

Dear Investor,

The Italian Treasury is pleased to present its 2008 calendar of Government bond auctions which has now reached its fifteenth edition and is again presented in its traditional form.

For this year's theme we have chosen a selection of photographs of mountain peaks that evoke the feeling of challenge, commitment and satisfaction that characterises each and every climb, just as the beginning of each new year represents a new challenge for the Italian Treasury within the context of the continual evolution of financial markets, and which can only be won through the constant commitment to the operational and institutional improvement of the market.

A novel feature in this year's calendar is the information regarding auctions of  $BTP \in i$  – bonds indexed to the harmonised Euro area inflation index ex-tobacco. Whilst demanding greater flexibility by the issuer, the inflation linkers curve is now complete and the number of maturities issued is sufficient to guarantee such regularity that warrants the inclusion of  $BTP \in i$  in the calendar. Please note that the indication regarding the first announcement of the medium-long term auctions also includes the  $BTP \in i$ .

As in the past, there is a double-faced page for each month. On the front face you will see clearly marked the dates of announcement, execution, and settlement of auctions. The back face will contain, clearly marked by appropriate symbols, information relative to the current as well as to the previous and following months. In this way you will be able to quickly and easily keep track of auctions announced and carried out at the end of the month and settled at the beginning of the following month.

With regard to official holidays, the days when the European system for payments (TARGET) is closed will be indicated by a light-blue background, while a lighter hue indicates a national holiday on which TARGET is, in fact, operational. Right from the time the Euro was introduced in financial markets, the Italian Treasury has adopted the TARGET calendar for settlement dates of Italian Government bond issues.

As usual, the financial characteristics of the bonds to be issued will also be outlined in detail in the quarterly program, and in which any possible changes to the calendar itself, deemed necessary because of market conditions and/or changing State funding needs, will be indicated.

In a market, such as today's, that is particularly sensitive to the quality of the financial instruments in which to invest, I firmly believe that reaffirmation of the Treasury's commitment to ensure liquidity for all Government bonds, as it has indeed always done in the past, even through exchange transactions, assumes particular importance.

Lastly, I would like to remind you that all the information on the Italian Treasury's issuance policy and on bond markets is available on the web-site; <u>www.publicdebt.it</u> and on dedicated pages of the main financial information providers: Bloomberg (index page MDTE) – Reuters (index page TESOROITALIA) – Moneyline Telerate (index page 47710-11).

With the hope that this calendar will be of help in planning your investment strategies and choices, I wish you all the very best for a successful 2008.

DIRETTORE DEL DEBITO PUBBLICO (Maria Cannata)

1	Tuesday	16	Wednesday
2	Bills and zero-coupon settlement	(17	Thursday
3	Thursday	18	Friday
4	Friday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	19	Saturday
5	Saturday	20	Sunday
6	Sunday	21	Monday
7	Monday Bills announcement	22	Tuesday
8	<i>Tuesday</i> 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	23	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
9	Wednesday	24	Thursday
10	Thursday Bills auction	25	(Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
11	Friday Medium-long term auctions	26	Saturday
12	Saturday	27	Sunday
13	Sunday	28	<i>Monday</i> Bills and zero-coupon auctions
14	Monday	29	Tuesday BTPE auction
15	Tuesday M-1 settlement Bills settlement	30	Wednesday Medium-long term auctions
		31	Thursday Bills, BTPEi and zero-coupon settlement





Monte Bianco (4.810 m) - Valle d'Aosta



1	Friday M-1 settlement	16	Saturday
2	Saturday	17	Sunday
3	Sunday	18	Monday M-1 settlement
4	Monday	19	Tuesday
5	Tuesday	20	Wednesday
6	Wednesday	21	Thursday <sup>1st</sup> m-l auctions announcement Bills and zero-coupon announcement
7	Bills announcement	22	Friday
8	Friday	23	Saturday
9	Saturday	24	Sunday
10	Sunday	25	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-l auctions announcement
11	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	26	<i>Tuesday</i> Bills and zero-coupon auctions
12	Tuesday Bills auction	27	Wednesday BTPCi auction
13	Wednesday	28	Thursday Medium-long term auctions
14	Thursday Medium-long term auctions	29	Friday Bills, BTP€i and zero-coupon settlement
15	Friday Bills settlement		

