## Introduction

UniCredit's overall corporate governance framework, i.e. the system of rules and procedures that its corporate bodies refer to steer the principles of their behavior and fulfil their various responsibilities towards the Group's stakeholders, has been defined in compliance with current national and European provisions, as well as the recommendations contained in the Italian Corporate Governance Code (hereinafter, also the "Code"). In line with practice on major international markets, the Code identifies goals for a sound corporate governance, as well as the behaviors deemed appropriate for their achievements recommended by the Corporate Governance Committee to companies listed in Italy, to be applied according to the "comply or explain" principle that requires explanation in the corporate governance report of any reasons for failure to comply with one or more recommended best practices.

Moreover, UniCredit is subject to the provisions contained in the Supervisory Regulations issued by Banca d'Italia and, specifically with regards to corporate governance issues, to regulations on banks' corporate governance (Circular No.285/2013, First Part, Title IV, Chapter 1). In compliance with the aforementioned Supervisory Regulations, as a significant bank subject to the direct prudential supervision of the ECB, as well as being a listed bank, UniCredit qualifies as a bank of large size or operational complexity and consequently complies with provisions applicable to such banks.

Since 2001, UniCredit has adopted the Code, which is publicly available on the Italian Corporate Governance Committee website (https://www.borsaitaliana.it/comitato-corporate-governance/homepage/homepage.en.htm).

On an annual basis, UniCredit draws up a corporate governance report for its shareholders, institutional and non-institutional investors, and the market. The report conveys appropriate information about the UniCredit in-house corporate governance system.

Consistently with applicable legal and regulatory obligations, and in line with the provisions of the Code, in its version as approved as at January 2020, the 2021 Report on corporate governance and ownership structure has been drafted, in accordance with article 123/bis of the Legislative Decree No.58 dated 24 February 1998 (hereinafter, also the Consolidated Law on Finance - "TUF").

The Report on corporate governance and ownership structure, approved by the Board of Directors in its meeting held 8 March 2022, will be disclosed at the same time as the Report on Operations via the Issuer's website (https://www.unicreditgroup.eu/en/governance/our-governancesystem.html). For further information on the UniCredit corporate governance system see the first of the above documents.

As an issuer of shares that are also listed on the Frankfurt and Warsaw regulated markets, UniCredit also fulfils legal and regulatory obligations relating to listings on said markets, as well as the provisions on corporate governance stipulated under the Polish Corporate Governance Code issued by the Warsaw Stock Exchange.

Since its establishment, UniCredit has adopted the so-called traditional management and control system.

The distinctive feature of this model is that the strategic supervision and the management of the company, the overseeing of its management and the legal accounting supervision are separated. In particular, the Board of Directors is solely responsible for the strategic supervision and the management of the Company, while the Board of Statutory Auditors is entrusted with supervising its management. Legal accounting supervision is assigned to an external audit firm by the Shareholders' Meeting on the basis of a proposal from the Board of Statutory Auditors, in compliance with relevant current laws.

The reasons behind the choice of such governance model are that it has proven capable of managing the business efficiently, while ensuring effective controls. That is, it creates the conditions for UniCredit S.p.A. to be able to guarantee the sound and prudent management of a complex and global banking group, such as the UniCredit group.

Moreover, the traditional management ascribes certain aspects to the sole responsibility of the Shareholders' Meeting, creating in this way an opportunity for dialogue and debate between shareholders and management about the fundamental elements of governance. These include the appointment and dismissal of directors, the appointment of the Board of Statutory Auditors members, the assignment of the mandate for the external auditing to an audit firm, the setting of the related remuneration, as well as the approval of the financial statements, the profit allocations, the resolutions on the remuneration and incentive policies and practices provided for by current provisions and the criteria to determine the compensation to be granted in the event of early termination of employment or early retirement from office.

## Shareholders' Meeting

The Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting of UniCredit is convened at least once a year within 180 days of the end of the financial year, to resolve upon the issues that current laws and the Articles of Association make it responsible for. An Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting is convened, instead, whenever it is necessary to resolve upon any of the matters that are exclusively attributed to it by current laws.

The Agenda of the Shareholders' Meeting is established pursuant to legal requirements and to the UniCredit Articles of Association by whoever exercises the power to call a Meeting.

The Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting has adopted Regulations governing Ordinary and Extraordinary Meetings in a functional and regular way. The Regulations are available on the Governance/Shareholders Section of the UniCredit website.

## **Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of UniCredit may be comprised of between a minimum of 9 up to a maximum of 24 members. As at the approval date of this document, UniCredit has 13 Directors.

Their term in office is 3 financial years, unless a shorter term is established at the time they are appointed, and ends on the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called upon to approve the financial statements relating to the latest year in which they were in office.

The term in office of the current Board of Directors, which was appointed by the Shareholders' Meeting of 15 April 2021, will end on the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called upon to approve the 2023 financial statements.

