

**PRESS RELEASE**

**INTESA SANPAOLO: STANDARD & POOR'S AFFIRMS RATINGS AND REVISES OUTLOOK TO NEGATIVE FROM STABLE**

*Torino, Milano, 12 March 2009* – Intesa Sanpaolo informs that today Standard & Poor's has affirmed AA- medium-long term debt rating and A-1+ short-term debt rating assigned to Intesa Sanpaolo and revised the outlook to negative from stable.

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