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# **UNITED STATES**

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

# REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2017

# TIM S.p.A.

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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YES NO

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Press Release

# TIM: SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT APPROVED

Roma, 24 July 2017

TIM informs that, today, the Board of Directors has approved by majority (upon favourable opinion by majority by the Appointment and Remuneration Committee, also pursuant to the procedure for the approval of Related Parties Transactions, due to the qualification of the Chief Executive Officer as related party) a settlement agreement regulating the termination, as of 28 July 2017, of Mr. Cattaneo s mandate as Chief Executive Officer (also member, as such, of the Strategic Committee) and from the relationship as General Manager (effective 31 July 2017). The board of Statutory Auditors has expressed non-favourable, non-binding opinion.

The agreement provides for the payment to Mr. Cattaneo, at the termination, of 22.9 million euro gross as settlement payment referred to the amounts due to Mr. Cattaneo based on his contract with the Company, considering in particular the so-called Special Award and the MBO, in relation to the activity already rendered as director and to the value already created based on the currently available data. Further, the agreement provides for the payment to Mr. Cattaneo of 2.1 million euro gross as consideration for non-competition, non-solicitation and non-poaching covenants, for one year, towards the main competitors of the Company in Italy and Brazil, subject to claw-back in case of breach of the covenants (as well as the transfer of certain company goods).

Mr. Cattaneo currently holds 1.500.000 ordinary shares of the Company.

The Board of Directors started the plan for the succession of the Chief Executive Officer that, with the support of the Appointments and Remuneration Committees, will be subjected to further resolutions by the Board at a meeting already called on 27 July 2017.

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Cautionary Statement for Purposes of the Safe Harbor Provisions of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 provides a safe harbor for forward-looking statements. The Group s interim report as of and for the three months ended March 31, 2017 included in this Form 6-K contains certain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are statements that are not historical facts and can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as believes, may, is expected to, will, will continue, seeks or anticipates or similar expressions or the negative thereof or other comparable terminology, or by the forward-looking nature of discussions of strategy, plans or intentions.

Actual results may differ materially from those projected or implied in the forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking information is based on certain key assumptions which we believe to be reasonable but forward-looking information by its nature involves risks and uncertainties, which are outside our control, that could significantly affect expected results.

The following important factors could cause our actual results to differ materially from those projected or implied in any forward-looking statements:

- 1. our ability to successfully implement our strategy over the 2017-2019 period;
- 2. the continuing effects of the global economic crisis in the principal markets in which we operate, including, in particular, our core Italian market;
- 3. the impact of regulatory decisions and changes in the regulatory environment in Italy and other countries in which we operate;
- 4. the impact of political developments in Italy and other countries in which we operate;
- 5. our ability to successfully meet competition on both price and innovation capabilities of new products and services;
- 6. our ability to develop and introduce new technologies which are attractive in our principal markets, to manage innovation, to supply value added services and to increase the use of our fixed and mobile networks;
- 7. our ability to successfully implement our internet and broadband strategy;
- 8. our ability to successfully achieve our debt reduction and other targets;
- 9. the impact of fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates and the performance of the equity markets in general;

- 10. the outcome of litigation, disputes and investigations in which we are involved or may become involved;
- 11. our ability to build up our business in adjacent markets and in international markets (particularly in Brazil), due to our specialist and technical resources;
- 12. our ability to achieve the expected return on the investments and capital expenditures we have made and continue to make in Brazil;
- 13. the amount and timing of any future impairment charges for our authorizations, goodwill or other assets;
- 14. our ability to manage and reduce costs;
- 15. any difficulties which we may encounter in our supply and procurement processes, including as a result of the insolvency or financial weaknesses of our suppliers; and
- 16. the costs we may incur due to unexpected events, in particular where our insurance is not sufficient to cover such costs.

The foregoing factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Due to such uncertainties and risks, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to release publicly the result of any revisions to these forward-looking statements which may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof, including, without limitation, changes in our business or acquisition strategy or planned capital expenditures, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Date: July 24, 2017

TIM S.p.A.

BY:

/s/ Umberto Pandolfi Umberto Pandolfi Company Manager