According to the current legal and regulatory provisions, the UniCredit Directors shall be appointed on the basis of a proportional representation mechanism ("voto di lista") abiding to the membership criteria concerning, inter alia, minority and independent Directors, as well as the balance between genders, pursuant to the procedures specified in Clause 20 of the UniCredit Articles of Association. The legitimate parties who are entitled to submit slates are the Board of Directors and shareholders, who individually or collectively with others represent at least 0.5% of share capital in the form of shares with voting rights at the ordinary Shareholders' Meetings.

The UniCredit Articles of Association envisage that, regardless of the total number of the Board members, two Directors shall be appointed from the second slate receiving the highest votes, without any connection with the shareholders who, even jointly, filed, or voted for, the slate first by number of votes, to ensure to the minority shareholders a greater presence on the Board of Directors.

The Board establishes its qualitative and quantitative composition deemed to be optimal for the effective fulfillment of the duties entrusted to the Board of Directors by law, by the Supervisory Provisions and by the UniCredit Articles of Association, according to the current provisions applicable on such topics, also concerning the time commitment and the limits upon the maximum number of offices that UniCredit Directors may hold.

Moreover, Directors must take into account the provisions of Art.36 of Law Decree No.201/2011 ("ban on interlocking directorships"), approved as statute by Law No.214/2011, which establishes that holders of a seat in managerial, supervisory and controlling bodies, as well as top management officers in companies or group of companies active in banking, insurance and financial markets are forbidden to hold similar offices, or to exercise similar duties, in competing companies or groups of companies.

The function and competencies of the Board of Directors are set forth in the UniCredit Corporate Bodies and Committees Regulation, available on the Governance/Corporate Bodies Section of the UniCredit website.

## Independence of Directors

In compliance with the provisions in force from time to time as well as in line with the criteria envisaged under the Italian Corporate Governance Code, non-executive Directors' independence shall be assessed by the Board of Directors upon their appointment, during the mandate upon the occurrence of circumstances concerning their independence and in any case at least once a year, on the basis of information provided by the Directors themselves or however available to the Company, also considering any circumstance that affects or could affect such requirement. The outcome of these Board assessments shall be disclosed to the market after the appointment, through a press release and, subsequently, via the Corporate Governance Report.

The Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee and the Board of Directors, the latter at the assessment carried out for the renewal of the Board on 5 May 2021, carried out the assessment of the Directors' independence requirements based on the statements made by the parties concerned and on information available to the Company.

With specific reference to the independence requirements laid down by the Italian Corporate Governance Code, information was taken into account relating to the existence of direct or indirect relationships (credit relationships, business/professional relationships and employee relationships, as well as significant offices held) that Directors and their other connected subjects may have with UniCredit and Group companies.

In order to assess the potential significance of the abovementioned relationships, the Board of Directors has decided not to proceed with merely identifying predefined economic targets, which if simply exceeded could automatically indicate that independence has been compromised, as such check requires an overall assessment of both objective and subjective aspects. Therefore, for this purpose, the following criteria should be taken into account: (i) the nature and characteristics of the relationship; (ii) the amount in absolute and relative terms of the transactions; and (iii) the subjective profile of the relationship.

More specifically, when assessing the significance of such a relationship, the following information, where available, is considered by the Board:

- as far as credit relations are concerned, the amount in absolute value of the credit granted, its weighting in relation to the system and, where appropriate, the economic and financial situation of the borrower;
- as far as professional/commercial relations are concerned, the characteristics of the transaction/relationship, the amount of the consideration and, where appropriate, the economic and financial situation of the counterparty;
- as far as offices held in Group companies are concerned, the total amount of any additional remunerations.

In all of the above cases, all the parties involved (Director or family member; UniCredit or Group Company) and, for relationships with companies/entities, the related kind of "connection" (post held/control participation) with the Director or the family member were taken into account.

As a result of such assessments, the number of independent Directors according to the provisions of the Code is equal to 11.

At its meeting held on 11 May 2011, the Board of Statutory Auditors ascertained, with a positive outcome, the proper application of the criteria and procedures adopted by the Board of Directors to assess the independence of its own members.

## Status and activities of the Directors

In the following chart the information regarding the members of the Board of Directors in office at the approval date of this document is reported.

