goal setting 2020 for the Heads of control functions and the Chief Reporting Officer.</li> </ul>	100%
25/05/2020	Information to the Committee about the possible introduction of a short-term incentive scheme (STI) for the CEO and Top Management in 2021.	100%
25/06/2020	introduction of a short-term incentive scheme (STI) for the CEO and Top Management of illimity in 2021.	100%
19/10/2020	<ul> <li>The "MBO 2020" incentive scheme of illimity SGR S.p.A</li> <li>Objectives schedule (MBO 2020) for the Director in charge of the management of the Fund and Head of the Investments Unit of illimity SGR S.p.A Opinion.</li> <li>Information on the 2020-21 Timetable for governance activities for the Group's Performance &amp; Reward unit.</li> </ul>	100%
09/11/2020	Derogation with respect to the Group's 2020 remuneration policy and relative specifications.	100%
16-18/12/20	<ul> <li>Remuneration of the CLO.</li> <li>Opinion on the updating of the 2020 MRT perimeter.</li> <li>Salary review: staff whose remuneration and incentive systems are determined by the body with a strategic supervision function.</li> </ul>	100%



#### **SECOND PART**

Table A - Bank of Italy Circular no. 285/2013 - Section VI – Disclosure and data transmission requirements– Paragraph 1 Public disclosure requirements: Aggregate quantitative data on remuneration, analysed by business area (article 450, paragraph 1g, of the CRR), analysed by senior management and members of staff whose actions have a material impact on the Bank's risk profile (article 450, paragraph 1h, of the CRR)

Category		Number	Fixed 2020 (EUR)	Variable 2020 (EUR)				Variable deferred from other years (EUR)				Payments for employees' leaving	
	Туре			Up front³		Deferred		Vesting in 2020		Not vested		entitlement (TFR) made during the year (EUR)	
				Cash	Shares	Cash	Shares	Cash	Shares	Cash	Shares	Cash	Shares
Key personnel	Chief executive officer	1	530,000										
	Senior management <sup>1</sup>	5	1,800,000	12,000									
	Heads of control functions	3	490,000	49,000									
	Other key personnel (not included in the preceding categories)	13	2,610,000	310,000				87,500		37,500²			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including the 4 members of illimity's Top Management reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer (Head of Distressed Credit Investment & Servicing; Head of SME; Head of Direct Banking and Chief Digital Operations Officer; Chief Financial Officer and Head of Central Functions) and the Financial Reporting Officer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This amount refers to the deferred components of the variable schemes for 2017 and 2018 of the General Manager of Banca Interprovinciale, now a director of illimity Bank, that have not yet vested.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The 2020 performance management process had not yet been completed at the time the tables were prepared; the total included in the line "Other key personnel" accordingly consists of the sum of the individual target bonuses of 12 MRTs arising from the relative re-proportioning of the bonus pool approved by the BoD on 25 February 2021 ex activation of the Derogation Clause.



# Issuers' Regulation - Annex 3A - Schedule 7-bis: Remuneration report

TABLE 1 <sup>40</sup>												
Compensation paid	to members of the ma	nagement and c	ontrol bodie	s, general man	agement and oth	er key other	key manageme	nt personne	el (EUR)			
А	В	С	D	1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8
		Period for	End of		Compensation		uity variable pensation	Non-			Fair value of	Indemnity for termination
First and last name	Office held	which office held	term of office	Fixed compensation	for participation in committees	Bonuses and other incentives <sup>1</sup>	Profit participation	monetary benefits	Other compensation	Total	equity compensation	of office or the employmen relationship
Rosalba Casiraghi	Chair of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021									
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	120,000	20,000							
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso	ciates								-		
(III) Total				120,000	20,000	-		-	-	140,000		
Massimo Brambilla	Member of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021									
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	40,000	10,000					50,000		
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso	ciates								-		
(III) Total				40,000	10,000	-	-	-	-	50,000		
	-											

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>40</sup> This table discharges the requirements for the disclosures required by Bank of Italy Circular no. 285/13 – Section VI – Disclosure and data transmission requirements – paragraph 1 Public disclosure requirements: Information on the total remuneration of the chair of the corporate body having a strategic supervisory function and of each member of the corporate body with a management function, the general manager, co-general managers and deputy general managers.



