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REPORT ON OPERATIONS

COMPOSITION OF PARENT COMPANY'S ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES

Board of Directors (*)

Chairman	Prof.	Giorgio Basevi (Independent)
CEO	Mr	Gianluca Garbi
Directors	Mr	Claudio Pugelli, lawyer
	Prof.	Giovanni Puglisi
	Mr	Pierluigi Sovico, lawyer
	Ms	Lindsey McMurray
	Prof.	Giorgio Barba Navaretti (Independent)
	Mr	Mark Jonathan Hickey

Board of Statutory Auditors (**)

Chairman	Prof.	Maurizio Caserta
Standing Auditors	Mr	Daniele Pittatore
	Mr	Massimo Conigliaro
Substitute Auditors	Mr	Marco Sanchini

Executive Committee

Chairman	Mr	Gianluca Garbi
Member	Ms	Lindsey McMurray
	Prof.	Giorgio Barba Navaretti

Internal Control Committee

Chairman	Prof.	Giorgio Basevi
Member	Mr	Pierluigi Sovico, lawyer

Appointments and Remuneration Committee

Chairman	Prof.	Giovanni Puglisi
Member	Prof.	Giorgio Basevi

Ethics Committee

Chairman	Mr	Marco Pompeo, lawyer
Members	Mr	Gianluca Garbi
	Prof.	Giorgio Basevi

Supervisory Authorities

Chairman	Prof.	Giorgio Basevi
Members	Mr	Franco Paolo Pozzi

(*) Board of Directors and CEO appointed by the Shareholders' Meeting of 29 June 2011. Any changes that occurred during the course of 2012 are reported below:

- On 16 January 2012, Mr Howard Garland announced his resignation as Director and, consequently, his position as a member of the Executive Committee. On 1 February 2012, Mr Garland was replaced by Ms Lindsey McMurray as a member of the Executive Committee.

- On 9 March 2012, Mr Patrizio Messina, lawyer, was replaced by Prof. Giorgio Basevi as member of the Appointments and Remuneration Committee. On 4 April 2012, Mr Messina announced his resignation as Director and posts as a member of the Executive Committee and the Ethics Committee.

- On 26 April 2012, Mr Michele Calzolari announced his resignation as Director, and his post as member of the Internal Audit Committee and the Appointments and Retribution Committee.

- On 27 April 2012, the Shareholders' Meeting appointed Mr Peter Wilkin as Director, who then handed in his resignation as of 21 May 2012.

- On 26 September 2012, the Board of Directors co-opted Mr Mark Jonathan Hickey and Prof. Giorgio Barba Navaretti as Directors, with Prof. Giorgio Barba Navaretti as an Independent Director, following his appointment as Member of the Executive Committee.

- On 8 October 2012, Prof. Alessandro Danovi announced his resignation as Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors. In accordance with the law, Mr Massimo Conigliaro came in as Standing Auditor and Mr Franco Pozzi became Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors.

- On 28 November 2012, the Shareholders' meeting appointed (i) Mr Mark Jonathan Hickey and Prof. Giorgio Barba Navaretti as Directors and (ii) Prof. Maurizio Caserta as Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors and Mr Massimo Conigliaro as Alternate Auditor.

- On 11 December 2012, Mr Franco Pozzi announced his resignation as Standing Auditor to join the bank as the Head of the Internal Audit department and, in accordance with the law, Mr Massimo Conigliaro took over the position.

- On 19 December 2012, the Board of Directors confirmed the appointment of Prof. Giorgio Barba Navaretti as Member of the Executive Committee.

(**) The Board of Statutory Auditors was appointed by the Shareholders' Meeting of 29 June 2011.

The majority of the changes to the Board of Directors and the Board of Statutory Auditors were the result of the introduction of standards relating to Interlocking imposed by Art. 36 of the "salva-Italia" decree. When noting the resignations, the Bank presented its own position to the Supervisory Authorities to prevent recurrence of the conditions triggering application of the prohibition to the two cases in question. These conditions could be only found if the standard is interpreted in a significantly different way and not in line with the reasoning of the standard itself.

LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Shareholders,

The year 2012 was marked by the achievement of excellent results for the Group which exceeded the expectations set out in the corporate plan despite the unfavourable economic situation of Italy.

More specifically, from the Banca Sistema Group's point of view, 2012 marked the consolidation of its business model launched in July 2011.

The core business was very successful and volumes increased continuously. Non-recourse loans were purchased for more than Euro 585 million compared to Euro 110 in the second half of 2011.

Customer funding through the SI conto! DEPOSITO was unexpectedly successful. At year end the Bank had more than 11,000 customers compared to 380 in 2011 and deposits totalling more than Euro 515 million compared to slightly less than Euro 17 million at the end of the previous year.

The Group also completed its organisational structure in terms of human resources and technological infrastructure in line with the Group's growth and development plan. Since the Group's start, the recruitment trend has continued, with 36 new resources increasing the professionalism and skills necessary to provide qualified support for the main areas of business, such as factoring and banking.

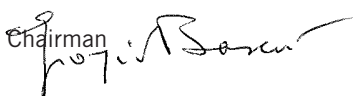
A significant contribution to the economic results was also made by the attentive management of the government bonds portfolio which made it possible to exploit market opportunities as they came up.

In 2013 a further growth in commercial investments is expected through the acquisition of new customers and the offer of new factoring products, such as factoring with recourse, factoring of VAT receivables and reverse factoring.

The banking activities will be further developed by offering customers new services and products linked to current accounts and administered accounts.

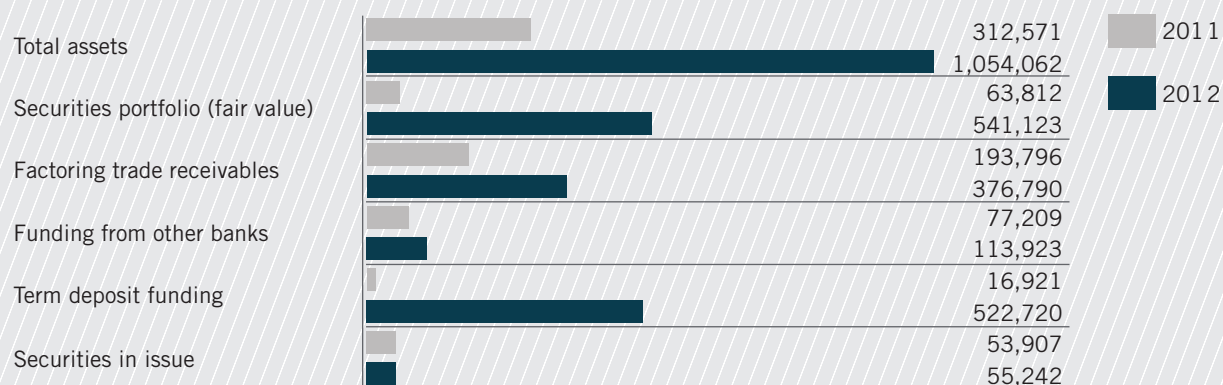
At the end of the letter to shareholders of last year I thanked management and our staff for embarking on the new banking project with creative enthusiasm, facing the risks associated with any new enterprise but magnified by the difficult economic situation in Italy.

Even though our country is still mired in crisis a year later, thanks to the management and our whole staff, I believe we can confirm that the Bank managed to obtain positive results for its shareholders, and also helped companies to weather the consequences caused by financial difficulties and bureaucratic inefficiency of Public Administrations within our specific sphere of influence.

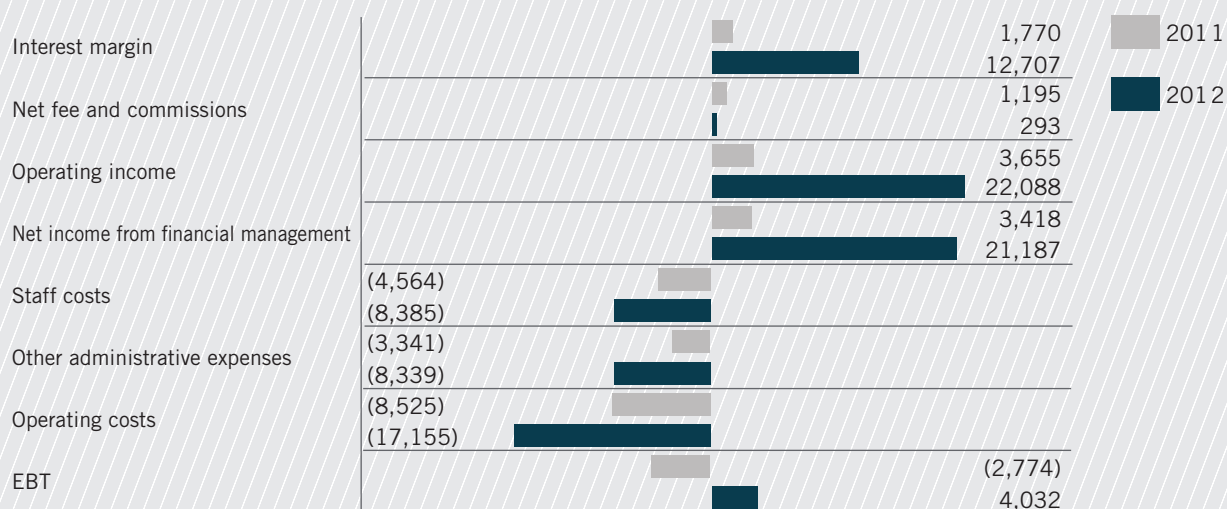
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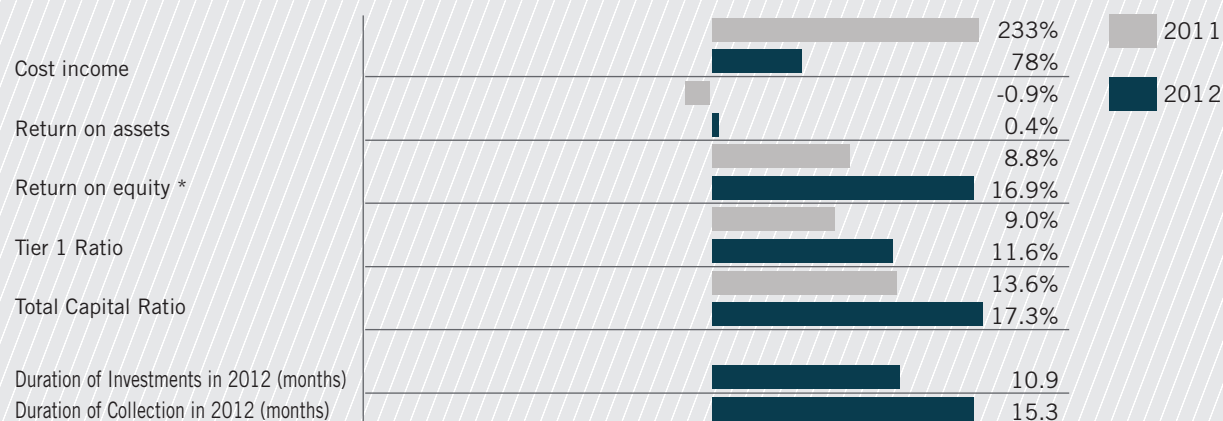
Balance Sheet figures (in thousands of euros)



Economic indicators (in thousands of euros)



Performance indicators



* ROE 2012 calculated using mean shareholders' equity

These indices were taken from the reclassified tables of the financial statements reported in the Report on Operations.

MAIN EVENTS OF 2012

Partnerships

The Bank has the infrastructures required to operate efficiently in the monetary and stock markets and is part of the following systems:

- Bank of Italy TARGET2 Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross settlement Express Transfer: Euro system real-time gross settlement system.
- e-MID Mercato Interbancario dei Depositi: a multilateral platform for negotiating inter-bank deposits.
- MTS Repo, Money Market Facility (MMF): a market that permits the funding or use of liquidity by supplying or receiving Italian government securities as consideration in the technical form of repurchase transactions. It participates on the market through indirect membership of the central counterparty (Compensation and Guarantee Fund).
- Abaco: the technological infrastructure of the Bank allows it to use its own trade receivables as guarantees for the management of finances with the ECB (European Central Bank).

The Bank has also drawn up an agreement with *Cassa Depositi e Prestiti*, which has allowed it to access credit facilities for funding to support SMEs (Small and Medium Enterprises) who are owed money from the Public Administration.

Products and services

The business model of Banca Sistema is focused on services for businesses that operate with the Public Administration. In addition, during 2012, it also developed a significant segment dedicated to retail customers.

In addition to consolidating the “deposit account” product, the Bank revised and commenced the on-line management procedure for the “current account” product; this was completed in the first quarter of 2013.

From November onwards, these products and services for businesses have found a vehicle in the Bank’s new branch, the prototype for other branches that will be opened during 2013.

The main products and services released or commenced in 2012 are summarised below:

- Updating of the on-line platform that allows the deposit account to be opened and two new expiry dates to be inserted: 30 and 36 months.
- Update of the Home Banking platform for managing current accounts. More specifically the Bank has introduced the opportunity to arrange bank transfers, control movements and expenses, pay utility bills and pay MAV, RAV and F24 notes thereby allowing the customer to use his/her current account with complete independence 24 hours a day.

All the initiatives and development activities associated with the products and services that the Bank makes available to its private clients and businesses are designed to obtain financial results from managing the businesses, whilst always seeking to maintain a low financial risk profile for these activities. Banca Sistema’s financial management is aimed towards a risk management method that keeps the economic returns from the various activities without assuming risk positions.

PROFILE OF THE PARENT COMPANY

Banca Sistema is an independent bank which was founded in the Summer of 2011 by three Banking Foundations (Fondazione Sicilia, Fondazione Pisa and Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Alessandria) and the Management and Royal Bank of Scotland Special Opportunities Fund.

With registered offices in Milan, London and Rome, the Banca Sistema Group has become part of a specialised section of the Italian financial sector, designed to provide liquidity to companies by managing receivables due from the Public Administration.

One of the primary objectives of Banca Sistema is to redirect the financial requirements of businesses by bringing together the public and private sectors, supporting businesses in managing relations with public debtors and increasing the efficiency of the national economy.

Banca Sistema operates by balancing the requirement by businesses to sustain their own growth with the requirement that the Public Administration complies with their financial commitments.

More specifically, Banca Sistema takes pride in its high standards of quality and offers an extended range of long-term non-recourse factoring solutions for managing payment delays by the Public Administrations. Existing and/or future receivables are preferably acquired on a revolving basis in accordance with national and international accounting principles.

In addition to this the Bank also offers more traditional products, from current accounts to deposit accounts and securities accounts that allow it to act as an intermediary for shareholdings, bond securities, ETFs and Funds on Italian and foreign markets.

SHAREHOLDING STRUCTURE

Balanced governance and adequate capitalisation represents the philosophy adopted by Banca Sistema to operate well. The Parent Company's current shareholding structure may be broken down as follows:

SHAREHOLDERS		QUOTA
Fondazione Sicilia	8.44%	
Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Alessandria	8.44%	
Fondazione Pisa	8.44%	51.67%
SGBS S.r.l. (Management Company)	26.35%	
Royal Bank of Scotland SOF LUXCO (Private Equity)	46.63%	46.63%
Other Shareholders	1.70%	1.70%

The above-mentioned shareholders have signed two five-year Shareholder Agreements as described below:

- **On 20 June 2011,** a shareholder agreement was signed between SGBS S.r.l., Fondazione Sicilia, Fondazione Pisa and Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Alessandria, designed to regulate those aspects associated with the appointment of the Board of Directors by means of “List Voting”.
- **On 21 June 2011,** a second shareholder agreement was signed, again between SGBS Srl, Fondazione Sicilia, Fondazione Pisa and Fondazione Cassa di

Risparmio di Alessandria and a new subscriber - Royal Bank of Scotland SOF LUXCO - designed, together with the contents of the Articles of Association, to govern relations between the parties with regard to the corporate governance and investment structure aspects.

This second shareholder agreement was subsequently amended on 29 June 2011 and 1 February 2012 with reference, respectively, to (i) assigning the powers to be conveyed on the CEO and (ii) the possession of the statutory independence requirements by Members of the Executive Committee selected from those directors not appointed by SGBS.

COMPOSITION AND STRUCTURE OF THE GROUP

On 31 December 2012, the Banca Sistema Group comprised the Parent Company, Banca Sistema S.p.A., with a share capital of Euro 7,860,741.96, fully paid up, (Euro 8,450,526.24 following the increase in share capital recorded on 19 February 2013), with registered offices in Milan, at Corso Monforte 20, and the following companies:

- **Specialty Finance Trust Holding Limited,** a company governed by English law, with registered offices at Dukes House 32-38 Dukes Place, London EC3A 7LP UK. Share capital of Euro 24,425,205, 100% owned by Banca Sistema. Said company directly controls 100% of Specialty Finance Trust Servicing Ltd. and S.F. Trust Italia S.r.l.. The company provides administrative services to Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l. and Banca Sistema with regard to the receivables acquired from them.
- **Specialty Finance Trust Servicing Ltd,** with registered offices at Dukes House 32-38 Dukes Place, London EC3A 7LP UK. Share capital of Euro 1,574,750. This is a special purpose vehicle that will be placed into liquidation.
- **SF Trust Italia S.r.l.,** a company established in accordance with Art. 106 Legis. Decree 385/1993, with a share capital of 1,850,000, fully paid up, and registered offices in Rome, at Piazzale delle Belle

Arti 8, REA 1179983, VAT number and tax code 05783310963. Until 30 June 2011, the company was mainly involved in origination activities when acquiring trade receivables owed by the public sector.

- **Solvi S.r.l.,** 100% controlled by Banca Sistema as of 31 December 2012. Registered office in Milan, at Galleria Sala dei Longobardi no. 2, with share capital of Euro 200,000, fully paid up, and a single shareholder, tax code 11294960155 and registered on the Milan Companies Register under number 348208, REA [Economic and Administrative Repertoire] no. 1454875; the company is involved in credit collection and management for companies from the Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l. Group and third parties.

The Group's scope of consolidation also includes the assets of the securitisation vehicle, Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l., incorporated in accordance with the Law 130/99. The bond securities of this vehicle have been fully subscribed to by The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc and suspended its origination activity from June 2011; it is therefore, currently disinvesting its credit portfolio. This securitisation was organised by SFT at a time when RBS SOF LUXCO was the controlling shareholder and the arranger was RBS.

EXTRAORDINARY TRANSACTIONS

REORGANISATION OF THE GROUP

On 26 September 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A., as part of its original reorganisation plan of 27 April 2012, approved the integration of this project designed to merge Solvi S.r.l. into Banca Sistema S.p.A. through incorporation, subject to the Bank's acquisition of the entire holding in SF Trust Italia S.r.l. For a more detailed description of the transaction, please refer to the section "Significant events during the year" in this document.

On 19 December 2012, formalities were completed for the Bank's acquisition of 100% of the share capital of Solvi S.r.l. owned by SF Trust Italia for a price of Euro 2,655,000 calculated on the basis of a sworn independent expert's report. On receipt of authorisation from the Bank of Italy, pursuant to Art. 57, Solvi will be directly merged with the Bank. Also in December, the transfer to the Bank of the residual share of 3% of the share capital of Specialty Finance Trust Limited was completed.

INCREASE IN SHARE CAPITAL

Following the decision by the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A, on 1 December 2011 - in relation to the proposed share capital increase -application was made to the Bank of Italy on 7 December 2011, who - by letter dated 30 October 2012 and by virtue of an order made that day - issued the assessment order regarding the share capital increase, including the share premium, of a maximum of Euro 5,000,000 and amendment to Articles 4, 10, 11, 13 and 14 of the Company's Articles of Association.

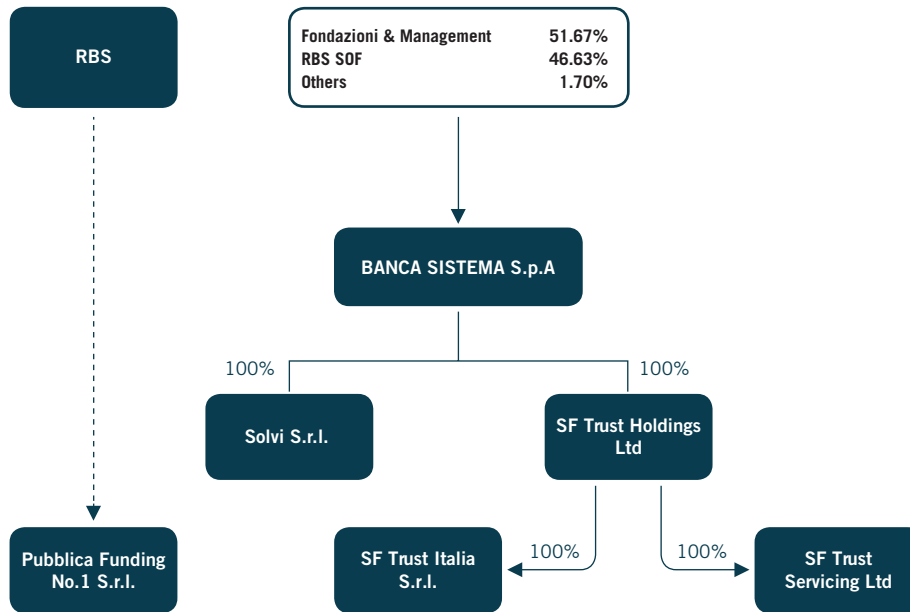
On 28 November 2012, the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting of Banca Sistema S.p.A (i) conferred on the Board of Directors, in accordance with Art. 2443 of the Civil Code, the powers to increase the share capital from Euro 7,860,741.96 to Euro 8,460,741.96, by issuing a maximum number of 5,000,000 shares, each worth

1 Euro, with Euro 0.12 being the par value and Euro 0.88 the premium, to be offered to shareholders and, if not subscribed within thirty days from the option being recorded in the Companies' Register, with the power to place any shares not taken up with third parties, including at a price higher than that reserved for shareholders and (ii) approved the amendment to Articles 4, 10, 11, 13 and 14 of the Company's Articles of Association. Following the issue by the Bank of Italy of the confirmation of compliance on 14 December 2012 which confirmed the validity of the amendments approved by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting, on 19 December 2012 the Board of Directors approved the capital increase by the overall amount of Euro 5 million. Therefore, the Notice of Rights Issue was sent to Shareholders, in accordance with Art. 2441 paragraph 2 of the Italian Civil Code, recorded in the Milan Companies Register on 28 December 2012, stating that, if the subscription was not fully taken up within 30 (thirty) days, the right was granted, for a further 30 days, to place any unsubscribed shares with third parties, even if at a price higher than that reserved for shareholders. On 31 December 2012, the following payments have been made to the future capital increase account in the Bank's favour: (i) shareholder, Fondazione Pisa: Euro 421,956.00; shareholder Fondazione Cassa di Risparmio di Alessandria: Euro 421,956.00; shareholder Fondazione Sicilia: Euro 421,956.00; shareholder SGBS S.r.l.: Euro 1,317,537; shareholder SOF Lux Co S.a.r.l.: Euro 2,331,464.00.

On 19 February 2013, the new Articles of Association were lodged with the Milan Companies Register for Banca Sistema S.p.A. following the implementation of the capital increase decided by the Extraordinary Shareholders' Meeting held on 28 November 2012. As of 19 February 2013, the share capital amounts to Euro 8,450,526.24, divided into 70,421,052 shares with par value of Euro 0.12 each and a share premium reserve of Euro 4,325,085.

CONSOLIDATION AREA

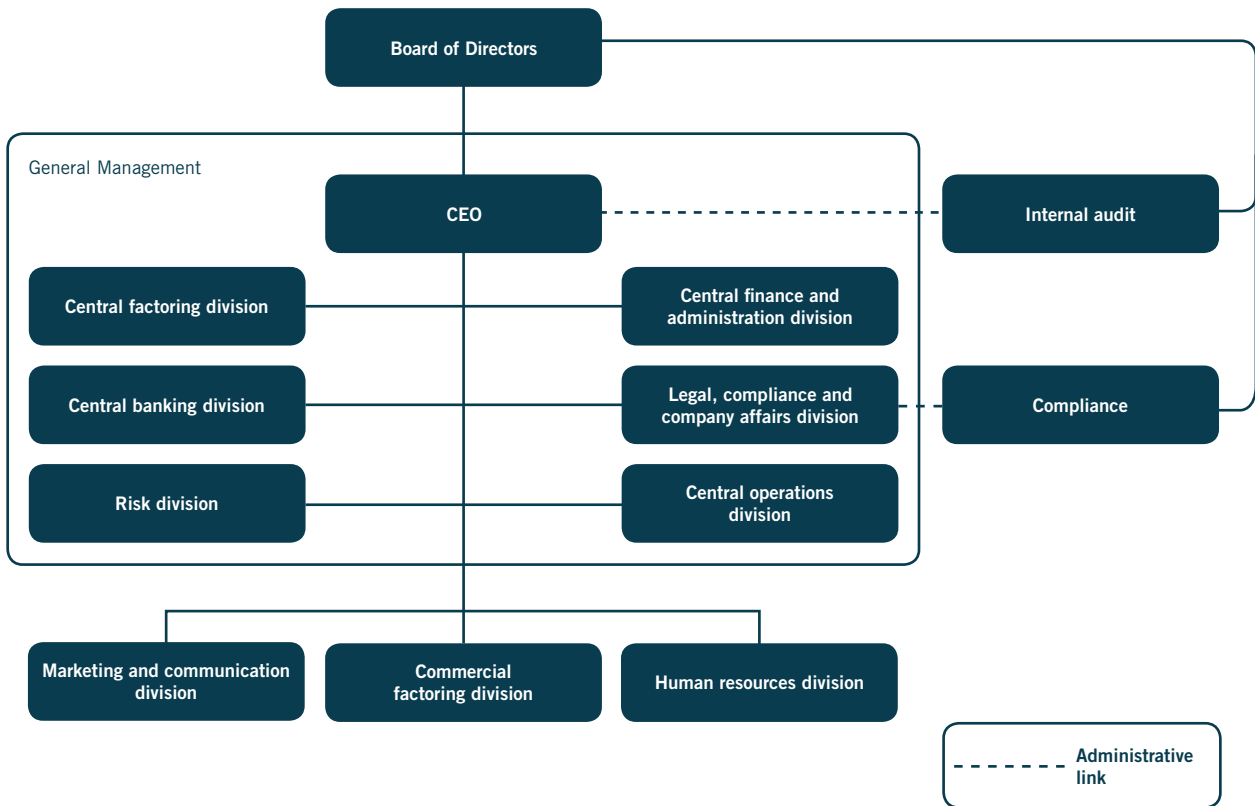
The table below shows the Group and the companies within the scope of consolidation:



As required by principle IAS 39, paragraphs 15-37, and by the guidelines that are applicable to this principle, as contained in AG36-AG52 in relation to the recognition of financial assets, this consolidated balance sheet has been drawn up to include the securitised receivables previously transferred to the vehicle Pubblica Funding No.1 S.r.l.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE

The following shows the organisational structure for the Banca Sistema Parent Company updated on 31 December 2012:



GENERAL MANAGEMENT

The CEO is responsible for the following positions:

- Financial Manager
- Risk Manager
- Operations Manager
- Legal and Company Affairs Manager
- Banking Manager
- Central Factoring Manager
- Factoring Commercial Manager
- Marketing and Communication Manager
- Human Resources Manager

ORGANISATIONAL PROFILES

The human resources within the Group are summarised as follows:

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
Managers	13	12
Executives	15	16
Other staff	58	22
Total	86	50

This information does not include the 6 personnel on temporary contracts and trainees.

REGISTERED OFFICES OF THE BANCA SISTEMA GROUP

Milan

Corso Monforte, 20
20122 Milan - IT

Rome

Piazzale delle Belle Arti, 8
00196 Rome - IT

London

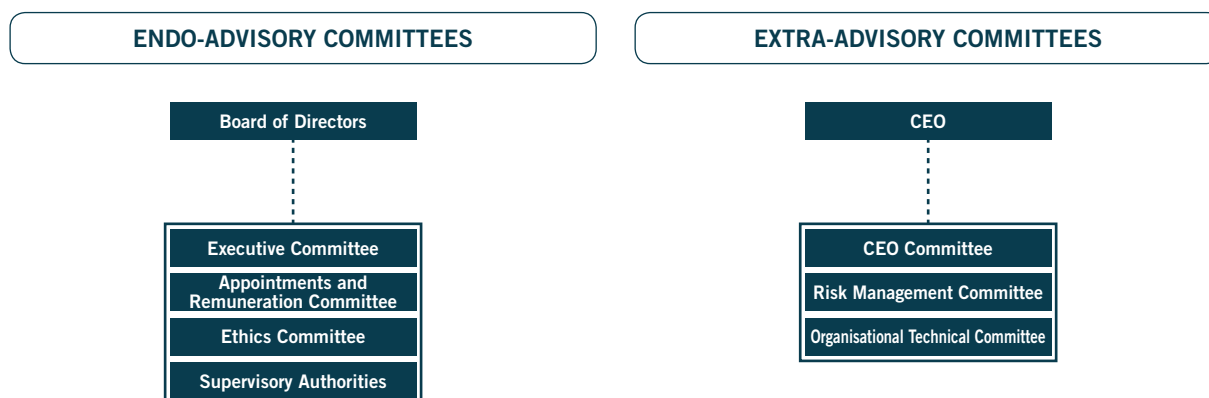
Dukes House 32-38 Dukes Place
London EC3A 7LP - UK

Solvi S.r.l.

Galleria Sala dei Longobardi, 2
20121 Milan - IT

COMMITTEES

In order to ensure an efficient system that ensures that the Board of Directors can effectively evaluate the specific issues that it has to deal with, specific Committees have been set up and granted powers and responsibilities with regard to the various issues.



ENDO-ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The powers, responsibilities and composition of the internal advisory Committees established by the Board of Directors on 29 June 2011 are described below:

- Executive Committee
- Internal Control Committee
- Appointments and Remuneration Committee
- Ethics Committee
- Supervisory Authorities

Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is delegated specific powers in support of the Board of Directors for the day-to-day management of the Bank, which is always carried out in accordance with the guidelines and principles drawn up by the Board, subject to the Board remaining responsible for the duties reserved to itself. This collegiate body comprises three members of the Board of Directors, of which the CEO has the right to be a member, and who chairs the Committee. The Board of Statutory Auditors will also attend Executive Committee meetings in accordance with Art. 2405 of the Italian Civil Code.

Internal Control Committee

This committee assists the Board of Directors in

defining the guidelines for the internal controls system and the periodic checks carried out to ensure that it is fit for purpose and functioning correctly, whilst also ensuring that the main business risks are properly identified and managed in accordance with the proposed company functions. It is made up of three non-executive Directors, two of whom must satisfy the independence requirement.

Appointments and Remuneration Committee

This committee supports the Board of Directors in defining the Bank's system of governance, its company structure and the Governance guidelines and models. It defines the policies for appointing Directors, members of the Committees, Top Management and Officials of the Banking Group, and their remuneration. It is made up of three non-executive Directors, two of whom must satisfy the independence requirement.