POSITION	MEMBERS	SINCE	IN OFFICE UNTIL	SLATE (M/m) <sup>(')</sup>	EXECUTIVE	NON-EXECUTIVE	INDEPENDENT AS CODE	INDEPENDENT AS TUB	INDEPENDENT AS TUF	BOARD MEETINGS ATTENDANCE %")	NUMBER OF OTHER POSITIONS(**)
			Approval of 2023 financial								
Chairman	Padoan Pietro Carlo	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Χ		Χ	100	
Deputy Vice		04.45.0004	Approval of 2023 financial			.,	.,	.,	.,		
Chairman	Andreotti Lamberto	04.15.2021	statements	M		X	X	X	Χ	95.65	1
CEO◊	Orași Ardras	04.45.0004	Approval of 2023 financial		V					100	4
UEU*	Orcel Andrea	04.15.2021	statements Approval of 2023 financial	М	Χ					100	1
Director	Cariello Vincenzo	04.15.2021	statements	m		Χ	Χ	Χ	Х	95.65	1
Director	Carlello VIIICE1120	04.13.2021	Approval of 2023 financial	Ш		^	^	^	^	95.05	
Director	Carletti Elena	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Х	Х	Χ	100	
Director	Garietti Eleria	04.10.2021	Approval of 2023 financial	IVI						100	
Director	Gadhia Jane-Anne	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Х	Х	Χ	100	1
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Director	Hedberg Jeffrey Alan	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	1
	Lara Bartolomé Beatriz		Approval of 2023 financial								
Director	Ángela	04.15.2021	statements	M		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	1
			Approval of 2023 financial								
Director	Molinari Luca	04.15.2021	statements	M		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	1
			Approval of 2023 financial								
Director	Pierdicchi Maria	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	2
			Approval of 2023 financial								
Director	Tondi Francesca	04.15.2021	statements	m		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	1
			Approval of 2023 financial								_
Director	Wagner Renate	04.15.2021	statements	M		Х		Х	X	93.75	2
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Director	Wolfgring Alexander	04.15.2021	statements	М		Χ	Χ	Χ	Χ	100	2
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Chairman	Bisoni Cesare <sup>(1)</sup>	04.12.2018	04.15.2021	M		Χ			Χ	100	
CEO <sup>◊</sup>	Mustier Jean Pierre (2)	04.12.2018	02.10.2021	М	Χ					66.67	
	Al Mehairi Mohamed										
Director	Hamad	04.12.2018	04.15.2021	M		Χ	Χ		Χ	71.43	6
Director	Balbinot Sergio	04.12.2018	04.15.2021	М		Χ			Χ	85.71	9
Director	De Giorgi Diego <sup>(3)</sup>	02.05.2020	04.15.2021			Χ	Χ		Χ	100	
Director	Micossi Stefano	04.12.2018	04.15.2021	M		Χ	Χ		Χ	100	
Quorum required	for the submission of the slat	es for the latest	appointment: 0.5%								
•	ngs held during the financial y										

<sup>(\*)</sup> **M** = Member elected from the slate that obtained the majority of the Shareholders' votes.

m = Member elected from the slate voted by the minority.

(\*\*) Number of meeting attended/number of meetings held during the concerned party's term of office with regard to the Reference Period.

<sup>(\*\*)</sup> Number of positions as Director or Auditor held in other listed companies or large companies. A list of such companies for each Director is attached to the Report on corporate governance and ownership structure.

© Director in charge of the internal controls and risks management system.

(1) Appointed as Chair on 20 September 2019. As Deputy Vice Chairman, Mr. Bisoni acted as pro-tempore Chair from 8 August to 20 September 2019.

(2) Termination following the anticipated ending from the position of Chief Executive Officer and General Manager (effective from 11 February 2021). In order to ensure full managerial continuity, the Board appointed a General Manager in accordance with Clause 21 (5) of the Articles of Association, who remained in office until the appointment of the new Chief Executive Officer.

(3) Co-opted on 5 February 2020, and confirmed by the Shareholders' Meeting on 9 April 2020.

## Committees of the Board of Directors

In order to foster an efficient information and advisory system to enable the Board of Directors better to assess the topics for which it is responsible, also in accordance with the provisions of the Code, the Board has established five Committees, vested with research, advisory and proposal-making powers diversified by sector of competence: the Internal Controls & Risks Committee, the Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee, the ESG Committee, the Remuneration Committee and the Related-Parties Committee. Their duties are undertaken based on terms of reference and procedures set forth by the Board.

The Committees consist, as a rule, of a number of members from 3 up to 5. More specifically, the Internal Controls & Risks Committee, the Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee, the ESG Committee and the Remuneration Committee, all set up in compliance with the provisions contained in the Banca d'Italia Supervisory Regulations on banks' corporate governance, are composed of non-executives Directors, mostly independent. Such Committees must be differentiated from each other by at least one member and, if a Director elected by the minorities is present, that Director is a member of at least one Committee. The Chair of each Committee shall be chosen from among the independent members. The Related-Parties Committee, set up for overseeing issues concerning transactions with related and associated parties, in compliance with the CONSOB regulatory provisions and the Banca d'Italia Supervisory Regulations, consists only of independent Directors pursuant to the Italian Corporate Governance Code.

None of the functions of one or more specialist Committees on appointments, risks and remuneration envisaged by the Code has been reserved for the Board of Directors. Moreover, none of the abovementioned Committees, per se, performs the multiple functions of two or more committees as envisaged by the Code. The Committee functions have not been allocated amongst the various Committees in a different manner that differs from the provisions of the Code.

The Committee's tasks are coordinated by its Chair, who exercises all necessary powers for its proper functioning. Each Committee draws up an annual plan of activities to ensure the fulfillment of its tasks. Committee meetings are convened by the Chair with frequency adequate to the fulfillment of its tasks and plan of activities or when needed or requested in writing, with proper motivation, by at least two members of the Committee. The provisions set out for the Board of Directors' functioning shall apply, as compatible, to the Board Committees.

Committee members have the necessary knowledge, skills and experience to perform the duties assigned to them and ensure that any other corporate positions they hold in other companies or entities (including non-Italian ones) are compatible with their availability and commitment to serve as a Committee member.