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Sigieri Diaz Della Vittoria Pallavicini*	Member of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021								
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	12,333	7,708					20,041	
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso	ciates								-	
(III) Total				12,333	7,708	-	-	-	-	20,041	
* Resigned on 2 Mar	ch 2020										
Luca Rovati *	Member of the Board of Directors	22/04/2020	2021								
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	27,667	6,917					34,584	
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso	ciates									
(III) Total				27,667	6,917	-	-	-	-	34,584	
* resigned on 29 Dec	ember 2020										
Maurizia Squinzi	Member of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021								
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	40,000	38,458					78,458	
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso	ciates								-	
(III) Total				40,000	38,458	-	-	-	-	78,458	
						•					
Elena Ciailliè	Member of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021								
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	40,000	35,000					75,000	
(II) Compensation fro								-			
(III) Total			40,000	35,000	-	-	-	-	75,000		
EUR 707 reimbursen	nent of detailed expense										
Martin Ngombwa	Member of the Board of Directors	10/09/2019	2021								
	-										



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530,000

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(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	tatements	40,000	6,917					46,917		
(II) Compensation fro	m subsidiaries and asso							-			
(III) Total			40,000	6,917	-	-	-	-	46,917		
Giancarlo Bruno*											
(I) Compensation in	the company that prepar	es the financial s	tatements	40,000	40,000					80,000	
(II) Compensation fro	om subsidiaries and asso								-		
(III) Total			40,000	40,000	-	-	-	-	80,000		
* Resigned on 29 De FUR 1.270 reimburse	cember 2020 ement of detailed expens	•					•				

Alessandro Gennari	Member of the Board of Directors	04/09/2018	2021								
(I) Compensation in the	e company that prepare	es the financial st	atements	40,000	10,000	87,500¹				137,500	
(II) Compensation from	subsidiaries and associ	ciates								-	
(III) Total				40,000	10,000	87,500	-	-	-	137,500	
<sup>1</sup> Portions vesting in 20. EUR 1,062 reimbursen			g his previous p	osition as Gen	eral Manager of Ba	nca Interpro	vinciale S,p,A,				
Corrado Passera	Chief Executive Officer	20/09/2018	2021								
(I) Compensation in the	530,000					25,000	555,000				

EUR 2,544 reimbursement of detailed expenses

(III) Total

(II) Compensation from subsidiaries and associates

25,000

555,000



SCHEDULE 7-BIS:	_											
Compensation paid	d to members of th	e managemen	t and contr	ol bodies, gene	ral managemen	t and other	key other key m	nanagement	personnel (EUI	R)	•	1
Α	В	С	D	1	2		3	4	5	6	7	8
		Period for	End of		Compensation		uity variable pensation	Non-			Fair value of	Indemnity for termination
First and last name	Office held	which office held	term of office	Fixed compensation	for participation in committees	Bonuses and other incentives	Profit participation	monetary benefits	Other compensation	Total	equity compensation	of office or the employment relationship
Ernesto Riva	Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors	18/01/2019	2022									
(I) Compensation in statements	the company that p	repares the fin	ancial	70,000								
(II) Compensation fr	Compensation from subsidiaries and associates											
(III) Total				70,000	-	-		-	-	70,000		
Nadia Fantana	Ctatutam Auditam	40/04/2040	2022									
Nadia Fontana	Statutory Auditor	18/01/2019	2022									
(I) Compensation in statements	the company that p	repares the fin	ancial	50,000								
(II) Compensation fr	om subsidiaries and	associates										
(III) Total				50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000		
EUR 801 reimburse	JR 801 reimbursement of detailed expenses											
Stefano Caringi	Statutory Auditor	18/01/2019	2022									
(I) Compensation in statements	Compensation in the company that prepares the financial atements			50,000								
(II) Compensation fr	Compensation from subsidiaries and associates											
(III) Total	otal			50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000		