Ethics Committee

The Ethics Committee supports the Board of Directors in identifying and assessing ethical principles for the definition of the conduct policies. It assesses the extent to which these principles must be applied to the business, supervising publication of the Code of Ethics

and the relevant guidelines governing external business communications.

The following will permanently form part of the Ethics Committee: the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Deputy Chairman of the Board of Directors, the CEO and the Legal and Company Affairs Manager.

Supervisory Authorities pursuant to Legislative Decree 231/01

The Supervisory Authorities, in accordance with Legislative Decree 231/01, appointed by the Board of Directors, in accordance with the provisions of Legislative Decree no. 231 of 8 June 2001 on administrative offences, is assigned the task of monitoring the function and observance of the Organisation and Management Model imposed by Legislative Decree no. 231 of 8 June 2001 and to ensure that the Model is consistent and remains valid. The composition of the Bank's Supervisory Body is defined by the relevant Organisational Model.

EXTRA-ADVISORY COMMITTEES

CEO's Committee

The CEO's Committee (Management Committee or CEO Committee) has the task of assisting the CEO in the governance of the Bank, managing any critical issues, promoting the dissemination of information and defining the proposed agenda for the meetings of the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee. It also has the task of sharing the CEO's decisions with the Bank's senior management. It supports the CEO in defining development policies for human resources and bonus systems. The Function managers will report to the Committee on the activities carried out and future programmes.

Risk Management Committee

The Risk Management Committee supports the CEO in defining strategies, risk policies and profitability

targets, by proposing interventions and adjustment tactics. It monitors capital adequacy with regard to the risk/profitability objectives, taking into account the various types of risks and the correlations between them. It also continuously supervises compliance with the capital limits per area/type of risk and ensures that the frameworks (roles, methods and instruments) are adequate for identifying, measuring and reporting the various types of risk identified.

Organisational Technical Committee

The Organisational Technical Committee supports the CEO in monitoring the technical and functional requirements of the organisation by drawing up proposals for intervention and improvement and supervising the implementation and development of the organisational model. It collects and examines the organisational proposals from the various departments and contributes to defining the interventions for improvement and coordinating new projects, defining priorities and regulating implementation. It helps draft procedures and circulates them within the Bank. It also drafts the contracts for outsourcing functions, policies and strategies of goods and services procurement, the Contingency Plan, the Business Continuity Plan and the Programme Security Document. It supervises the effectiveness and efficiency of business processes and computer systems, the adequacy of controls with regard to strategic objectives and business characteristics. It deals with the monitoring and proposal of personnel requirements in terms of size. It is responsible for supervising compliance with safety in the workplace obligations.

WORKING GROUPS

The Bank's management is also supported by working groups which have specific areas assigned to them including the factoring, banking and internal control departments.

MACROECONOMIC SCENARIO AND REFERENCE SECTOR

The worldwide economy continued to worsen in 2012 and despite the signs of encouragement in some emerging countries, growth forecasts are still subject to considerable uncertainty, mainly associated with development of the Euro zone crisis and managing the public finances in the United States.

According to the latest OECD estimates, global production which increased by 2.9% in 2012, will increase by 3.4% in 2013 and 4.2% in 2014. The rate of expansion will differ in the various economies, from the stagnation of the Euro zone, to less than one percent growth in the United Kingdom and Japan and 2.0% in the United States. However, GDP will grow more in the main emerging economies, and will improve over the previous year.

Within the Euro zone, it is estimated that GDP will fall by 0.4% in 2012 and should stabilise in 2013 if financial markets are not subject to further stresses (-0.1 on 2013), with moderate growth only in 2014 (+1.3%).

Lack of growth is just one of the many causes of tension on the financial markets along with increased unemployment and lack of consumer confidence since they have seen their spending power reduced resulting in a collapse in internal demand.

Companies' investments have been reduced by low levels of production capacity use, the downturn in demand forecasts, increased uncertainty and unfavourable credit conditions in some countries.

The recession in Italy eased off in the second half of the past year although there are no concrete signs of the trend reversing. According to forecasts, GDP will actually fall by 1% in 2013, with a slight increase (0.7%) only in 2014.

Product dynamics continue to reflect the weakness of internal demand that demonstrates the lack of consumer confidence and the fall-off in investments. Consumption

levels remained low at the end of 2012 and, based on projections, this negative trend is expected to continue in the next few months. The consumer confidence index has stabilised at historically low levels due to pessimism regarding the general economic climate and the worsening prospects of the employment sector.

With regard to employment, the increase in labour supply continues to push the unemployment rate upwards even though there is substantial stability in the number of people employed. Real salaries, which are already lower than those in the rest of Europe, continue to decrease, although at a slower pace than the previous year. The fall in the demand for employees by companies has almost entirely offset the increase in the number of self-employed workers. Companies continue to favour temporary positions in the current context at the expense of permanent job positions despite recent legislative changes made to correct and limit this situation.

Industrial manufacturing, in parallel with investment trends, continues to fall, albeit to a lesser extent than last year. The Italian business community remain largely pessimistic about the general situation.

In the banking sector, funding conditions for Italian intermediaries have slightly improved, benefiting from the reduction in pressure in the sovereign debt area. Although growth in resident client deposits continues to be steady, it is accompanied by a low demand for loans from companies and families and a resizing of the product related to the deterioration of credit quality.

Average interest rates applied to the current accounts of businesses and families, the principal component of retail deposits, stayed the same in the second half of 2012, whereas there was a slight decrease in the return paid on new deposits with a one-year duration, standing at 2.7%. The return from new bond issues fell by around one percentage point.

Bank loans to the private sector continued to fall, showing a 2.6% drop in the final part of 2012. The cost of credit to families showed a slight drop with a variation of two tenths (3.5%) for variable rate operations that represent over two thirds of all disbursements; the fixed rate percentage remains unchanged at 4.8%. Although benefiting from a reduction in the stresses affecting the financial markets, the reduction in taxes was countered by the perception of an increased credit risk by the intermediaries.

The profitability of the main banking groups has increased slightly: the drop in interest margins and net fee and commissions have been more than offset by the increase in revenue from trading activities.

At European level, an agreement has been reached to set up a single banking supervisory authority (Single Supervisory Mechanism, SSM). Single supervision represents a significant step towards achieving banking union, which, in the medium term, will provide a joint mechanism for resolving crises and a harmonised system for guaranteeing deposits. When the SSM is operative, it will be possible to recapitalise banks directly without the relevant country having to intervene. The SSM will be made up of the ECB and the national supervisory bodies of the countries involved and will cover the banks of all countries. The ECB will provide direct supervision of the credit institutions considered to be significant or who received assistance from the European Financial Stability Facility (EFSF) or the ESM. Duties and powers will be delegated to the national authorities for the other banks. The ECB may, however, assume direct supervision of any credit institution at any time. The ECB may assume all the powers assigned to it from 1 March 2014 or twelve months after the SSM entered into effect.

Announced by the President of the ECB, Mario Draghi, in September 2012, the OMT (Outright Monetary Transactions), also known as the “anti- spread plan”,

is the measure identified by the European Central Bank to intervene in and stem the problems linked to the debt crisis in the Eurozone countries. This is a plan that the ECB could implement for the countries that request it and entails the unrestricted acquisition of short-term State securities - due between 1 and 3 years - on the secondary market, with the aim of reducing pressure from the spread and placating fears of the financial markets. The plan is subject to strict conditions that beneficiary countries would have to satisfy who must first request and obtain the anti-spread protection already provided for under the EU anti-crisis fund, the ESM (European Stability Mechanism).

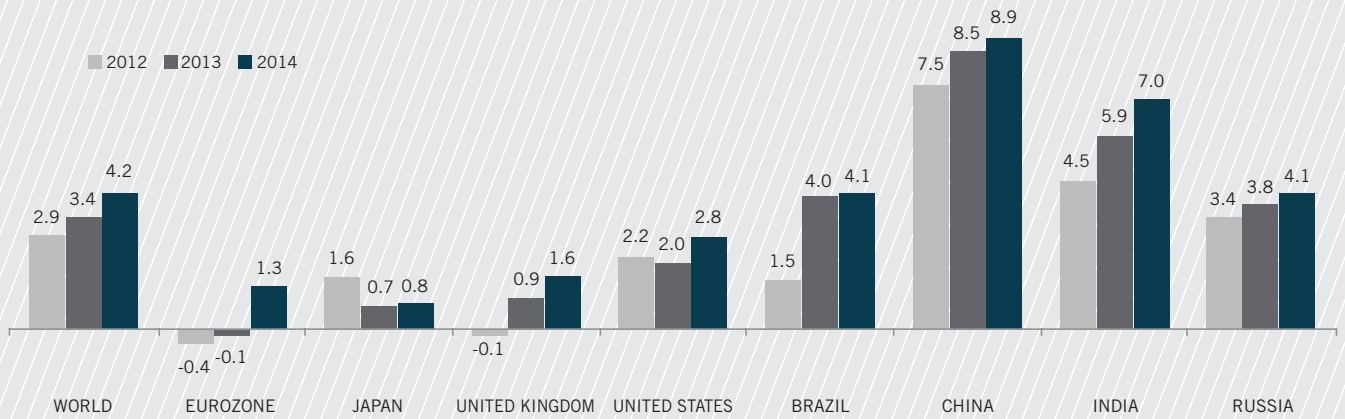
The investment made by Banca Sistema in Italian government issues with a maximum duration of 1 year will fall completely within the WTO, thereby guaranteeing the profitability of said investment.

The spread between Italian and German securities - which had a differential of 378.96 bps on 2 January 2012, showed significant improvement by 19 March 2012 and had fallen 275.75 bps. However the spread grew significantly - mainly due to the worsening economic situation - and reached a maximum of 531 bps by 24 July 2012.

The Monti government intervened and by year-end, the spread had fallen to 316.59 bps.

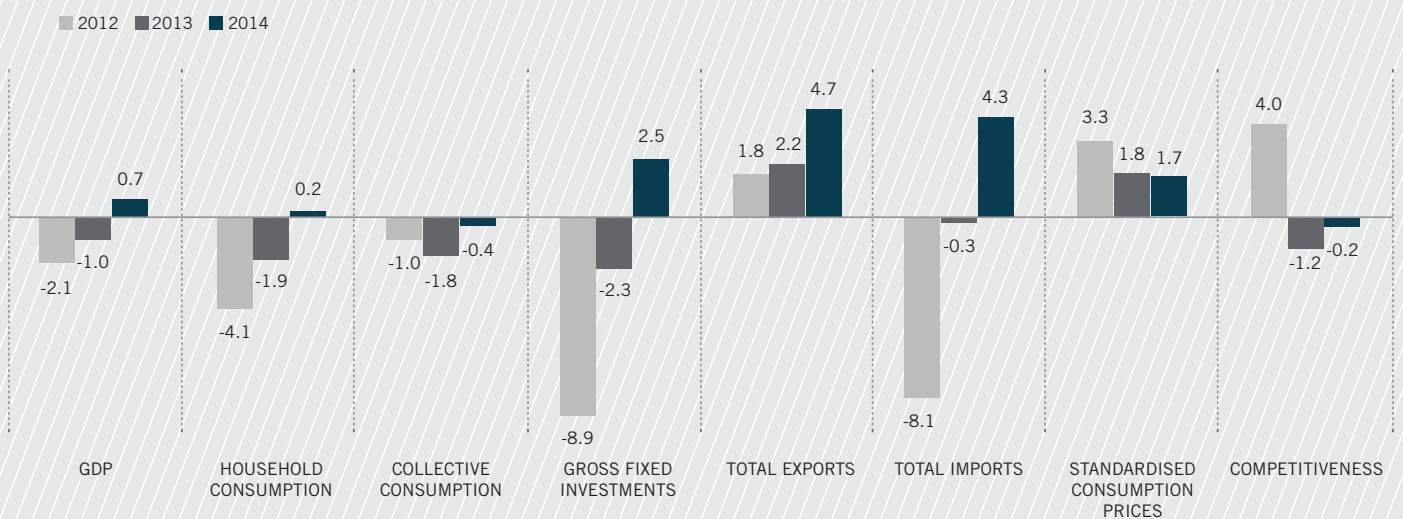
The year 2012 was characterised by increased volatility of the exchange rate between the Euro and the US Dollar. It was not as much due to the differential between the values on 2 January 2012 (1.2934) and the fixing value of 31 December 2012 (1.3193) as much as the range covered over the year which reached a minimum of 1.2061 and a maximum of 1.3293, corresponding to a 9.38% variation. This volatility was mainly due to the difficulties encountered by peripheral European countries.

Worldwide macroeconomic scenario (GDP % change)



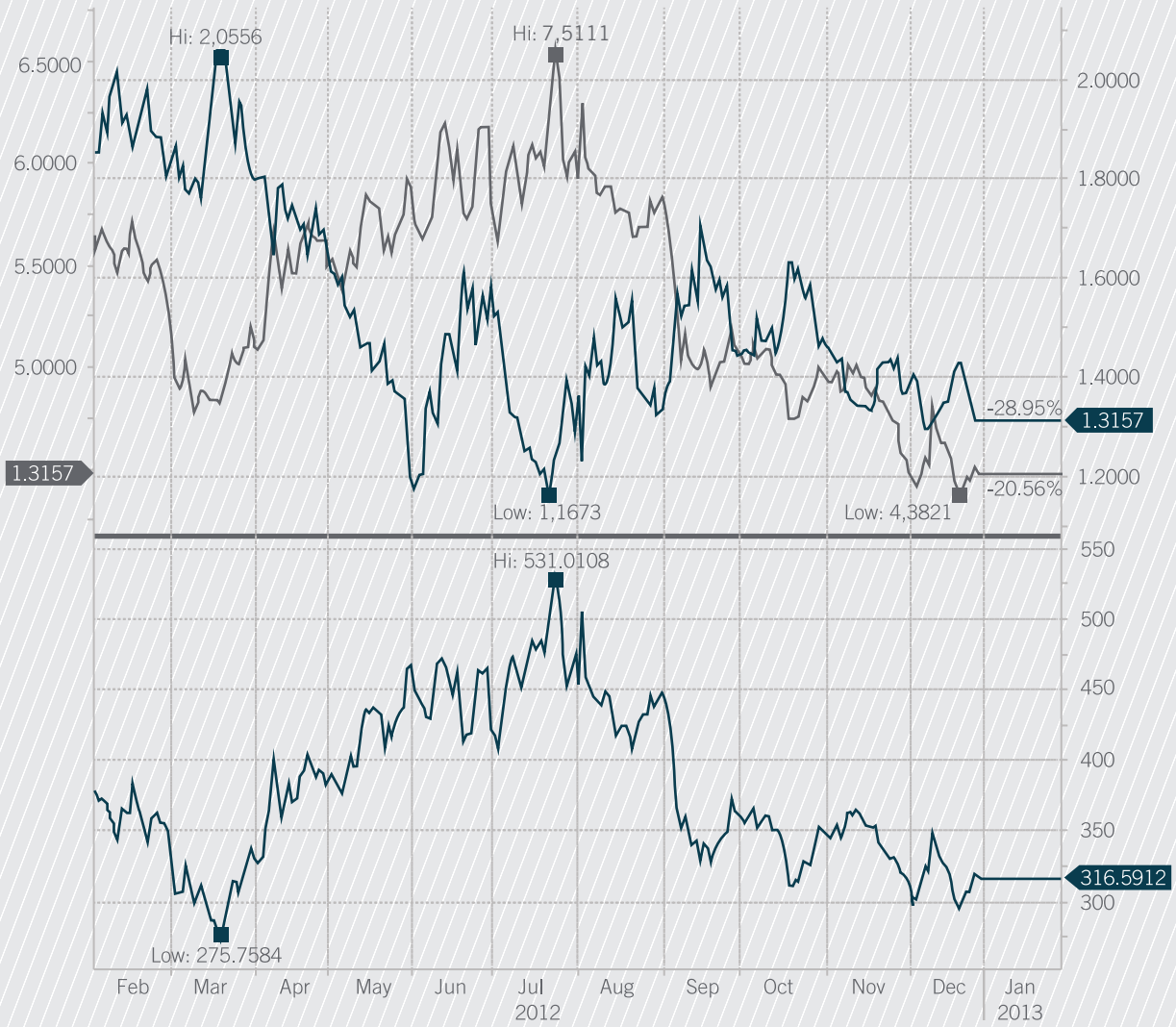
(Source: OECD)

Macroeconomic situation in ITALY (% change)



■ BTPS 5 ½ 11/01/22 - Ask Yield To Convention (L1) 4.4817

■ DBR 1 ½ 02/15/23 - Bid Yield To Convention (R1) 1.3157



■ BTPS 5 ½ 11/01/22 - DBR 1 ½ 02/15/23 316.5912



FACTORING

ITALIAN FACTORING SECTOR

The Italian factoring market is the third largest in the world (after the United Kingdom and France) with a quota of around 9%. Despite the international economic situation, the volumes acquired grew (over Euro 170 billion, equal to 11% of the GDP), 4% up on the previous year.

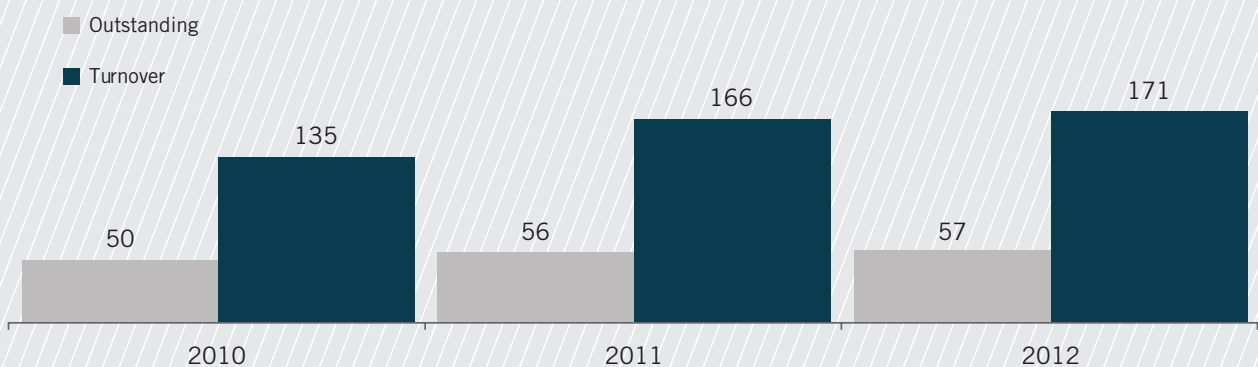
Many businesses continue to use factoring to tackle payment delays, which are longer in Italy than in the rest of Europe. The delays result in significant costs for creditor companies and, more specifically, for SMEs who are more vulnerable to cash-flow variations and depend on a limited number of clients.

At a European level, the average payment period (DSO - Days Sales Outstanding, i.e. average collection period) is 65 days for commercial transactions with the Public Administration and 52 days for transactions between private companies.

In Italy, the situation is worse than average with 180 day payment periods for commercial transactions with the Public Administration. (an average of 90 days delay) and 96 days in transactions between private companies.

However this data does not come from guaranteed sources since neither the State General Accountancy nor the Bank of Italy have actual figures available but merely estimates.

Factoring in Italy (millions of Euros)



(Source: Assifact)

NATIONAL HEALTH SYSTEM IN ITALY

The 2013 Stability Law slightly reduced the amount given by the National health Fund to the Regions, although this was still close to Euro 107 billion.

In 2012, there was a slight improvement in terms of the DSO in the health sector according to the estimates of Assobiomedica.

DSO times in the Italian health sector are longer than for other Public Administration areas and longer than in other European countries (Germany and Switzerland 30 days, United Kingdom and France 34-60 days).

By December 2012, DSO times amounted to 276 days (around 10% less than the same period in 2011).

The average DSO for the year remains a little below 300 days.

Certification of receivables

Following the amendment to the regulation relating to the certification of receivables (law 28.1.2009, no. 2 as amended), the Public Administrations are obliged (with exemptions for Regional Health Bodies subject to health repayment schedules) to certify trade receivables if a creditor submits an application. The certification must also include the final date for payment of the credit, which cannot exceed 12 months, and makes it obligatory for the requesting party to refrain from implementing forced receivable collection during this period. If the certification is not made in accordance with the rules, an external commissioner will be appointed by the State Accountancy Division. A computerised system for the certification procedure has been set up, with a portal available which is not yet fully functioning however. In addition, most debtor bodies have not yet been accredited to the portal which cannot be subject to computer data flows, thereby forcing operators to issue invoices that have to be checked manually one at a time.

The worry is that this architecture represents yet another slowdown of the payment process, making timely payers less virtuous and giving debtors who have historically been slow payers yet another excuse.

New European standard

The new standard regarding the delay in payments for commercial transactions between private companies and between private companies and Public Administrations has been adopted (Directive 2011/7/EU), in accordance with which the interest on arrears is increased by one percentage point (ECB +8%) with effect from 1 January 2013, making both the interest on arrears and terms of payment by the Public Administration binding. This standard has not had any positive effects to date. It is feared that the changes made will not result in any significant improvements in terms of the payment of trade payables by the Public Administrations, but could actually worsen and further delay the payment periods of the debt accumulated by the public sector up to 31 December 2012.

Receivables between the Public Administrations and subsidiaries

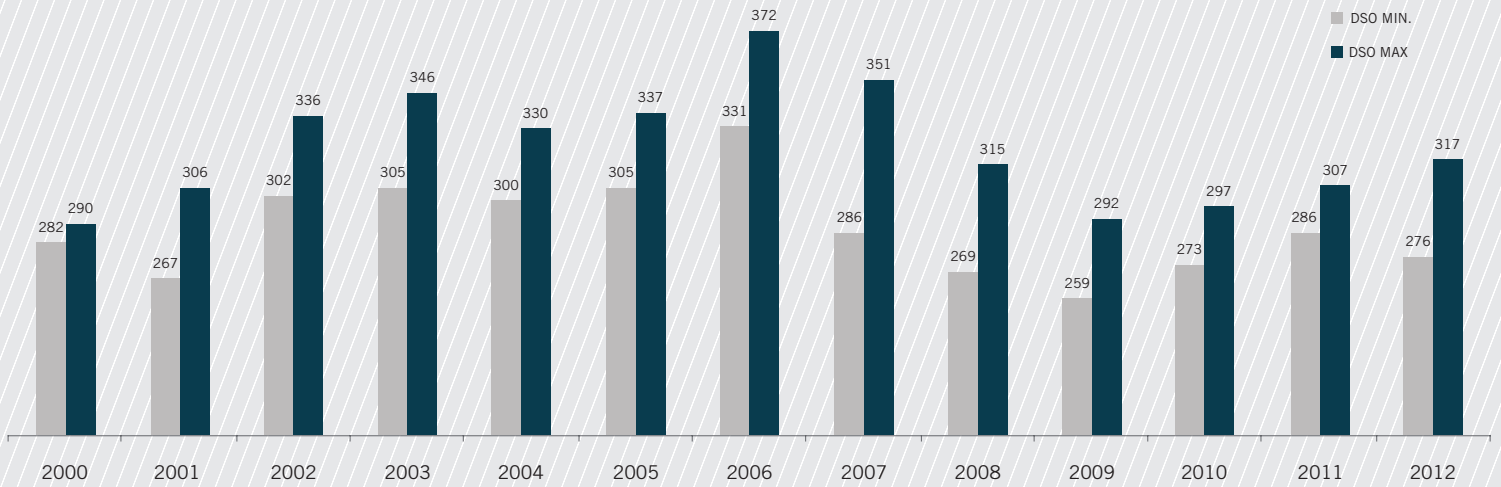
In an admittedly brief analysis of the public sector, we must note that a significant part of the Public Administration's debt is the debt between itself and its subsidiaries. There is a considerable amount of debt owed to companies with private legal status, but which are fully or partially owned by public companies. For example, this is the case with numerous municipalised companies in Italy.

Prohibition on seizures

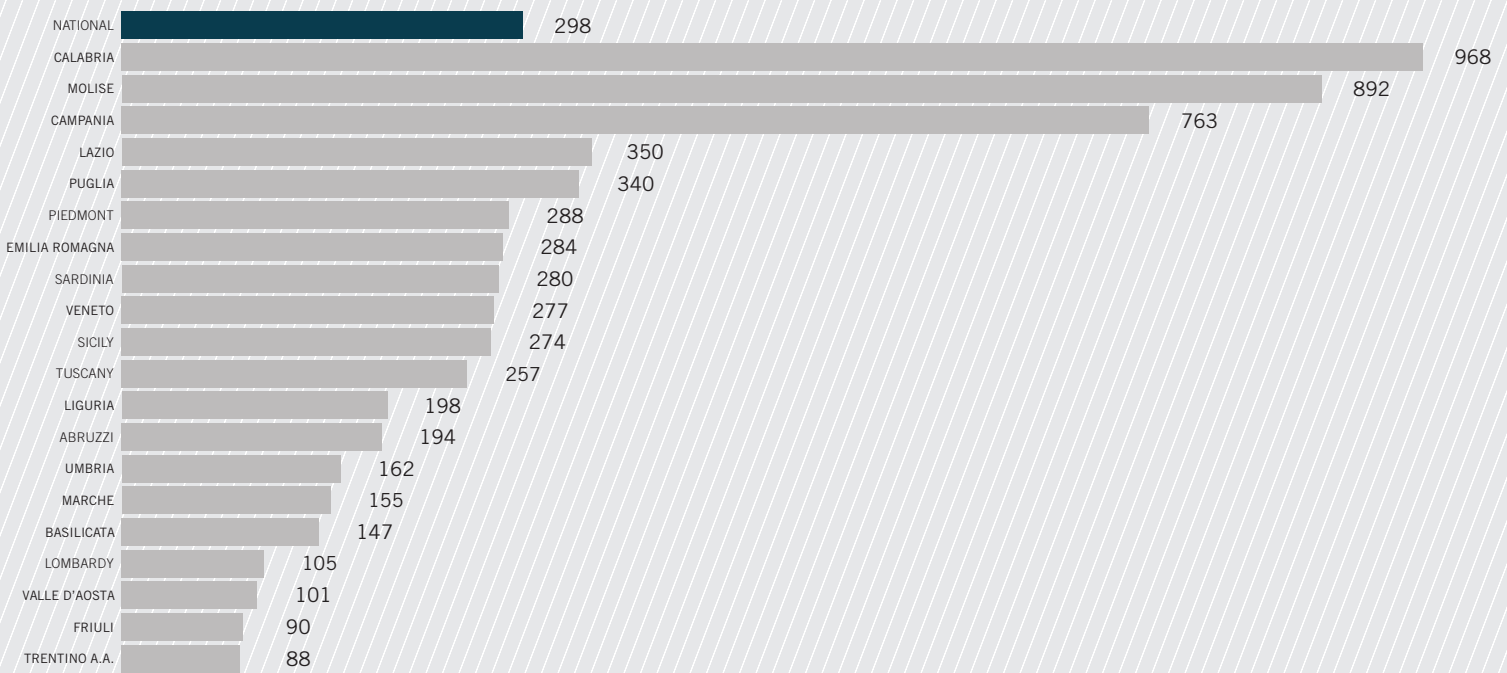
Again, in 2013, the legislator, by means of Art. 6 of Legislative Decree of 13 September 2012, no. 158, extended the so-called 'prohibition on seizures' system for the third consecutive year with regard to the national health service bodies of the regions under external administration or subject to health system payment restructuring plans. With regard to these expectations, which are bad news for the rights of creditors of the Public Administrations, an announcement on the issues of unconstitutionality of the regulations made by various ordinary and administrative courts is still pending. The ongoing effects of the regulation in question continue to delay the possibility of implementing any actions to protect the rights of the creditors.

A summary of the average Public Administration payment terms is set out below.

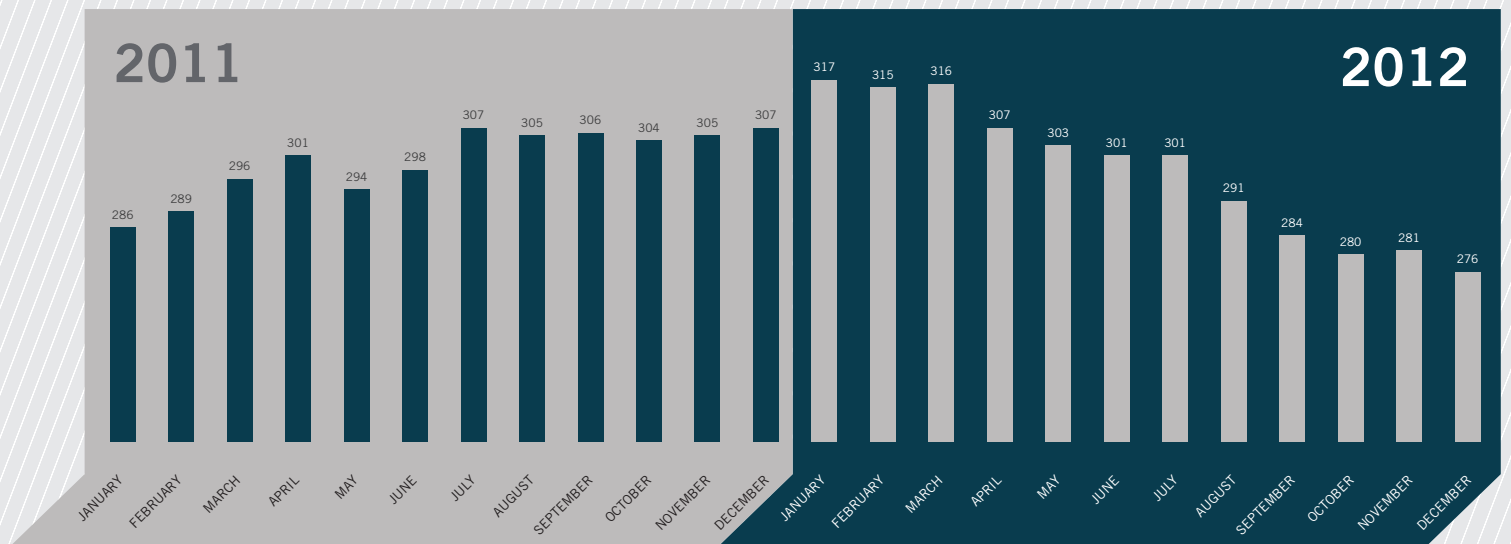
Health System DSOs - Historic Trends



DSO 2012 - Average per Region



DSO Trend - 2011/2012



BANCA SISTEMA AND FACTORING

Banca Sistema has set itself the target of helping companies meet their funding requirements, acting as a link between the public and private sectors, supporting companies in their management of relations with public debtors and improving the efficiency of the national economy.

More specifically, Banca Sistema takes pride in its high standards of quality and offers an extended range of long-term non-recourse factoring solutions for managing payment delays by the Public Administrations. Existing and/or future receivables are preferably acquired on a revolving basis in accordance with national and international accounting principles.