At the invitation of each Committee Chair, the CEO, other Directors, the General Manager (when appointed), the Manager in charge of drafting the company financial reports, as well as personnel belonging to the Company and the Group, may attend Committee meetings on specific Agenda items. Without prejudice to the possibility for the other Statutory Auditors to attend the meetings, the Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors - or any other Auditor designated by the latter - attends Board Committee meetings. Always at the invitation of each Committee Chair, personnel or externals appointed in the corporate bodies of the Group's subsidiaries may be called upon to attend Committee meetings.

To perform their duties, Board Committees have access to the financial resources necessary to guarantee their operational independence and, within the limitations of the budget approved by the Board of Directors, may consult independent external experts and invite them to attend meetings; in the event of specific requirements, the relevant budget may be supplemented.

The Chair of each Committee, at the first available Board of Directors meeting, reports on the activities carried out during the Committee meetings, with the support of specific documentation.

The Board Committees' composition, functions and competencies are set forth in the Corporate Bodies and Committees Regulation, available on the Governance/Corporate bodies Section of the UniCredit website.

## Internal Controls & Risks Committee

The Internal Controls & Risks Committee consists of 4 non-executive Directors.

The composition of the Internal Controls & Risks Committee is the following: Ms. Elena Carletti (Chairwoman), Ms. Maria Pierdicchi, Ms. Francesca Tondi and Mr. Alexander Wolfgring.

All members of the Committee meet the independence requirements prescribed by the Code and are independent pursuant to Art.13 of the Decree issued by the Ministry of Economics and Finance No.169/2020 and Art.148 of the Consolidated Law on Finance.

All members of the Committee have the experience required under applicable provisions, covering the provided areas of competence related to risk and control as well as accounting and audit.

Committee meetings are attended by the Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors, the Head of Internal Audit, the Group Compliance Officer and the Group Risk Officer. Upon invitation of the Committee Chair, the Chief Executive Officer, other Directors, the Manager in charge of drafting the company financial reports, as well as personnel belonging to the Company and the Group, may attend Committee meetings. Representatives from the external audit firm may also be invited.

The Committee is responsible for setting up the necessary functional links with the Board of Statutory Auditors, so as to undertake activities deemed common to the two bodies, and to exchange information of mutual interest, within the purview of their respective competencies.

The Committee must be able to access relevant corporate information, consult external experts and, where necessary, communicate directly with the Heads of Internal Audit, Group Risk Management and Group Compliance.

In 2021, the Committee held 20 meetings.

## **Duties**

The Committee supports the Board of Directors on risk management and control-related issues.

Among other things, the Committee:

- a) with the support of the Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee, identifies and proposes to the Board who should be appointed as Head of the corporate control functions or assesses the evaluation of their dismissal; for the Head of Internal Audit function, issues its opinion on setting the remuneration and the performance goals associated with its variable portion in line with the company policies;
- b) pre-examines activity programmes (including audit plans) and annual reports from corporate control functions to be sent to the Board, as well as periodical reports prepared by these functions above and beyond legal or regulatory requirements;
- c) evaluates and issues opinions to the Board on the compliance of the internal control system and corporate organization with the applicable rules and regulations, and on the requirements that must be complied with by the corporate control functions, drawing the Board's attention to any weaknesses and consequent corrective actions to be implemented; for this purpose, it assesses proposals put forward by the CEO;
- d) through evaluations and opinions, contributes to defining company policy on the outsourcing of corporate control functions;
- e) verifies that the corporate control functions correctly comply with the Board's recommendations and guidelines, assisting the Board in drafting the coordination documents envisaged under Banca d'Italia Circular No.285/2013;
- f) examines and assesses the correct use of accounting principles and their uniformity with regard to drafting the main accounting documents (such as, by way of example, operating and consolidated financial statements, interim operating reports, etc.), for this purpose coordinating with the Manager in charge of drafting the company financial reports and with the Board of Statutory Auditors;
- g) examines the work carried out by the Group's external auditors and the results stated in their reports or any letters and suggestions;
- h) assesses any findings reported by Internal Audit and Group Compliance, or that may arise from enquiries and/or investigations carried out by
- i) may seek specific audit interventions, at such time informing the Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors;
- i) analyses Group guidelines for the Group Compliance function that fall within its remit, monitoring that they have been adopted and implemented;
- k) requests that the Head of Internal Audit draft any proposals for the qualitative and quantitative improvement of the function itself;
- I) is involved, within its specific remit, in the process of identifying material risk takers on an on-going basis.

With a special focus on risk management and control-related issues, the Committee supports the Board of Directors in:

- defining and approving strategic guidelines and risk management policies with specific reference to risk appetite and risk tolerance. For this purpose, it also examines the annual budget drafting guidelines;
- verifying that risk strategies, management policies and the Risk Appetite Framework (RAF) have been correctly implemented;
- defining policies and processes for evaluating corporate activities, including verification that the price and conditions of client transactions comply with the risk-related business model and strategies.