EUR 1,335 reimbursement of detailed expenses

(II) Compensation from subsidiaries and associates

(III) Total

### SCHEDULE 7-BIS: Remuneration Report - - TABLE 1 Compensation paid to members of the management and control bodies, general management and other key other key management personnel (EUR) Α В С D 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 Indemnity Non-equity variable for compensation Compensation Period for End of Non-Fair value of termination Fixed for Other First and last name Office held which office term of monetary Total equity of office or **Bonuses** compensation compensation participation in Profit held office benefits compensation the and other committees participation employment incentives1 relationship<sup>3</sup> Other key management 2,499,000 84,000 31,920 225,000 personnel (9) (I) Compensation in the company that prepares the financial statements

84,000

225.000

2,499,000

31,920

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The 2020 performance management process had not yet been completed at the time the tables were prepared; the figure referred to accordingly consists of the sum of the individual target bonuses arising from the relative re-proportioning of the bonus pool approved by the BoD on 25 February 2021.



### SCHEDULE 7-BIS: Remuneration Report – TABLE 2

Stock options awarded to members of the management and control bodies, general managers and other key management personnel (EUR)

				ld at the b the year	peginning of		(	Options awar	ded during the	year		Options e	xercised o year	during the	Options expiring in the year	Options held at the end of the year	Options relating to the year
А	В	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15= 2+5- 11-14	16
First and last name	Office held	Plan	Number of options	Exerci se price	Possible exercise period (from - to)	Number of options	Exercise price	Possible exercise period (from - to) <sup>1</sup>	Fair value at the award date	Award date	Market price of the underlying shares on awarding the options	Number of options	Exerci se price	Market price of the underlyin g shares at the exercise date	Number of options	Number of options	Fair value
Other manage personi	ement																
(I) Compe the comp prepare financial st	any that es the	Stock Option Plan 2019- 2023 (SOP) approved by the Shareholders' Meeting on 18/01/2019	79,561	6.94	From 13/11/24 to 31/12/27											79,561	31,134
(II) Compe from subs and asso	sidiaries																
	(III) Tot	al	79,561													79,561	31,134
														1			

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The figures at the beginning of the year are estimated on the basis of the forecasts included in the Plan Regulation.



SCHEDULE 7-E	BIS: Remunera	tion Report - TABLE 3A	<b>L</b>										
ncentive plans	based on fina	ncial instruments other	r than stock opt	ions in favour o	of the managem	ent body, gene	ral mana	gers and o	ther key man	agement pe	ersonnel (E	UR)	
			Financial instrum previous years during t	and not vesting	Fina	ancial instruments :	awarded d	luring the year	r	Financial instruments vesting during the year and not granted	Financ instruments during the y grantal	vesting ear and	Financial instrument relating to the year
Α	В	1	2	3 4 5 6 7 8						9	10	11	12
First and last name	Office held	Plan	Number and type of financial instruments	Vesting period	Number and type of financial instruments	Fair value at award date	Vesting period	Award date	Market price on award <sup>1</sup>	Number and type of financial instruments	Number and type of financial instruments	Value at the vesting date	Fair value
Other key man													
(1) Common estimation	in the	ESOP Plan (Shareholders' Meeting of 18/01/2019 and BoD meeting of 15/06/2020) illimity ordinary shares			128	785.32	-	10/06/2020	6.135		128	785.32	785.32
(I) Compensation that prepares statem	the financial												
(II) Compens	sation from												
subsidiaries ar													
	(III) Total				128								785

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Average of the official share prices in the 30 days preceding the date on which the BoD resolved the awarding of the shares (10/06/2020).



