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The FITD and the Voluntary Scheme, with the support of their advisor Deutsche Bank, are continuing to work towards the sale of their shareholding in Banca Carige (79.99% of the capital) and to achieve a business combination with partners capable of maximizing the potentials of the bank.

Some expressions of interest - even partial - were received and assessments are being carried out. Contacts are in progress with other potential bidders.

At the same time, consistent with the sale process, FITD and the Voluntary Scheme confirmed to the bank their full commitment to their support for Banca Carige and to actions to continue the turn-around, commercial development, enhanced efficiency and optimization of the bank's capital.

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