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## **HECHO RELEVANTE – IM BANCO POPULAR FTPYME 3, FTA**

En virtud de lo establecido en el apartado 4.3. del Módulo Adicional del Folleto de "IM BANCO POPULAR FTPYME 3, Fondo de Titulización de Activos" (el "**Fondo**"), se comunica el presente hecho relevante:

- Intermoney Titulización, S.G.F.T., S.A. ha tenido conocimiento de que Moody's Investors Service (la "**Agencia de Calificación**") ha rebajado la calificación crediticia de los Bonos de las Series A1 y A2(G) emitidos por el Fondo de "Aaa (sf)" a "Aa2 (sf)".

Se adjunta el documento publicado por la Agencia de Calificación relativo a lo comunicado en este hecho relevante.

Madrid, 24 de febrero de 2012.

**Rating Action: Moody's downgrades senior ABS, RMBS and CLO notes exposed to Italy and Spain**

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Global Credit Research - 21 Feb 2012

London, 21 February 2012 -- Moody's Investors Service has today downgraded the ratings of 478 notes and placed on review for downgrade the ratings on five notes from 387 structured finance transactions exposed to assets located in Italy and Spain. This announcement follows the lowering of the highest achievable structured finance ratings in Italy and Spain which was prompted by the downgrade of those sovereigns on 13 February 2012 (please see the announcement "Moody's lowers the highest achievable structured finance ratings in Italy, Portugal and Spain following the recent sovereign rating actions," published on 17 February 2012, [http://www.moodys.com/research/Moodys-lowers-the-highest-achievable-structured-finance-ratings-in-Italy--PR\\_238109](http://www.moodys.com/research/Moodys-lowers-the-highest-achievable-structured-finance-ratings-in-Italy--PR_238109)).

Today's rating actions affect 127 asset-backed securities (ABS), 255 residential mortgage-backed securities (RMBS), and five collateral loan obligations (CLO).

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#### RATINGS RATIONALE

Today's rating action follows Moody's decision to lower the highest achievable structured finance rating in Italy and in Spain to Aa2(sf) from Aaa(sf). The highest structured finance rating achievable is the rating beyond which structural features or credit enhancement provided by any domestic party cannot mitigate the impact of possible severe events and the level of uncertainty surrounding such events. The changes that have been announced reflect an increase in the probability of severe economic stress or even default, which, although in most cases extremely low, create a level of uncertainty that is inconsistent with structured finance rating levels higher than the new levels that have been set.

Moody's has therefore downgraded to Aa2(sf) tranches rated Aaa(sf) and Aa1(sf), which are backed by assets domiciled in Italy and Spain. As part of this rating action, Moody's considered the presence of specific structural features, such as financial guarantees, which may limit the impact of severe events.

Moody's has placed on review for downgrade the Aaa(sf) ratings of five ABS notes guaranteed by the European Investment Fund (Aaa) in order to allow further analysis of how these guarantees would perform in the remote but not implausible event of debt redenomination.

Moody's has maintained on review for downgrade all tranches placed previously on review because of worse-than-expected performance, insufficient credit enhancement or operational risk concerns. Moody's is reviewing the minimum credit enhancement levels necessary to achieve the maximum achievable structured finance ratings in Italy and Spain. We are assessing whether these levels may decline in consideration of the lowered ratings achievable in these jurisdictions. Tranches that do not benefit from the current minimum credit enhancement amount remain on review until a decision is reached on the revised required levels.

Moody's has concluded the review of the senior notes in Adriano Finance S.r.l. following the implementation of restructuring that have increased the existing non-amortising reserve fund. The transaction was placed on review in October following the previous downgrade of the Italian sovereign rating.

Key modeling assumptions, sensitivities, cash-flow analysis and stress scenarios of the affected transactions have not been updated as the rating action has been primarily driven by revision of maximum achievable ratings.

#### OTHER DEVELOPMENTS MAY NEGATIVELY AFFECT STRUCTURED FINANCE RATINGS IN THE FUTURE

As the euro area crisis continues, the rating of the structured finance notes remain exposed to the uncertainties of credit conditions in the general economy. The deteriorating creditworthiness of euro area sovereigns as well as the weakening credit profile of the global banking sector could negatively impact the ratings of the notes. For more information please refer to the Rating Implementation Guidance published on 13 February 2012 "How Sovereign Credit Quality May Affect Other Ratings" [http://www.moodys.com/researchdocumentcontentpage.aspx?docid=PBC\\_139495](http://www.moodys.com/researchdocumentcontentpage.aspx?docid=PBC_139495).

Moody's is currently reviewing the commensurate minimum credit enhancement levels necessary to achieve the lowered maximum achievable structured finance rating in Italy and Spain and will make announcement in due course. Moody's is also continuing to consider the impact of the deterioration of sovereigns' financial condition and the resultant asset portfolio deterioration on mezzanine and junior tranches of structured finance transactions.

The ratings of the notes downgraded in today's action could be further negatively impacted by the other developments explained below.

On 15 February 2012, Moody's placed on review for downgrade the ratings of multiple European and global banks, and Securities Firms with Global Capital Markets Operations (please see "Moody's Reviews Ratings for European Banks" and "Moody's Reviews Ratings for Banks and Securities Firms with Global Capital Markets Operations" for more information). The creditworthiness and therefore the ability of entities eligible to act as transaction parties may decline following the conclusion of the rating agency's review. Depending upon the magnitude of any downgrade of the relevant transaction counterparties (such as servicers, cash managers, liquidity banks, account banks or swap counterparties), the effect on the related structured finance transactions could be significant. Any deterioration in the credit quality of transaction parties may also lead to increased risks of set-off and commingling in some transactions.

Furthermore, as discussed in Moody's special report "Rating Euro Area Governments Through Extraordinary Times -- An Updated Summary," published in October 2011, the rating agency is reassessing the euro area's single 'country ceiling,' which currently implies that the debt of any euro area entity, regardless of its country of domicile, could potentially achieve a Aaa rating (unless it is subject to the highest achievable ratings as described above or other ratings ceilings imposed for analytical reasons). Moody's will consider reintroducing individual country ceilings for some or all euro area members, which could affect further the maximum structured finance rating achievable in those countries.

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