Without prejudice to the competencies of the Remuneration Committee, the Committee checks that the incentives underlying the remuneration and incentive system comply with the RAF, particularly taking into account risks, capital and liquidity.

Moreover, the Committee reports to the Board of Directors on the status of the Group's internal control system.

Furthermore, as regards investments in non-financial equities, the Committee assesses, supports and puts forward proposals with regard to organizing and enacting internal controls on the making and managing of equity investments in non-financial companies, in addition to verifying compliance within the framework of such equity investments in terms of strategic and operational guidelines.

## **Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee**

The Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee consists of 3 non-executive Directors.

The composition of the Corporate Governance & Nomination Committee is the following: Mr. Lamberto Andreotti (Chairman), Ms. Jane-Anne Gadhia and Mr. Alexander Wolfgring.

All members of the Committee meet the independence requirements prescribed by the Code and are independent pursuant to Art.13 of the Decree issued by the Ministry of Economics and Finance No.169/2020 and Art.148 of the Consolidated Law on Finance.

In 2021, the Committee held 19 meetings.

### **Duties**

Among other things, the Committee:

- a) provides opinions and support to the Board regarding the definition of the UniCredit corporate governance system, corporate structure and Group governance models and guidelines;
- b) drafts proposals to be submitted to the Board regarding the optimal qualitative and quantitative composition of the Board, and the maximum number of posts held by Directors in other companies considered compatible with effectively fulfilling these roles at UniCredit;
- c) provides opinions and support regarding the Board self-assessment process, as directed by the Chair of the Board of Directors;
- d) sets targets for the least well represented gender in corporate bodies as well as for management and staff belonging to the Group, and prepares a plan to bring this proportion up to set targets;
- e) drafts proposals to be submitted to the Chair of the Board of Directors regarding the selection of staff appointed to conduct the Board's selfassessment process.

The Committee provides opinions and support to the Board also regarding:

- a) the verification that UniCredit Directors comply with the requirements provided by applicable laws and the Articles of Association (including the ban on interlocking directorships laid down by applicable laws), and that they collectively and individually ensure abidance with the qualitative and quantitative composition of the Board deemed to be optimal;
- b) the selection of candidates for the post of Chair, Chief Executive Officer and Director of UniCredit, in the event of co-optation, and, should the Board present its own list of candidates for the position of independent Director for approval by the UniCredit Shareholders' Meeting, taking into due account any recommendations from shareholders, as per the process for selecting candidates to the post of Board of Directors members (including the Chair and the Chief Executive Officer) approved by the Board itself;
- c) the appointment of the CEO, General Manager, Deputy General Managers and other Executives with strategic responsibilities;
- d) the verification that the General Manager and the Manager in charge of drafting the company financial reports comply with the requirements provided by applicable laws and the Articles of Association, if applicable;
- e) the definition of appointment and succession plan policies for the CEO, General Manager, Deputy General Managers and other Executives with strategic responsibilities, Senior Executive Vice Presidents, the Group Management Team (Executive Vice Presidents) and Leadership Team (Senior Vice Presidents);
- f) the definition of the policy for the appointment of corporate officers (members of the Board of Directors, Board of Statutory Auditors and Supervisory Board) at Group companies;
- g) the designation of corporate officers (members of the Board of Directors, Board of Statutory Auditors and Supervisory Board) at the main companies.

Moreover, the Committee:

- provides support, coordinating with the Internal Controls & Risks Committee, in proposing candidates or assessing dismissal for the roles of Heads of corporate control functions to the Board of Directors;
- undertakes research to help the Board of Directors draft a succession plan for executive directors.

## **ESG Committee**

The ESG Committee consists of 3 non-executive Directors.

The composition of the ESG Committee is the following: Ms. Francesca Tondi (Chairwoman), Mr. Jeffrey Alan Hedberg and Ms. Beatriz Ángela Lara

All members of the Committee meet the independence requirements prescribed by the Code and are independent pursuant to Art.13 of the Decree issued by the Ministry of Economics and Finance no. 169/2020 and Art.148 of the Consolidated Law on Finance.

In 2021, the Committee held 7 meetings.

#### **Duties**

The purpose of the ESG Committee is to support the Board of Directors in fulfilling its responsibilities with respect to the ESG integral components on the Group's business strategy and sustainability.

The ESG Committee shall provide opinions and support to the other Board Committees to ensure the alignment of the Group's policies to UniCredit's ESG principles and objectives.

The Committee also oversees:

- ESG and sustainability-related developments also considering international guidelines and principles and market developments, monitoring the positioning of the Group with respect to national and international best practices in the ESG field;
- the preparation of the yearly Integrated Report, which constitutes a non-financial declaration pursuant to the provisions of articles 3 and 4 of Legislative Decree no. 254/2016, as well as the preparation of the TCFD (Task force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures) report, and any other specific disclosure obligations required by future ESG commitments of the Bank.

## **Remuneration Committee**

The Remuneration Committee consists of 3 non-executive Directors.

The composition of the Remuneration Committee is the following: Ms. Jane-Anne Gadhia (Chairwoman), Mr. Luca Molinari and Ms. Renate Wagner.