More specifically, Banca Sistema is targeting businesses that intend to liquidate their credit portfolios by non-recourse transaction; businesses looking for a strategic partner specialising in credit management and receivable collection with regard to the Public Administration and businesses that aim to reduce payment times. Banca Sistema works in both direct transfers by companies and with regard to regional agreements for restructuring or re-organising public entity debts.

Banca Sistema acquired non-recourse loans of over Euro 585 million in 2012. The amount existing at year-end stood at Euro 350 million.

These operations include traditional factoring contracts, as well as reverse factoring contracts with Public Entities with a high level of reliability who are interested in using factoring with their suppliers in their role as debtors.

Even though most of the Bank's investments include the acquisition of health system receivables, the business also includes other more commercial receivables and tax receivables.

Non-health system related trade receivables

Banca Sistema started to diversify the receivables acquired by assignment in 2012. In the past, assigned debts were only those related to the public health sector, local health authorities or public hospitals but debtors also included the central State authorities (6.9%),

regional authorities (0.2%) and local bodies (22.5%) as at 31 December.

Opening up to debtors who are outside the health care world has allowed three significant objectives to be targeted:

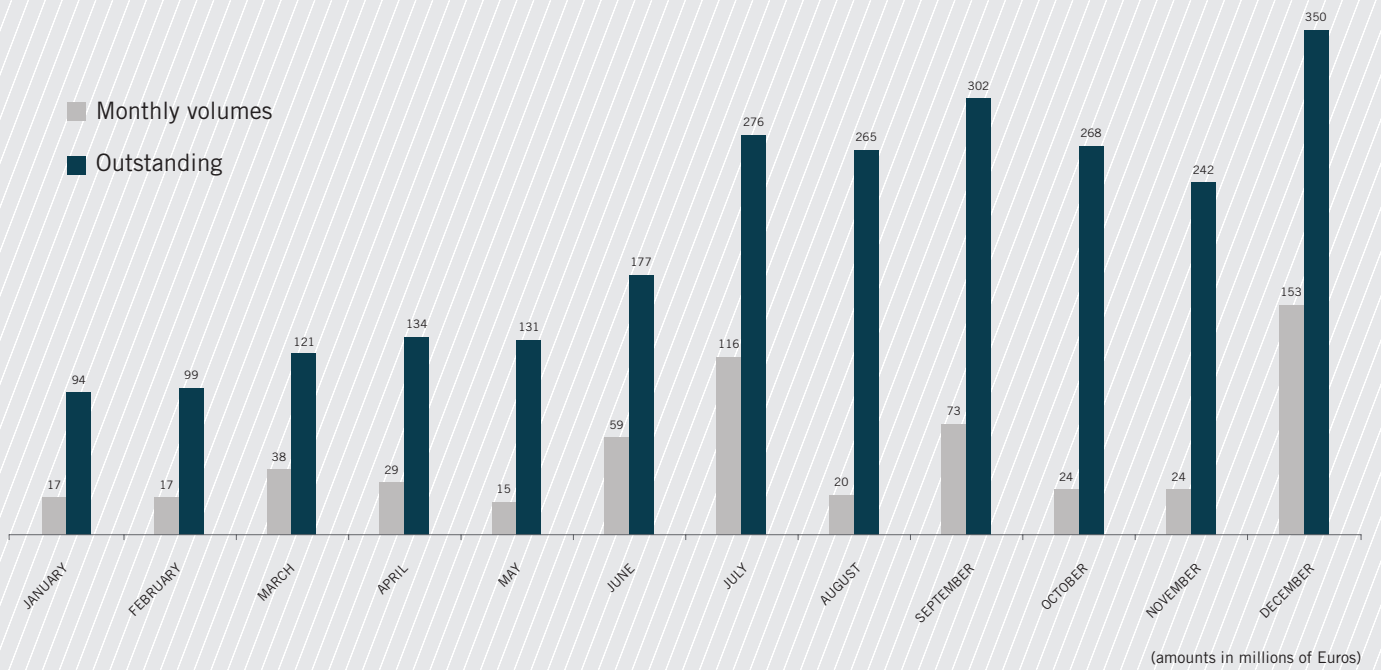
1. ensuring greater diversification of the risk;
2. approaching new listed supplier companies besides local health authorities and hospitals;
3. offsetting the weighting increases for capital absorption purposes.

The breakdown of the Bank's factoring portfolio at 31 December 2012.

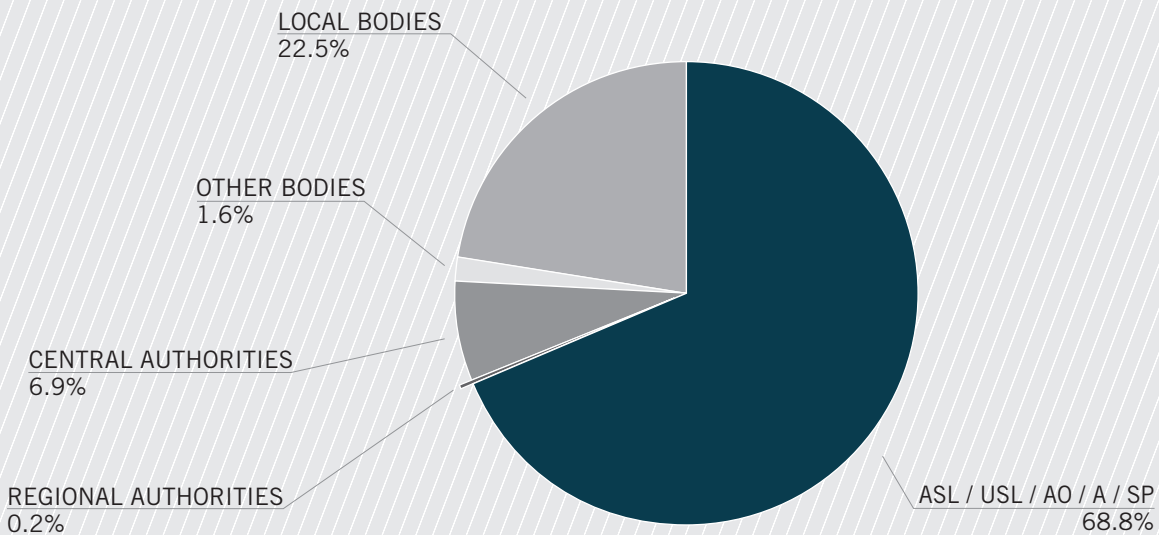
Banca Sistema developed a new service dedicated to VAT receivables in the second half as part of its involvement in the factoring sector; this became operative in February 2013. The credit is also acquired on a without recourse basis in this case, allowing the assigning company to remove the receivable from its balance sheet and transfer the risks relating to the repayment time to the assignee. More specifically, the assignments are managed via an online platform, which can be accessed through the bancasistema.it website; this allows Clients to obtain an indicative price for the assignment promptly and also to transmit the documentation so that the credit verification procedure can be started as soon as possible.

The receivable collection process is managed by the subsidiary Solvi S.r.l. as well as other third party companies.

Factoring receivables - Banca Sistema



Volumes outstanding by type



BANKING

The net funding from SI Conto! DEPOSITO in 2012 totalled Euro 499 million, a significant increase over the Euro 16.8 million recorded on 31 December 2011.

Total deposits on 31 December 2012 amounted to Euro 515 million.

The distribution of the preselected term deposits shows a prevalence of 12-month deposits although this represents only 40% of the total.

11,215 clients had opened term deposits by 31 December 2012 compared with 383 on 31 December 2011.

Managed funds amount to Euro 104 million with Euro 87 million from institutional clients and the rest from private clients. The decrease in managed funds should be considered to be a continuation of the conversion of the amounts repaid into term deposits.

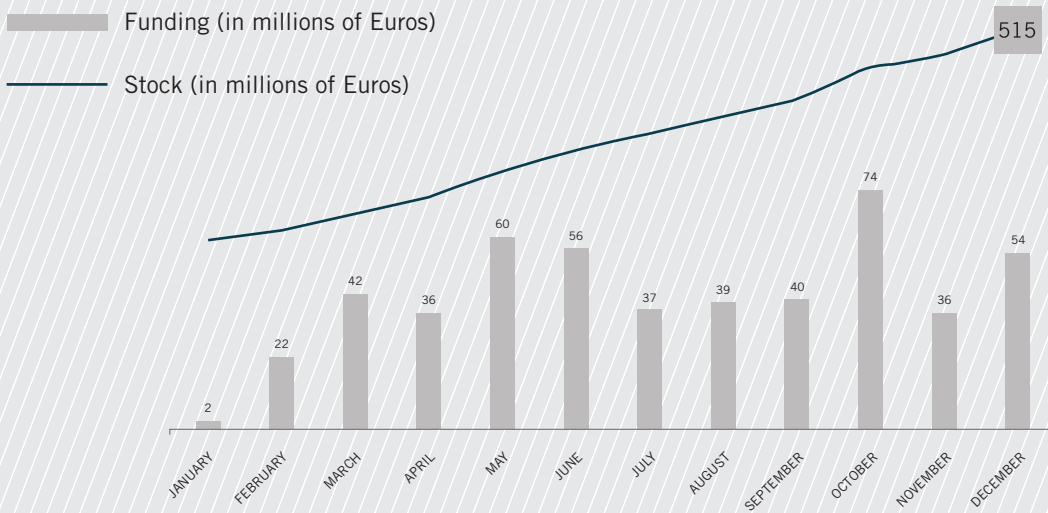
New subsidiary

In November 2012, Banca Sistema opened its first subsidiary, a prototype for other subsidiaries that will be opened in the future.

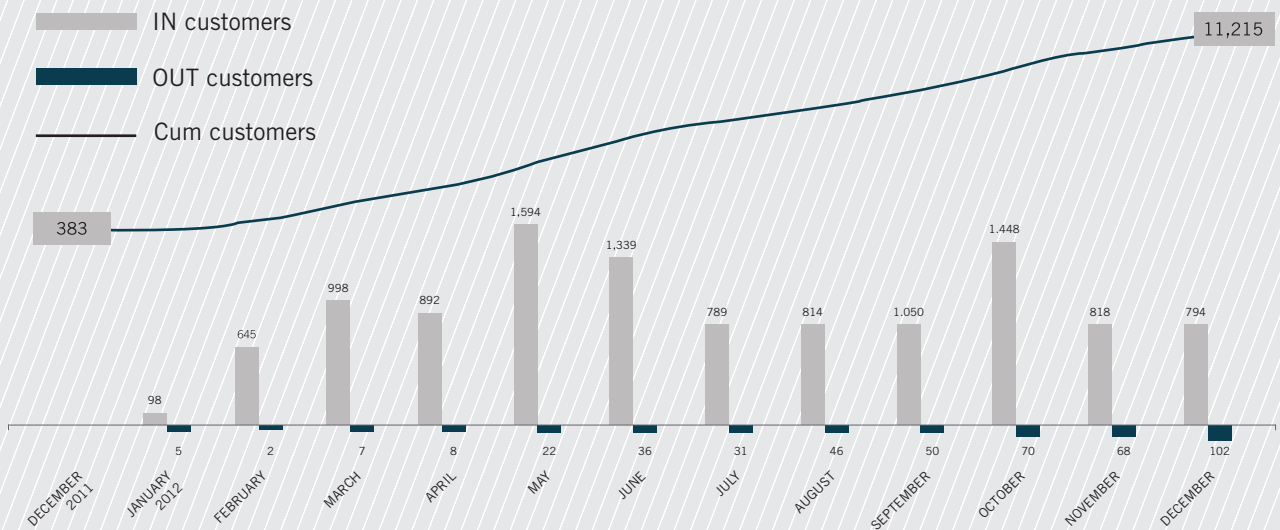
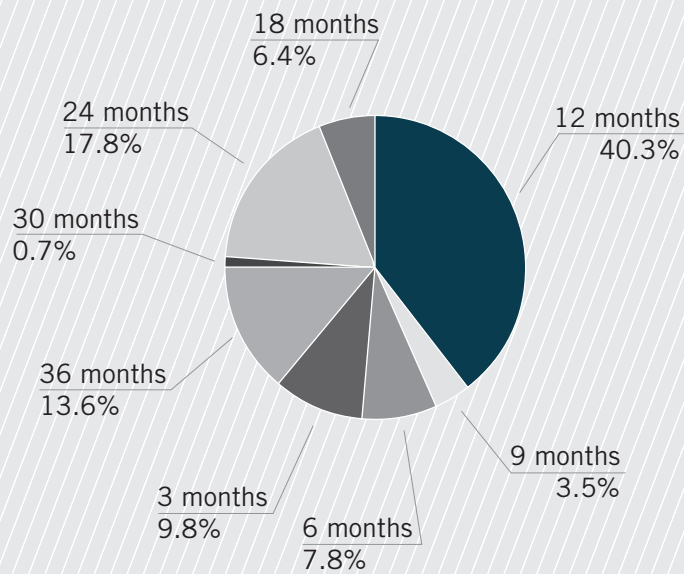
Based on the plans of the archi-star Daniel Libeskind, who is responsible for the design and lay-out of the internal spaces, and thanks to a collaboration with Cisco Systems, the new subsidiary has introduced multimedia instruments and high-definition video-communication that have helped create a state-of-the-art bank branch in terms of Bank-customer interaction and consultancy.

The new subsidiary, at Corso Monforte 20 Milan, supported by Cisco technology, means that - amongst other things - the Bank-Customer relationship can be enhanced by the skills of professionals who manage it on a daily basis from the head office, through interaction between the parties regardless of location.

Deposits in SI conto! DEPOSITO



Breakdown by restriction - December 2012



TREASURY ACTIVITY - PROPERTY PORTFOLIOS

Transactions in securities are mainly related to Treasury activities and significantly increased with the growth in deposits from the SI conto! DEPOSITO and with the increase in factoring.

The reference context was characterised by a gradual improvement in the prices of Italian government securities compared to German government securities as a result of the fall in yields and consequent price increase.

A comparison of the curves at 31 December 2011 with those of 31 December 2012 shows a 200 bps difference in returns on all public debt issues.

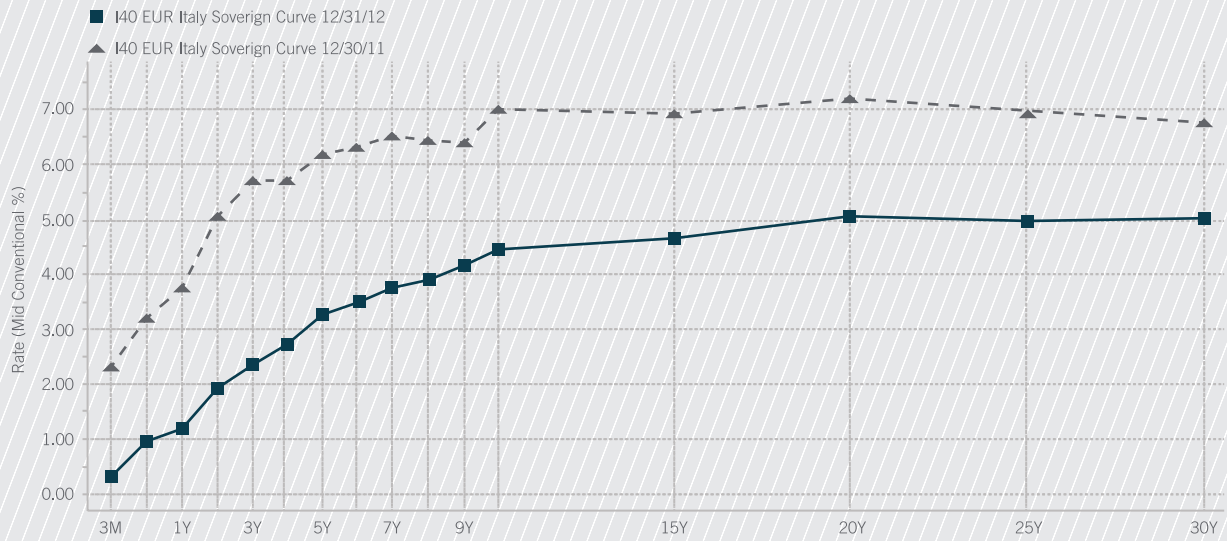
Following the decisions by the Board of Directors, investment in Italian government securities has been increased up to Euro 550 million with time limits of a maximum of one year. The total value of the transactions made during the entire year in purchases and sales amounted to Euro 3.8 billion; these transactions were possible as the bank participates directly in the TARGET2 settlement system and the MTS REPO telematic markets, with settlement through *Controparte Centrale* and *E-mid* for the exchange of inter-bank deposits.

The participation in telematic markets allows the Bank to adequately support the increase in managed funds along with the development of adequate lines of credit.

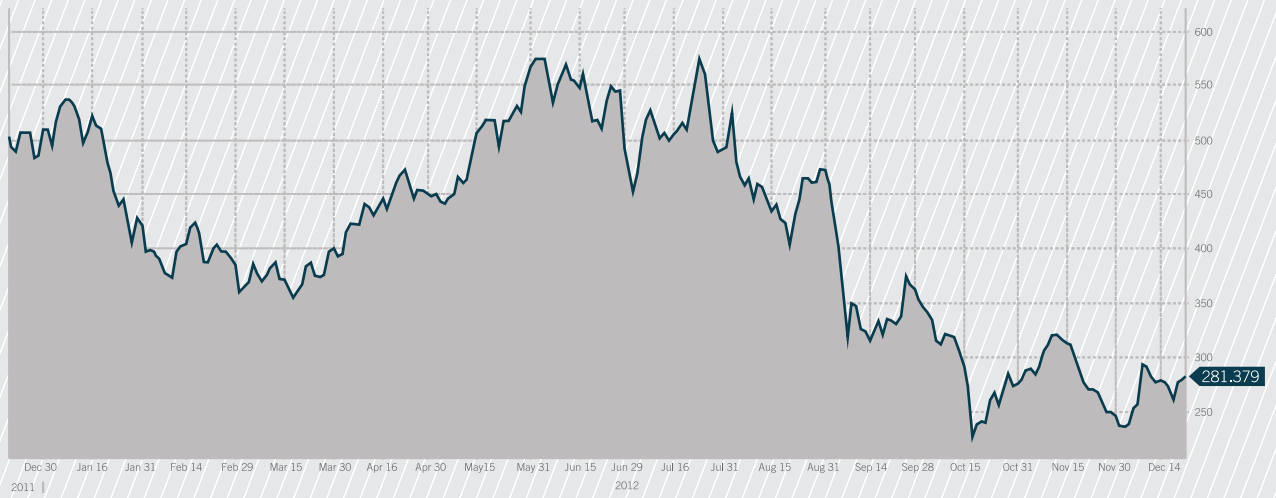
The investment activities were started up using the short-term funding facility technical method with primary banking companies. This technical method is a way of providing finance over a maximum period of three months.

This prepares the way for the optimisation of shorter-term investments, has allowed us to compensate for some of the decrease in yields from the Italian government securities.

The duration of the securities portfolio has never exceeded 12 months. In some phases, it has been reduced to below 12 months to deal with forecast periods of turbulence and to take advantage of the market. Within the context of a prudent management approach, the Bank has succeeded in taking full advantage of the market opportunities that are the result of the present price volatility and the short deadlines of Government securities.



BTP-BUND spread performance from 31/12/2011 to 31/12/2012:



THIRD PARTY SERVICES

The Banca Sistema Group provides credit management and receivable collection services through Solvi S.r.l., one of the Group's companies which has been in operation since 1995.

Thanks to Solvi's experience, Banca Sistema can provide its clients with a constant and gradual reduction in payment periods with regard to Public Administration. Solvi manages the relationship between public and private structures and departments by using its own network of specialised staff that operates throughout Italy.

More specifically, Solvi uses an innovative technological platform for the following:

- the electronic filing of all the documentation required for the management and collection of receivables with immediate access;
- the digital filing of all the documentation sent to/received from the debtor;

- personalised receivable collection in accordance with the client's objectives;
- the calculation of interest on arrears;
- tracing all invoices showing the reasons that prevent payment on them;
- the reconciliation of payments and identification of exceptions;
- the management of legal actions in agreement with the customer;
- support for and construction of interfaces to form part of regional disinvestment transactions.

The platform's main function is to protect the client and provide adequate support for commercial relations.

In 2012, Solvi recorded asset commissions of Euro 3.2 million, with Euro 1.9 million referring to third-party clients.

THE MAIN BALANCE SHEET AGGREGATES

The comments on the main aggregates on the asset side of the balance sheet are shown below.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

ASSET ITEMS	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta
Cash and cash equivalents	3,697	8	3,689
Held-for-trading financial assets	129	623	(494)
Available-for-sale financial assets	540,994	63,189	477,805
Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-	-
Loans to banks	14,475	22,090	(7,615)
Loans to customers	484,435	212,205	272,230
Property, plant and equipment	445	173	272
Intangible assets	1,842	2,024	(182)
<i>of which: goodwill</i>	1,786	1,786	-
Tax assets	4,309	4,956	(647)
Other assets	3,736	7,303	(3,567)
Total assets	1,054,062	312,571	741,491

The Group's total assets amount to more than Euro 1 billion, an increase of Euro 741 million compared to 31 December 2011.

The Group and more specifically, the Bank, has Euro 541 million invested in securities, almost all of which are in the "Available-for-sale financial assets" category and are Italian government securities, with an average duration of less than one year. The valuation reserve on 31 December 2012, before prepaid taxes, amounted to Euro 561 thousand. The portfolio of Euro 100 million built up over the year and classified under the "Held-to-maturity financial assets" category was entirely disinvested in the last quarter of 2012; it had been created to take advantage of opportunities resulting from developments on the Italian government securities market.

The amounts "Loans to customers" is mainly made up of current investments in the Banca Sistema factoring receivables portfolio, equal to Euro 330 million, and securitised receivables of the PF vehicle, equal to Euro 47 million (Euro 254.2 million on the date of acquisition by Banca Sistema).

During 2012, the Group acquired non-recourse loans of over Euro 585 million. The current amount of impaired loans, which are entirely due to late payments, is Euro 540 thousand. The Group has earmarked a collective adjustment of the portfolio equal to 0.3% of the book value. The probability of recovering said loans is 100% since Public Administrations are not subject to insolvency procedures leading to bankruptcy which could result in the creditor's rights being extinguished. The loans to customers include financial investments which can be mostly traced back to repurchase transactions with customers for Euro 100 million and receivables from the cash invested in the Compensation and Guarantee Fund to operate the repurchase transactions with institutional clients.

"Other assets" is made up of items being processed or spanning the year-end period and commercial invoices to be issued, mainly dealt with by Solvi. The reduction from the previous financial year is due to more careful and prompt management of the items being processed.

SECURITIES PORTFOLIO	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta %
Held-for-trading financial assets	129	623	(494)	-79.3%
Available-for-sale financial assets	540,994	63,189	477,805	756.2%
Total Indirect Funding	541,123	63,812	477,311	748.0%

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

LOANS TO CUSTOMERS	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta %
Factoring	376,790	193,796	182,994	94.4%
Repurchase agreements	99,700	18,409	81,291	441.6%
Compensation and guarantee fund	6,867	-	6,867	n.a.
Current accounts	1,033	-	1,033	n.a.
Other receivables	45	-	45	n.a.
Total	484,435	212,205	272,230	128.3%

Securitisation performance

Pubblica Funding No.1 S.r.l. (PF) is a securitisation vehicle established in accordance with law no. 130/1999 as part of a securitisation transaction structured in 2007 by Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) to finance the acquisitions of receivables for suppliers of goods and services of the local health authorities (“ASL”). Up to June 2011, receivables were acquired by SF Trust Italia S.r.l. - a company established in accordance with art. 106 of Legis. Decree 385/1993, belonging to the SF Trust Group, controlled by a private equity fund managed by the RBS Group. At the same time, SFT Italia assigned the receivables to the Pubblica Funding vehicle which was entirely funded by RBS through subscription to all the securitisation shares from when it was established and for the entire acquisition phase.

Since the end of the receivable acquisition phase in May 2011, PF has been managing the residual receivable collection from the local health authorities. Most of the current portfolio is made up of invoices that are currently undergoing certification and transaction in accordance with Commissarial Decree no. 22 of the Campania Region and receivables that are subject to legal collection. Although comprising invoices with payment delays compared with the initially estimated timeframes, it does not include watchlist loans and/or non-performing loans. Analyses that were carried out internally and based on models that take into consideration payment forecasts supplied by Solvi - the Group company that specialises in receivable collection - estimate that the securitisation may be closed by the payment in full of the securitised shares in March 2015. This delay is mainly due to the transactional and regional agreements that the vehicle has also entered into or is about to enter into and the longer legal recovery times as a result of the regulation that blocks enforcement actions against certain debtors. On the one hand, these legal actions and agreements result in extending the time frames and expected closure times of the securitisation transaction, and, on the other, allow legal and late interest to be paid thereby improving the profitability. These analyses have also shown that the vehicle (before the end of securitisation) will be able to

pay in full the debts relating to the second instalments due to SFT Italia and, in the most conservative estimate, around 50% of the so-called third instalments.

Based on the securitisation structure set up by RBS, when the final repayment of the securities has been made by 16 May 2013, the post-enforcement stage of the securitisation will start, which will lead to a misalignment between the payment dates of the second instalments by SF Trust Italia to the suppliers and the payment dates of the second instalment from *Pubblica Funding* in the SF Trust Italia financial statements. SF Trust Italia is closely monitoring - in association with the Parent company - the prospective liquidity situation and the actions to be taken to prevent and, if necessary, deal with any situation where there is a temporary lack of liquidity whereby the second instalments cannot be paid to suppliers on a timely basis.

Comments on the main aggregates of balance sheet liabilities are given below.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY ITEMS	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta
Due to banks	113,923	77,209	36,714
Due to customers	844,787	156,518	688,269
Securities in issue	55,242	53,907	1,335
Tax liabilities	1,627	459	1,168
Other liabilities	21,662	13,996	7,666
Post-employment benefits	623	470	153
Provisions for risks and charges	5	1,355	(1,350)
Valuation reserves	407	210	197
Reserves	5,835	(123)	5,958
Capital	7,861	7,861	-
Minority interests	-	26	(26)
Profit (loss) for the period	2,090	683	1,407
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	1,054,062	312,571	741,491

"Due to banks" can be broken down as follows:

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

DUE TO BANKS	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta %
Due to central banks	100,772	-	100,772	n.a.
Due to banks	13,151	77,209	(64,058)	-83.0%
<i>Current accounts and demand deposits</i>	12,568	8,778	3,790	43.2%
<i>Other debts</i>	583	68,431	(67,848)	-99.1%
Total	113,923	77,209	36,714	47.6%

Bank funding, compared with the previous financial year, has been repositioned to include funding from the ECB of Euro 100 million with due date in 2015. There was less use made of lines of credit and repurchase agreements with banks.

Customer funding, the breakdown of which is reported below, has significantly increased:

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

DUE TO CUSTOMERS	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta %
Term deposits	522,720	16,922	505,798	2,989.0%
Funding (repurchase agreements)	249,012	-	249,012	n.a.
Current accounts and demand deposits	12,479	24,814	(12,335)	-49.7%
Second instalments	16,012	19,546	(3,534)	-18.1%
Other debts	44,564	95,236	(50,672)	-53.2%
Total	844,787	156,518	688,269	439.7%

The significant increase is due to the positive net inflows from the term deposits linked to the Si conto! DEPOSITO which increased exponentially during 2012.

The last quarter showed an increase in the short-term funding in repurchase agreements with financial bodies; the balance of operations open at the end of the year was Euro 249 million. The repurchase agreements have never had a duration of longer than 1 week.

The total for the second instalment debts include Group (Banca and SF Trust) debts to original assignors for receivables not yet collected.

“Other debts”, as in the previous financial year, mainly include liabilities relating to assets assigned but not cancelled and connected to the PF vehicle, which have reduced in line with the decrease in the credit portfolio.

Even though the securities issued are aligned in terms of amounts for the two periods, they are very different; more specifically, note the following transactions

compared to those of the previous year:

- redemption of the bond with Fondazione Pisa of Euro 40 million;
- the issue of a CLN of Euro 35 million at the fixed rate of 5.1%;
- the issue of a bond calculable at TIER 1 of Euro 5 million at a rate of 7%;
- redemption of the subordinate bond of Euro 10 million with simultaneous issue of a new bond of an equal amount calculable for the purposes of TIER 2, issued at the Euribor 6-month + 5.5% rate.

“Other liabilities” mainly include payments received spanning year-end by the assigned debtors and which were being assigned on 31 December, items being processed for the days following year-end and trade payables and tax liabilities.

The reconciliation between the profit/loss and net equity of the parent company and the figures from the consolidated financial statements is shown below.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	Profit for the year	Shareholders' equity
Parent company shareholders' equity	2,722	15,265
Assumption of value of investments	-	(3,842)
Goodwill	-	1,786
Shareholders' equity subsidiaries / Profit (loss) for the year	933	1,078
Adjustments to intercompany write-downs	(1,774)	1,905
Adjustments to intercompany capital gains	(4,145)	-
Adjustments to write-down of investments	1,600	-
Dividends	(794)	-
Consolidating shareholders' equity	2,090	16,192

REGULATORY CAPITAL AND PRUDENTIAL SUPERVISORY REQUIREMENTS

The information below relates to the consolidated regulatory capital and the capital adequacy of the Banca Sistema Group.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012
Tier 1 capital	18,960
<i>of which: innovative capital instruments</i>	<i>5,000</i>
Regulatory capital (including III level)	28,456
Credit and counterparty risk (standardised method)	11,696
Operating risk (basic method)	1,413
Market risk (standardised method)	23
Total capital requirements	13,132
Total risk of weighted assets	164,147
Surplus capital	15,324
Tier 1	11.6%
Core Tier 1	8.5%
Tier 2 Total capital ratio	17.3%

FINANCIAL RESULTS

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta
Interest margin	12,707	1,770	10,937
Net fee and commissions	293	1,195	(902)
Net income from trading activities	107	554	(447)
Profit from disposal or repurchase of financial assets	8,981	136	8,845
Operating income	22,088	3,655	18,433
Net value adjustments due to impairment of loans	(901)	(237)	(664)
Net profit (loss) from financial management	21,187	3,418	17,769
Administrative expenses	(16,724)	(7,905)	(8,819)
Net adjustments /write-backs on property, plant and equipment	(93)	(47)	(46)
Net value adjustments/write-backs to intangible assets	(212)	(430)	218
Other operating costs/income	(126)	(143)	17
Operating costs	(17,155)	(8,525)	(8,630)
Profit from current operations before taxes	4,032	(5,107)	9,139
Profit from equity investments	-	2,333	(2,333)
Taxes on revenue from financial year	(1,942)	3,404	(5,346)
Profit (loss) for the period	2,090	630	1,460
Loss from period relating to minority interests	-	53	(53)
Parent company profit (loss) from period	2,090	683	1,407

On 31 December 2012, the Group's income statement showed a profit of Euro 2,090 thousand, after taxes. This profit comprises a Banca Sistema profit of Euro 2,722 thousand (Euro 5,030 before taxes), the loss posted by the securitisation vehicle, Pubblica Funding and the losses made by the subsidiaries, SF Trust Holding, SF Trust Servicing and SF Trust Italia.

