

Who's News

FININVEST SPA (Milan) — The Italian media-holding company said Monday that it named Pasquale Cannatelli, 55 years old, as chief executive, to succeed Claudio Sposito, who stepped down to set up his own private-equity fund. The unlisted Fininvest is owned by Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi and controls Italy's largest publisher **Arnoldo Mondadori Editore SpA** and its largest commercial-television broadcaster **Mediaset SpA**. It also holds a 35.5% stake in asset manager **Mediolanum SpA**. Mr. Cannatelli, who will work alongside Fininvest Vice Chairman Marina Berlusconi, has been a board member at Mediaset since 1997. He also served as central director of planning and control. Mr. Cannatelli also sits on the boards of Mondadori and Mediolanum. He served as a controller at state-held airline **Alitalia SpA** and at pharmaceuticals group **Farmitalia**.

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