The majority of the members of the Committee meet the independence requirements prescribed by the Code; all members of the Committee are independent pursuant to Art.13 of the Decree issued by the Ministry of Economics and Finance No.169/2020 and Art.148 of the Consolidated Law on Finance.

At least one member of the Committee has adequate knowledge and experience in finance or remuneration policies, which the Board of Directors assesses at such time as they are appointed to the Committee.

In order for the incentives included in the compensation and incentive schemes to be consistent with the Bank's risk, capital and liquidity management, as well as to get updates on the market trends, compensation levels and regulatory developments, an external advisor also attends Committee meetings.

The Group Chief Risk Officer is invited, upon need, to attend Committee meetings to ensure that incentive schemes are appropriately updated to take into account all of the risks that the Bank has taken on, pursuant to methodologies in compliance with those adopted by the Bank in managing risk for regulatory and internal purposes.

In 2021, the Committee held 16 meetings.

#### **Duties**

Among other things, the Committee:

- puts proposals to the Board regarding the remuneration and the performance goals associated with its variable portion, for the members of the Board of Directors, the General Manager, Deputy General Managers, Heads of the corporate control functions and personnel whose remuneration and incentive systems are decided upon by the Board;
- exercises oversight on the criteria for remunerating the most significant employees, as identified pursuant to the relevant Banca d'Italia provisions, as well as on the outcomes of the application of such criteria.

Furthermore, the Committee issues opinions to the Board on:

- a) the remuneration policy for Senior Executive Vice Presidents, the Group Management Team (Executive Vice Presidents) and the Leadership Team (Senior Vice Presidents);
- b) Group incentive schemes based on financial instruments;
- c) the remuneration policy for corporate officers (members of the Board of Directors, Board of Statutory Auditors and Supervisory Board) at Group companies.

Committee members regarding whom the Committee is called upon to express its opinion on their remuneration as a result of their specific assignments shall not attend meetings at which the proposal for such remuneration is calculated.

Furthermore, the Committee:

- coordinates the process for identifying material risk takers on an on-going basis;
- directly oversees the correct application of rules regarding the remuneration of the Heads of corporate control functions, working closely with the Board of Statutory Auditors;
- works with the other committees, particularly the Internal Controls & Risks Committee, to verify that the incentives included in compensation and incentive schemes are consistent with the RAF, ensuring the involvement of the corporate functions responsible for drafting and monitoring remuneration and incentive policies and practices;
- provides appropriate feedback on its operations to the Board of Directors, Board of Statutory Auditors and the Shareholders' Meeting;
- · where necessary drawing on information received from the relevant corporate functions, expresses its opinion on the achievement of the performance targets associated with incentive schemes, and on the other conditions laid down for bonus payments.

## Related-Parties Committee

The Related-Parties Committee consist of 3 independent Directors.

The composition of the Related-Parties Committee is the following: Ms. Maria Pierdicchi (Chairwoman), Mr. Vincenzo Cariello and Ms. Elena Carletti.

In reference to the Related-Parties Committee's meetings, only for reasons of urgency, in specific cases dealing with transactions falling into the decision-making powers of the Board of Directors, a meeting may be convened at least twelve hours in advance.

In 2021 the Committee held 14 meetings.

#### **Duties**

The Committee oversees issues concerning transactions with related parties pursuant to CONSOB Regulation No.17221/2010 and transactions with associated parties pursuant to Bank of Italy Circular No.285/2013 (Third Part, Chapter 11), carrying out the specific role attributed to independent directors by the aforementioned provisions. Furthermore, it carries out any other duties assigned to it within the Global Policy for the management of transactions with persons in conflict of interest.

The Company's competent offices ensure a constant monitoring of transactions envisaged by the procedures for the identification and management of transactions with related and/or associated parties, also in view of enabling the Committee to propose corrective actions.

#### a) Temporary replacement in cases of conflict of interest

For each individual transaction, Committee members must be different from the counterparty, its associated parties and/or any entities related to it.

If a Committee member is a counterparty to the transaction under examination (or is related/associated with the counterparty), he/she must promptly inform the Chair of the Board of Directors and the Committee Chair (provided he/she is not in a conflict of interest situation), and abstain from attending further Committee proceedings with regard to the transaction in which the relationship exists. Having consulted with the Committee Chair (provided he/she is not in a conflict of interest situation), the Chair of the Board of Directors shall immediately take steps to replace the member who has this conflict of interest with another member from the Board of Directors who qualifies as independent pursuant to the Italian Corporate Governance Code, after contacting them beforehand, in order to restore the Committee to three non-related and non-associated independent Directors.

### b) Temporary replacement of unavailable members in the event of an urgent transaction

For transactions that need to be finalized urgently and require the intervention of the Related-Parties Committee during negotiations and due diligence and/or during the issue of opinions, having acknowledged the urgency and noted that the majority or all members are unable to meet or carry out the required activities in time to conclude the transaction, the Committee Chair shall promptly inform the Chair of the Board of Directors of this situation.

In any event, these circumstances must be communicated no later than the day after the Committee Chair was informed that the majority or all Committee members were not available.

