



CDP agrees to buy remaining stake in STM from Finmeccanica, increasing its holding to 13,77% of share capital

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Cassa Depositi e Prestiti S.p.A. (CDP) and Finmeccanica S.p.A. today signed an agreement on the basis of which CDP commits to buy from Finmeccanica all its 33,770,436 shares in STMicroelectronics NV (STM) shares indirectly owned by the group through STMicroelectronics Holding NV (STH).

The deal is expected to be finalised on the next 22 December, following completion of all the corporate formalities stipulated by the agreement, at a price of EUR 5.10 per share, plus an earn-out equal to 50% of any positive difference between the average price of STM shares calculated daily in the 66 days preceding 17 March 2011 and EUR 7.00. Finmeccanica, therefore, will be paid approximately EUR 172 million by the end of the year.

This transaction completes the process of transferring the role of reference Italian shareholder in STM from Finmeccanica to Cassa Depositi e Prestiti, which, as the sole Italian shareholder, through STH, will hold rights to 125,352,377 STM shares, equal to 13,77% of the share capital and equivalent to those held by the French public shareholder FT1CI.

Cassa Depositi e Prestiti and FT1CI (owned by Areva and CEA) will each hold a 50% share in STH, guaranteeing joint and equal governance between the Italian and French partners. In turn, Dutch company STH holds a stake of approximately 28% of the STM share capital.