

Press Release

**Acquisition of Banca del Gottardo Italia
by Banca BSI Italia Completed**

Trieste, 1st October 2008 – Banca Generali announces that today it has finalised the acquisition of Banca del Gottardo Italia through its subsidiary Banca BSI Italia, after obtaining the necessary authorisations from the Bank of Italy.

Banca BSI Italia has acquired 100% of the share capital in Banca del Gottardo Italia as announced to the market on 6 May 2008.

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