We note that 2012 cannot be directly compared with the previous financial year since the profits and losses of the companies that form part of the SF Trust only

contributed for the second half of the year following the acquisition of the Group on 1 July 2011.

The operating income, which is described below in more detail, amounts to Euro 22 million, following the positive contribution made by the interest margin of Euro 13 million and the profits from security management of Euro 9.1 million.

The reconciliation statement between the statutory income statement and the reclassified statement for management purposes is shown below.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	Items	31.12.2012 statutory	Reclassification	31.12.2012 management
10	Interest income and similar income	30,161		30,161
20	Interest expense and similar charges	(17,454)		(17,454)
30	Interest margin	12,707		12,707
40	Commission income	2,350		2,350
50	Commission expense	(614)	(1,443)	(2,057)
	<i>of which services by collectors</i>	-	(1,116)	(1,116)
	<i>of which services for origination activities</i>	(329)	(327)	(656)
60	Net fee and commissions	1,736		293
80	Net income from trading activities	107		107
100	Profits (losses) from disposal or repurchase of:	8,981		8,981
120	Operating income	23,531		22,088
130	Net value adjustments due to impairment of loans	(901)		(901)
140	Net profit (loss) from financial management	22,630		21,187
180	Administrative expenses:	(18,167)		(16,724)
	a) personnel costs	(8,385)		(8,385)
	b) other administrative expenses	(9,782)	1,443	(8,339)
	<i>of which services by collectors</i>	(1,116)	1,116	-
	<i>of which services for origination activities</i>	(327)	327	-
200	Net value adjustments/write-backs to property, plant and equipment	(93)		(93)
210	Net value adjustments/write-backs to intangible assets	(212)		(212)
220	Other operating costs/income	(126)		(126)
230	Operating costs	(18,598)		(17,155)
280	Current operating profit (losses) before tax	4,032		4,032
290	Income taxes for the period for current operations	(1,942)		(1,942)
300	Profit for the year	2,090		2,090

Interest income is mainly made up of interest from the factoring receivables portfolio for Euro 22.6 million and from the securities portfolio for Euro 7.5 million.

However, Euro 11.4 million of interest expense is mainly related to the deposits made through Si conto! DEPOSITO and Euro 2.6 million is from bond loans issued, with the increase mainly due to the calculation for the entire year of the subordinate loan that was fully

repaid in 2012 and replaced by the issue of a Credit Linked Note ("CLN"). "Other" includes interest due to the holders of the Notes from the PF vehicle.

The interest margin is essentially from the significant term deposits and partially from the restructuring of the bonds described above which took place at the end of 2012.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta (%)
Interest income and similar income				
Interest income - Factoring portfolio	22,573	7,907	14,666	185.5%
Interest income - Securities portfolio	7,460	320	7,140	2,231.3%
Interest income - Other	128	894	(766)	-85.7%
Total interest income	30,161	9,121	21,040	230.7%
Interest expense and similar charges				
Interest expense - Due to banks	(1,182)	(388)	(794)	204.6%
Interest expense - Due to customers	(11,374)	(229)	(11,145)	4,866.8%
Interest expense - Securities in issue	(2,627)	(1,124)	(1,503)	133.7%
Interest expense - Other	(2,271)	(5,610)	3,339	-59.5%
Total interest expense	(17,454)	(7,351)	(10,103)	137.4%
Interest margin	12,707	1,770	10,937	617.9%

Commission income includes Euro 1,908 thousand in commissions that Solvi received from clients for its collection activities and commissions from factoring activities. Commission expenses include Euro 782 thousand of payments to third parties who originated investments and returns to third party intermediaries for placement of the SI conto! DEPOSITO. The commission

expenses given back to the Solvi collectors total Euro 1,116 thousand. The other commissions predominantly include commissions for collection and payment services, placement of shares and others, worth Euro 44 thousand and attributable to the PF vehicle. Net fee and commissions, compared with 2011, include higher origination costs and lower revenues from collection activities.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta (%)
Commission income				
Commission income - Collection assets	1,908	363	1,545	425.6%
Commission income - Factoring assets	119	949	(830)	-87.5%
Commission income - Other	323	153	170	111.1%
Total Commission income	2,350	1,465	885	60.4%
Commission expense				
Commission expense - Placement	(782)	(44)	(738)	1677.3%
Commission expense - Collectors	(1,116)	(410)	(706)	172.2%
Commission expense - Other	(159)	(226)	67	-29.6%
Total Commission expense	(2,057)	(680)	(1,377)	202.5%
Commission margins	293	785	(492)	-62.7%

The profit came from the Group's brokerage on its own account and is mainly related to the sales made in March, when the spread got narrower and returns fell.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta (%)
Net income from trading activities				
Profits realised on trading portfolio debt securities	150	571	(421)	-73.7%
Net gains/losses on exchange differences	(43)	(17)	(26)	152.9%
Total	107	554	(447)	-80.7%
Profit from disposal or repurchase				
Profits on AFS portfolio debt securities	6,765	136	6,629	4,874.3%
Profits on HTM portfolio debt securities	1,992	-	1,992	n.a.
Profits on financial liabilities	224	-	224	n.a.
Total	8,981	136	8,845	6,503.7%
Total profit (loss) from securities portfolio	9,088	690	8,398	1,217.1%

There were 86 people employed by the Group (50 on 31 December 2011). The total cost, equal to Euro 8.4 million, includes Euro 140 thousand relating to early retirement incentives.

"Other administrative costs", totalling Euro 8.3 million, include non-recurrent costs of Euro 217 thousand for the independent auditors' fees and consultancy costs associated with the Group restructuring. They also include Euro 121 thousand for the K4F project, the new system for managing factoring receivables which the Bank migrated to at the end of the financial year.

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011	Delta (Euros)	Delta (%)
Personnel costs				
Salaries and wages	(6,386)	(3,286)	(3,100)	94.3%
Contributions and other expenses	(1,352)	(621)	(731)	117.7%
Directors' and statutory auditors' remuneration	(647)	(657)	10	-1.6%
Total	(8,385)	(4,564)	(3,821)	83.7%

RISK MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT CONTROL METHODS

In order to manage the significant risks to which it is or could be exposed, the Group has set up a risk management system that is in line with the characteristics, dimensions and complexities of the Group's operations.

The Group's Risk Management System operates by constantly ensuring that it has sufficient capital adequacy with respect to its business.

As part of the risk management system, the Group carries out the following activities:

- identification of risks;
- measuring and assessing risks;
- defining and checking risk mitigation systems;
- monitoring and reporting risks.

The Risk Management Committee, whose *mission* is to support the CEO in defining strategies, risk policies and profitability targets, allows the Group to monitor, on a continuous basis, the relevant risks and any new risks, even if they are only potential risks, resulting from changes in the working environment or the planned Group operations.

When identifying the relevant risks, the Group primarily refers to those indicated in the current Prudential Supervisory provisions.

The methods used by the Group to measure, assess and aggregate risks are approved by the Parent Company's Board of Directors, upon the proposal of the Risk Department, subject to approval by the Risk Management Committee.

In order to measure first and second pillar risks (Pillar I and Pillar II), the Group has adopted standard methods to calculate the capital requirements for Prudential Supervisory purposes. If there are no such indications, standard market practices by operators that work at a level of complexity and operation that is comparable to the Group are assessed.

With reference to the Regulatory Capital, the Bank implemented a number of different actions to strengthen

its capital base in 2012. Specifically, this involved a capital increase (by 31 December this manoeuvre had not been formally completed, but had generated increased reserves of Euro 4,914,869); the issue of a non-innovative capital Tier 1 instrument for Euro 5,000,000 million, that is fully calculable (Basel 3 compliant), the swap of a subordinate Tier 2 loan of Euro 10,000,000 with a new loan that can be accounted for entirely in the Regulatory Capital. These operations meant that the Group could record a Regulatory Capital of Euro 28.5 million on the reference date compared with Euro 7.9 million at the end of 2011.

With reference to the "New rules on the functioning of the internal controls system", the Group set up the "Control Functions Working Group" in the second half of 2012. The Working Group was made up of second level (Risks and Compliance Division) and third level (Internal Audit) control departments. The objective of the Working Group was to promote interaction between the control departments in the exercise of their policy, implementation, checking and assessment duties between company bodies and the other committees. In the first few months of 2013, the Control Departments' Working Group set up a Risk Self Assessment (RSA) project in order to improve the identification and assessment of all the risks relating to individual company processes, allowing the Bank to implement corrective actions that can reduce any risks detected.

When calculating the weighting coefficients used to calculate the amount of equity required to cover credit risks, without specific valuations by rating agencies of the Bank's business or clarifications by the Supervisory Authority or the European Community on the misalignment of capital absorption within the EU for the same risks, the Group decided to use the evaluations issued by the ECAI (External Credit Assessment Institute) Dominion Bond Rating Service (DBRS), instead of the evaluations provided by the Fitch rating agency and adopted on

31 December 2012. DBRS was recognized as an ECAI by the Supervisory Authority on 11 March 2013.

In any case, the assessments issued by the rating agencies are not enough to complete creditworthiness assessment process that the Group carries out with respect to its clients, but rather provide a greater contribution to the definition of the information framework on the client's credit-worthiness.

After analysing the main sources of risk to the Group, specific relevance is attached to the Factoring Portfolio, with the main types of counterparts being public entities, and more specifically, Local Health Authorities and Hospital Groups (ASL/AO), Regions, Provinces, Municipalities and Ministries. At the end of December 2012, the Factoring Portfolio was broken down as follows, by regulatory category: ASL/AO/USL/Hospital companies 68.8%, Local Entities 22.5%, Central Authorities 6.9%, other public entities 1.6% and Regional Authorities 0.2%.

The national prudential standard assigns Territorial Bodies a risk weighting coefficient of 20%, independently of the rating assigned to Italy. In this regard, however, the ASL/AOs do not clarify if they have to be treated in the same way as Territorial Entities or the ESPs to which a coefficient is applied that depends on the Italian State coefficient (more specifically the weighting factors applied to the ESPs provide for exposures with respect to the supervised intermediaries belonging to the same State).

It does not seem justified to assign a worse risk treatment to the healthcare businesses than to the Regions that they belong to since the local health authorities - even though they have independent legal status under public law - must be considered as entities that are fully instrumental and part of the Regions and entirely dependent on them.

This is clear from the institutional standard of health businesses (Leg. Dec. 502/1992), which states that "The Regions, through the local healthcare units, ensure essential levels of assistance". The healthcare businesses are merely intermediaries between citizens

and the Region for the provision of health services in a defined regional geographic area, functional organisational units dotted around the territory (like the old USLs) with the Region having the authority to consolidate, shut down or reorganise them at its own discretion; the Regions even exercise control over the appointment of the managers of the healthcare businesses. The Regions are obliged to settle the healthcare business deficits, even by increasing regional tax levels and implementing specific restructuring plans to deal with healthcare deficits; there are no bankruptcy or insolvency procedures for healthcare businesses and their solvency depends entirely on regional and, indirectly, on state grants.

Therefore, as legally autonomous bodies under public law, local health authorities are closely linked to and structurally dependent on the Region they are in, with respect to the institutional, functional, economic-financial and political aspects. In addition and not necessarily in confirmation of this interdependence which is based on a close link of dependence, it is enough to read the recent decrees issued by the MEF on the certification of receivables by companies due from the Public Administrations, where the legislator has put the national health system bodies with the Regions and the local entities and the regulations on the repayment plans and the block on seizures that are never addressed to the individual healthcare companies but to all the businesses that belong to a Region subject to the repayment plan.

For the aforementioned reasons, the healthcare businesses may be compared - even under a prudential regulatory profile - to the Regions and, as such, be included in the broadest category of Territorial Entities that includes the Regions and the local entities such as Provinces and Municipalities. If we analyse the European panorama - in France and Spain - on the basis of the same international prudential regulations (Basel 2 and 3), with regard to national health systems and their finance methods which are roughly equivalent to the Italian methods, we can see that the national

health service bodies are weighted at the same level as the Central government (i.e. at 0%) in France, and equal to the Regions (i.e. at 20%) in Spain and are not linked to fluctuations in the rating of the Central government in any way. This issue was formally raised with the Supervisory Authorities, and ASSIFACT – the main association for institutes that grant funding to businesses in the form of with recourse and without recourse factoring – presented a formal request to the Bank of Italy last April to clarify the weighting to be applied to healthcare businesses in accordance since they are totally dependent on the Regions. To date, there has been no formal response to this query. This prudential approach means that the funding of a healthcare company “consumes” bank capital that is five times higher than a loan for the same amount granted to a Municipality, Province or Region.

Due to this regulatory anomaly, banks would have no incentive to grant loans to a healthcare company compared to a Municipality or Region unless it received a higher return, and consequently obtained more advantageous conditions and more onerous conditions for the healthcare company compared to those applied by the bank to a Municipality or Region. Since the National Health Service is mainly financed through factoring, the reduction of these loans first damages suppliers who - due to the more onerous loan terms offered by the banks - reduce transfers of receivables to the banks and the factors, unless they intend to recover them on a judicial basis by charging high community penalty interest to the Public Administration. If they use the loans in any case, companies would be forced to add the increased financial charges to the price of the supplies provided to the Public Administration, thereby feeding the vicious spiral of public debt.

In accordance with the above, the Factoring Portfolio accounts for 43% of the Group Regulatory Capital, net of any mitigation, in terms of capital requirements (if the Bank considered local health authorities as 20% RWA Territorial Bodies, this percentage would be halved).

The Group continuously performs analyses and assessments for all credit risk exposure, aimed at classifying exposures where considered necessary among the problematic credit risk categories. A number of Central Banca Sistema structures are also involved to guarantee more efficiency and homogeneity in terms of tackling the credit risk and monitoring the individual positions using specialist resources and separating the functions at each decision-making level.

The Group has set up the “Collection Working Group” to provide improved monitoring of the factoring portfolio. The Working Group carries out checks and assessments on the factoring portfolio based on the guidelines defined in the “Collection policies”. In order to simplify the ascertainment and remove any obstacles that could delay and/or prevent payment, meetings and direct contacts with the entities are provided for monitoring the credit payment status.

The Parent company’s Collection Manager coordinates the monitoring and any out-of-court collection with the Group’s collection company, Solvi S.r.l. With regard to the credit risk reduction strategies used to reduce the exposure of the factoring portfolio, and, more specifically, its exposure with regard to the local health authorities (ASL), the Group has drawn up specific standard hedging credit default swap (CDS) contracts and credit linked notes (CLN) compliant with international regulations in terms of ISDA (International Swaps and Derivatives Association) derivatives.

The issue of this type of instrument allows the Bank to improve its capital ratios through the hedging generated by the instrument and the amounts taken in from the subscription of the notes and also to reduce exposures to Risk Concentration Limit levels.

In December, Banca Sistema issued the first CLN (ISIN IT0004881436) at a nominal value of Euro 35 million, with a duration of eighteen months with the underlying asset being the healthcare receivables of the ASL/AO. It issued the first CDS in January 2013.

The amounts paid were considered as financial guarantees in cash.

More details can be found in Part E of the Notes to the financial statements regarding the methods and information on calculations of the capital requirements necessary to deal with all the risks to which the Group is exposed.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

No specific research and development activity was carried out in 2012.

TRANSACTIONS WITH SUBSIDIARIES AND RELATED PARTIES

Transactions with subsidiaries

The table below summarises the capital stock at the end of the period and the positive and negative final income elements as at 31 December 2012.

	S.F. TRUST HOLDING	S.F. TRUST SERVICING	S.F. TRUST ITALIA	SOLVI	PUBBLICA FUNDING
Total Assets/(liabilities)	1,400	(629)	901	(1,600)	5,328
Total (Costs)/Revenue	(512)	(502)	(398)	(1,106)	657

With reference to paragraph 8 of Art. 5 “Information for the public on operations with related parties” of Consob Regulation regarding the provisions on transactions with related parties (adopted by Consob with resolution no. 17221 of 12 March 2010 and subsequently amended by resolution no. 17389 of 23 June 2010), please refer to the Notes to the financial statements, Part H - Transactions with related parties.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE YEAR

The Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved the Code of Ethics and the MiFID Policy of the Bank on 1 February 2012. Changes to the terms and economic conditions of the *Pubblica Funding* securitisation - already agreed in November 2011 - were formally accepted on 13 February 2012. More specifically:

- a. There was a 140 bps reduction in the margin paid on the Notes as of 1 September 2011;
- b. The amounts saved due to said reduction in the margin were set aside in an appropriate reserve that is estimated to be worth around Euro 2.4 million at the Final Maturity Date and that, in a pre-enforcement situation like the current one, is exclusively dedicated to payment of the second instalments if the funds available for the principal waterfall are insufficient for any reason;
- c. There has been a three-month postponement of the Final Maturity Date of the Notes to 16 August 2013;
- d. the *Pubblica Funding* was scheduled to pay SF Trust Servicing a servicing commission - equal to 1.0% of the amount collected - starting from 1 September 2012. This commission is paid monthly on the basis of the payments recorded in the reference month; the amounts due in terms of the servicing commission - up to the Final Maturity Date - are estimated at around Euro 2.5 million.

In a letter dated 27 February 2012, the Bank of Italy confirmed that Banca Sistema was a member of the Banking Groups Register, in accordance with Art. 64 Consolidated Law on Banking ("TUB") to take effect from 1 September 2011. The Banca Sistema Bank Group comprises the following companies: Banca Sistema S.p.A. (Parent company), Specialty Finance Trust Holdings Ltd., Specialty Finance Trust Servicing Ltd., Specialty Finance Trust Italia S.r.l.

Solvi S.r.l. - which carries out insignificant activities on behalf of the Group - remains outside the Banking Group.

An three-year Long Term Refinancing Operation ("LTRO") was proposed by the ECB, and the bank signed this on 29 February 2012. The statements made by the President of the ECB did not confirm any further LTROs that were not already scheduled for the current year.

The Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved the Bank's New Organisational Model on 9 March 2012, in accordance with Leg. Dec. 231/2001, the Business Policy and the Compliance Department's Mandate, adopted in accordance with the provisions of Bank of Italy and Consob, and the Programme Security Document and General Regulations. The Board also drew up the Supervisory and Management Bodies Self-Assessment Document which lists the methods and results of the self-assessment process carried out by the Bank.

On 27 March 2012, following approval of the Banca Sistema Draft Financial Statements by the directors, the Bank issued a letter of patronage on behalf of the two subsidiaries, SF Trust Holdings Ltd. and SF Trust Servicing Ltd., showing their intention to ensure adequate financial support for the two companies for a period of no more than 15 months or, if earlier, up to the completion date of the reorganisation of the company group. The letter of patronage is restricted to the servicing companies due to their activities.

The Banca Sistema S.p.A. meeting, held on 27 April 2012, following the proposal by the Board of Directors on 11 April 2012, approved the "Remuneration Policies and Incentive Plan" on behalf of supervisory, management, control and staff bodies of the Banca Sistema Banking Group.

On 27 April 2012 the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved an addition to the "Group Company Reorganisation Plan". On 14 May 2012, a letter was sent to the Supervisory Authorities containing a detailed description of the operations to be carried out with an indication of the relevant time periods.

The Board of Directors also approved the "Risk Division Activity Guidelines", the "Contingency Funding Plan",

the “ICAAP Process Organisation Model” and the “Results of the internal assessment process of the Group’s current and future capital adequacy as at 31 December 2011” document. On the same date, the Board of Directors carried out the checks required by the recently issued regulations that introduced the ‘interlocking prohibition’ and sent the related communications to the competent authorities.

On 28 May 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. authorised publication of the “New prudential supervisory provisions, information for the public Third Pillar”, in accordance with instructions provided under the regulations.

With regard to the “Group Company Restructuring Plan” (approved by the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. at its meeting held on 27 April 2012, dated 12 June 2012 - starting as of 1 July 2012), the business branch sales contract was drawn up between SF Trust Italia and the Bank relating to contracts regarding the factoring relationships, all employees and some accessory assets, with the assets and liabilities relating to the *Pubblica Funding* securitisation expressly excluded from the sale.

On 28 June 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved the operation to replace the current subordinated security (lower tier II issued by Banca Sistema) through the exchange with a subordinate security of Euro 10,000,000.00, newly issued with the same subordination terms: the operation was formalised on 15 November 2012.

On the same date, the Board of Directors also approved the “Policies relating to investments in non-instrumental companies” and “Policies relating to operations with associated parties” documents in addition to the periodic reports and programmes drawn up by the Internal Audit and Compliance departments.

On 26 July 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved the Compliance Department Regulation, the Non-Compliance Risk Policy Regulation, the Mifid Policy update, the Internal Audit Department Regulation, as well as institution of the Internal Control Departments Working Group and the regulations

governing the Internal Control Departments Working Group.

On 26 September 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. (i) approved the change to the organisational structure, including reporting directly to the CEO and no longer the Operations Manager of the Human Resource department, (ii) the creation of the new Collection Management Department, the direct reporting of the Factoring Director, with the duty to manage the monitoring, management and credit portfolio receivable collection activities of the Bank ensuring compliance with the Collection Policies by the entities of the Banca Sistema Group and (iii) centralisation of the Underwriting department in Milan. The Board of Directors also approved the Collection Policies, the Claims Policy and the Anti-money-laundering Regulation.

On 25 September 2012, the company transfer agreement was entered into in accordance with which Specialty Finance Trust Holdings Ltd. acquired - with effect from 1 October 2012 - all the assets and liabilities of SF Trust Servicing Ltd.; in addition, on 13 September 2012 and 18 September 2012, respectively, two inter-company service agreements were entered into for financial years 2012 and 2013 with SF Trust Servicing, for administrative, IT, pricing and HR services, and with Solvi Srl, for management and factoring receivable collection services.

On 31 October 2012, the Board of Directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. approved the offer to buy back the bond loan issued for the nominal amount of Euro 45,000,000.00: the operation was only partly settled on 14 December with the buy-back by Fondazione Pisa of shares with a nominal value of Euro 40 million. The other 5 million are still outstanding since the holders did not subscribe to the offering.

The Board of Directors decided to issue the Tier 1 Subordinate Bond Loan in the form of a non-innovative irredeemable capital instrument: the placement was offered to all shareholders in the syndicated agreement on a pro-rata basis in accordance with their capital holding and was fully settled on 18 December 2012 for an overall nominal value of Euro 5 million.

On 18 December 2012, the Bank issued a Credit Linked Note with a nominal value of Euro 35,000,000.00 to cover exposures in relation to local healthcare businesses and hospitals. The note was subscribed to by a supervised intermediary. On the same date, the Board of Directors approved the Operations Policy for Current Account Product Receivables.

The provisions of the SFT Group purchase contract were carried out in 2012, with the transfer to the Bank of the remaining 3% share of the share capital of Specialty Finance Trust Limited, previously held by minority shareholders.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AFTER YEAR-END

As of 5 February 2013, the new rates for *SI conto!* Deposito came into effect. Existing agreements and promotions will stay in effect and there will be new promotions initiated to encourage the opening of the *SI conto!* current accounts. The range of instruments and services was also broadened to tie up/withdraw amounts on/from the *SI conto!* DEPOSITO: cheques (including by correspondence) and cash were also added to the bank transfers from predefined current accounts (in the branch).

On 26 February 2013, the legally prescribed time expired for enforcement of the decision made by the Board of Directors on 19 December 2012, in accordance with which the Bank had to power to place the unopted shares left over by the shareholders after the first 30 days of the subscription period with third parties, even at higher prices than the price reserved to shareholders.

Therefore, since no expressions of interest were made by the end of that period for the subscription of 85,131 shares which were still unopted, the share capital of Banca Sistema S.p.A. increased by a total of 4,914,869 shares (subscribed to by the majority shareholders only) with respect to the expected increase of 5,000,000 shares.

In view of the above, the share capital of Banca Sistema S.p.A. amounted to Euro 8,450,526.25 as at 26 February 2013, allocated amount 70,421,052 shares with a par value of Euro 0.12 each.

Within the scope of reorganising the Banca Sistema Group as described to the Bank of Italy, when the last update was sent on 27 September 2012, the removal of the subsidiary SF Trust Servicing Ltd. had already been announced, in accordance with applicable law (winding it up or striking off due to lack of activity). Therefore, the options available under English law were then examined: it was decided that the most suitable solution would be to wind-up SF Trust Servicing.

RSM Tenon Restructuring was hired to wind up the company on 27 February 2013.

On 8 March 2013, Fitch ratings agency decided to lower its rating of Italian sovereign debt by two notches: from A- to BBB+, with a negative outlook.

OTHER INFORMATION

PRIVACY MEASURES

Confirmation was given that the Programme Security Document would be updated in 2012 in accordance with Art. 34, paragraph 1, letter g) of Leg. Dec. no. 196 of 30 June 2003 ("Personal data protection code"). This document describes the measures issued to ensure the security of personal data.

COMMUNICATION AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

The 2012 communication campaign mainly related to the launch of the *SI conto!* term deposit account.

The national launch took place in February 2012 through a radio campaign on several frequencies and continued into May.

At various times during the year and to support the radio campaign, agreements were concluded with more traditional on-line sites and dynamic poster displays.

In the first half of the year, external relations were mainly related to promoting the *SI conto!* DEPOSITO product, and then focused on a broader positioning of the Bank Group and services offered. *SI conto!* DEPOSITO has consolidated its position as a favourite in opinion pieces and market analyses and reports comparing products available on the market; and has been frequently praised for its leadership in terms of value and ease of use. In the second half of the year, the public relations office has been dealing with higher level issues, promoting the growth of the Bank's image and providing a broader presentation of its business activities.

The new web-site has played an essential part in promoting the Bank's image. This choice of communication reaches beyond the more traditional advertising instruments to

focus on the quality and immediacy of the services and give a fresh *corporate* image, enhanced by Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives in art and social issues.

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY INITIATIVES

Banca Sistema is promoting a culture of philanthropy, civil commitment and cooperation.

For this reason the Bank opted to promote awareness-raising campaigns relating to significant issues such as childhood, culture and the environment in 2012, in partnership with other non-government bodies and organisations.

Charity projects were initiated with Unicef, the World Food Programme of the United Nations and FAI (Italian Environmental Fund).

More specifically, with FAI, Banca Sistema chose to become an institutional member of the Corporate Golden Donor programme, aimed at companies that decide to commit themselves to building a better Italy all year round.

Within the scope of the Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives, Banca Sistema chose to set up a project dedicated to art and the creative resources of young Italian artists, "Banca SISTEMA ARTE".

This initiative was started up to give visibility and promote Italian talent in the arts, leading to the exhibition of the work of 5 artists at the Bank's branches in Rome and Milan. Young painters and photographers of between 29 and 34 whose creativity and work was promoted through a new way of supporting their potential for growth. In two cases, the exhibitions also benefitted from the patronage of the Italian Committee for the World Food Programme and the UNICEF collaboration for Universal children's day.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS AND OUTLOOK AND MAIN RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

Commercial investments are expected to continue to increase in 2013 thanks to the acquisition of new customers and the availability of new factoring products. Net interest income will benefit from the increase in investments and the expected reduction in funding costs. In addition, access to the ECB funding mechanism is expected to increase through guarantee of its commercial investments.

In accordance with its business plan, the Group has planned significant developments for 2013 and an update of its business model, with an increase in investment volumes, including through significant investments in marketing and advertising.

The Group will continue to obtain funds in 2013 through deposit accounts and current accounts. It will continue to be committed to factoring with respect to the Public Administration, and the products will evolve further from the standard non-recourse products to other products such as reverse factoring, factoring of tax receivables

and other types. Any excess amounts will continue to be invested in Italian government securities pending their use in the factoring. The banking service will aim to consolidate the relationship with retail customers, and will be enhanced by new services and products connected to the current accounts.

Even though the macroeconomic situation is still highly uncertain in terms of both general performance and rates and the spread on government securities, we expect the interest margin to improve.

The objective is to broaden the client base and exploit opportunities presented by the excellent strategic position on the Italian market.

Profits should increase further with respect to the previous year and be in line with the final part of 2012, unless unexpected events occur which could affect the general performance of the Bank.

