

## Letterio Merlino appointed Chief Lending Officer (CLO) of Cassa Centrale Banca

**Following extensive experience in the banking and financial sector, the manager joined the Parent Company on 1<sup>ST</sup> November 2022 as Deputy Credit Director.**

**Trento, 18.12.2023** - From today, 18 December 2023, Letterio Merlino takes over the reins of the Credit Department following his appointment as Chief Lending Officer, reporting directly to the Chief Executive Officer, Sandro Bolognesi.

Merlino began his work experience in the banking sector in 1992 at Banco di Sicilia, rapidly progressing to positions of increasing responsibility. In the 2000s, he joined the strategic consulting firm Accenture, and subsequently in San Paolo IMI, he held various managerial positions, eventually becoming head of Governance, overseeing important strategic projects.

His career in the economic-financial sector continued at Capitalia, UniCredit, Veneto Banca and, since 2016, at Cassa Depositi e Prestiti and SACE, where he held the role of Chief Risk Officer from 2017.

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***The includes 67 BCCs - Rural Banks - Raiffeisenkassen and 1,478 branches throughout Italy, has more than 11,900 employees and over 470 thousand Cooperative Partners. With balance sheet assets of EUR 91.1 billion as at 30 June 2023, the Group is ranked among Italy's top 10.***