SCHEDULE 7-B	IS: Remuneratio	n report							
TABLE 3B									
Monetary incen	tive plans in favo	our of the management	body, general ma	nagers and ot	her key manag	ement person	nel (EUR)		
Α	В	1		2			3		4
First and last name	Office held	Plan	Bonu	uses of the yea	ır	Вс	nuses of previous y	rears	Other bonuses
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(C)	
Alessandro Gennari	Director <sup>1</sup>		Payable/paid	Deferred	Deferral period	No longer payable	Payable/paid	Still deferred	
		Variable scheme 2018 (BoD resolution of 11/03/2019)					37,500	37,500	
company that	sation in the prepares the statements	Variable scheme 2017 (BoD resolution of 13/04/2017)					50,000		
(II) Comper subsidiaries a	nsation from and associates								
	(III) Total		-	_	-	_	87,500	37,500	-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This refers to his previous position as General Manager



### SCHEDULE 7-BIS: Remuneration report

SCHEDULE 7-BIS: I	Remuneration	report								
TABLE 3B										
Monetary incentive	plans in favo	ur of the management	body, general ma	nagers and ot	her key manag	gement person	nel (EUR)			
А	В	1		2			3		4	
First and last name	Office held	Plan	Bonu	uses of the yea	ır	Во	onuses of previous y	ears	Other bonuses	
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(A)	(B)	(C)		
Other key management personnel (5)			Payable/paid	Deferred	Deferral period	No longer payable	Payable/paid	Still deferred		
(I) Compensation	on in the	MBO 2020 variable scheme (BoD resolution of 25/02/2021)	84,000							
company that pre financial state	pares the									
(II) Compensation from										
subsidiaries and a										
	(III) Total		84,000	-	-	-			-	



SCHEDULE 7-TER

Schedule of information on the holdings of members of the management and control bodies, general managers and other key management personnel

TABLE 1: Holdings of members of the management and control bodies and general managers

First and last name	Office held	Company in which investment held	Number of shares held at the end of the preceding year (2019)	Number of shares purchased	Number of shares sold	Number of shares held at the end of 2020
Rosalba Casiraghi	Chair		0	0	0	0
Corrado Passera	Chief Executive Officer	illimity Bank S.p.A. through Tetis S.p.A. and Metis S.p.A.	Ordinary shares: 2,138,400 Special shares: 1,425,600	0	0	Ordinary shares: 2,138,400 Special shares 1,425,600
Massimo Brambilla	Director		0	0	0	0
Giancarlo Bruno	Director in office until resignation on 29 December 2020		0	0	0	0
Elena Ciallié	Director		0	0	0	0
Sigieri Diaz della Vittoria Pallavicini	Director in office until the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020		0	0	0	0
Alessandro Gennari	Director	illimity Bank S.p.A.	4,860	3,000	0	7,860
Martin Ngombwa	Director	illimity Bank S.p.A.	1,349	0	0	1,349
Luca Rovati	Director in office from appointment at the Shareholders' Meeting of 22 April 2020 until resignation on 29 December 2020		0	0	0	0
Maurizia Squinzi	Director		0	0	0	0



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Ernesto Riva	Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors	0	0	0	0
Stefano Caringi	Standing Auditor	0	0	0	0
Nadia Fontana	Standing Auditor	0	0	0	0



## TABLE 2: Holdings of other key management personnel

Key management personnel (number)	Company in which investment held	Number of shares held at the end of the preceding year (31.12.2019)	Number of shares purchased	Number of shares sold	Number of shares held at the end of the current year (31.12.2020)
1	illimity Bank S.p.A. through AC Valuecreation S.r.I.	21,600 ordinary shares 14,400 special shares through the investee + 11 deriving from the ESOP	16 <sup>41</sup>	0	21,600 ordinary shares 14,400 special shares through the investee + 27 deriving from the ESOP
8	illimity Bank S.p.A.	3,588 <sup>42</sup>	144 <sup>43</sup>	0	3,732 <sup>44</sup>

Shares deriving from the ESOP Plan.
 Of which 88 deriving from the ESOP Plan.
 Shares deriving from the ESOP Plan.
 Of which 232 deriving from the ESOP Plan.

