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ITALIAN GOVERNMENT BOND 'BTP ITALIA'RAISES €7.29 BILLION ON MOT

- Yearly coupon rate of 2.45%
- New bond specifically designed for private investors
- Continuous trading begins on Monday 26 March

BTP Italia, a new government bond designed by the Italian Treasury for private investors, today ended its offer period on MOT, Borsa Italiana's retail bond market. During the four day offer period, the bond raised €7.29 billion, with 133,479 contracts in total.

Trading of the new bond will begin on MOT on Monday 26 March with a yearly coupon rate of 2.45%.

Raffaele Jerusalmi, CEO of Borsa Italian said:

"We are honoured that the Ministry of Economy and Finance has again selected MOT to list this new government bond which has proven to be a huge success. MOT has again shown it is the preferred market for the trading of Italian government bonds, for both private and professional investors".

As well as being the only regulated Italian bond market dedicated to private investors, MOT holds the record for number of contracts and turnover traded on an electronic platform. The Italian Treasury chose to use MOT's extensive electronic distribution network to access online traders with this new 'BTP Italia' bond.

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MOT has more than 40 direct members and numerous non-direct members which provide the market with liquidity, offering investors transparency and real time pricing.

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