

BANCA MPS

Sector: Banks

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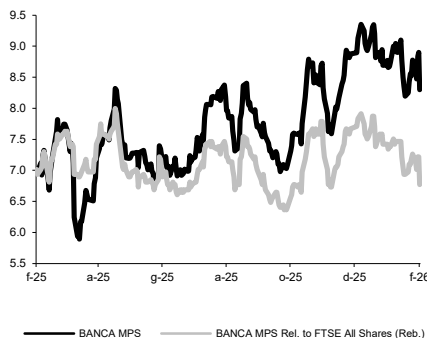
Price: Eu8.30 - Target: Eu10.60

2026-2030 BPlan: Solid Targets and Significant Distributions

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Stock Rating			
Rating:	Unchanged		
Target Price (Eu):	Unchanged		
	2026E	2027E	2028E
Chg in Adj EPS	-1.9%	1.2%	1.7%

BANCA MPS - 12M Performance



Stock Data			
Reuters code:	BMPS.MI		
Bloomberg code:	BMPS IM		
Performance	1M	3M	12M
Absolute	-5.4%	-0.4%	18.3%
Relative	-8.8%	-9.2%	-3.7%
12M (H/L)	9.35/5.89		
3M Average Volume (th):	27,204.29		

Shareholder Data	
No. of Ord shares (mn):	3,038
Total no. of shares (mn):	3,303
Mkt Cap Ord (Eu mn):	25,213
Total Mkt Cap (Eu mn):	25,213
Mkt Float - Ord (Eu mn):	16,036
Mkt Float (in %):	63.6%
Main Shareholder:	
Delfin	17.5%

Balance Sheet Data	
Tangible Equity (Eu mn):	24,674
TEPS (Eu):	7.47
CET1 Ratio Fully Loaded:	16.1%
Gross NPE Ratio:	4.3%

The new BMPS business plan broadly confirms our expectations on financial targets and is above consensus estimates; the cold reception from the market was likely due to a lack of more positive surprises and some uncertainties ahead that should be clarified in the next few months. Along with the merger with MB, there will be a group reorganization aimed at forming the operational backbone for the new financial targets, also enabling the extraction of the €700mn targeted synergies. The group sits on a rock-solid capital position (CET1r at ~16% over the plan), which brings optionality on potential optimization of the remuneration policy, also given the merger and the robust efforts to reshape the organizational structure. We remain confident on the re-rating potential of the stock, and we stick to our BUY recommendation and €10.60 TP.

■ The Group will execute a **structural reorganisation**, centred on the merger of MB into BMPS by late 2026 in order to merge Monte dei Paschi's extensive retail reach with Mediobanca's specialist expertise in WM and IB. This will create a streamlined perimeter consisting of five core business divisions plus a Principal Investing unit, with the high-end Private Banking and CIB segments being housed in a new, BMPS-owned MB entity to safeguard the Mediobanca brand and technical know-how. Strategically, the Retail & Commercial Banking division aims to become a high-speed relationship engine through an AI-driven mortgage factory and expanded bancassurance, while Consumer Finance will leverage on the Compass platform to unlock cross-selling opportunities throughout the MPS branch network and expand into new international markets. The wealth strategy involves integrating Widiba and MB Premier into a unified asset-gathering platform, positioning Private Banking as a specialized franchise for entrepreneurial clients supported by global hubs and close collaboration with the CIB division.

The reshuffle seeks to continue generating uncorrelated earnings through the Group's strategic stake in Assicurazioni Generali, creating a diversified banking champion with a strong emphasis on digital distribution and international growth.

■ **Change in estimates.** We have updated our model to reflect a slightly different P&L mix, with little changes to the bottom line. On the top line, we have raised NII figures due to significant volume growth, which offsets a more conservative outlook on fee growth. Regarding OpEx, staff costs have been adjusted upward, whereas admin. costs have been lowered to reflect a stricter focus on efficiency. D&A has been increased to accommodate substantial planned IT investments. These adjustments lead to a marginal revision of adj. net profit by -1.9%/-0.1%/+0.4% for FY26/27/28. As for remuneration, the group intends to maintain 2026 payouts in line with 2025 levels through a combination of cash dividends and share buybacks. The estimated DPS for 2026 is thus slightly lower to make room for a new €350mn share buyback program, slated for execution following 2026 results and completion of the corporate reorganisation.

■ **Valuation.** We value BMPS through an average of a GGM implicit P/TE model and a SoP, averaging FY27-28 FVs. Given the almost unchanged estimates, we confirm our TP, while sticking to our BUY recommendation as we believe in the strong re-rating potential of the stock. The stock is trading at 1.11/1.09/1.09x its FY 26/27/28 TE, at target it would trade at 1.38/1.37/1.37x.

Key Figures & Ratios	2024A	2025A	2026E	2027E	2028E
Total income (Eu mn)	4,034	4,957	8,091	8,599	8,881
Net Operating Profit (Eu mn)	2,165	2,653	4,615	5,141	5,452
Net Profit Adj (Eu mn)	1,218	1,721	2,790	3,262	3,484
EPS New Adj (Eu)	0.967	0.566	0.845	1.000	1.068
EPS Old Adj (Eu)	0.967	0.566	0.861	0.988	1.050
DPS (Eu)	0.860	0.860	0.800	0.947	1.038
P/E Adj	8.6	14.7	9.8	8.3	7.8
Div. Yield	10.4%	10.4%	9.6%	11.4%	12.5%
P/TE	0.91	1.06	1.11	1.09	1.09
ROTE	10.6%	7.3%	11.3%	13.2%	14.1%

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