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Borsa Italiana joins Climate Bonds Partners Programme

LONDON: 22/06/2018: 08:00 BST: Borsa Italiana, a leading international markets infrastructure provider and part of London Stock Exchange Group, is the latest stock exchange to become a Climate Bonds <u>Partner</u>.

<u>Borsa Italiana</u>, the Italian stock exchange operator, is a facilitator of the dialogue between issuers, sell side and investors; and is ideally placed to help promote good practice across the industry. In addition, Borsa Italiana is also a member of the Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative (<u>SSE</u>).

Pietro Poletto, Global Head of Fixed Income Products and Co-Head of Equity, Funds & Fixed Income – Secondary Markets, London Stock Exchange Group:

"We are delighted to work together with Climate Bonds as partner to develop more and more conscious investments as well as international standards and good practices in green finance. The introduction of green bonds on Borsa Italiana's Fixed Income markets confirms our commitment towards the growth of sustainable finance in Italy."

"The green bonds market is reaching new targets globally, with over USD160 billion raised globally in 2017. Our offering will improve access for issuers and transparency for investors and highlights the development of London Stock Exchange Group and Borsa Italiana as a key international hub for Green Finance."

Serena Vento, Head of Partnerships, Climate Bonds Initiative:

"We are pleased to welcome Borsa Italiana to our Partners network, joining the world's leading exchanges. We are looking forward to joining forces and developing the green bond market in Italy to help meet climate targets and NDCs, and supporting sustainable investment that contributes to achieving the SDGs."

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About Borsa Italiana: Borsa Italiana S.p.A. is one of Europe's largest and most established stock exchanges with more than 420 companies listed across its markets. The Italian Exchange operates markets trading in Italian equities, bonds and derivatives. Markets including MTA, with STAR segments, MIV and AIM Italia for small cap companies as well as IDEM, MOT, ExtraMOT, ExtraMOT PRO, ETFplus. Since October 2007 Borsa Italiana has been part of the international diversified exchange business, London Stock Exchange Group.

About Climate Bonds Initiative: The Climate Bonds Initiative is an investor-focused not-for-profit, promoting large-scale investment in the low-carbon economy. It undertakes advocacy and outreach to inform and stimulate the market, provides policy models and government advice, market data and analysis and administers the Standards & Certification Scheme. For more information, please visit www.climatebonds.net.

Climate Bonds Partners Program: Banks, institutional investors, private and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and governments are eligible to join as Climate Bond Partners to help grow a market of green and climate bonds. A list of Partners is available here.

Partners assist in developing initiatives to grow investment in climate finance solutions, participate in different market development committees & help define policy agendas for sector, country & sub-national green bond development programs.

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