Having consulted with the CEO and determined that the transaction cannot be delayed, the Chair of the Board of Directors immediately takes steps to find three Directors to sit on the Committee and follow the process for temporary substitutions in the event of conflicts of interest.

As regards sections a) and b) above, it should be noted that:

- replacements must be provided with all available information in good time before the meeting at which the Committee is called upon to express its opinion regarding the transaction;
- replacements undertake the duties allocated to them until the conclusion of the decision-making process regarding the specific transaction in question, and remain involved in the decisions taken by the Committee.

## **Board Committees**

				CONTI	RNAL ROLS & SKS NITTEE	GOVER NOMI	PORATE NANCE & NATION MITTEE	ESG COMMITTEE		REMUNERATION COMMITTEE		RELATED- PARTIES COMMITTEE	
MEMBERS	EXEC.	NON EXEC.	INDEP. AS CODE	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)	(*)	(**)
Padoan Pietro Carlo		Χ	Χ			$M^{(1)}$	100%						
Andreotti Lamberto		Χ	Χ			C <sup>(2)</sup>	100%			C <sup>(1)</sup>	100%		
Orcel Andrea	Χ												
Cariello Vincenzo		Χ	Χ									М	100%
Carletti Elena		Χ	Χ	C(3)	100%					M <sup>(1)</sup>	100%	M (2)	100%
Gadhia Jayne-Anne		Χ	Χ			M <sup>(2)</sup>	100%			C (2)	100%		
Hedberg Jeffrey Alan		Х	Х					M (2)	100%				
Lara Bartolomé Beatriz Ángela		Х	Х					M (2)	100%				
Molinari Luca		Х	Х							M (2)	100%		
Pierdicchi Maria		Х	Х	М	100%							С	100%
Tondi Francesca		Х	Х	М	100%	M <sup>(1)</sup>	100%	C <sup>(2)</sup>	100%				
Wagner Renate		Х								M (2)	91.67%		
Wolfgring Alexander		Х	Х	M <sup>(4)</sup>	100%	М	100%						
				Members	who left o	luring the	Reference	Period					
Bisoni Cesare		Χ											
Mustier Jean Pierre Al Mehairi Mohamed Hamad	Х	Х	Х										
Balbinot Sergio		X											
De Giorgi Diego		X	Х							M <sup>(1)</sup>	50%		
Micossi Stefano		X	X			C <sup>(1)</sup>	88.89%			INI: :	0070	M <sup>(1)</sup>	75%
No. of meetings held d	luring the			IC&RC:	20	CG&NC		ESGC: 7	•	RC: 16		RPC: 14	

Notes:

(\*) A "C" (Chair) or an "M" (Member) in this column shows that the member of the Board of Directors belongs to the Committee and also indicates his/her position.

(\*\*) Meetings' attendance percentage (number of meetings attended/number of meetings held during the concerned party's term of office with regard to the Reference Period).

(1) Office held since 15 April 2021.

(2) Office held until 15 April 2021.

(3) Chair of the IC&RC since 15 April 2021.

(4) Chair of the IC&RC until 15 April 2021.

## **Board of Statutory Auditors**

Pursuant to the UniCredit Articles of Association, the Ordinary Shareholders' Meeting appoints 5 permanent Statutory Auditors, among whom the Chair, and 4 substitute Statutory Auditors. Both the permanent and substitute Statutory Auditors may be re-elected.

Permanent and substitute members of the Board of Statutory Auditors are appointed on the basis of a proportional representation mechanism ("voto di lista") in abidance to the composition criteria, inter alia, regarding the appointment of the Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors by the minority shareholders and the balance between genders, as established by the UniCredit Articles of Association, and in compliance with current legal provisions. In detail, the candidate who has obtained the highest share of votes among the candidates belonging to the slate that obtained the highest number of votes among the minority slates, as defined by current provisions (also regulatory) in force, shall be selected by the Shareholders' Meeting as Chair of the Board of Statutory Auditors.

Their term in office is 3 financial years and ends on the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called upon to approve the financial statements relating to the last year in which they are in office.

Members of the Board of Statutory Auditors shall meet the requirements envisaged by current provisions, also of a regulatory nature, in particular the professional experience, integrity and independence ones, and they can hold administrative and control appointments with other companies within the limits set by current laws and regulations.

The ordinary Shareholders' Meeting of 11 April 2019 appointed the permanent and substitute Statutory Auditors for the 2019-2021 financial years, whose term runs until 8 April 2022, the date of the Shareholders' Meeting called to approve the 2021 financial statements.

In the following chart the information regarding the members of the Board of Statutory Auditors in office.