Milan, 27 March 2013

On behalf of the Board of Directors

The Chairman


CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

Assets		31.12.2012	31.12.2011
10	Cash and cash equivalents	3,697	8
20	Held-for-trading financial assets	129	623
40	Available-for-sale financial assets	540,994	63,189
60	Loans to banks	14,475	22,090
70	Loans to customers	484,435	212,205
120	Property, plant and equipment	445	173
130	Intangible assets	1,842	2,024
	<i>of which goodwill</i>	1,786	1,786
140	Tax assets	4,309	4,956
	a) current	70	106
	b) prepaid	4,239	4,850
160	Other assets	3,736	7,303
	Total assets	1,054,062	312,571

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

Liabilities and shareholders' equity		31.12.2012	31.12.2011
10	Due to banks	113,923	77,209
20	Due to customers	844,787	156,518
30	Securities in issue	55,242	53,907
80	Tax liabilities	1,627	459
	a) current	1,470	376
	b) deferred	157	83
100	Other liabilities	21,662	13,996
110	Post-employment benefits	623	470
120	Provisions for risks and charges:	5	1,355
	a) retirement and similar obligations	-	-
	b) other provisions	5	1,355
140	Valuation reserves	407	210
170	Reserves	5,835	(123)
190	Capital	7,861	7,861
210	Minority interests (+/-)	-	26
220	Profit for the year	2,090	683
	Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	1,054,062	312,571

CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

	Items	2012	2011
10	Interest income and similar income	30,161	9,121
20	Interest expense and similar charges	(17,454)	(7,351)
30	INTEREST MARGIN	12,707	1,770
40	Commission income	2,350	1,465
50	Commission expense	(614)	(270)
60	NET FEE AND COMMISSIONS	1,736	1,195
80	Net income from trading activities	107	554
100	Profits (losses) from disposal or repurchase of:	8,981	136
	a. receivables	-	-
	b. available-for-sale financial assets	6,765	136
	c. held-to-maturity financial assets	1,992	-
	d. financial liabilities	224	-
120	OPERATING INCOME	23,531	3,655
130	Net value adjustments/write-backs due to impairment of	(901)	(237)
	a. receivables	(901)	(237)
	b. available-for-sale financial assets	-	-
	c. held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-
	d. other financial transactions	-	-
140	NET PROFIT (LOSS) FROM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT	22,630	3,418
180	Administrative expenses:	(18,167)	(7,905)
	a. personnel costs	(8,385)	(4,564)
	b. other administrative expenses	(9,782)	(3,341)
190	Net allocations to provisions for risks and charges	-	-
200	Net value adjustments/write-backs to property, plant and equipment	(93)	(47)
210	Net value adjustments/write-backs to intangible assets	(212)	(430)
220	Other operating costs/income	(126)	(143)
230	OPERATING COSTS	(18,598)	(8,525)
240	Profits on equity investments	-	2,333
280	PROFIT/LOSS FROM CURRENT OPERATIONS BEFORE TAX	4,032	(2,774)
290	Income taxes for the period for current operations	(1,942)	3,404
300	PROFIT FROM CURRENT OPERATIONS AFTER TAX	2,090	630
320	Profit for the year	2,090	630
330	Minority profit (loss) for the year	-	53
340	PARENT COMPANY PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	2,090	683

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

		Currency: Euro	
Items		2012	2011
10	Profit for the year	2,090	630
	Other net of tax income items		
20	Available-for-sale financial assets	197	210
30	Property, plant and equipment	-	-
40	Intangible assets	-	-
50	Foreign investment hedges	-	-
60	Cash flow hedges	-	-
70	Exchange differences	-	-
80	Non-current assets being disposed of	-	-
90	Actuarial profits (losses) on defined benefit plans	-	-
100	Share of the valuation reserves of equity investments designated at equity	-	-
110	Total other net of tax income items	197	210
120	Comprehensive income (Items 10 + 110)	2,287	840
130	Consolidated comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	-	53
140	Consolidated comprehensive income attributable to the parent company	2,287	893

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY 2012

Amounts in thousands of Euros	Balance at 31.12.2011	Change in opening balances	Balance at 01.01.2012	Allocation of net result from previous year		Changes to reserves	Changes during the year						Shareholders' equity at 31.12.2012	
				Reserves	Dividends and other allocations		Equity transactions							
							Issue of new shares	Purchase of treasury shares	Distribution of extraordinary dividends	Change in capital instruments	Derivatives on treasury shares	Stock Options		
Capital			7,861	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,861
a) ordinary shares	7,861	-	7,861	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
b) other shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Share premiums	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reserves	(123)	-	(123)	683	-	5,275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,835
a) earnings	-	-	-	683	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	683
b) other	(123)	-	(123)	-	-	5,275	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5,152
Valuation reserves	210	-	210	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	197	407
Capital instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Profit (Loss) for the year	683	-	683	(683)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,090	2,090
Shareholders' equity	8,631	-	8,631	-	-	5,275	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,287	16,193

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY 2011

Amounts in thousands of Euros	Balance at 31.12.2010	Change in opening balances	Balance at 01.07.2011	Allocation of net result from previous year		Dividends and other allocations	Changes to reserves	Changes during the year						Comprehensive income at 31.12.2011	Group shareholders' equity at 31.12.2011	Minority shareholders' equity at 31.12.2011
				Reserves	Equity transactions			Issue of new shares	Purchase of treasury shares	Distribution of extraordinary dividends	Change in capital instruments	Derivatives on treasury shares	Stock Options			
Capital	7,560	-	7,560	-	-	-	-	3,360	-	(3,059)	-	-	-	7,861	733	
a) ordinary shares	7,560	-	7,560	-	-	-	-	3,360	-	(3,059)	-	-	-	7,861	733	
b) other shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Reserves	1,585	-	1,585	(1,790)	-	(2,977)	-	-	-	3,059	-	-	-	(123)	(653)	
a) earnings	(1,256)	-	(1,256)	(1,790)	-	(13)	-	-	-	3,059	-	-	-	-	(653)	
b) other	2,841	-	2,841	-	-	(2,964)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(123)	-	
Valuation reserves	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	210	210	-	
Capital instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Treasury shares	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Profit (Loss) for the year	(1,790)	-	(1,790)	1,790	-	(2,977)	-	-	-	683	-	-	683	683	(53)	
Group shareholders' equity	7,355	-	7,355	-	-	(2,977)	-	3,360	-	-	-	-	893	8,631	-	
Minority shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26	

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT (DIRECT METHOD)

(Amounts in thousands of Euros)

A. OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2012	2011
1. Management	(3,773)	(4,292)
▪ interest income collected	30,161	9,121
▪ interest expense paid	(17,455)	(7,352)
▪ dividends and similar income	0	0
▪ net fee and commissions	1,736	1,196
▪ personnel costs	(8,317)	(4,564)
▪ other costs	(9,898)	(3,383)
▪ other revenues	-	690
2. Cash flows generated by/used for financial assets	(724,301)	(266,035)
▪ held-for-trading financial assets	601	7,534
▪ available-for-sale financial assets	(470,843)	(63,189)
▪ held-to-maturity financial assets	1,992	0
▪ loans to customers	(273,131)	(185,335)
▪ loans to banks: on demand	7,615	(18,402)
▪ loans to banks: other loans	-	(250)
▪ other assets	9,465	(6,393)
3. Cash flow generated/absorbed by the financial liabilities	732,159	269,894
▪ due to banks	36,714	59,223
▪ due to customers	688,269	147,423
▪ financial liabilities	224	48,901
▪ securities in issue	1,335	-
▪ other liabilities	5,617	14,347
Net cash flow generated/used by operations	4,085	(433)
B. INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
1. Cash flows generated by	-	(185)
▪ sale of property, plant and equipment	-	(185)
2. Cash flows absorbed by	(396)	-
▪ purchases of property, plant and equipment	(363)	-
▪ purchases of intangible fixed assets	(33)	-
Net cash flow generated/used by investment activities	(396)	(185)
C. FUNDING ACTIVITIES		
▪ dividend distribution and other purposes	-	593
Net cash flow generated/used by funding activities	-	593
NET CASH FLOW GENERATED/USED DURING THE YEAR	3,689	(25)
RECONCILIATION		
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	8	33
Net cash flow generated/used during the year	3,689	(25)
Cash and cash equivalents at year-end	3,697	8

CONSOLIDATED NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The consolidated explanatory notes will comprise the following parts:

Part A - Accounting policies

Part B - Information on the consolidated balance sheet

Part C - Information on the consolidated income statement

Part D - Consolidated statement of comprehensive income

Part E - Information on risks and relative hedging policies

Part F - Information on consolidated equity

Part G - Business combinations relating to companies or business branches

Part H - Transactions with related parties

Part I - Payment agreements based on own equity instruments

PART A - ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A.1 - GENERAL PART

SECTION 1 - Statement of compliance with international accounting standards

The Financial Statements of the Banca Sistema S.p.A. group as at 31 December 2012 were drawn up in accordance with international accounting standards - called IAS/IFRS - issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) and approved by the European Commission, as established by EU Regulation no. 1606 of 19 July 2002, adopted in Italy by art. 1 of Legis. Decree of 28 February 2005 no. 38 and considering circular by the Bank of Italy no. 262 of 22 December 2005, regarding the forms and rules for drafting the Banks' Financial Statements, as amended by the first update of 18 November 2009. The International Accounting Standards are applied by referring to the "Systematic framework for preparing and presenting financial statements" (Framework).

If there is no standard or interpretation that applies specifically to an transaction, other event or circumstance, the Board of Directors uses its judgement

to develop and apply an accounting standard in order to provide disclosure that:

- is relevant to the purposes of the financial decisions made by the users;
- reliable, so that the consolidated financial statements:
 - faithfully represent the capital/financial position, the profit and loss and the cash flows of the entity;
 - reflects the economic substance of the operations, other events and circumstances and not merely the legal form;
 - is neutral, i.e. devoid of prejudice;
 - is prudent;
 - is complete, with reference to all relevant aspects.

When exercising the afore-mentioned judgement, the Board of Directors of the Banca Sistema group has made reference to and considered the applicability of the following sources, described in descending order of importance:

- the provisions and application guidelines contained in the Principles and Interpretations governing similar or related cases;
- the definitions, recognition criteria and measuring concepts for accounting for the assets, liabilities,

revenues and costs contained in the “Systematic framework”.

When expressing an opinion, the Executive Board may also consider the most recent provisions issued by other bodies that rule on accounting standards that use a “Systematic framework” similar in concept to developing accounting standards, other accounting literature and consolidated practices in the sector.

In accordance with art. 5 of Legis. Decree no. 38 of 28 February 2005, if, in exceptional cases, the application of a provision imposed by the international accounting standards is incompatible with the true and correct representation of the capital or financial position or the profit and loss result, the provision will not be applied. The justifications for any exceptions and their influence on the representation of the capital situation or financial position or profit and loss will be explained in the Notes to the financial statements. Any profits resulting from the exception are recorded in a non-distributable reserve if they do not correspond to the recovered value in the financial statements.

Section 2 - General accounting policies

The Consolidated Financial Statements are drawn up with clarity and are a true and faithful representation of the capital and financial position and the profit and loss for the year, the changes in shareholders' equity and the cash flows and comprise the balance sheet, the income statement, statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in shareholders' equity, the cash flow statement and the explanatory notes. The financial statements are accompanied by the Director's Report on Management Performance. If the information required by the international accounting principles and provisions contained in Circular no. 262 of 22 December 2005 and/or the subsequent update of 18 November 2009 issued by the Bank of Italy is not sufficient to give a true and correct representation that is relevant, reliable, comparable and understandable, the explanatory notes provide the additional information required.

The general principles that underlie the drafting of the financial statements are set out below:

- the measurements were made considering that the company will continue as an ongoing business guaranteed by the financial support of the shareholders.
- Costs and revenue are accounted for on an accrual basis.
- In order to ensure the comparability of the data and information in the financial statements and the explanatory notes, the methods of representation and classification are kept constant over time unless they are changed to present the data more appropriately.
- Each significant class of similar items is separately indicated in the balance sheets and income statements; items with dissimilar natures or uses are presented separately unless they are considered to be irrelevant.
- Accounts that have no associated sums for the financial year or for the previous financial year are not indicated in the balance sheet or the income statement.
- If an element of the assets or liabilities comes under several items in the equity statement, the explanatory notes make reference to the other items under which it is recorded if it is necessary for a better understanding of the financial statements.
- The items are not offset against one another unless it is expressly requested or allowed by an international accounting standard or an interpretation or the provisions of the aforementioned Circular no. 262 of 22 December 2005 as amended by the Bank of Italy.
- The financial statements are drafted by favouring substance over form and in accordance with the principle of relevance and significance of the information.
- Comparative data for the previous financial year are presented for each account of the balance sheet and income statement; if the accounts are not comparable to those of the previous year, they are adapted and the non-comparability and adjustment/or impossibility thereof are indicated and commented on in the explanatory notes.

- The layout recommended by the Bank of Italy was used with reference to the information reported in the explanatory notes; they were not presented if they were not applicable to the Bank's business.

Within the scope of drawing up the financial statements in accordance with the IAS/IFRS, management must make assessments, estimates and hypotheses that influence the amounts of the assets, liabilities, costs and returns for the period.

As provided in IAS 8, it is essential to make reasonable estimates when preparing the financial statements. The estimates that had to be made when drawing up these financial statements do not adversely affect its reliability. These estimates are regularly revised and are mainly based on previous experience.

Any changes resulting from the revision of the accounting estimates are reported in the period in which the revision is made if it relates only to that period. If the revision relates to either current or future periods, the change is reported in the period in which the revision is made and in the relevant future periods.

Pursuant to the provisions of art. 5 of Legis. Decree no. 38 of 28 February 2005, the financial statements use the Euro as the currency for accounting purposes. Amounts presented in the financial statements are in thousands of Euro.

Note the following in reference to regulatory developments in the IAS/IFRS international accounting standards.

Main international accounting standards in effect from 2012

The provisions of EU Regulation no. 1205/2011 came into effect during 2012 which amended IFRS 7 "Financial instruments: disclosures" with specific regard to disclosure regarding the transfers of financial assets. These amendments had no effect on drafting the financial statements as at 31 December 2012.

Main international accounting standards that will take effect after the 2012 financial statements

The following EU Regulations were issued during 2012, after the endorsement process of the international accounting standards by the European Commission:

1. EU Regulation 475/2012¹:

- amends IAS 1 "Presentation of financial statements" with respect to the "Statement of comprehensive income" where the items are broken down into:
 - items that are subsequently transferred back to the income statement (e.g. cash flow hedge reserve and available-for-sale ("AFS") valuation reserve); and
 - items that are not transferred back to the income statement (e.g. reserve for post-employment benefit actuarial gains/losses).
- substantially introduces a new version of IAS 19 "Employee benefits" which provides for - among the other things - elimination of the "corridor method" for recording actuarial gains/losses, changes in the ways to determine the interest on plan assets, the accounting for "service costs" and the introduction of new disclosure requirements.

2. EU Regulation 1254/2012²:

- introduces IFRS 10 "Consolidated financial statements", IFRS 11 "Joint Arrangements" and IFRS 12 "Disclosure of interests in other entities"; and
- amends IAS 27 "Consolidated and separate financial statements" and 28 "Investments in associates", basically introducing certain changes to the rules governing the drafting and obligatory information in the consolidated financial statements and separate financial statements.

3. EU Regulation 1255/2012³:

- introduces the accounting standard IFRS 13 "Fair value measurement" applicable to the assets and

(1) The provisions must be applied starting from 1/1/2013

(2) The provisions must be applied starting from 1/1/2014

(3) The provisions must be applied starting from 1/1/2013

liabilities that have to be measured at fair value (apart from certain specific exceptions provided for in application of standard⁴) or disclosure in the financial statements regarding their fair values. This standard basically provides common guidelines to use for all the items measured at fair value in accordance with the provisions of the IAS/IFRS, introducing a standard framework in the way that fair value has to be measured and requiring further disclosures beyond those already provided for in the other accounting standards;

- amendment to IAS 12 “Income taxes” introducing an exception to the measurement standard provided for in IAS 12 regarding deferred taxation in the form of a relative presumption whereby the book value of a property investment (properties previously covered by IAS 40) measured with the fair value model can be recovered through sale and an entity would have to use the tax rate applicable to the sale of the asset in question;
- amendment to IFRS 1 “First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards”;
- introduces IFRIC 20 “Stripping costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine”.

4. EU Regulation 1256/2012:

- amends IFRS 7 “Financial instruments: disclosures”⁵ regarding the additional disclosures regarding offsetting financial assets and liabilities with special regard to:
 - all financial instruments subject to offsetting in accordance with IAS 32;
 - those financial instruments that are subject to “master netting arrangements” - or similar types of agreements - where the effects - or potential effects - on the financial position of the entity can be indicated to the users;
- amends IAS 32 “Financial instruments - presentation”⁶ in order to provide additional guidelines to reduce

inconsistencies in the practical application of the standard regarding the offsetting of financial assets and liabilities.

Regarding the adoption of the new standards and amendments that must be applied starting from 1/1/2013, we believe that they will not have significant effects on the financial statements of the Banca Sistema Group.

Amendments to IAS 39

IAS 39 is currently undergoing full revision and at the moment the IASB has not issued any documents that have yet been approved by the European Commission. With respect to the obligatory adoption of the new accounting rules, the IASB issued the “Mandatory Effective Date of IFRS 9 and Transition Disclosures” amendment on 16 December 2011, which postpones the term to 1 January 2015, noting the following regarding the three separate phases of the project.

Phase I - Classification and Measurement

An Exposure Draft was published in December 2012 which provides for limited amendments to the previous versions of the standard that had been issued in November 2009 and October 2010 respectively. The Exposure Draft proposes the introduction of a third category classified by financial asset, the Fair value/OCI, intended to include the debt instruments that the company can hold with the intention of both cashing the contractual flows and of selling them.

Phase II - Impairment methodology

Publication of a new Exposure Draft is expected in the first quarter of 2013 on the basis of the analyses and decisions made by the IASB following publication, in January 2011, of the Supplementary Document. This impairment methodology should be applied to all the

(4) For example, the provisions of IFRS 13 do not apply to the share-based payments (IFRS 2), leases (IAS 17), or measurements that are similar to fair value measurements (such as the net realisable value of inventories as provided by IAS 2 and the value in use as provided by IAS 36).

(5) The provisions must be applied starting from 1/1/2013

(6) The provisions must be applied starting from 1/1/2014

financial assets valued at amortised cost, the financial assets that will be recorded in the aforesaid new Fair Value/OCI category and to the loans to be granted and the financial guarantees that are not valued at fair value with an impact on the income statement.

Phase III - Hedge Accounting

On 7 September 2012, a Staff Draft relating to General Hedge Accounting was published, following the consultation process to which the Exposure Draft was subject, with the provisions basically aimed at both moving the hedging accounting entries closer to the logic of risk management and introducing a standard that is more focused on the objective intended to be reached through the hedging and the methods of attaining said objective.

The new provisions of the Staff Draft can be summarised as follows:

- elimination of the quantitative test requirement to check the effectiveness in favour of the entity having the choice of using a quantitative rather than a qualitative method, applied on a more consistent basis in accordance with what is considered to be more appropriate to capture the significant characteristics of the hedging relationship (and the reasons underlying its ineffectiveness);
- if ineffective, the need to rebalance the hedging relations (known as rebalancing) working on the hedged item or on the hedging instrument if the risk management strategy that initiated the hedge stayed the same instead of discontinuing it;
- ability to hedge net positions.

A Discussion Paper is planned to be published in 2013 on “Macro hedge accounting”, which the IASB intends to be issued separately after the entire project from which the new IFRS 9 standard will originate.

SECTION 3 - Area and methods of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the equity and financial results of the parent company, Banca Sistema and those of the companies that it directly or indirectly controls and that are consolidated in accordance with the line-by-line method:

Company names	Head Office	Types of relationship ⁽¹⁾	Quota held		
			Investee company	% held	% voting rights held ⁽²⁾
A. Companies					
A.1. Fully consolidated					
1. S.F. Trust Holdings Ltd.	London	1	Banca Sistema	100%	100%
2. S.F. Trust Servicing Ltd.	London	1	S.F. Trust Holdings	100%	100%
3. S.F. Trust Italia S.r.l.	Rome	1	S.F. Trust Holdings	100%	100%
4. Solvi S.r.l.	Milan	1	Banca Sistema	100%	100%
5. Pubblica Funding	Milan	2	-	-	-

Key:

(1) Type of relationship.

1. = majority voting rights at the ordinary shareholders' meetings
2. = dominating influence
3. = agreements with other shareholders
4. = other forms of control
5. = unified management pursuant to art. 26, paragraph 1 of "Legislative Decree 87/92"
6. = unified management pursuant to art. 26, paragraph 2 of "Legislative Decree 87/92"
7. = joint control

(2) Availability of votes in ordinary shareholders' meeting, distinguishing between effective and potential.

Changes in the scope of consolidation

The transfer to the Bank of the remaining portion (equal to 3%) of the share capital of Specialty Finance Trust Limited at the same purchase price was completed in this financial year.

There were no other changes in the scope of consolidation of the group or changes in the consolidation method.

Line-by-line method

The companies over which the parent company has control are consolidated in accordance with the line-by-line consolidation method. The concept of control goes beyond that of a majority holding in the share capital of the subsidiary and is defined as the power to determine the management and financial policies of the subsidiary in order to obtain the benefits of its business.

The line-by-line consolidation aggregates the balance sheet and the income statement accounting totals of the subsidiaries on a line by line basis. The following adjustments were made for that purpose:

- a. the book value of the investments held by the Parent Company and the corresponding portion of the shareholders' equity have been eliminated;

- b. the portion of shareholders' equity and profits or losses for the year owned by minority interests is recognised as a separate item.

If the results of the afore-mentioned adjustments are positive, they are recognised - after any charging to the assets or liabilities of the subsidiary - as goodwill under item "130 Intangible Assets" at the date of the initial consolidation. If the differences are negative they are charged to the income statement. The balances and intra-group transactions, including revenues, costs and dividends, are fully eliminated. The financial results of a subsidiary purchased in the period are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date of purchase. Similarly, the financial results of a subsidiary sold during the period are included in the consolidated financial statements up to the date it is sold. The accounting situations used in preparing the consolidated financial statements are drawn up for the same date. The consolidated financial statements are drawn up using the standard accounting standards for similar transactions and actions. If a subsidiary uses accounting standards that are different from those adopted by the consolidated financial statements for similar operations and actions, adjustments were made to the accounting position for the purposes of consolidation.

SECTION 4 - Subsequent events

With regard to IAS 10, after 31 December 2012, the reference date of the consolidated financial statements, and up to 27 March 2013, the date that the draft financial statements were presented to the Board of Directors, no events occurred that would

require any adjustments to the figures in the financial statements occurred.

SECTION 5 - Other aspects

There are no other significant aspects to note.

List of IAS / IFRS principles, approved by the European Commission

IAS/IFRS	ACCOUNTING STANDARDS	REGULATION ENDORSEMENT
IAS 1	Presentation of Financial Statements	Reg. 1274/08, 53/09, 70/09, 494/09, 243/10, 149/11, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 2	Inventories	Reg. 1126/08, 1255/12
IAS 7	Statement of Cash Flows	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 494/09, 243/10, 1254/12
IAS 8	Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 1255/12
IAS 10	Events after the Reporting Period	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 1142/09, 1255/12
IAS 11	Construction Contracts	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
IAS 12	Income Taxes	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 495/09, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 16	Property, Plant and Equipment	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 495/09, 1255/12
IAS 17	Leases	Reg. 1126/08, 243/10, 1255/12
IAS 18	Revenue	Reg. 1126/08, 69/09, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 19	Employee Benefits	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 475/12, 1255/12
IAS 20	Accounting for Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 475/12, 1255/12
IAS 21	The Effects of Changes in Foreign Exchange Rates	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 69/09, 494/09, 149/11, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 23	Borrowing costs	Reg. 1260/08, 70/09
IAS 24	Related Party Disclosures	Reg. 632/10, 475/12, 1254/12
IAS 26	Accounting and Reporting by Retirement Benefit Plans	Reg. 1126/08
IAS 27 (*)	Consolidated and Separate Financial Statements	Reg. 1254/12
IAS 28 (*)	Investments in Associates	Reg. 1254/12
IAS 29	Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09
IAS 31 (**)	Interests in Joint Ventures (deleted by Regulation n. 1254/2012)	Reg. 1126/08, 70/09, 494/09, 149/11, 1255/12
IAS 32	Financial Instruments: Presentation	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 53/09, 70/2009, 495/09, 1293/09, 149/11, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12, 1256/12
IAS 33	Earnings per Share	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 495/09, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 34	Interim Financial Reporting	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 495/09, 149/11, 475/12, 1255/12
IAS 36	Impairment of Assets	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 69/09, 70/09, 495/09, 243/10, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 37	Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 495/09
IAS 38	Intangible Assets	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 495/09, 243/10, 1254/12, 1255/12
IAS 39	Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement (except for certain rules on hedge accounting)	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 53/2009, 70/09, 494/09, 495/09, 824/09, 839/09, 1171/09, 243/10, 149/11, 1254/12, 1255/12

IAS 40	Investment Property	Reg. 1126/08, Reg. 1274/08, Reg. 70/09, 1255/12
IAS 41	Agriculture	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 1255/12
IFRS 1	First-time Adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards	Reg. 1126/09, 1164/09, 550/10, 574/10, 662/10, 149/11, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IFRS 2	Share-based Payment	Reg. 1126/08, 1261/08, 495/09, 243/10, 244/10, 1254/12, 1255/12
IFRS 3	Business Combinations	Reg. 495/09, 149/11, 1254/12, 1255/12
IFRS 4	Insurance Contracts	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 1165/09, 1255/12
IFRS 5	Non-current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09, 494/09, 1142/09, 243/10, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12
IFRS 6	Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources	Reg. 1126/08
IFRS 7	Financial Instruments: Disclosures	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 53/09, 70/2009, 495/09, 824/09, 1165/09, 574/10, 149/11, 1205/11, 475/12, 1254/12, 1255/12, 1256/12
IFRS 8	Operating Segments	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 243/10, 632/10, 475/12
IFRS 10	Consolidated Financial Statements	Reg. 1254/12
IFRS 11	Joint Arrangements	Reg. 1254/12
IFRS 12	Disclosure of Interests in Other Entities	Reg. 1254/12
IFRS 13	Fair Value Measurement	Reg. 1255/12

SIC/IFRIC	ACCOUNTING STANDARDS	REGULATION ENDORSEMENT
IFRIC 1	Changes in Existing Decommissioning, Restoration and Similar Liabilities	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
IFRIC 2	Members' Shares in Cooperative Entities and Similar Instruments	Reg. 1126/08, 53/09, 1255/12
IFRIC 4	Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease	Reg. 1126/08, 70/09, 1255/12
IFRIC 5	Rights to Interests arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds	Reg. 1126/08, 1254/12
IFRIC 6	Liabilities arising from Participating in a Specific Market - Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment	Reg. 1126/08
IFRIC 7	Applying the Restatement Approach under IAS 29 - Financial Reporting in Hyperinflationary Economies	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
IFRIC 9	Reassessment of Embedded Derivatives	Reg. 1126/08, 495/09, 1171/09, 243/10, 1254/12
IFRIC 10	Interim Financial Reporting and Impairment	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
IFRIC 12	Service Concession Arrangements	Reg. 254/09
IFRIC 13	Customer Loyalty Programmes	Reg. 1262/08, 149/11, 1255/12
IFRIC 14	The Limit on a Defined Benefit Asset, Minimum Funding Requirements and their Interaction	Reg. 1263/08, Reg. 1274/08, 633/10, 475/12
IFRIC 15	Agreements for the Construction of Real Estate	Reg. 636/09
IFRIC 16	Hedges of a Net Investment in a Foreign Operation	Reg. 460/09, Reg. 243/10, 1254/12
IFRIC 17	Distributions of Non-cash Assets to Owners	Reg. 1142/09, 1254/12, 1255/12
IFRIC 18	Transfers of Assets from Customers	Reg. 1164/09
IFRIC 19	Extinguishing Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments	Reg. 662/10, 1255/12
IFRIC 20	Stripping Costs in the Production Phase of a Surface Mine	Reg. 1255/12

SIC 7	Introduction of the Euro	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 494/09
SIC 10	Government Assistance - No Specific Relation to Operating Activities	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
SIC 12 (**)	Consolidation - Special Purpose Entities (deleted by Regulation n. 1254/2012)	Reg. 1126/08
SIC 13	Jointly Controlled Entities - Non-Monetary Contributions by Venturers (deleted by Regulation n. 1254/2012)	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
SIC 15	Operating Leases - Incentives	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
SIC 21 (***)	Income Taxes - Recovery of Revalued non-Depreciable Assets (deleted by Regulation n.1255/2012)	Reg. 1126/08
SIC 25	Income Taxes - Changes in the Tax Status of an Entity or its Shareholders	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08
SIC 27	Evaluating the Substance of Transactions Involving the Legal Form of a Lease	Reg. 1126/08
SIC 29	Service Concession Arrangements: Disclosures	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08, 70/09
SIC 31	Revenue - Barter Transactions Involving Advertising Services	Reg. 1126/08
SIC 32	Intangible Assets - Web Site Costs	Reg. 1126/08, 1274/08

A.2 - INFORMATION ON THE MAIN ITEMS OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Held-for-trading financial assets

Classification criteria

This item classifies the financial instruments on a cash basis held for trading⁷. A financial asset of liability is classified as held for trading (known as Fair Value Through Profit or Loss - FVPL), and recorded under “20 Held-for-trading financial assets” or “40 Held-for-trading financial liabilities”, if it is:

- purchased or held mainly to sell it or repurchase it in the short term;
- part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments managed on a single basis and where there is evidence of a recent and effective strategy aimed at obtaining profit in the short term;
- a derivative (apart from designated derivatives that are effective hedging instruments - see paragraph below on this issue).

Recognition criteria

Initial recognition of the held-for-trading financial assets occurs: i) at the settlement date for debt securities, capital and shares in UCITS; ii) at the subscription date for derivative contracts.

The initial recognition of held-for-trading financial assets is at fair value, not including any transaction costs or income that are directly recognised on the income statement even though directly attributable to the instrument. The initial fair value of a financial instrument is usually the cost incurred for its acquisition.

Measurement and recognition criteria for income components

Following initial recognition, held-for-trading financial assets are measured at fair value, and any changes are recorded in the income statement.

For more details on the methods of calculating the fair

(7) The positions held for trading purposes are those that are meant to be subsequently transferred in the short term and/or held in order to provide short-term benefits in the difference between the purchase and the sales price or other price changes or interest rate changes. The positions are intended to mean own positions or positions resulting from customer services or trading support (market making).

value please refer to paragraph 17.3 below “Criteria for calculating the fair value of financial instruments”.

Gains and losses on disposal or redemption and unrealised gains or losses resulting from changes in the fair value of held-for-trading financial assets are recognised on the income statement under “net income from trading activities”.

Derecognition criteria

Held-for-trading financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights on the cash flows deriving from the assets are lost, or in the case of a transfer, when the same entails the substantial transfer of all risks and benefits related to the assets.

2. Available-for-sale financial assets

Classification criteria

This category includes the non-derivative financial assets not classified otherwise as “Held-for-trading financial assets” or “Held-to-maturity financial assets” or “Financial assets measured at fair value” or “Receivables”.

The investments “available for sale” are financial assets that are intended to be retained for an indefinite period of time and that may be sold for reasons of liquidity, changes in interest rates, exchange rates or market prices.

A financial instrument is designated to the category in question when it is initially recorded or following any reclassifications in accordance with paragraphs 50 to 54 of IAS 39, as amended by Regulation (EC) no 1004/2008 of the European Commission of 15 October 2008.

Recognition criteria

Initial recognition of available-for-sale financial assets is at the date of settlement, based on their fair value including the costs/income of the transaction directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial instrument. Costs/income having the aforesaid characteristics that will be repaid by the debtor or that can be considered as standard internal administrative costs are excluded.

The initial fair value of a financial instrument is usually the cost incurred for its acquisition.

Measurement and recognition criteria for income components

Following initial recognition, available-for-sale financial assets are measured at their fair value with any gains or losses resulting from a change in the fair value compared to the amortised cost, recorded in a specific equity reserve recorded in the statement of comprehensive income up until said financial asset is derecognised or an impairment loss is recorded.

For more details on the methods of calculating the fair value please refer to paragraph 17.3 below “Criteria for calculating the fair value of financial instruments”.

With reference to the valuation reserves relating to debt securities issued by the Central Authorities of countries belonging to the European Union, the Bank of Italy issued an order on 18 May 2010 recognising - for the purposes of calculating the regulatory capital (prudential filters) - the option of fully neutralising the capital gains and losses reported in the aforesaid reserves after 31 December 2009. The Bank availed of that option starting from calculation of the regulatory capital (see also Part F - Information on equity).

Impairment testing is performed in accordance with paragraphs 58 et seq. of IAS 39 at every year end. As regards equity securities listed on an active market, a significant or prolonged reduction of the fair value below the purchase cost is also evidence of impairment.

