



PRESS RELEASE

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Banca Monte dei Paschi to offer MyBank to its Internet Banking customers

MyBank announced today that Banca Monte dei Paschi, one of Italy's major banks, has joined the pan-European e-authorisation solution as a Buyer Bank. Banca Monte dei Paschi has already been offering MyBank to its corporate customers as a Seller Bank since May 2015 and is now making the solution available also to its Internet Banking customers.

Founded in 1472, Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena holds significant market shares in all areas of business and has a special vocation for household accounts, small and medium enterprises and innovation in banking.

"We are very pleased to have added MyBank to our online banking services, so that our customers can now fully benefit from the efficiencies of making and receiving payments via the web with the support of this solution," said Valerio Fallucca Head of Strategic Marketing and Retail Products Department of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena.

"We are very pleased to see our relationship with one of the key players in the financial industry in Italy grow, which confirms the traction MyBank has been gaining within the SEPA area and testifies to the inclusive character of the MyBank solution. MyBank responds to the end-users' security and data protection needs both in the payments area and – thanks to its ability to also facilitate the exchange of non-financial information – in the overall digital ecosystem," said Mr. Giorgio Ferrero, CEO of PRETA S.A.S., which owns and manages the MyBank solution.

MyBank is an e-authorisation solution for the exchange of financial and non-financial information. The solution supports online banking-based payments via SEPA Credit Transfer as well as the creation, amendment and cancellation of SEPA Direct Debit mandates.

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MyBank

MyBank (www.mybank.eu) is an e-authorisation solution that enables customers to pay for their online purchases via their regular online or mobile banking environment. The solution is open to all authorised payment service providers (PSPs) in the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA), including, without limitation, credit institutions and payment institutions.

Customers using MyBank do not have to communicate their payment details or personal credentials to any third parties, since the payment initiation, mandate creation or transaction validation process takes place within the highly secured environment of their own bank. Public administration agencies and e-businesses using MyBank are informed in real time when a customer has initiated a payment.

As a pan-European e-authorisation solution, MyBank is also well-positioned to be used at a later stage for transactions in other currencies or for e-identity services.

MyBank is owned and managed by PRETA S.A.S., a wholly owned subsidiary of EBA CLEARING, a provider of pan-European payment solutions.

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Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena

Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena, founded in 1472, is considered to be the oldest bank in the world. Today the bank is the parent company of Italy's third largest banking group and holds significant market shares in all areas of business.

The Montepaschi Group is present all over Italy and in the major international financial centres, with operations ranging from traditional banking activities to Private Banking (mutual funds, wealth management, pension funds, and life insurance policies) and Corporate Banking (project finance, merchant banking, and financial advisory), with a special vocation for household accounts and small and medium enterprises.

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