### FEBRUARY



Etna (3.340) - Sicily

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Saturday	16	Sunday
2	Sunday	17	Monday M-1 settlement
3	Monday M-1 settlement	18	Tuesday
4	Tuesday	[19	Wednesday 1st m-1 auctions announcement
5	Wednesday	20	Thursday
6	Bills announcement Thursday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	21	Friday
7	Friday	22	Saturday
8	Saturday	23	Sunday
9	Sunday	24	Monday
10	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	25	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
11	Tuesday Bills auction	26	<i>Wednesday</i> Bills and zero-coupon auctions
12	Wednesday	27	Thursday BTPEi auction
13	Thursday Medium-long term auctions	28	Friday Medium-long term auctions
14	Friday Bills settlement	29	Saturday
15	Saturday	30	Sunday
		31	Monday Bills, BTPE and zero-coupon settlement

## MARCH 08



Monte Rosa (4.634 m) - Valle d'Aosta

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Tuesday M-1 settlement	16	Wednesday
2	Wednesday	17	Thursday M-1 settlement
3	Thursday	18	Friday
4	Friday	19	Saturday
5	Saturday	20	Sunday
6	Sunday	21	Monday Bills and zero-coupon announcement
7	Monday Bills announcement	22	Tuesday
8	Tuesday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	23	Wednesday <sup>2nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
9	Wednesday	24	Thursday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
10	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement Bills auction	25	Friday
11	Friday	26	Saturday
12	Saturday	27	Sunday
13	Sunday	28	Monday BTPCi auction
14	Monday	29	Tuesday Medium-long term auctions
15	Tuesday Medium-long term auctions Bills settlement	30	Wednesday Bills, BTP€i and zero-coupon settlement





Adamello (3.539 m) - Lombardy



1	Thursday	16	Friday M-1 settlement
2	Friday M-1 settlement	17	Saturday
3	Saturday	18	Sunday
4	Sunday	19	Monday
5	Monday	20	Tuesday
6	Tuesday	21	Wednesday
7	Bills announcement Wednesday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	22	Bills and zero-coupon announcement
8	Thursday	23	Friday
9	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	24	Saturday
10	Saturday	25	Sunday
11	Sunday	26	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
12	Monday Bills auction	27	<i>Tuesday</i> Bills and zero-coupon auctions
13	Tuesday	28	Wednesday BTPE auction
14	Wednesday Medium-long term auctions	29	Thursday Medium-long term auctions
15	Thursday Bills settlement	30	Friday Bills, BTPE and zero-coupon settlement
		31	Saturday





Catinaccio (3.002 m) - Trentino Alto Adige

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Sunday	16	Monday Bills settlement M-1 settlement
2	Monday M-1 settlement	17	Tuesday
3	Tuesday	18	Wednesday
4	Wednesday	19	Thursday
5	Thursday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	20	Friday Bills and zero-coupon announcement
6	Friday Bills announcement	21	Saturday
7	Saturday	22	Sunday
8	Sunday	23	Monday
9	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	24	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
10	Tuesday	25	Wednesday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
11	Wednesday Bills auction	26	Thursday BTPCi auction
12	Thursday Medium-long term auctions	27	Friday Medium-long term auctions
13	Friday	28	Saturday
14	Saturday	29	Sunday
15	Sunday	30	Monday Bills, BTP€i and zero-coupon settlement

# JUNE 8



Marmolada (3.342 m) - Veneto

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Tuesday M-1 settlement	[16	Wednesday M-1 settlement
2	Wednesday	17	Thursday
3	Thursday	18	Friday
4	Friday	19	Saturday
5	Saturday	20	Sunday
6	Sunday	21	Monday
7	Bills announcement Monday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	22	Tuesday
8	Tuesday	23	Bills and zero-coupon announcement Wednesday 1st m-1 auctions announcement
9	Wednesday <sup>2nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	24	Thursday
10	Thursday Bills auction	25	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
11	Friday	26	Saturday
12	Saturday	27	Sunday
13	Sunday	28	Monday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
14	Monday Medium-long term auctions	29	Tuesday BTPCi auction
15	Tuesday Bills settlement	30	Wednesday Medium-long term auctions
		31	Thursday Bills, BTPEi and zero-coupon settlement