If the fair value is reduced in cost by more than 50% or in duration by more than 18 months, the impairment is considered to be permanent. If, however, the decrease in the fair value of the cost of the instrument is lower than or equal to 50% but above 20%, or in duration by not more than 18 months but not less than 9, the Bank will analyse other income and market indicators. If the results of said analysis are such as to shed doubt on the possibility of recovering the amount originally invested, permanent impairment will be recognised. The amount transferred to the income statement is therefore equal to

the difference between the book value (acquisition cost net of any losses due to impairment already reported in the income statement) and the current fair value.

The amount of any impairment is recorded under the income statement item “net value adjustments/write-backs due to impairment of available-for-sale financial assets”. This amount also includes the reversal to the income statement of any profits/losses from the measurement previously recorded in the specific shareholders’ equity reserve. If, in a subsequent period, the fair value of the financial instrument increases and this increase may be objectively related to an event that occurred after the impairment was reported in the income statement, the impairment must be eliminated by reporting the write-back under the same income statement item where monetary elements (for example, debt securities) and shareholders’ equity if they relate to non-monetary items are reported (for example, equity securities). The write-back in the income statement may not, in any event, exceed the amortised cost that the instrument would have had in the absence of the previous adjustments.

Interest income on the aforesaid financial assets is calculated by applying effective interest rate criteria with recognition of the result under the income statement item “interest income and similar income”.

The profits and losses deriving from the disposal or reimbursement of the aforementioned financial assets are reported in the income statement item “Profits (losses) from disposal or repurchase of: available-for-sale financial assets” and include the possible reversal to the income statement of the profits/losses previously recorded in the specific shareholders’ equity reserve.

Derecognition criteria

Financial assets available-for-sale are derecognised when the contractual rights on the cash flows deriving from the assets expire, or in the case of a transfer, when the same entails the substantial transfer of all risks and benefits related to the financial assets.

3. Held-to-maturity financial assets

Held-to-maturity financial assets (HTM) are non-derivative financial assets, with fixed or calculable payments and fixed maturities for which there is the objective intention and capacity to hold them to maturity. The following are not included:

- a. those held for trading and those designated at fair value upon initial recognition recognised in the income statement (see previous paragraph);
- b. those designated as available for sale (see previous paragraph);
- c. those that meet the definition of receivables and loans (see paragraph below).

When the financial statements or interim accounts are being drafted, the intention and capacity to hold financial assets to maturity is assessed. These assets are reported under item “50 Held-to-maturity financial assets”.

Recognition criteria

The held-to-maturity financial assets are initially reported when, and only when, the company becomes party to the contractual clauses of the instrument, or at the time of settlement, at a value equal to the cost, inclusive of any directly attributable costs and income. If the reporting of this asset in this category derives from reclassification from the “Available-for-sale financial assets” or - only in rare circumstances if the asset is no longer owned for the purpose or selling or repurchasing it in the short term - by the “Held-for-trading financial assets”, the fair value of the asset, recorded at the time of transfer, is taken as the new measurement of the amortised cost of this asset.

Measurement criteria

The held-to-maturity financial assets are valued at the amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method (for a definition of this, please refer to the paragraph below “Receivables and Loans”). The result from applying this method is charged to the income statement in item “10 Interest income and similar income”.

Impairment testing of the assets is performed when

drafting the financial statements or the interim reports. If there is impairment, the difference between the book value of the asset and the current value of the estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate, is charged to the income statement under “130 Net value adjustments/write-backs due to impairment of c) held-to-maturity financial assets”. The same income statement item also reports any write-backs recorded if the reasons behind the previous value adjustments are no longer valid.

The fair value of the held-to-maturity financial assets is determined for information purposes or to ensure effective hedging against exchange risk or credit risk (in relation to the risk subject to hedging) and is estimated in accordance with the more detailed description in Section A.3.2 of the Explanatory notes “Hierarchy of fair value”.

Derecognition criteria

Held-to-maturity financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights on the cash flows deriving from the assets are expire, or in the case of a transfer, when the same entails the substantial transfer of all risks and benefits related to the assets. The result of the disposal of the held-to-maturity financial assets is charged to the income statement under “100 Profits (losses) from the disposal or repurchase of c) held-to-maturity financial assets”.

4. Receivables

4.1. Loans to banks

Classification criteria

This category includes cash financial assets held at banks that provide for fixed or calculable payments and are not listed on an market (current accounts, guarantee deposits, debt securities etc.). It also includes amounts due from Central Banks that are not demand deposits (which are recorded under “cash and cash equivalents”).

Please refer to paragraph 4.2 below “Loans to customers” for information regarding reporting, measurement,

derecognition and recognition of the income items of the receivables.

4.2. Loans to customers

Classification criteria

Loans to customers include unstructured cash financial assets for customers that have fixed or calculable payments and that are not quoted on an active market.

Most loans to customers comprise on demand advances to customers as part of the factoring of non-recourse receivables acquired with respect to the Public Administration, where there are no contractual clauses that would prevent them from being registered.

In accordance with the general principle of the precedence of economic substance over legal form, a company may cancel a financial asset from its financial statements only if it is through a transfer of the risks and benefits related to the transferred instrument.

IAS 39 provides that a company can only cancel a financial asset from its financial statements if and only if:

- a. the financial asset is transferred and, with this, essentially all of the risks and contractual rights to the cash flows deriving from the asset mature;
- b. the benefits attached to ownership of the asset are no longer valid.

The following conditions must be checked on an alternative basis in order for the financial asset to be transferred:

- a. the company has transferred the rights to receive cash flows from the financial asset;
- b. the company has maintained the right to receive the cash flows from the financial asset, but has assumed the obligation to pay them to one or more beneficiaries as part of an agreement in which the following conditions are met:
 - the company is under no obligation to pay predetermined sums to any beneficiary apart from what is received from the original financial asset;

- the company may not sell or pledge the financial asset;
- the company is under an obligation to transfer any cash flow that it collects, on behalf of any beneficiaries, without delay. Any investment of the cash flows for a period between cashing them and payment must take place only with financial assets that are equivalent to cash and therefore with no right to any interest that has matured on said invested sums.
- if it does not have control, it must write-off the financial asset and separately recognise the individual assets/liabilities resulting from the rights/obligations of the assignment;
- if it maintains control, it must continue to recognise the financial asset up to the limit of its investment commitment.

In order to verify the transfer of a financial asset that results in the cancellation of the assignor from the financial statements, for each transfer the assigning company must assess the extent of any risks and benefits connected to the financial asset it holds.

In order to evaluate the actual transfer of the risks and benefits, the exposure of the assigning company must be compared with the variability of the current value or the cash flows generated by the financial asset transferred, before and after the assignment.

The assigning company essentially maintains all the risks and benefits when its exposure to the “variability” of the current value of the net future cash flows does not change significantly following its transfer. However, there is a transfer when the exposure to this “variability” is no longer significant.

In summary, there can be three situations and each has specific effects, namely:

- a. if the company transfers almost all of the risks and benefits of ownership of the financial asset, it must ‘write-off’ the financial asset and record the rights or obligations deriving from the assignment separately as assets or liabilities;
- b. if the company maintains almost all of the risks and benefits of ownership of the financial asset, it must continue to recognise the financial asset;
- c. if the company does not transfer or maintain almost all of the risks and benefits of ownership of the financial asset, it must evaluate the elements of control of the financial asset, and:

In order to check control, the discriminating factor to consider is the beneficiary’s capacity to unilaterally assign the financial asset without any restrictions by the assigning company. If the beneficiary of a financial asset transfer can sell the entire financial asset to a non-related third party and can do it unilaterally without having to impose any further limitations on the transfer, the assigning company no longer controls the financial asset. In all other cases, it maintains control over the financial asset.

The most frequently used forms of assigning a financial instrument may have profoundly different accounting effects:

- in the case of non-recourse transactions (with no guarantee restrictions), the assigned assets may be deleted from the assigning company’s financial statements;
- in the case of a with-recourse assignment, in the majority of cases the risk connected to the transferred asset remains with the seller and, therefore the assignment does not meet the requirements to have the instrument sold written off on an accounting basis.

As stated above, the Group only acquires non-recourse receivables due from the Public Administration.

Recognition criteria

Initial recognition of a receivable is at the date of settlement on the basis of its fair value including the costs/income of the transaction directly attributable to the acquisition of the receivable. Costs/income having the aforesaid characteristics that will be repaid by the debtor or that can be considered as standard internal administrative costs are excluded. The initial fair value of a financial instrument is usually equivalent to the amount granted or the cost

incurred by the acquisition.

Measurement and recognition criteria for income components

Following initial recognition, customer loans are stated at amortised cost, equal to the initial recognition value reduced/increased by capital repayments, by any value adjustments/write-backs and the amortisation – calculated on the basis of the effective interest rate – of the difference between the amount provided and that repayable at maturity, usually the cost/income directly attributed to the individual loan.

The effective interest rate is the rate that discounts the flow of future payments estimated for the expected duration of the loan, in order to obtain the exact net book value at the time of initial recognition, which includes both the directly attributable transaction costs and all of the fees paid or received between the parties.

This accounting method, based on financial logic, enables the economic effect of costs/income to be spread over the expected residual life of the receivable.

The estimation of the flows and of the contractual duration of the loan takes into account all contractual clauses that may influence the amounts and the maturities (such as, for example, early extinction and various exercisable options), without considering, on the other hand, any losses expected on the loan.

Furthermore, an analysis is always performed to identify problem loans that show objective evidence of possible impairment at year end. With regard to past due exposures relating to the Public Administration, referring to receivables acquired on a definitive basis as part of the factoring, it was decided that the conditions for making value adjustments were not present considering the quality of the receivable and the debtor counterparties. Given the above, since the new activity started in the second half of the 2011 financial year, a prudential write-down of the receivables of 0.3% was applied. This prudential write-down was made even though there were no specific, analytical risks that could be classified as non-performing loans, watchlist loans or past due loans. Those receivables for which there was

no objective evidence of loss are subject to collective write-down.

Neither “repurchase agreement” transactions or amounts due from Group companies are written down.

The amount of value adjustments net of previous provisions and the partial or full recovery of amounts previously written-down are recorded in the income statement under “net value adjustments/write-backs due to impairment”.

Derecognition criteria

Loans are derecognised from the financial statements when they are deemed totally unrecoverable or if transferred, when this entails the substantial transfer of all loan-related risks and benefits.

5. Financial assets measured at fair value

At the date of the financial statements, the Group did not hold any “Financial assets measured at fair value”.

6. Hedging Transactions

At the date of the financial statements, the Group had not made any “Hedging transactions”.

7. Equity investments

Classification criteria

This category includes investments in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures by Banca Sistema.

Recognition criteria

Equity investments are recorded in the financial statements at purchase cost.

Measurement criteria

If there is evidence that the value of an equity investment may be impaired, the recoverable value of said equity investment is estimated by considering the present value of future cash flows that the investment could generate, including the final disposal value of the investment and/or other measurement elements.

The amount of any impairment, calculated on the basis of the difference between the book value of the investment and its recoverable value is recorded in the income statement under “profits (losses) from equity investments”.

If the reasons for impairment are removed following an event occurring after recognition of the impairment, write-backs are made to the income statement under the same item as above to the extent of the previous adjustment.

Derecognition criteria

Equity investments are derecognised from the financial statements when the contractual rights to cash flows deriving from the investment are lost or when the investment is transferred, with the substantial transfer of all related risks and benefits.

Criteria for recognition of income components

In accordance with IAS 18, dividends are recorded when the right of the shareholder to receive payment has been established and, therefore, after the date of resolution of the Shareholders' Meeting of the investee company.

8. Property, plant and equipment

Classification criteria

This item includes assets for permanent use, held to generate income, to be leased, or for administrative purposes, such as land, functional property, property investments, technical installations, furniture and fittings and equipment of any nature and works of art.

They also include costs for improvements to third party assets if they can be separated from the assets in question. If the above costs do not display functional or usefulness-related autonomy, but future economic benefits are expected from them, they are recorded under “other assets” and are depreciated over the shorter period between that of expected usefulness of the improvements in question and the residual duration of the lease. Depreciation is recognised under Other operating charges/income.

Property, plant and equipment also include payments on account for the purchase and restructuring of assets not yet part of the production process and therefore not yet subject to depreciation.

“Functional” property is represented by assets held for the provision of services or for administrative purposes, while property held for “investment purposes” are those held to collect lease rentals and/or held for capital appreciation.

Recognition criteria

Property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost, including all costs directly attributable to installation of the asset.

Extraordinary maintenance costs and costs for improvements leading to actual improvement of the asset, or an increase in the future benefits generated by the asset, are attributed to the reference assets and are depreciated on the basis of their residual useful life.

Measurement and recognition criteria for income components

Following initial recognition, property, plant and equipment are recorded at cost, less accumulated depreciation and any write-downs for impairment losses, in line with the cost model illustrated in paragraph 30 of IAS 16. More specifically, property, plant and equipment are systematically depreciated each year on the basis of their estimated useful life, using the straight line basis method apart from:

- land, regardless of whether this was purchased separately or was incorporated into the value of the building, which, insofar as it has an indefinite useful life, is not depreciated;
- works of art, which are not depreciated as their useful life cannot be estimated and their value typically appreciates over time;
- property investments which are recorded at fair value in accordance with IAS 40.

For assets acquired during the financial year, depreciation is calculated on a daily basis from the date of entry into

use of the asset. For assets transferred or disposed of during the financial year, depreciation is calculated on a daily basis from the date of transfer or disposal.

At the end of each year, if there is any evidence that property, plant or equipment that is not held for investment purposes may have suffered an impairment loss, a comparison is made between its book value and its recoverable amount, equal to the higher between the fair value, net of any costs to sell, and the related value in use of the asset, intended as the actual value of future cash flows expected from the asset. Any adjustments are recognised to the income statement under “net value adjustments on property, plant and equipment”.

If the reasons that led to recognition of the impairment loss cease to apply, a write-back is recorded that may not exceed the value that the asset would have had, net of depreciation calculated in the absence of previous impairment losses.

For property, plant and equipment held “for investment purposes”, which come within the area of application of the IAS 40, the measurement is made at the market value determined using independent surveys and the changes in fair value are recorded in the income statement under the item “net result of the fair value measurement of property, plant and equipment and intangible assets”.

Derecognition criteria

Property, plant and equipment is derecognised from the balance sheet upon disposal thereof or when the asset is permanently withdrawn from use and no future economic reward is expected from its disposal.

9. Intangible assets

Classification criteria

This item includes non-monetary assets without physical substance that satisfy the following requirements:

- they can be identified;
- they can be monitored;
- they generate future economic benefits.

In the absence of one of the above characteristics,

the expense of acquiring or generating the asset internally is recorded as a cost in the year in which it was incurred.

Intangible assets include, in particular, software to be used over several years and other identifiable assets generated by legal or contractual rights.

Goodwill is also included under this item, representing the positive difference between the acquisition cost and fair value of the assets and liabilities acquired as part of a business combination. Specifically, an intangible asset is recognised as goodwill when the positive difference between the fair value of equity components acquired and the acquisition cost represents the future capacity of the equity investment to generate profit (goodwill). If this difference proves negative (badwill), or if the goodwill offers no justification of the capacity to generate future profit from the equity elements acquired, it is recognised directly to the income statement.

10. Non-current assets and groups of assets being disposed of

Classification criteria

This item includes all non-current assets and groups of assets being disposed of in accordance with IFRS 5, namely all the “non-current individual assets” or “groups of assets” being disposed of (by convention indicated as “individual assets”) whose book values will be recovered mainly through their sale rather than through their ongoing use, and the “operating units held for disposal” (by convention indicated as “groups of assets held for disposal”).

Measurement criteria

These non-current individual assets or the groups of assets held for disposal are measured at the lower of their book value and their fair value net of selling costs, with the exclusion of the following assets which continue to be measured in accordance with the reference principle:

- deferred tax assets;
- assets deriving from employee benefits;
- financial instruments;

- property investments.

Criteria for recognition of income components

Income (interest income, dividends etc.) and charges (interest expense, amortisation and depreciation, etc.) that refer to the non-current individual assets or groups of assets held for disposal and related liabilities being disposed of continue to be recorded under their own items while the income (interest income, dividends, etc.) and charges (interest expense, amortisation and depreciation, etc.) that refer to the operating units held for disposal, net of current and deferred tax are recorded under “profit (loss) of non-current assets being disposed of, net of taxes” in the income statement.

Assuming that the assets being disposed of are depreciable, the depreciation process ceases starting from financial year in which they are classified among non-current assets held for disposal.

11. Current and deferred taxes

Income taxes for the period, calculated in compliance with prevailing tax regulations, are recorded in the income statement based on the accrual criteria, in accordance with the recognition in the financial statements of the costs and of the revenues that generated them, apart from those referring to the items directly debited or credited to the shareholders’ equity, where the recognition of the tax is made on the shareholders’ equity in order to be consistent.

Allocations for income taxes are calculated on the basis of a prudential estimate of the current, prepaid and deferred tax burden. More specifically, prepaid and deferred taxes are determined on the basis of the temporary differences between the book value of assets and liabilities and their value for taxation purposes. Prepaid tax assets are recorded in the financial statements to the extent that it is probable that they will be recovered on the basis of the Group’s ability to continue to generate positive taxable income.

Prepaid and deferred taxes are accounted for at equity level with open balances and without offsetting entries, recording the former under “Tax assets” and the latter

under “Tax liabilities”.

With respect to current taxes, at the level of individual taxes, the prepayments made are offset with the relevant tax charge, indicating the net imbalance under “current tax assets” or the “current tax liabilities” depending on whether it is positive or negative.

12. Provisions for risks and charges

In line with the requirements of IAS 37, provisions for risks and charges cover liabilities, the amount or timing of which is uncertain, related to current obligations (legal or implicit), owing to a past event for which it is likely that financial resources will be used to fulfil the obligation, on condition that an estimate of the amount required to fulfil said obligation can be made at the financial statements reference date. Where the temporary deferral in sustaining the charge is significant, and therefore the extent of the discounting will be significant, provisions are discounted at current market rates.

The provisions are reviewed at each financial statements reference date and adjusted to reflect the current best estimate. These are recorded under their own items in the income statement in accordance with a cost classification approach based on the “nature” of the cost. Provisions related to future charges for employed personnel relating to the bonus system appear under “personnel costs”. The provisions that refer to risks and charges of a fiscal nature are reported as “income taxes”, whereas the provisions connected to the risk of potential losses not directly chargeable to specific items in the income statement recorded as “net provisions for risks and charges”.

13. Payables and securities in issue

Classification criteria

Amounts due to banks and due to customers include the various forms of inter-banking or client funding deposits (current accounts, demand and bonded deposits, loans, repurchasing agreements, etc.) whereas securities in issue include all the liabilities issued (bond

loans not classified as “financial liabilities measured at fair value”, etc.).

All the financial instruments issued by the Parent Company are expressed in the financial statements net of any amounts repurchased and include those that have matured as at the reference date but have not yet been reimbursed.

Recognition criteria

These financial liabilities are initially recognised when the deposits are received or when the debt securities are issued. Initial recognition is based on the fair value of the liabilities, increased by the costs/income of the transaction directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial instrument.

Costs/income having the aforesaid characteristics that will be repaid by the creditor or that can be considered as standard internal administrative costs are excluded.

The initial fair value of a financial liability is usually equivalent to the amount cashed.

Any derivative contracts included in said financial liabilities, which are subject to the assumptions of IAS 32 and 39, are broken down and measured separately.

Measurement criteria

After the initial recognition, the aforesaid financial liabilities are valued at amortised cost with the effective interest rate method.

Derecognition criteria

The above financial liabilities are derecognised from the balance sheet at maturity or when they are extinguished. They are derecognised also in the event of repurchase, even temporary, of the previously-issued securities. Any difference between the book value of the extinguished liability and the amount paid is recorded in the income statement, under “profit (loss) from disposal or repurchase of: financial liabilities”. If the Bank, subsequent to the repurchase, re-replaces its own securities on the market, said transaction is considered a new issue and the liability is recorded at the new

placement price.

14. Held-for-trading financial liabilities

At the date of the financial statements, the Group did not have any “Held-for-trading financial liabilities”.

15. Financial liabilities carried at fair value

At the date of the financial statements, the Group did not have any “Financial liabilities carried at fair value”.

16. Currency transactions

The currency assets and liabilities include, in addition to those explicitly designated in a currency other than the Euro, those that include financial indexing clauses associated with the Euro exchange rate with a designated currency or a designated bundle of currencies. In accordance with the conversion methods to be used, the assets and liabilities in currencies are subdivided between monetary and non-monetary items.

Recognition criteria

Foreign currency transactions are recorded, at the time of initial recognition, in Euro, applying the spot exchange rates in force on the date of the transaction to the amount in foreign currency.

Measurement criteria

At each financial statements reference date:

- the monetary elements in foreign currencies are converted using the exchange rate in force at the end of the financial year;
- the non-monetary components valued at historical cost are converted at the exchange rate in effect on the date of the transaction;
- the non-monetary components carried at fair value in a foreign currency are converted at the exchange rate in effect on the date the fair value is determined.

The differences in the exchange rates that result from the settlement of monetary elements or the conversion of monetary elements at rates that differ from the initial conversion rates, or the conversion rates on the date of

the previous financial statements, are reported in the income statement for the financial year in which they occur in the “Net income from trading” or if they relate to financial assets/liabilities for which the fair value option is used in accordance with IAS 39, in the “Net result of the financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value”.

When a profit or a loss relative to a non-monetary component is recorded in shareholders’ equity, the exchange difference relative to said component is also recognized in shareholders’ equity in the year in which it occurs. On the other hand, if the profits or losses of a non-monetary element are reported in the income statement, the difference in the exchange rate is also reported in the income statement in the year in which they occur as stated above.

17. Other information

17.1. Post-employment benefits

According to the IFRIC, post-employment benefits can be likened to a “benefit following the employment relationship” of the “Defined-benefit plan” type for which its value is determined using actuarial type methods in accordance with IAS 19. Consequently, at year end, it is measured on the basis of the matured benefits method using the Projected Unit Credit Method.

This method entails forecasting future payments on the basis of historic, statistical and probabilistic analyses and the adoption of appropriate demographic data. This allows the matured post-employment benefits to be calculated on a certain date in an actuarial sense, distributing the charge over the years of the estimated working life remaining for workers and no longer as charges to be paid if the company ceases operation on the date of the financial statements.

The actuarial gains and losses, defined as the difference between the book value of the liability and the current value of the obligation at the end of the period, are recognised on the income statement.

The measurement of the post-employment benefits of employees was made by an independent actuary in

accordance with the above-mentioned method.

17.2. Repurchase agreement transactions

“Repurchase agreement” transactions which make it obligatory for the transferee to forward repurchase or sell the assets in question (for example securities) and “securities lending” where the guarantee is in cash, are classified as items carried forward and therefore amounts received and paid are shown in the financial statements as payables and receivables. More specifically, the aforesaid “repurchase agreements” and “securities lending” transactions are recognised as payables using the amount due in the spot transaction, whilst the investment transactions are recognised as receivables using the amount paid in the spot transaction. These transactions do not lead to changes in the securities portfolio. Likewise, the cost of funding and the income resulting from the investment, represented by coupons matured on the securities and by the spread between spot price and forward price, are recorded on an accruals basis under interest items in the income statement.

17.3. Criteria for determination of fair value of financial instruments

Fair value is defined by IAS 39 as “the amount for which an asset could be exchanged, or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties in an arm’s length transaction, at a certain measurement date, and not including forced type transactions. Notwithstanding the definition of fair value, there is, in fact a presumption that the company is operational and that there is no intention or need to wind it up, significantly reduce the extent of its business or carry out transactions at unfavourable conditions.

In the case of financial instruments quoted on active markets, the fair value is determined on the basis of quotations (official price or other equivalent price on the last day the market is open in the reference financial year) of the most advantageous market to which the Bank has access. To this end, a financial instrument is considered as quoted on an active market if the quoted prices are promptly and regularly available through a list, operator,

intermediary, industrial sector, price determination agency, regulatory authority and these prices represent effective market transactions that occur on a standard basis in normal contract situations.

If there is no active market, the fair value is calculated using measurement techniques that are generally accepted in financial practice, designed to establish what price the financial instrument would have been on the measurement date on an arm's length basis between knowledgeable and willing parties. These measurement techniques provide for use of the following in the hierarchical order in which they are reported:

1. the most recent NAV (Net Asset Value) published by the harmonised funds management company (UCITS - Undertakings for Collective Investment in Transferable Securities), Hedge Funds and the Sicavs;
2. recently observable transaction prices on the markets;
3. price indications that can be inferred from infoproviders (e.g.: Bloomberg, Reuters);
4. the fair value obtained from measurement models (e.g.: Discounting Cash Flow Analysis, Option Pricing Models) which estimate all the possible factors affecting the fair value of a financial instrument (cost of money, credit risk, liquidity risk, volatility, exchange rates, payment rates, etc.) based on data that are observable on the market, including in relation to similar instruments, on the measurement date. If, due to one or more risk factors, it is not possible to refer to market data, internally determined parameters are used based on historic/statistical data. The measurement models are subject to periodic revision in order to ensure full and constant reliability;
5. the price indications supplied by the issuing counterparty, corrected where applicable to take into account the counterparty and/or liquidity risk (for example, the price decided by the Board of Directors and/or Shareholders' meeting for the shares of non-listed people's banks, the share value quoted by the management company for the closed funds reserved to institutional investors and for other types of UCITS other than those reported in point 1,

the redemption value determined in accordance with the regulations for issuing insurance contracts);

6. for instruments that represent capital, where the measurement techniques of the previous points are not applicable: i) the value resulting from independent experts, if available; ii) the value corresponding to the share of shareholders' equity held in the last financial statements approved by the company; iii) the cost, where necessary, adjusted to take into account significant impairment when the fair value cannot be calculated reliably.

Based on the afore-mentioned considerations and in accordance with what is stated in IFRS 7, the Bank classifies the measurements at fair value based on a hierarchy of levels that reflects the significance of the inputs used in the measurements. The following levels can be distinguished:

- **Level 1** - quotations (without adjustments) reported on an active market: the measurements of the financial instruments quoted on an active market based on quotations that can be understood from the market.
- **Level 2** - input of prices quoted that are different from those in the previous point that are directly (prices) or indirectly (derived from prices) observable on the market: the measurements of financial instruments not quoted on an active market based on measurement techniques that, mainly using observable market data present reduce the margin of discretion (prices calculated from recent transactions, from infoproviders or obtained from measurement models that mainly use market data to estimate the main factors that condition the fair value of the financial instrument). This level also includes measurement of UCITS units based on the NAV (Net Asset Value) communicated by the management company, the value of which is updated and published periodically (at least monthly) and is representative of the amount at which the position can be liquidated, in whole or in part, at the possessor's initiative.

- **Level 3** - inputs that are not based on observable market data: the measurements of financial instruments not quoted on an active market, based on measurement techniques that use significant inputs that are not observable on the market, involving the adoption of estimates and assumptions by management (prices supplied by the issuing counterparty, taken from independent surveys, prices corresponding to the fraction of the shareholders' equity held in the company or obtained using measurement models that do not use market data to estimate significant factors that condition the fair value of the financial instrument). This level includes measurements of financial instruments at cost price.

17.4 Business combinations

A business combination involves the combination of separate companies or business activities in a single party who has to draft the financial statements. A combination may give rise to a participatory relation between the Parent Company (acquirer) and the subsidiary (acquired). A combination may also provide for the acquisition of the net assets of another entity, including any goodwill, or the acquisition of another entity's capital (mergers and contributions). Based on the provisions of IFRS 3, business combinations must be accounted for by applying the acquisition method, which comprises the following phases:

- identification of the acquirer;
- determination of the cost of the business combination;
- allocation, on the acquisition date, of the business combination cost in terms of the assets acquired and the liabilities and potential liabilities taken on.

More specifically, the cost of a business combination must be determined as the total fair value as at the date of exchange of the assets transferred, liabilities incurred or assumed, capital instruments issued by the acquirer in exchange for control of the acquired company and all costs directly attributable to the business combination.

The acquisition date is the date on which control of the acquired company is actually made. If the acquisition

is completed through a single transfer, the date of the transfer will be the acquisition date.

If the business combination is carried out through several transfers:

- the cost of the combination is the overall cost of the individual operations;
- the exchange date is the date of each exchange operation (namely the date on which each investment is recorded in the acquiring company's financial statements), whereas the acquisition date is the one on which control is obtained over the acquired company.

The cost of a business combination is assigned by recording the assets, liabilities and potential liabilities that are identifiable in the acquired company, at the relevant fair values at the date of acquisition.

The assets, liabilities and potential liabilities that can be identified in the acquired company are recorded separately on the acquisition date only if, on this date, they meet the following criteria:

- if an asset is not an intangible asset, it is probable that any future connected economic benefits will flow to the acquiring company and it is possible to assess its fair value reliably;
- if a liability is not a potential liability, it is probable that, in order to extinguish the obligation, investment in resources will be required to produce economic benefits and it is possible to assess the fair value reliably;
- in the case of an intangible asset or a potential liability, the relevant fair value may be assessed reliably.

The positive difference between the cost of the business combination and the acquiring body's profit-sharing at the fair value net of the assets, liabilities and potential identifiable liabilities, must be accounted for as goodwill.

After the initial recognition, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is measured at the relevant cost and is submitted to an impairment test at least once a year.

If the difference is negative, a new measurement is made. This negative difference, if confirmed, is recorded immediately as revenue in the income statement.

17.5 Derecognition

This is the removal from the balance sheet of a financial asset or liability that had previously been recognised.

Before assessing the existence of the conditions for removing financial assets from the financial statements, it has to be checked whether these conditions must be applied to these assets as a whole or only in part in accordance with IAS 39. The cancellation rules are applied to the part of the financial assets to be transferred only if at least one of the following requirements have been met:

- the part comprises only cash flows that relate to a financial asset (or a group of assets) that are specifically identified (for example, only the portion of interest relating to the asset);
- the part comprises the cash flows in accordance with a precisely identified percentage of their total (for example, 90% of all cash flows deriving from the asset);
- The part includes a precisely identified portion of specifically identified cash flows (for example, 90% of cash flows only of the portion relating to the asset).

If the afore-mentioned criteria are not met, the cancellation standards must apply to the financial asset (or group of financial assets) as a whole.

The conditions for the complete cancellation of a financial asset are the extinction of the contractual rights, such as their natural maturity, or the transfer to another counterparty of cash flows deriving from this asset.

Payment rights are considered to be transferred if contractual rights are held to receive the cash flows from the asset, but an obligation is assumed to pay these

flows to one or more entities and all three of the following conditions are satisfied (pass-through agreement):

- the Bank is under no obligation to pay any unpaid amounts from the original asset;
- the sale and offering as guarantees of the original asset is prohibited, except if it guarantees the obligation to pay cash flows;
- the Bank is obliged to transfer immediately all the cash flows that it receives and has no right to invest them, except for investments in liquid assets during the short period between the collection and payment dates, on condition that the interest matured over the period is paid.