#### **Statutory Auditors**

		IN OFFICE		SLATE	INDEPENDENT		NUMBER OF OTHERS	
POSITION	MEMBERS	SINCE	UNTIL	(M/m) <sup>(*)</sup>	AS PER CODE	% <sup>(**)</sup>	POSITIONS(***)	
Chairman	Rigotti Marco Giuseppe Maria	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	m	Χ	100%		
Permanent Statutory Auditor	Bonissoni Angelo Rocco	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	M	Χ	98.5%	2	
Permanent Statutory Auditor	Navarra Benedetta	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	M	X	100%	1	
Permanent Statutory Auditor	Paolucci Guido	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	M	X	100%		
Permanent Statutory Auditor	Bientinesi Antonella	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	m	X	100%	1	
Substitute Statutory Auditor	Pagani Raffaella	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	M	X			
Substitute Statutory Auditor	Manes Paola	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	M	X			
Substitute Statutory Auditor	Rimoldi Enrica	04.11.2019	04.08.2022	m	X			
Substitute Statutory Auditor	Di Carluccio Ciro <sup>(1)</sup>	04.15.2021	04.08.2022	-	Χ			
	Statu	tory Auditors that le	ft off during the Reference Pe	eriod				
							·	
Quorum required for the sub	mission of the slates for the lates	t appointment: 0.5%	<u>-</u>					
Number of meetings held dur	ring the financial year: 64							

(\*) M = Member elected from the slate that obtained the majority of the Shareholders' votes; m = Member elected from the slate voted by a minority

<sup>(\*\*\*)</sup> Meetings' attendance percentage (number of meetings attended/number of meetings held during the concerned party's term of office with regard to the Reference Period).

(\*\*\*\*) Number of positions as Director or Auditor held by the concerned party pursuant to Art.148/bis of the Consolidated Law on Finance (\*TUF\*) and to the relevant implementing provisions contained in the CONSOB Issuers' Regulation. A complete list of such positions is published by the CONSOB on its website pursuant to Art.144-quinquiesdecies of the CONSOB Issuers Rules.

(1) Appointed by the 15 April 2021, Shareholders' Meeting in place of Mr. Roberto Franchini, who resigned as Substitute Statutory Auditor, effective from 28 April 2020.

## Share capital

As at 31 December 2021, the fully subscribed and paid up UniCredit share capital amounted to Euro 21,133,469,082.48, divided into No.2,226,129,520 ordinary shares with no nominal value. The ordinary shares are issued in a dematerialised form and are indivisible as well as freely transferable. Each share entitles holders to the right to cast one vote at ordinary and extraordinary shareholders' meetings.

No other types of shares, equity instruments or convertible or exchangeable bonds have been issued.

## Major Shareholders

On the basis of the communications received in accordance with Art.120 of the Consolidated Law on Finance ("TUF"), direct and indirect relevant equity holdings as at 31 December 2021, registered on the Shareholders Register are stated below. The shareholders listed below hold more than 3%, and do not qualify for disclosure exemptions (as provided under Art.119/bis of CONSOB Rule No.11971/99).

DECLARANT	DIRECT SHAREHOLDER	% (up to the third decimal) OF ORDINARY CAPITAL	% (up to the third decimal) OF VOTING CAPITAL
Capital Research and Management Company		6.287%	6.287%
	EuroPacific Growth Fund	5.130%	5.130%
BlackRock Group		5.162%	5.162%
	BlackRock Fund Advisors	1.418%	1.418%
	BlackRock Institutional Trust Company, National Association	1.354%	1.354%
	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Ltd	0.821%	0.821%
	BlackRock Asset Management Deutschland Ag	0.677%	0.677%
	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Ltd	0.334%	0.334%
	BlackRock Investment Management, Llc	0.246%	0.246%
	BlackRock Advisors, Llc	0.106%	0.106%
	BlackRock Asset Management Canada Ltd	0.072%	0.072%
	BlackRock Japan Co. Ltd BlackRock Investment Management (Australia)	0.055%	0.055%
	Ltd	0.043%	0.043%
	BlackRock Financial Management, Inc.	0.032%	0.032%
	BlackRock Asset Management North Asia Ltd	0.003%	0.003%
	Aperio Group Llc	0.002%	0.002%
	Blackrock (Singapore) Ltd	0.000%	0.000%
	Blackrock International Limited	0.000%	0.000%
Allianz SE Group		3.128%	3.128%
	Allianz Finance II Luxembourg S.a.r.l.	3.023%	3.023%
	Allianz S.p.A.	0.087%	0.087%
	Allianz Lebensverischerungs Ag	0.007%	0.007%
	Investitori Società di Gestione del Risparmio Società per Azioni	0.007%	0.007%
	Allianz Life Luxembourg Sa	0.002%	0.002%
	Allianz Benelux Sa	0.001%	0.001%
	Allianz Vie	0.000%	0.000%

## Participation Rights

Eligible to attend Shareholders' Meetings are those who hold voting rights and in respect of whom the Company has received, from the broker holding the relevant securities account, the notification within the deadline set forth by applicable law (record date, i.e., seven market trading days before the Shareholders' Meeting date).

Those who hold voting rights may arrange to be represented in the Shareholders' Meeting, in compliance with the provisions of the prevailing law.

UniCredit has always encouraged its shareholders to exercise their participation and voting rights and, for that reason, some time ago it adopted the Regulations governing Shareholders' Meetings to ensure their regular conduct. Said Regulations are available on UniCredit website on the Governance/Shareholders' Meeting Section.