Gran Sasso (2.912 m) - Abruzzo

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Friday M-1 settlement	16	Saturday
2	Saturday	17	Sunday
3	Sunday	18	Monday M-1 settlement
4	Monday	19	Tuesday
5	Tuesday	20	Wednesday
6	Wednesday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	21	Bills and zero-coupon announcement
7	Thursday Bills announcement	22	Friday
8	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	23	Saturday
9	Saturday	24	Sunday
10	Sunday	25	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
11	Monday	26	<i>Tuesday</i> Bills and zero-coupon auctions
12	Tuesday Bills auction	27	Wednesday BTPE auction
13	Wednesday Medium-long term auctions	28	Thursday Medium-long term auctions
14	Thursday	29	Friday Bills, BTP& and zero-coupon settlement
15	Friday Bills settlement	30	Saturday
		31	Sunday

## AUGUST 8



Monviso (3.841 m) - Piedmont



1	Monday M-1 settlement	16	(Tuesday
2	Tuesday	17	Wednesday
3	Wednesday	18	Thursday
4	Thursday 1st m-1 auctions announcement	19	Friday
5	Friday Bills announcement	20	Saturday
6	Saturday	21	Sunday
7	Sunday	22	Monday Bills and zero-coupon announcement
8	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	23	Tuesday
9	Tuesday	24	Wednesday <sup>2nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
10	Wednesday Bills auction	25	Thursday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
11	Thursday Medium-long term auctions	26	Friday BTPCi auction
12	Friday	27	Saturday
13	Saturday	28	Sunday
14	Sunday	29	Monday Medium-long term auctions
15	Monday M-1 settlement Bills settlement	30	Tuesday Bills, BTPCi and zero-coupon settlement



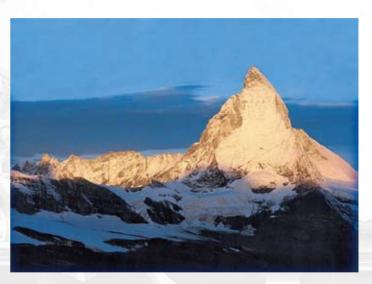


Monte Arcosu (949 m) - Sardinia

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Wednesday M-1 settlement	[16	Thursday M-1 settlement
2	Thursday	17	Friday
3	Friday	18	Saturday
4	Saturday	19	Sunday
5	Sunday	20	Monday
6	Monday	21	Tuesday
7	Bills announcement	22	Wednesday
8	Wednesday	23	Bills and zero-coupon announcement
9	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	24	Friday
10	Friday Bills auction	25	Saturday
11	Saturday	26	Sunday
12	Sunday	27	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
13	Monday	28	Tuesday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
14	Tuesday Medium-long term auctions	29	Wednesday BTPEi auction
15	Wednesday Bills settlement	30	Thursday Medium-long term auctions
		31	Friday Bills, BTP€i and zero-coupon settlement





Cervino (4.478 m) - Valle d'Aosta



1	Saturday	16	Sunday
2	Sunday	17	Monday M-1 settlement
3	Monday M-1 settlement	18	Tuesday
4	Tuesday	(19	Wednesday
5	Wednesday	20	Bills and zero-coupon announcement           1 <sup>st</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
6	Bills announcement Bills announcement	21	Friday
7	Friday	22	Saturday
8	Saturday	23	Sunday
9	Sunday	24	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
10	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	25	Tuesday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
11	Tuesday Bills auction	26	Wednesday BTPEi auction
12	Wednesday	27	Thursday Medium-long term auctions
13	Thursday Medium-long term auctions	28	Friday Bills, BTP€i and zero-coupon settlement
14	Friday Bills settlement	29	Saturday
15	Saturday	30	Sunday





Terminillo (2.216 m) - Latium

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

1	Monday M-1 settlement	16	Tuesday M-1 settlement
2	Tuesday	17	Wednesday
3	Wednesday	18	Thursday
4	Bills announcement	19	Friday 1st m-1 auctions announcement
5	Friday	20	Saturday
6	Saturday	21	Sunday
7	Sunday	22	Monday Bills and zero-coupon announcement
8	Monday	23	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement
9	Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> m-1 auctions announcement	24	Wednesday
10	Wednesday Bills auction	25	Thursday
11	Thursday	26	Friday
12	Friday Medium-long term auctions	27	Saturday
13	Saturday	28	Sunday
14	Sunday	29	Monday Bills and zero-coupon auctions
15	Monday Bills settlement	30	Tuesday Medium-long term auctions
		31	Wednesday





Sassolungo (3.181 m) - Trentino Alto Adige

Ministero dell'Economia e delle Finanze

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Bills and zero-coupon settlement

 Bills and zero-coupon auctions
 Bills auction

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Sassolungo (3.181 m) - Trentino Alto Adige

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