In addition, the elimination of a financial asset is subject to a check being carried out that all the risks and benefits deriving from holding the rights have effectively been transferred (true sale). If there is a substantial transfer of all the risks and benefits, the transferred asset (or group of assets) will be cancelled and the rights and obligations relating to the transfer will be recorded as assets or liabilities. On the other hand, if the risks and benefits are maintained, the transferred asset (or group of activities) must continue to be recognised. In this case, a liability also needs to be recorded that corresponds to the amount received as a payment for the transfer and, subsequently, all revenue matured from the asset and any charges incurred on the liability must be recognised. The main operations that do not allow a financial asset to be cancelled fully are the receivable securitisation operations, the repurchase agreements and the security lending transactions based on the afore-mentioned rules. In the case of repurchase agreements and security lending transactions, the assets that are the object of the transactions are not removed from the financial statements since the terms of the transactions require all the associated risks and benefits to be maintained.

A.3 - INFORMATION ON FAIR VALUE

A.3.1 Transfers between portfolios

No financial instruments were transferred between portfolios.

A.3.2 Fair value hierarchy

A.3.2.1 Accounting portfolios: breakdown by fair value levels

Financial Assets/Liabilities carried at fair value	2012			2011		
	L1	L2	L3	L1	L2	L3
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	129	-	-	-	623	-
2. Financial assets carried at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Available-for-sale financial assets	540,994	-	-	63,189	-	-
4. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	541,123	-	-	63,189	623	-
1. Held-for-trading financial liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Financial liabilities carried at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-

Key:
L1 = Level 1
L2 = Level 2
L3 = Level 3

A.3.3 Disclosure on the "day one profit/loss"

Nothing to note.

PART B - INFORMATION ON THE CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

SECTION 1 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS - ITEM 10

1.1 Cash and cash equivalents: breakdown

Items / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
a. Cash	46	8
b. Demand deposits at Central Banks	3,651	-
TOTAL	3,697	8

“Demand deposits at Central Banks” refer to the direct deposit with the Bank of Italy opened during 2012.

SECTION 2 - HELD-FOR-TRADING FINANCIAL ASSETS - ITEM 20

2.1 Held-for-trading financial assets: break-down by type

Items / Values	31.12.2012			31.12.2011		
	L1	L2	L3	L1	L2	L3
A. Cash assets						
1. Debt securities	129	-	-	-	623	-
1.1 Structured securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.2 Other debt securities	129	-	-	-	623	-
2. Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.1 Repurchase agreements	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.2 Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL A	129	-	-	-	623	-
B. Derivative instruments						
1. Financial derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.1 Trading	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.2 Related to fair value option	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.3 Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Credit derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 Trading	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.2 Related to fair value option	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.3 Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL B	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B)	129	-	-	-	623	-

This item includes bonds from leading Italian bank, at variable rates.

2.2 Held-for-trading financial assets: break-down by debtor/issuer

Items / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
A. CASH ASSETS		
1. Debt securities	129	623
a. Governments and Central Banks	-	-
b. Other public entities	-	-
c. Banks	129	623
d. Other issuers	-	-
2. Equity securities	-	-
a. Banks	-	-
b. Other issuers	-	-
▪ insurance companies	-	-
▪ financial companies	-	-
▪ non-financial companies	-	-
▪ other	-	-
3. UCITS units	-	-
4. Loans	-	-
a. Governments and Central Banks	-	-
b. Other public entities	-	-
c. Banks	-	-
d. Other entities	-	-
TOTAL A	129	623
B. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS	-	-
a. Banks	-	-
▪ fair value	-	-
b. Customers	-	-
▪ fair value	-	-
TOTAL B	-	-
TOTAL (A+B)	129	623

2.3 Held-for-trading cash financial assets: annual changes

	Debt securities	Equity securities	UCITS units	Loans	Total
A. Opening balance	623	-	-	-	623
B. Increases	15,923	-	-	-	15,923
B1. Purchases	15,745	-	-	-	15,745
B2. Positive changes in fair value	153	-	-	-	153
B3. Other changes	25	-	-	-	25
C. Decreases	16,417	-	-	-	16,417
C1. Sales	15,918	-	-	-	15,918
C2. Reimbursements	428	-	-	-	428
C3. Negative changes in fair value	2	-	-	-	2
C4. Transfers to other portfolios	-	-	-	-	-
C5. Other changes	69	-	-	-	69
D. Closing balance	129	-	-	-	129

SECTION 4 - AVAILABLE-FOR-SALE FINANCIAL ASSETS - ITEM 40

4.1 Available-for-sale financial assets: breakdown by type

Items / Values	31.12.2012			31.12.2011		
	L1	L2	L3	L1	L2	L3
1. Debt securities	540,994	-	-	63,189	-	-
1.1 Structured securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.2 Other debt securities	540,994	-	-	63,189	-	-
2. Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 Measured at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.2 Measured at cost	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	540,994	-	-	63,189	-	-

The AFS portfolio mainly comprises Italian Government securities with short term maturity dates.

4.2 Available-for-sale financial assets: breakdown by debtors/issuers

Items / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Debt securities	540,994	63,189
a. Governments and Central Banks	540,994	63,189
b. Other public entities	-	-
c. Banks	-	-
d. Other issuers	-	-
2. Equity securities	-	-
a. Banks	-	-
b. Other issuers:	-	-
▪ insurance companies	-	-
▪ financial companies	-	-
▪ non-financial companies	-	-
▪ other	-	-
3. UCITS units	-	-
4. Loans	-	-
a. Governments and Central Banks	-	-
b. Other public entities	-	-
c. Banks	-	-
d. Other entities	-	-
TOTAL	540,994	63,189

4.4 Available-for-sale financial assets: annual changes

	Debt securities	Equity securities	UCITS units	Loans	Total
A. Opening balance	63,189	-	-	-	63,189
B. Increases	2,096,075	-	-	-	2,096,075
B1. Purchases	2,085,892	-	-	-	2,085,892
B2. Positive changes in fair value	670	-	-	-	670
B3. Write-backs	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Charged to the income statement	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Charged to the shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-
B4. Transfers from other portfolios	-	-	-	-	-
B5. Other changes	9,513	-	-	-	9,513
C. Decreases	1,618,270	-	-	-	1,618,270
C1. Sales	1,502,949	-	-	-	1,502,949
C2. Reimbursements	114,618	-	-	-	114,618
C3. Negative changes in fair value	109	-	-	-	109
C4. Write-downs for impairment	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Charged to the income statement	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Charged to the shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-
C5. Transfers to other portfolios	-	-	-	-	-
C6. Other changes	594	-	-	-	594
D. Closing balance	540,994	-	-	-	540,994

SECTION 5 - HELD-TO-MATURITY FINANCIAL ASSETS - ITEM 50

5.4 Held-to-maturity financial assets: annual changes

	Debt securities	Loans	Total
A. Opening balance	-	-	-
B. Increases	127,854	-	127,854
B1. Purchases	125,231	-	125,231
B2. Write-backs	-	-	-
B3. Transfers from other portfolios	-	-	-
B4. Other changes	2,623	-	2,623
C. Decreases	127,854	-	127,854
C1. Sales	127,854	-	127,854
C2. Reimbursements	-	-	-
C3. Value adjustments	-	-	-
C4. Transfers to other portfolios	-	-	-
C5. Other changes	-	-	-
D. Closing balance	-	-	-

The portfolio of Euro 100 million built up over the year and classified under the “Held-to-maturity financial assets” category was entirely disinvested in the last quarter of 2012; it had been created to take advantage of opportunities resulting from developments on the Italian Government securities market.

SECTION 6 - LOANS TO BANKS - ITEM 60

6.1 Loans to banks: breakdown by type

Type of Transaction / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
A. Loans to Central Banks	4,183	-
1. Term deposits	-	-
2. Compulsory reserves	4,183	-
3. Repurchase agreements	-	-
4. Other	-	-
B. Loans to Banks	10,292	22,090
1. Current accounts and demand deposits	10,292	21,787
2. Term deposits	-	303
3. Other loans:	-	-
3.1 Repurchase agreement	-	-
3.2 Financial leasing	-	-
3.3 Other	-	-
4. Debt securities	-	-
4.1 Structured securities	-	-
4.2 Other debt securities	-	-
TOTAL (book value)	14,475	22,090
TOTAL (fair value)	14,475	22,090

This item mainly includes the bank liquidity deposited with other banks in online current accounts and the compulsory reserve with the Bank of Italy. Banca Sistema has been a direct member of the Bank of Italy since 2012.

SECTION 7 - LOANS TO CUSTOMERS - ITEM 70
7.1 Loans to customers: breakdown by type

Type of Transaction / Values	31.12.2012		31.12.2011	
	Performing	Impaired	Performing	Impaired
1. Current accounts	1,033	-	-	-
2. Repurchase agreements	99,700	-	18,409	-
3. Mortgages	-	-	-	-
4. Credit cards, personal loans, and loans on salary	-	-	-	-
5. Financial leasing	-	-	-	-
6. Factoring	376,250	540	189,697	4,099
7. Other transactions	6,912	-	-	-
8. Debt securities	-	-	-	-
8.1 Structured securities	-	-	-	-
8.2 Other debt securities	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (book value)	483,895	540	208,106	4,099
TOTAL (fair value)	483,895	540	208,106	4,099

This mainly includes the amount of receivables acquired by the Bank on a definitive basis as part of its factoring business. The sole debt exposure is to the Public Administration, and more specifically to the local health authorities and hospital groups. The item also includes a repurchase agreement of Euro 99.7 million traded on the market.

7.2 Loans to customers: debtors/issuers

Type of Transaction / Values	31.12.2012		31.12.2011	
	Performing	Impaired	Performing	Impaired
1. Debt securities	-	-	-	-
a. Governments	-	-	-	-
b. Other public entities	-	-	-	-
c. Other issuers	-	-	-	-
▪ non-financial companies	-	-	-	-
▪ financial companies	-	-	-	-
▪ insurance	-	-	-	-
▪ other	-	-	-	-
2. Loans to	483,895	540	208,106	4,099
a. Governments	23,932	-	-	-
b. Other public entities	352,319	540	189,697	4,099
c. Other entities	107,644	-	18,409	-
▪ non-financial companies	-	-	-	-
▪ financial companies	106,566	-	18,409	-
▪ insurance	-	-	-	-
▪ other	1,078	-	-	-
TOTAL	483,895	540	208,106	4,099

Securitisation performance

Pubblica Funding No.1 S.r.l. (PF) is a securitisation vehicle established in accordance with law no. 130/1999 as part of a securitisation transaction structured in 2007 by Royal Bank of Scotland (RBS) to finance the acquisitions of receivables for suppliers of goods and services of the local health authorities ("ASL"). Up to June 2011, the receivables were acquired by SF Trust Italia S.r.l. - a company established pursuant to 106 Legis. 385/1993, belonging to the SF Trust Group, controlled by a private equity fund managed by the RBS Group. At the same time, SFT Italia assigned the receivables to the Pubblica Funding vehicle which was entirely funded by RBS through subscription to all the securitisation shares from when it was established and for the entire acquisition phase.

Since the end of the receivable acquisition phase in May 2011, PF has been managing the residual receivable collection from the local health authorities. Most of the current portfolio is made up of invoices that are currently undergoing certification and transaction in accordance with Commissarial Decree no. 22 of the Campania Region and receivables that are subject to legal collection.

Although comprising invoices with payment delays compared with the initially estimated timeframes, it does not include watchlist loans and/or non-performing loans. Analyses that were carried out internally and based on models that take into consideration payment forecasts supplied by Solvi - the Group company that specialises in receivable collection - estimate that the securitisation may be closed by the payment in full of the securitised shares in March 2015. This delay is mainly due to the transactional and regional agreements that the vehicle has also entered into or is about to enter into and the longer legal recovery times as a result of the regulation that blocks enforcement actions against certain debtors. On the one hand, these legal actions and agreements result in extending the time frames and expected closure times of the securitisation transaction, and, on the other, allow legal and late interest to be paid thereby improving the profitability. These analyses have also shown that the

vehicle will be able to pay in full the debts relating to the second instalments due to SFT Italia and, in the most conservative estimate, around 50% of the so-called third instalments.

Based on the securitisation structure set up by RBS, when the final repayment of the securities has been made by 16 May 2013, the post-enforcement stage of the securitisation will start, which will lead to a misalignment between the payment dates of the second instalments by SF Trust Italia to the suppliers and the payment dates of the second instalment from Pubblica Funding in the SF Trust Italia financial statements. SF Trust Italia is closely monitoring - in association with the Parent company - the prospective liquidity situation and the actions to be taken to prevent and, if necessary, deal with any situation where there is a temporary lack of liquidity whereby the second instalments cannot be paid to suppliers on a timely basis.

SECTION 12 - PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT- ITEM 120

12.1 Property, plant and equipment: breakdown of assets carried at cost

Assets / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
A. Assets for business use		
1.1 owned	445	173
a. land	-	-
b. buildings	-	-
c. furniture	183	20
d. electronic systems	262	34
e. other	-	119
1.2 acquired by financial leases	-	-
a. land	-	-
b. buildings	-	-
c. furniture	-	-
d. electronic systems	-	-
e. other	-	-
TOTAL A	445	173
B. Assets held for investment		
2.1 owned	-	-
a. land	-	-
b. buildings	-	-
2.2 acquired by financial leases	-	-
a. land	-	-
b. buildings	-	-
TOTAL B	-	-
TOTAL (A+B)	445	173

12.3 Property, plant and equipment for business use: annual changes

	Land	Buildings	Moveable assets	Electronic systems	Other	Total
A. Gross opening balance	-	-	547	358	158	1,063
A.1 Net total impairment	-	-	527	324	39	890
A.2 Net opening balance	-	-	20	34	119	173
B. Increases	-	-	161	183	69	413
B.1 Purchases	-	-	161	183	-	334
B.2 Expenditure for capitalised improvements	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.3 Write-backs	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.4 Positive changes in fair value charged to:						
a. shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.5 Positive currency differences	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.6 Transfer from property held for investment	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.7 Other changes	-	-	-	-	69	69
C. Decreases	-	-	25	28	88	141
C.1 Sales	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.2 Depreciation and amortisation	-	-	25	28	40	93
C.3 Value adjustments impairment charged to:						
a. shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.4 Negative changes in fair value charged to:						
a. shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.5 Negative currency differences	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.6 Transfers to:						
a. property, plant and equipment held for investment	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. assets held for disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.7 Other changes	-	-	-	-	48	48
D. Net closing balance	-	-	156	189	100	445
D.1 Net total impairment	-	-	552	352	127	1,031
D.2 Gross closing balance	-	-	708	541	227	1,476
E. Valuation at cost	-	-	156	189	100	445

SECTION 13 - INTANGIBLE ASSETS - ITEM 130

13.1 Intangible assets: breakdown by type of asset

Assets / Values	31.12.2012		31.12.2011	
	Fixed term	Non-fixed term	Fixed term	Non-fixed term
A.1 Goodwill	-	1,786	-	1,786
A.1.1 Attributable to the Group	-	1,786	-	1,786
A.1.2 Attributable to minority interests	-	-	-	-
A.2 Other intangible assets	56	-	238	-
A.2.1 Assets valued at cost:	56	-	-	-
a. Internally generated intangible assets	-	-	-	-
b. Other assets	56	-	238	-
A.2.2 Assets valued at fair value:	-	-	-	-
a. Internally generated intangible assets	-	-	-	-
b. Other assets	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	56	1,786	238	1,786

Intangible assets are recognized at purchase cost, including accessory costs, and are amortised on a straight-line basis over a 5-year period. This item mainly comprises software.

Goodwill is related to the purchase of the Solvi investment by SF Trust Italia.

The impairment test for goodwill in accordance with IAS 36 requires testing that the recoverable value of the goodwill is higher than its book value in the financial statements.

The impairment test is governed by accounting standard IAS 36 which provides for two different recoverable value configurations: § 18 defines “Recoverable Value” as “the higher between the fair value of an asset or a cash-generating unit minus the selling costs and its value in use”. § 19 also specifies that “It is not always necessary to calculate both the fair value minus the selling costs and its value in use. If one of the two amounts is higher than the book value, the asset has not suffered impairment and it is not necessary to calculate the other amount”.

More specifically the impairment test was carried out by referring to the “Value in use” based on a measurement of the Solvi company carried out by an independent

expert as part of the transfer of the equity investment by SF Trust Italia to Banca Sistema, which did not show lower values compared to the recognised value. The main hypotheses adopted for the estimate were to maintain the current normalised income (calculated on the basis of the historical data of the last two years, the 2012 budget and the integration prospects of the company into the Bank).

In addition, in accordance with the provisions of IFRS 3, the additional price that must be paid by SF Trust Italia to the previous shareholders did not increase the goodwill value, but was recognised on the income statement.

It has not been necessary to record any impairment to date.

13.2 Intangible assets: annual changes

	Goodwill	Other intangible assets: generated internally		Other intangible assets: other		Total
		Fixed	Non-fixed	Fixed	Non-fixed	
A. Opening balance	1,786	-	-	3,434	-	5,220
A.1 Net total impairment	-	-	-	3,196	-	3,196
A.2 Net opening balance	1,786	-	-	238	-	2,024
B. Increases	-	-	-	42	-	42
B.1 Purchases	-	-	-	42	-	42
B.2 Increases in internal intangible assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.3 Write-backs	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.4 Positive changes in fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.5 Positive exchange differences	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.6 Other changes - Business combination transactions	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. Decreases	-	-	-	224	-	224
C.1 Sales	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.2 Value adjustments	-	-	-	213	-	213
- Depreciation and amortisation	-	-	-	213	-	213
- Write-downs	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.3 Negative changes in fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to shareholders' equity	-	-	-	-	-	-
- to income statement	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.4 Transfers to non-current assets held for sale	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.5 Negative currency differences	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.6 Other changes	-	-	-	11	-	11
D. Net closing balance	1,786	-	-	56	-	1,842
D.1 Total net value adjustments	-	-	-	3,420	-	3,420
E. Gross closing balance	1,786	-	-	3,476	-	5,262
F. Valuation at cost	1,786	-	-	56	-	1,842

Key:
FIXED: fixed term
NON-FIXED: non-fixed term

SECTION 14 - TAX ASSETS AND LIABILITIES - ITEM 140 UNDER ASSETS AND ITEM 80 UNDER LIABILITIES

14.1 Deferred tax assets: breakdown

The balance shows the deferred tax assets for IRES (Corporate Income Tax) recorded in correspondence to the tax losses reduced by the IRES calculated for 2012.

14.2 Deferred tax liabilities: breakdown

The amounts take account of the deferred tax liabilities resulting from the adjustments necessary in the FTA (Euro 3 thousand) with a balancing entry in the income statement and the valuation reserve amount for the available-for-sale financial assets at year-end (Euro 154 thousand), recorded with a balancing entry in shareholders' equity.

14.3 Changes in prepaid taxes (with a balancing entry in the income statement)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Opening balance	4,850	1,483
2. Increases	688	3,367
2.1 Prepaid taxes recorded during the year	688	-
a. relating to previous years	-	2,623
b. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
c. write-backs	-	-
d. other	688	744
2.2 New taxes or increases in tax rates	-	-
2.3 Other increases	-	-
3. Decreases	1,616	-
3.1 Prepaid taxes cancelled during the year	1,616	-
a. reversals	1,616	-
b. write-downs due to non-recoverability	-	-
c. change of accounting standards	-	-
d. other	-	-
3.2 Reductions in tax rates	-	-
3.3 Other decreases	-	-
4. Final amount	3,922	4,850

14.4 Variations in deferred taxes (a balancing entry to the income statement)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Opening balance	3	3
2. Increases	-	-
2.1 Deferred taxes recorded during the year	-	-
a. relating to previous years	-	-
b. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
c. other	-	-
2.2 New taxes or increases in tax rates	-	-
2.3 Other increases	-	-
3. Decreases	-	-
3.1 Deferred taxes cancelled during the year	-	-
a. reversals	-	-
b. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
c. other	-	-
3.2 Reductions in tax rates	-	-
3.3 Other decreases	-	-
4. Final amount	3	3

14.5 Variations in prepaid taxes (a balancing entry to the shareholders' equity)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Initial amount	-	-
2. Increases	355	-
2.1 Prepaid taxes recorded during the year	-	-
a. relating to previous years	-	-
b. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
c. other	-	-
2.2 New taxes or increases in tax rates	-	-
2.3 Other increases	355	-
3. Decreases	38	-
3.1 Prepaid taxes cancelled during the year	-	-
a. reversals	-	-
b. write-downs for uncollectible amounts	-	-
c. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
d. other	-	-
3.2 Reductions in tax rates	-	-
3.3 Other decreases	38	-
4. Final amount	317	-

Prepaid taxes are recorded in the financial statements of Banca Sistema against a tax benefit resulting from the possibility of deducting the imbalance of Euro 1,074 thousand over 18 years (art. 103, paragraph 3-bis of D.P.R. no. 917 of 22/12/1986 (TUIR) from the purchase of the business branch from the subsidiary SFT Italia. This branch had a positive imbalance of Euro 1,074 thousand, recorded in the separate financial statements of Banca Sistema as a reduction of the reserves and subsequently eliminated at the consolidation stage against the income statement entry recorded in SFT Italia.

14.6 Changes in the deferred taxes (a balancing entry to the shareholders' equity)

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Opening balance	80	-
2. Increases	154	80
2.1 Deferred taxes recorded during the year	154	80
a. relating to previous years	-	-
b. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
c. other	154	80
2.2 New taxes or increases in tax rates	-	-
2.3 Other increases	-	-
3. Decreases	80	-
3.1 Deferred taxes cancelled during the year	80	-
a. reversals	80	-
b. write-downs due to non-recoverability	-	-
c. due to change in accounting standards	-	-
3.2 Reductions in tax rates	-	-
3.3 Other decreases	-	-
4. Final amount	154	80

SECTION 16 - OTHER ASSETS - ITEM 160

16.1 Other assets: breakdown

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
Work in progress	826	4,931
Improvements on third party assets	774	110
Tax advances	648	443
Prepaid expenses not related to the item	125	113
Guarantee deposits	58	225
Accrued income not related to the item	747	694
Other	558	787
TOTAL	3,736	7,303

The "work in progress items" relate to transfers which have not yet been allocated and set to zero in January 2013. The leasehold improvements mainly relate to the capitalised costs linked to opening the branch in Milan.

LIABILITIES

SECTION 1 - DUE TO BANKS - ITEM 10

1.1 Due to banks: breakdown by type

Type of Transaction / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Due to central banks	100,772	-
2. Due to banks	13,151	77,209
2.1 Current accounts and demand deposits	12,568	8,778
2.2 Term deposits	-	-
2.3 Financing	-	68,431
2.3.1 Reverse repurchase agreements	-	68,431
2.3.2 Other	-	-
2.4 Commitments to repurchase own equity instruments	-	-
2.5 Other amounts due	583	-
TOTAL	113,923	77,209
Fair value	113,923	77,209

The amounts due to central banks refer to Bank investments in “LTRO” refinancing transactions proposed by the European Central Bank with maturity at 3 years.

SECTION 2 - DUE TO CUSTOMERS - ITEM 20

2.1 Due to customers: breakdown by type

Transaction type / Group components	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Current accounts and demand deposits	12,479	24,814
2. Term deposits	522,720	16,922
3. Loans	249,012	-
3.1 Reverse repurchase agreements	249,012	-
3.2 Other	-	-
4. Liabilities for commitments to repurchase own equity investments	-	-
5. Other amounts due	60,576	114,782
TOTAL	844,787	156,518
Fair value	844,787	156,518

“Other amounts due” include payables to assignors related to factoring transfers and liabilities for assets assigned and not cancelled resulting from the recognition of the securitised receivables.

SECTION 3 - SECURITIES IN ISSUE - ITEM 30

3.1 Securities in issue: breakdown by type

Type of security / Values	31.12.2012				31.12.2011			
	Value balance	Fair Value			Value balance	Fair Value		
		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3		Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
A. Securities								
1. bonds	55,242	-	55,242	-	53,907	-	53,907	-
1.1 structured	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.2 other	55,242	-	55,242	-	53,907	-	53,907	-
2. other securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 structured	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.2 other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	55,242	-	55,242	-	53,907	-	53,907	-

This item includes the issue of a CLN security of Euro 35 million at the fixed rate of 5.1% accounted for as a “financial guarantee” in accordance with the provisions of IAS 39.

3.2 Details of Item 30 “Securities in issue”: subordinated securities

	Issuer	Type of issue	Coupon	Maturity date	Nominal value	Value IAS
Equity Base	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	New equity instruments: blended rate - ISIN IT0004881444	Up to 13 June 2023 flat rate of 7% From 14 June 2023 variable rate Euribor 6m + 5.5%	Perpetual	5,000	5,010
Tier II capital	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	Subordinated loans ordinary (Lower Tier 2): ISIN IT0004869712	Euribor 6 months + 5.5%	15-11-2022	10,000	15,075
TOTAL					15,000	15,085

SECTION 8 - TAX LIABILITIES - ITEM 80

The breakdown and changes in the deferred tax liabilities were illustrated in part B Section 14 of the assets in these notes to the financial statements.

SECTION 10 - OTHER LIABILITIES - ITEM 100

10.1 Other liabilities: breakdown

	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
Work in progress	4,979	5,785
Payments received during the reconciliation	4,606	4,063
Taxes payable to the tax authorities and other entities	2,935	221
Trade payables	1,739	468
Payables to employees	1,425	919
Accrued expenses	856	46
Pension payments	256	101
Other	4,866	2,393
TOTAL	21,662	13,996

The item "Payments received during reconciliation" mainly refers to the amounts from the local health authorities used to close the bank's credit positions which were then redirected to close the credit item in the periods following year-end.

The "Work in progress items" mainly relate to transfers

which have not yet been allocated, and fully set to zero in January 2013.

The increase in "Trade payables" is due to the invoices received and to receive mainly related to restructuring premises and the projects in place at year-end.

SECTION 11 - POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS - ITEM 110

The actuarial value of the fund was calculated by an external actuary who issued a report on the matter.

11.1 Post-employment benefits: annual changes

	Total 2012	Total 2011
A. Opening balance	470	242
B. Increases	331	374
B.1 Provisions for the year	208	174
B.2 Other changes (from integration transactions)	123	200
C. Decreases	178	146
C.1 Amounts paid out	41	146
C.2 Other changes	137	-
D. Closing balance	623	470
TOTAL	623	470

The actuarial valuation of the post-employment benefits was made for the group on a closed basis, i.e. the new staff hired during the reference time period were not considered.

With respect to the aforementioned international accounting standards, the actuarial simulations were carried out in accordance with the matured benefit method using the unit credit criteria provided for.

The unit credit criteria provides that the costs incurred during the year to establish the post-employment benefits are calculated on the basis of the services provided during that year. In accordance with the matured benefits

method, the obligation with respect to the worker is determined on the basis of the work provided up to the valuation date and on the basis of the salary reached at the date the work relationship is terminated.

With respect to the interest rate to use in the simulations, it is important to remember that IAS 19 provides for correspondence between the rates used and expiry of the quantity with which the valuation is made. An annual tax of 11% on the revaluation of the post-employment benefit reserve is used in the calculations.

The technical measurements were made on the basis of the hypotheses described in the table below:

Annual discount rate	3.25%
Annual inflation rate	2.00%
Total annual pay increase rate	3.00%
Annual post-employment benefit increase rate	3.00%

With respect to the discounting rate, the value of the Iboxx Eurozone Corporates Index was used with a duration equal to the average remaining term of the collective item being valued at the measurement date.

SECTION 12 - PROVISIONS FOR RISKS AND CHARGES - ITEM 120

12.1 Provisions for risks and charges: breakdown

Items / Values	31.12.2012	31.12.2011
1. Company pension funds	-	-
2. Other provisions for risks and charges	5	1,355
2.1 legal disputes	-	101
2.2 personnel charges	-	-
2.3 other	5	1,254
TOTAL	5	1,355

12.2 Provisions for risks and charges: annual changes

Items / Components	TOTAL 2012	
	Pension funds	Other provisions
A. Opening balance	-	1,355
B. Increases	-	-
B.1 Provisions for the year	-	-
B.2 Changes due to the passage of time	-	-
B.3 Changes due to discount rate adjustments	-	-
B.4 Other changes	-	-
C. Decreases	-	1,350
C.1 Use during the year	-	1,350
C.2 Changes due to discount rate adjustments	-	-
C.3 Other changes	-	-
D. Closing balance	-	5

12.4 Provisions for risks and charges - other provisions

Euro 5 thousand of the “other provisions” comprised the remaining provisions left over from previous years for legal disputes and calculated on the basis of the estimated charges from civil positions.

SECTION 15 - GROUP SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY - ITEMS 140, 160, 170, 180, 190, 200 AND 220

15.1 "Capital" and "Treasury shares": break-down

	NUMBER	%
SOF LUXCO S.a.r.l.	30,545,061	46.63%
SGBS Srl (management Company of the equity investments of Banca Sintesi S.r.l.)	17,261,363	26.35%
Fondazione CR Alessandria	5,528,148	8.44%
Fondazione Pisa	5,528,148	8.44%
Fondazione Sicilia	5,528,148	8.44%
Other private shareholders	1,115,315	1.70%

15.2 Capital – Number of Parent Company shares: annual changes

Items / Types	Ordinary	Other
A. Shares existing at the beginning of the period	65,506,183	-
▪ fully paid-up	65,506,183	-
▪ not fully paid-up	-	-
A.1 Treasury shares (-)	-	-
A.2 Shares in issue: opening balance	65,506,183	-
B. Increases	-	-
B.1 New issues	-	-
▪ against payment:	-	-
- business combinations	-	-
- bond conversions	-	-
- warrant exercises	-	-
- other	-	-
▪ free of charge:	-	-
- in favour of employees	-	-
- in favour of directors	-	-
- other	-	-
B.2 Disposal of treasury shares	-	-
B.3 Other changes	-	-
C. Decreases	-	-
C.1 Cancellation	-	-
C.2 Purchase of treasury shares	-	-
C.3 Sale of businesses	-	-
D.4 Other changes	-	-
D. Shares outstanding: closing balance	65,506,183	-
D.1 Treasury shares (+)	-	-
D.2 Shares existing at the end of the period	65,506,183	-
▪ fully paid-up	65,506,183	-
▪ not fully paid-up	-	-

OTHER INFORMATION

1. Guarantees issued and commitments

“Financial guarantees issued - banks” includes the loans taken on within the interbank guarantee systems; “Irrevocable commitments to grant finance” relate to the amount of securities to be received for transactions to be settled.

