

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## CERVED INFORMATION SOLUTIONS: THE SUBSIDIARY CERVED GROUP HAS SIGNED A EURO 100 MILLION INCREMENTAL FINANCING TO FUND THE ACQUISITION OF THE NPLS SERVICING PLATFORM OF BANCA MONTE DEI PASCHI DI SIENA

**Milan, 24 November 2016** – Cerved Group S.p.A., fully owned by Cerved Information Solutions S.p.A. (MTA: CERV) – parent holding company of the leading player in Italy in credit information and credit management – on November 23, 2016, signed an agreement for an incremental facility (the "Incremental Facility") – additional to the existing "Forward Start" credit facilities – for an amount of Euro 100 million with a consortium of banks composed of BNP Paribas S.A. – Italian Branch, Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A., Mediobanca – Banca di Credito Finanziario S.p.A. and Unicredit S.p.A..

The Incremental Facility will be available to Cerved Group S.p.A. to finance the acquisition of the NPLs servicing platform of Banca Monte dei Paschi di Siena S.p.A.. The Incremental Facility envisages a single bullet pay facility of Euro 100 million with repayment due on July 15, 2022, margin over Euribor of 2.50%, subject to margin ratchet in line with margin ratchet applicable to the existing term bullet facility under the "Forward Start" credit agreement.

Please, note that the Incremental Facility is subject to, *inter alia*, closing of the acquisition of the servicing platform, and contractual terms and conditions are in line with those of the "Forward Start" credit agreement announced to the market on July 30, 2015.

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