



Press release

UniCredit named Bank of the Year in Italy, Austria, Croatia, Bulgaria, Romania and Bosnia and Herzegovina by The Banker

- The prestigious awards given in London confirm the transformation of UniCredit into the bank of the future of Europe
- In Italy, UniCredit won the title of the best bank, for the third year in a row

Milan, 11 December 2025 - UniCredit has been named Bank of the Year in Italy and five other countries by The Banker magazine's prestigious Bank of the Year awards, which were presented at the official annual ceremony in London.

These recognitions highlight UniCredit's continuous transformation and strong results, confirming its status as Europe's bank of the future. The awards further reinforce the success of the Group's strategy, which enables the delivery of superior, innovative solutions for all customer segments, through all channels, while at the same time supporting sustainable growth and the communities in which it operates.

Silvia Pavoni, editor of The Banker magazine, said: "Under the leadership of Andrea Orcello, UniCredit has become one of the most dynamic banks in Europe when it comes to acquisitions. Her investments have not only improved the Group's technological infrastructure, but also deepened access to markets across the region. The Italian group's investment in Greece's Alpha Bank is a clear example of this. It was interesting to see the introduction of new services and technological improvements in Bulgaria and Bosnia and Herzegovina, the work with smaller companies in Croatia, as well as the completion of the merger with Alpha Bank Romania. The improvement of digital banking in Austria has also been noted."

This is the third consecutive year that The Banker has named UniCredit Bank of the Year in Italy. Andrea Orcl, CEO of UniCredit, said: "These awards are a recognition of how far we have come as a bank. The current year was another year in which we achieved record results, continuous growth and best-in-class innovations in all customer segments, further strengthening our bank as a major European player. This would not be possible without our clients – they are at the heart of everything we do – and their success drives ours. These achievements reflect the strength of those relationships, the ambition of our strategy and the hard work and dedication of our team. They are redefining what this bank and this industry can achieve, and these awards belong to them."

The Banker's awards, considered the industry standard of excellence in banking, evaluate the world's leading financial institutions on their ability to generate returns, achieve strategic advantages and effectively serve their markets. The Banker, part of the Financial Times Group, has been providing economic and financial analysis for the global financial sector since 1926, building a reputation for objective and insightful reporting.

In the past years, UniCredit has steadfastly pursued cultural and industrial transformation, committing itself to fundamental changes in order to redefine its future, with the ambition to become the bank of Europe's future. These latest accolades join a string of prestigious awards from leading international publications since the launch of the UniCredit Unlocked industry plan, including:

- Global Best Bank (The Banker, 2023 and 2024)
- Global Bank of the Year (IFR, 2024)
- The best bank in Europe (Euromoney, 2025)

With 15 million customers on 13 markets across Europe, UniCredit remains focused on supporting its customers, employees and communities, facilitating a just and sustainable green transition and ensuring long-term growth and prosperity.



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About UniCredit

UniCredit is a pan-European Commercial Bank with a unique service offering in Italy, Germany, Central and Eastern Europe. Our purpose is to empower communities to progress, delivering the best-in-class for all stakeholders, unlocking the potential of our clients and our people across Europe. We serve over 15 million customers worldwide. They are at the heart of what we do in all our markets. UniCredit is organized in four core regions and two product factories, Corporate and Individual Solutions. This allows us to be close to our clients and use the scale of the entire Group for developing and offering the best products across all our markets. Digitalisation and our commitment to ESG principles are key enablers for our service. They help us deliver excellence to our stakeholders and creating a sustainable future for our clients, our communities and our people.