

Transfer of Alpha Bank's NPE Management Activities to Cepal [28.9.2020]

Alpha Bank today announces the launch of the process for the transfer of its NPE Management Operations (carve-out) to Cepal (NPE Management Operations). The carve-out is in line with the Strategy Plan Alpha Bank announced in November 2019 and will facilitate the reduction of Non-Performing Exposures (NPEs) and related cost of risk, generated during the previous decade following the financial crisis.

The transfer of the NPE Management Operations to Cepal is a key pillar of Alpha Bank's large securitization transaction, Project Galaxy, which continues to progress as planned. This transaction will also contribute to the further growth of Cepal, the first licensed third-party servicer operating in the Greek market according to the provisions of Law 4354, and will facilitate its emergence as the largest, most scalable independent servicer in the Greek market and one of the leading players in Southeast Europe.

The transfer of the Employees of the Bank's NPE Management Operations to Cepal will be implemented in accordance with the applicable law (Presidential Decree No 178) and in full respect of their salary and insurance rights, as well as additional benefits they currently enjoy.

Reaffirming its long-standing commitment to the Group's Personnel and its determination to implement Project Galaxy while ensuring the job security and prospects for all Employees who will support the future development of Cepal, the Management of Alpha Bank expresses its satisfaction for the successful conclusion of the relevant discussions with the Bank's Labor Union.

The carve-out of the NPE Management Operations is expected to be concluded within November 2020.