

PRESS RELEASE OF 7 DECEMBER 2018

“WWW.AGENZIAABRAMI.COM”

**INTERNET SITE NOT RELATED TO ANY INSURANCE INTERMEDIARY
RECORDED IN THE REGISTER**

IVASS provides information on the marketing of motor vehicle liability policies, including temporary policies, through the website www.agenziaabrami.com (now off-line), which shows data identifying an intermediary, duly recorded in the Single Register of Intermediaries – RUI, which stated he has absolutely no involvement in the activities carried out through this website, reporting those facts at the competent Authorities.

Clients have been provided with quotes issued on forms apparently related to Zurich Connect brand owned by Zurich Insurance Company Ltd, which has denied their authenticity.

IVASS recommends to take particular care when underwriting insurance contracts through the internet, especially in case of temporary policies, and to check, before signing the contracts, that they are issued by undertakings or through intermediaries duly authorized to the pursuit of insurance business and insurance mediation, by checking on the site www.ivass.it:

- the lists of Italian and foreign undertakings licensed to pursue business in Italy (general lists and the specific list for motor liability insurance);
- the warning list of [Cases of counterfeiting](#), [Unauthorized companies](#) and [Websites not compliant with the rules on insurance mediation](#);
- the Single Register of Insurance Intermediaries and the List of Intermediaries of the European Union.

IVASS warns customers, suggesting them to check in its website:

- **if the payee of the premium is an insurance intermediary, that the latter is registered in the RUI;**

- **in case of payments in favour of current accounts (also on-line) or prepaid cards, that the registered intermediary is the account and/or the card holder.**

Consumers can ask for clarification and information to IVASS Consumer Contact Center at the free phone number 800-486661, from Monday to Friday 8.30 am to 2.30 pm.

IVASS draws attention to the fact that the websites or facebook (or other social network) profiles of intermediaries performing mediation on the internet must always include:

- a) the data identifying the intermediary;
- b) the address of its head office, its telephone and fax number and e-mail address;
- c) the number and date of registration in the Single Register of Intermediaries, and the indication that the intermediary is subject to IVASS supervision.

Websites or facebook (or other social network) profiles that do not contain the above information are not compliant with the rules on insurance mediation and expose the consumer to the risk of concluding counterfeited policies.

As regards the intermediaries of the European Economic Area (EEA) licensed to carry on business in Italy, the website must show, in addition to the data identifying the intermediary and the above-mentioned addresses and contact numbers, the indication of the branch – if any –, the statement that the intermediary is licensed to pursue business in Italy and the indication of the supervisory Authority of the home Member State.

We invite the media to highlight this press release in the interest of users.