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BORSA ITALIANA CONFIRMS AND STRENGTHENS ITS EUROPEAN LEADERSHIP ON FIXED INCOME PLATFORM FOR RETAIL INVESTORS

- **THIRD ISSUANCE OF BTP ITALIA RAISES MORE THAN €18 BILLION ON MOT**

The third issue of BTP Italia closed today with a new daily record of 56.258 contracts and 7.840.391.000 turnover on MOT, Borsa Italiana's retail bond market.

In four days of distribution, the Italian government bond raised €18.017.975.000 with 186.698 contracts in total. It begins continuous trading on MOT on Monday 22 October according to the usual rules and in line with previous government bonds.

The yearly coupon rate was fixed by a Treasury decree at 2.55%.

This auction was the biggest ever bond sale in Europe.

Raffaele Jerusalmi, CEO of Borsa Italiana, said:

“We have been proud to provide our platform for the successful issue of the third BTP Italia, confirming the great importance of an efficient financial market to the whole Italian economic system”.

Pietro Poletto, Head of Fixed Income Markets at London Stock Exchange Group, said:

“We are delighted to contribute to the success of BTP Italia’s third issue. The amount raised represents a record in Europe for a product directly addressed to the retail community.

This latest bond issue has been a particular success due to the innovative subscription method designed by the Italian Treasury and by the efficiency of MOT and Borsa Italiana’s distribution network”

MOT is the only regulated Italian bond market dedicated to private investors.

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