



PRESS RELEASE

Financial education for small businesses:

Consob-FederTerziario cooperation project is underway

The cooperation project between Consob and FederTerziario for financial education of small business was presented today in a conference, set at the Chamber of Deputies.

The project aims to the promotion and to the spreading of financial culture in the fabric of small business throughout the Italian national territory. Consob will offer a team *ad hoc* of technicians, for the purpose of a wider dissemination of the training offer with the organization of on-site meetings in cooperation with the FederTerziario network and IT platform.

The initiative aims in particular to the broadening of information about to the opportunities available for small businesses for accessing the capital market as well as collecting fresh financial resources for the support of both growth and innovation through complementary channels with respect to bank credit ones, like *equity crowdfunding*, *mini-bonds*, *private equity*. At the same time, the initiative aims to the strengthening, by financial education leverage of the self-protection measures against frauds and it aims, too, to make known the out-of-court resolution available mechanisms with the Arbitrator for financial disputes (ACF) for disputes between savers, businesses and intermediaries.

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