Transactions	Amount 2012	Amount 2011
1. Financial guarantees issued	1,295	60
a. Banks	1,295	60
b. Customers	-	-
2. Commercial guarantees issued	67	67
a. Banks	45	45
b. Customers	22	22
3. Irrevocable commitments to grant finance	4,977	19,682
a. Banks	4,977	19,682
▪ for certain use	4,977	19,682
▪ for uncertain use	-	-
b. Customers	-	-
▪ for certain use	-	-
▪ for uncertain use	-	-
4. Commitments underlying credit derivatives: protection sales	-	-
5. Assets lodged as security for minority obligations	-	-
6. Other commitments	-	-
TOTAL	6,339	19,809

2. Assets lodged to guarantee own liabilities and commitments

Portfolios	Amount 2012	Amount 2011
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	-	-
2. Financial assets carried at fair value	-	-
3. Available-for-sale financial assets	327,120	53,752
4. Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-
5. Loans to banks	-	-
6. Loans to customers	-	-
7. Property, plant and equipment	-	-

5. Management and brokerage on behalf of third parties

Type of services	Amount 2012
1. Orders on behalf of customers	-
a. purchases	-
▪ settled	-
▪ not settled	-
b. sales	-
▪ settled	-
▪ not settled	-
2. Portfolio management	-
a. individual	-
b. collective	-
3. Custody and administration of securities	617,412
a. third party securities held on deposit: related to depository bank (excluding portfolio management)	-
1. securities issued by companies included in the scope of consolidation	-
2. other equity securities	-
b. third party securities held on deposit (excluding assets under management): other	71,670
1. securities issued by companies included in the scope of consolidation	12,809
2. other securities	58,861
c. third-party securities deposited with third parties	71,670
d. owned securities deposited with third parties	545,742
4. Other transactions	-

PART C – INFORMATION ON THE CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

SECTION 1 - INTEREST - ITEMS 10 AND 20

1.1 Interest income and similar income: breakdown

Items / Technical forms	Debt securities	Loans	Other transactions	Total 2012	Total 2011
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	18	-	-	18	122
2. Available-for-sale financial assets	5,360	-	-	5,360	198
3. Held-to-maturity financial assets	2,100	-	-	2,100	-
4. Loans to banks	-	46	-	46	5,470
5. Loans to customers	-	22,637	-	22,637	3,331
6. Financial assets carried at fair value	-	-	-	-	-
7. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-
8. Other assets	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	7,478	22,683	-	30,161	9,121

With respect to the portfolio of receivables still in place as at 31 December 2012, the right to request penalty interest for a total amount of Euro 16 million had vested in the Group, which amount is not posted under the revenues for the year, while with respect to the portfolio of receivables cashed, the right to request penalty interest for a total amount of Euro 27 million had vested in the Group, which amount has not been recorded on the financial statements.

1.4 Interest expense and similar charges: breakdown

Items / Technical forms	Payables	Securities	Other transactions	Total 2012	Total 2011
1. Due to central banks	792	-	-	792	-
2. Due to banks	390	-	-	390	388
3. Due to customers	13,645	-	-	13,645	5,839
4. Securities in issue	-	2,627	-	2,627	1,124
5. Held-for-trading financial liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
6. Financial liabilities carried at fair value	-	-	-	-	-
7. Other liabilities and funds	-	-	-	-	-
8. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	14,827	2,627	-	17,454	7,351

However, Euro 11.4 million of interest expense is mainly related to the funding made through Si conto! DEPOSITO and Euro 2.6 million is from bond loans issued, with the increase mainly due to the calculation for the entire year of the subordinate loan that was fully repaid in 2012 and replaced by the issue of a Credit Linked Note (“CLN”). “Other” includes interest due to the holders of the Notes from the PF vehicle.

SECTION 2 - THE COMMISSIONS - ITEMS 40 AND 50

2.1 Commission income: breakdown

Service type / Values	Total 2012	Total 2011
a. guarantees issued	1	1
b. credit derivatives	-	-
c. management, brokerage and consulting services	21	133
1. financial instrument trading	-	-
2. currency trading	-	-
3. portfolio management	-	1
3.2 individual	-	1
3.2 collective	-	-
4. securities custody and administration	1	3
5. depositary bank	-	-
6. placement of securities	9	103
7. order receipt and transmission work	11	26
8. consultancy services	-	-
8.1 on investments	-	-
8.2 on financial structures	-	-
9. distribution of third-party services	-	-
9.1 portfolio management	-	-
9.1.1 individual	-	-
9.1.2 collective	-	-
9.2 insurance products	-	-
9.3 other products	-	-
d. collection and payment services	-	2
e. servicing for securitisation transactions	-	-
f. services for factoring transactions	411	1,312
g. tax collection services	-	-
h. managing multilateral trading systems	-	-
i. maintaining and managing current accounts	9	4
j. other services	1,908	13
TOTAL	2,350	1,465

Commission income includes Euro 1,908 thousand in commissions that Solvi received from clients for its collection activities and commissions from factoring activities.

2.2 Commission expense: breakdown

Services / Amounts	Total 2012	Total 2011
a. guarantees received	-	-
b. credit derivatives	-	-
c. management and brokerage services:	162	57
1. financial instrument trading	7	13
2. currency trading	-	-
3. portfolio management:	-	-
3.1 own	-	-
3.2 on behalf of third parties	-	-
4. securities custody and administration	-	-
5. financial instruments placement	155	44
6. off-site sale of financial instruments, products and services	-	-
d. collection and payment services	41	3
e. other services	411	210
TOTAL	614	270

Commissions for other services mainly refer to the payments to third parties who originated loans.

SECTION 4 - NET INCOME FROM TRADING ACTIVITIES - ITEM 80

4.1 Net income from trading activities: breakdown

Income Transactions/Components	Capital Gains (A)	Profits from trading (B)	Capital Losses (C)	Losses from trading (D)	Net income [(A+B) - (C+D)]
1. Trading financial assets	-	152	(1)	(1)	150
1.1 Debt securities	-	152	(1)	(1)	150
1.2 Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-
1.3 UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-
1.4 Loans	-	-	-	-	-
1.5 Other	-	-	-	-	-
2. Held-for-trading financial liabilities	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-
2.2 Payables	-	-	-	-	-
2.3 Other	-	-	-	-	-
3. Financial assets and liabilities: exchange rate differences	X	X	X	X	(43)
4. Derivative instruments	-	-	-	-	-
4.1 Financial derivatives:	-	-	-	-	-
▪ On debt securities and interest rates	-	-	-	-	-
▪ On equity securities and share indices	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other	-	-	-	-	-
4.2 Credit derivatives	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	152	(1)	(1)	107

SECTION 6 - PROFITS (LOSSES) FROM DISPOSAL / REPURCHASE - ITEM 100

6.1 Profit (Loss) from disposal/repurchase: breakdown

Income items / components	Total 2012			Total 2011		
	Profits	Losses	Net result	Profits	Losses	Net result
Financial assets						
1. Loans to banks	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Loans to customers	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Available-for-sale financial assets	6,899	(134)	6,765	136	-	136
3.1 Debt securities	6,899	(134)	6,765	136	-	136
3.2 Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.3 UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.4 Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Held-to-maturity financial assets	1,992	-	1,992	-	-	-
Total assets	8,891	(134)	8,757	136	-	136
Financial liabilities						
1. Due to banks	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Due to customers	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Securities in issue	224	-	224	-	-	-
Total liabilities	224	-	224	-	-	-

SECTION 8 - NET VALUE ADJUSTMENTS/WRITE-BACKS DUE TO IMPAIRMENT - ITEM 130

8.1 Net value adjustments due to impairment of loans: breakdown

Income Transactions / Components	Value adjustments (1)			Write-backs (2)				Total 2012	Total 2011
	Specific		Of portfolio	Specific		From portfolio			
	Derecognitions	Other		A	B	A	B		
A. Loans to banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. Loans to banks	-	(10)	(891)	-	-	-	-	(901)	(237)
▪ Loans	-	(10)	(891)	-	-	-	-	(901)	(237)
▪ Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. Total	-	(10)	(891)	-	-	-	-	(901)	(237)

Key:
A = from interest
B = other write-backs

An analysis is always performed to identify problem loans that show objective evidence of possible impairment at year end. With regard to past due exposures relating to Public Administration, referring to receivables acquired on a definitive basis as part of the factoring, it was decided that the conditions for making value adjustments were not present considering the quality of the receivable and the debtor counterparties. In view of the above, a prudential write-down of the receivables of 0.3% was applied equal to about Euro 891 thousand.

SECTION 11 - ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES - ITEM 180

11.1 Personnel costs: breakdown

Type of expenditure / Values	Total 2012	Total 2011
1) Employees	7,113	3,637
a) wages and salaries	5,549	2,855
b) social security charges	1,001	431
c) post-employment benefits	-	-
d) social security costs	-	-
e) provisions to post-employment benefits	206	120
f) provisions for pension fund and similar commitments:	-	-
▪ defined contribution plans	-	-
▪ with defined benefits	-	-
g) amounts paid to external complementary social security funds:	146	70
▪ defined contribution plans	146	70
▪ with defined benefits	-	-
h) costs arising on payment agreements based on own equity instruments	-	-
i) other benefits in favour of employees	211	161
2) Other working staff	188	218
3) Directors and Statutory Auditors	647	657
4) Laid-off personnel	-	-
5) Cost recovery for employees seconded to other companies	-	(79)
6) Cost reimbursement for third party staff seconded to the company	437	131
TOTAL	8,385	4,564

11.2 Average number of employees by category

Employees

a) Managers:	15
b) Line managers:	11
c) Remaining employees:	52

Other staff 6

The average number of other personnel - project collaborators - amounts to 6.

Within the scope of the incentive plan approved by the Shareholders' Meeting of Banca Sistema S.p.A., shares in the company SGBS S.r.l. were assigned to the "most significant personnel".

This transfer was made in part at the fair value of the shares and in part at a lower value than their fair value. Since the shares assigned are for a company that does not fall under the definition of a "Group Entity" of Banca Sistema, IFRS 2 does not apply.

11.5 Other administrative expenses: breakdown

	Total 2012	Total 2011
Consultancy	2,666	324
Computer expenses - CSE	1,202	486
Service costs	261	128
Legal expenses	813	456
Rent and related fees	697	654
Advertising	605	84
Auditing fees	547	172
indirect duties and taxes	585	126
Car hire and related fees	324	74
Infoprovider expenses	176	12
Other professional services	148	-
Reimbursement employee expenses	262	108
Postage	117	10
Printed materials and stationery	129	72
Maintenance moveable property and real properties	110	64
Telephone	164	151
Insurance	104	80
Water, light, gas and cleaning utility expenses	114	94
Membership fees	85	65
Discretionary payments	67	15
Data transmission lines	66	-
ATM /cashpoint cards	40	-
Other computer expenses	310	-
Entertainment expenses	43	45
Administrative expense reimbursements	24	34
Newspapers/books	23	2
Other	100	85
TOTAL	9,782	3,341

The sharp increase in “consultancy” and “computer expenses - CSE” is mainly due to the project to expand and develop the internal management system for the receivables factoring and related assessment.

SECTION 13 - NET VALUE ADJUSTMENTS/WRITE-BACKS TO PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT - ITEM 200

13.1 Net value adjustments to property, plant and equipment: breakdown

Income assets / Components	Depreciation/ Amortisation (a)	Value adjustments for depreciation/ amortisation (b)	Write-backs (c)	Net result (a+b-c)
A. Property, plant and equipment				
A.1 Owned	93	-	-	93
▪ for functional use	93	-	-	93
▪ for investment	-	-	-	-
A.2 Acquired in financial leases				
▪ for functional use	-	-	-	-
▪ for investment	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	93	-	-	93

SECTION 14 - NET VALUE ADJUSTMENTS/WRITE-BACKS TO INTANGIBLE ASSETS - ITEM 210

14.1 Net value adjustments to intangible assets: breakdown

Income assets / Components	Depreciation/ Amortisation (a)	Value adjustments for depreciation/ amortisation (b)	Write-backs (c)	Net result (a+b-c)
A. Intangible assets				
A.1 Owned	212	-	-	212
▪ internally generated by the company	-	-	-	-
▪ other	212	-	-	212
A.2 Acquired in financial leases	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	212	-	-	212

SECTION 15 - OTHER OPERATING INCOME/COSTS - ITEM 220

15.1 Other operating costs: breakdown

	Total 2012	Total 2011
Financial charges: on collection and payment transactions	3	2
Amortisation/depreciation relating to improvements on third party assets	47	6
Other costs	253	211
TOTAL	303	219

15.2 Other operating income: breakdown

	Total 2012	Total 2011
Reimbursement of expenses on current accounts and deposits for taxes and other	58	51
Recovery of sundry expenses	71	9
Other income	48	16
TOTAL	177	76

SECTION 20 - INCOME TAXES FOR THE YEAR FOR CURRENT OPERATIONS – ITEM 290

20.1 Income taxes for the year for current operations: breakdown

Income components / Sectors	Total 2012	Total 2011
1. Current taxes (-)	(1,014)	37
2. Variations in current taxes from previous years (+/-)	-	-
3. Reduction in current taxes for the period (+)	-	-
4. Changes in prepaid taxes (+/-)	(928)	3,367
5. Changes in deferred tax liabilities (+/-)	-	-
6. Taxes for the period (-) (-1+/-2+3+/-4+/-5)	(1,942)	3,404

SECTION 23 - OTHER INFORMATION

There is no further information to report apart from that already provided above or in the sections below in these notes to the financial statements.

PART D - CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Analytical prospectus of the consolidated comprehensive income

Items	Gross amount	Income taxes	Net amount
10. Profit for the year			2,090
Other income items			-
20. Available-for-sale financial assets	272	(75)	197
a. changes in fair value	272	(75)	197
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
▪ impairment adjustments	-	-	-
▪ profits/losses on disposal	-	-	-
c. other changes	-	-	-
30. Property, plant and equipment	-	-	-
40. Intangible assets	-	-	-
50. Foreign investment hedges:	-	-	-
a. changes in fair value	-	-	-
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
c. other changes	-	-	-
60. Cash flow hedges:	-	-	-
a. changes in fair value	-	-	-
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
c. other changes	-	-	-
70. Exchange differences:	-	-	-
a. changes in fair value	-	-	-
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
c. other changes	-	-	-
80. Non-current assets held for disposal:	-	-	-
a. changes in fair value	-	-	-
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
c. other changes	-	-	-
90. Actuarial profits (losses) on defined benefit plans	-	-	-
100. Proportion of the equity valuation reserve carried at equity:	-	-	-
a. changes in fair value	-	-	-
b. reversal to income statement	-	-	-
▪ impairment adjustments	-	-	-
▪ profits/losses on disposal	-	-	-
c other changes	-	-	-
110. Total other income items	272	(75)	197
120. Comprehensive income (Item 10+110)	272	(75)	2,287
130. Consolidated comprehensive income attributable to minority interests	-	-	-
140. Consolidated comprehensive income attributable to the parent company	272	(75)	2,287

PART E - INFORMATION ON RISKS AND RELATIVE HEDGING POLICIES

SECTION 1 - BANKING GROUP RISKS

Circular no. 263 of 27 December 2006 - “New prudential regulatory provisions for banks” and subsequent updates set out a prudential rule system to make the objective of achieving more accurate measurement of potential risks relating to banking and financial activities more efficient, in addition to requiring capital structures to more accurately reflect the actual exposure to risk of each intermediary.

In order to manage the significant risks to which it is or could be exposed, the Banca Sistema Group has set up a risk management system that reflects the characteristics, size and complexity of the Group’s operations.

The Group’s “Risk Management System” is constantly monitored by the Risk Management who ensures that it has sufficient capital adequacy with respect to its business.

The Group does the following within this context: identification, measurement and evaluation, definition and monitoring of mitigation, monitoring and period reporting systems.

In order to reinforce its ability to manage company risks, the Group established the Risk Management Committee which supports the CEO in defining strategies, risk policies and profitability targets.

The Risk Management Committee continuously monitors the relevant risks and any new risks, even if they are only potential, resulting from changes in the working environment or the planned Group operations.

In the second half of 2012, with reference to the new rules on the functioning of the internal controls system,

the Group set up the “Control Functions Working Group”. The working group comprises second level control functions (Risk Management and Compliance) and third level functions (Internal Audit) and its objective is to promote interaction between the control departments in the exercise of their duties to provide guidelines and to implement, check and make assessments of the company bodies and the other committees. The methods used by the Group to measure, assess and combine risks are approved by the Parent company’s Board of Directors, upon proposal of the Risk Department subject to approval by the Risk Management Committee. In order to measure the Pillar I risks, the Group has adopted standard methods to calculate the capital requirements for Prudential Regulatory purposes.

In order to evaluate non-measurable Pillar II risks, the group adopts - where possible - the methods provided under regulatory regulations or those established by trade associations. If there are no such indications, standard market practices by operators that work at a level of complexity and operation that is comparable to the Group are assessed.

The Banca Sistema Group prepares the Individual Capital Adequacy Assessment Process reports on an annual basis to comply with the obligation to inform the public, using tables, about its capital adequacy, exposure to risks and the general characteristics of the risk management, control and monitoring systems of the risks (“Pillar III”). To that end the Group complies with the public disclosure requirements pursuant to the third pillar of circular 263/2006 publishing the aforesaid information on its Internet site. The information will be published at least once a year within the terms provided for publishing financial statements.

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

General aspects

The prudential regulatory provisions give banks the option of establishing the weighting coefficients to calculate their capital requirements with respect to the credit risks within the scope of the method standardised on the basis of the creditworthiness ratings issued by external credit assessment institution sources (ECAI) recognised by the Bank of Italy.

As at 31 December 2012, the Group used the rating issued by the ECAI “Fitch Ratings”. The identification of a reference ECAI does not represent - with respect to the objective or purpose - an evaluation of merit of the ratings attributed by the ECAs or support for the methods used, for which the external creditworthiness ratings agencies are the only ones in charge.

The assessments issued by the rating agencies are not enough to complete the creditworthiness assessment process that the Group carries out with respect to its clients, but rather provide an additional contribution to the definition of the information framework on the client's credit-worthiness.

The adequate assessment of the creditworthiness of the borrower, with respect to equity and income aspects, and the correct remuneration of risk, are made on the basis of documentation acquired by the bank, along with information from the Bank of Italy Central Credit Bureau to complete the information framework, both when deciding on the loan and for the subsequent monitoring.

The credit risk for the Banca Sistema Group, is one of the main components of the overall Group exposure; the credit portfolio composition mainly comprises national Public Administration entities such as local health services/hospital groups, territorial entities (Regions,

Provinces and Municipalities) and Ministries, who, by definition, have a very low default risk.

The operating components of the Banca Sistema Group that originate the credit risk are:

- Factoring assets (without recourse);
- Financial instruments held in own accounts;
- Supervised intermediaries.

Credit risk management policies

Organisational aspects

The organisational model of the Banca Sistema Group provides that the preliminary investigation of the loan files are made accurately in accordance with the decision-making powers reserved to the decision-making Bodies. These powers are reserved to the Board of Directors, the Executive Committee and the CEO in consultation with the Risk Management Committee.

In order to keep the credit quality of the credit portfolio high, the Banca Sistema Group considered it wise to concentrate all the phases related to the assumption and control of risk with the Banca Sistema Parent Company, thereby obtaining - through the specialisation of resources and the separation of departments at each decision making level - a high level of standardisation in granting loans and strong monitoring of the individual positions.

In view of the above, the analyses carried out to grant loans are made by the Underwriting Office of Banca Sistema. This department makes assessments aimed at the separate analysis and reliance on the counterparties (assignor, debtor/s) and the management of the related financial relationships which is carried out at all the typical phases of the loan granting process, summarised as follows:

- “analysis and assessment”: the gathering of quantitative and qualitative information from the counterparties and the system ensures that an assessment can be made on the reliability of the parties and aimed at quantifying the proposed credit lines;

- “decision making and formalisation”: once the proposal has been made, the contractual documentation is prepared to be signed by the assigning counterparty;
- “relationship monitoring”: the continuous control of the counterparties allows any anomalies to be identified leading to timely interventions.

Credit risk is generated as a direct consequence of the acquisition of credit on a definitive basis from customer companies against the insolvency of the assigned debtor. As regards the financial instruments held in own accounts, the Bank purchases securities related to the Italian public debt which are allocated in the banking portfolio for prudential regulatory purposes.

These operations are carried out by the Treasury Department which operates within the scope of the limits established by the Bank.

In addition, the Group follows the measures set out by the Bank of Italy on 18.05.2010, which provide for the sterilisation of the economic results of securities issued by the central administrations of countries belonging to the European Union.

The Board of Directors and General Management are responsible for providing guidance and specific functions to establish strategies and the company control policies, with specific reference to the risk component.

Management, measurement and control systems

With special reference to the factoring activities, the Group has the specific objective of efficiently managing credit risk through integrated instruments and processes in order to ensure correct credit management at all stages (preliminary, granting credit, monitoring and management, interventions on non-performing loans).

A number of central Banca Sistema structures are also involved to guarantee more efficiency and standardisation in terms of tackling the credit risk and monitoring the individual positions using specialised resources and separating the functions at each decision-making level.

Improved support of credit management is provided by the new factoring management system Key for Finance (K4F): 1 January 2013. the new K4F management system, integrated into the central outsourcer system CSE, is a system used by the main intermediaries operating in the reference sector.

The project was carried out under the responsibility of the outsourcer CSE and involved both internal resources (including the second and third level control functions) and external resources of the Bank under the supervision of the Organisation Management and ICT.

The introduction of the new system made the back office processes more efficient, further automating the accounting records and flows to the Supervisory Authorities, with a resulting benefit in terms of efficiency and control on the quality and accuracy of the data registration and classification processes.

With specific reference to monitoring the factoring activity, the Group established the “Collection Working Group”. The Working Group carries out checks and assessments on the factoring portfolio based on the guidelines defined in the “Collection policies”. In order to simplify the ascertainment and remove any obstacles that could delay and/or prevent payment, meetings and direct contacts with the entities are provided for monitoring the credit payment status, meetings with the Public Administration and/or debtor companies, telephone contacts, fax, etc.

The Collection Manager of the Parent Company coordinates its monitoring and any non-judicial collections with the Group collecting agency, Solvi S.r.l.

The Credit Risk framework described above aims to promptly identify any anomalies and/or discontinuities and ensure that a risk profile in line with the strategic indications provided is maintained.

In relation to the credit risk of the bond securities portfolio, government bonds continued to be acquired

in 2012, classified as available-for-sale financial assets. These financial assets fall within the “banking book” definition due to their classification, even though they fall outside the traditional investment activity of the Bank, and are sources of credit risk. This risk lies in the inability of the issuer to repay all or part of the bonds underwritten at maturity.

The securities held by the Banca Sistema Group exclusively comprise Italian government bonds, with an average portfolio duration of less than a year. The security portfolio meets the requirement of protecting against liquidity risk resulting from the potential volatility of the on-line deposits introduced with the product *Si conto!* DEPOSITO.

In addition, the establishment of an asset portfolio that can be easily liquidated also meets the requirement to stay ahead of prudential regulatory requirements in relation to the governance and management of liquidity risk management (Basel 3).

With reference to counterparty risk, the Group has set up extremely prudent repurchase agreements and reverse repurchase agreements since the underlying assets are mainly Italian government securities and the Compensation and Guarantee Fund is the counterparty.

Credit Risk Mitigation Techniques

Within the scope of the factoring activities and more specifically, with respect to the assigned debtors in the factoring relationships, if it is considered that the evaluation elements available for the assigned debtor are not adequate enough to provide a correct evaluation/assumption of the credit risk related to the debtor counterparty, the file is rejected by the Risk Management Committee.

In order to reduce exposure of the factoring portfolio, and more specifically its exposure with regard to the local health authorities (ASL), the Group has drawn up specific standard hedging credit default swap (CDS)

contracts and credit linked notes (CLN) compliant with international regulations in terms of ISDA (International Swaps and Derivatives Association) derivatives.

The issue of this type of instrument, catalogued as hedging derivatives, allows the Bank to improve its capital ratios through the hedging generated by the instrument and the amounts taken in from the subscription of the notes and also to reduce exposures to Risk Concentration Limit levels.

As regards credit risk and counterparty risk on the AFS portfolio and repurchase agreements, the risk is reduced by careful management of operating independence, establishing limits both in terms of responsibilities and the extent and composition of the portfolios by type of securities.

Impaired financial assets

With reference to factoring, customer relations are constantly monitored both by the Commercial Factoring Department and the competent management offices.

If there are any anomalies discovered and/or prejudicial elements regarding the counterparties, the relationship is kept under observation and the Collection Manager supervises it on a direct basis until the problematic issues have been resolved.

If the situation becomes worse and/or more critical, the files are passed to the Legal Department until the critical issues have been resolved or the position starts to perform again.

On the basis of the elements of judgement available, any classification of the counterparty as watchlist or non-performing is made in accordance with the guidelines defined in the collection policy.

If the Risk Management Committee meetings decide to make any value adjustments, the decision-making bodies are then informed.

QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

CREDIT QUALITY

A.1 Impaired and performing credit exposures: balance, value adjustments, trends and economic and territorial distribution

A.1.1 Credit exposures distribution by related portfolio and by credit quality (book values)

Portfolios / Quality	Banking group					Other companies		Total
	Non-performing loans	Watch-list loans	Exposures restructured	Past due exposures	Other Assets	Impaired	Other	
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	-	-	-	-	129	-	-	129
2. Available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	540,994	-	-	540,994
3. Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans to banks	-	-	-	-	13,036	-	1,439	14,475
5. Loans to customers	-	-	-	540	483,849	-	46	484,435
6. Financial assets carried at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Financial assets held for disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	-	-	-	540	1,038,008	-	1,485	1,040,033
Total 2011	-	-	-	4,099	294,008	-	-	298,107

A.1.2 Credit exposures distribution by related portfolio and by credit quality (gross and net values)

Portfolios / Quality	Impaired assets			Performing			Total (net exposure)
	Gross exposure	Specific adjustments	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Portfolio adjustments	Net exposure	
A. BANKING GROUP							
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	-	-	-	X	X	129	129
2. Available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	540,994	-	540,994	540,994
3. Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans to banks	-	-	-	14,475	-	14,475	14,475
5. Loans to customers	542	2	540	485,042	1,193	483,849	484,389
6. Financial assets carried at fair value	-	-	-	X	X	-	-
7. Financial assets held for disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	X	X	-	-
TOTAL A	542	2	540	1,040,511	1,193	1,039,447	1,039,987
B. OTHER COMPANIES INCLUDED IN SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION							
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	-	-	-	X	X	-	-
2. Available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans to banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5. Loans to customers	-	-	-	46	-	46	46
6. Financial assets designated at fair value	-	-	-	X	X	-	-
7. Financial assets held for disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	X	X	-	-
TOTAL B	-	-	-	46	-	46	46
TOTAL 2012	542	2	540	1,040,557	1,193	1,039,493	1,040,033
TOTAL 2011	4,099	-	4,099	294,258	250	294,008	298,107

A.1.2.1 Distribution of the performing credit exposures for owned portfolios

Portfolios/seniority expired	OTHER EXPOSURES					Total (net exposure)
	Past due up to 3 months	Expired from 3 to 6 months	Expired from 6 months to 1 year	Expired for over 1 year	Not past due	
1. Held-for-trading financial assets	-	-	-	-	129	129
2. Available-for-sale financial assets	-	-	-	-	540,994	540,994
3. Held-to-maturity financial assets	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans to banks	-	-	-	-	14,475	14,475
5. Loans to customers	9,856	5,802	11,092	10,015	447,130	483,895
6. Financial assets designated at fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-
7. Financial assets held for disposal	-	-	-	-	-	-
8. Hedging derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	9,856	5,802	11,092	10,015	1,002,728	1,039,493

A.1.3 Banking Group - Cash and off-balance sheet credit exposures to banks: gross and net values

Type of exposure / Values	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value adjustments	Net Exposure
A. CASH EXPOSURE				
a. Non-performing loans	-	-	X	-
b. Watchlist loans	-	-	X	-
c. Restructured loans	-	-	X	-
d. Past due loans	-	-	X	-
e. Other assets	14,604	X	-	14,604
TOTAL A	14,604	-	-	14,604
B. OFF-BALANCE SHEET EXPOSURES				
a. Impaired	-	0.00	X	-
b. Other	1,340	X	-	1,340
TOTAL B	1,340	-	-	1,340
TOTAL A+B	15,944	-	-	15,944

A.1.4 Banking Group - Cash credit exposures to banks: movements of gross impaired exposures

The cash exposures from loans to Banks are all performing.

A.1.5 Banking Group - Cash credit exposures to banks: total value adjustment movements

The cash exposures from loans to Banks are all performing.

A.1.6 Banking Group - Cash and off-balance sheet credit exposures to customers: gross and net values

Type of exposure / Values	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value adjustments	Net Exposure
A. CASH EXPOSURE				
a. Non-performing loans	-	-	-	-
b. Watchlist loans	-	-	-	-
c. Restructured loans	-	-	-	-
d. Past due loans	542	2	-	540
e. Other assets	1,026,082	-	1,193	1,024,889
TOTAL A	1,026,624	2	1,193	1,025,429
B. OFF-BALANCE SHEET EXPOSURES				
a. Impaired	-	-	-	-
b. Other	4,999	-	-	4,999
TOTAL B	4,999	-	-	4,999
TOTAL A+B	1,031,623	2	1,193	1,030,428

A.1.7 Banking Group - Cash credit exposures to customers: movements of gross impaired exposures

Reasons / Categories	Non-performing loans	Watch-list loans	Restructured Exposures	Past due Exposures
A. Gross opening exposure	-	-	-	4,099
▪ of which: exposures disposed of and not cancelled	-	-	-	-
B. Increases	-	-	-	479
B.1 income from performing credit exposures	-	-	-	313
B.2 transfers from other categories of impaired exposures	-	-	-	-
B.3 other increases	-	-	-	166
C. Decreases	-	-	-	4,036
C.1 transferred to performing credit exposures	-	-	-	3,882
C.2 write-offs	-	-	-	-
C.3 collections	-	-	-	154
C.4 gains on disposals	-	-	-	-
C.5 transfers to other categories of impaired exposures	-	-	-	-
C.6 other decreases	-	-	-	-
D. Gross closing exposure	-	-	-	542
▪ of which: exposures disposed of and not cancelled	-	-	-	-

A.1.8 Banking Group - Cash credit exposures to customers: total value adjustment movements

Reasons / Categories	Non-performing loans	Watch-list loans	Restructured Exposures	Past due Exposures
A. Overall opening adjustments	-	-	-	-
▪ of which: exposures disposed of and not cancelled	-	-	-	-
B. Increases	-	-	-	2
B.1 value adjustments	-	-	-	-
B.2 transfers from other categories of impaired exposures	-	-	-	-
B.3 other increases	-	-	-	2
C. Decreases	-	-	-	-
C.1 value write-backs from revaluation	-	-	-	-
C.2 value write-backs from collections	-	-	-	-
C.3 cancellations	-	-	-	-
C.4 transfers to other categories of impaired exposures	-	-	-	-
C.5 other decreases	-	-	-	-
D. Closing total adjustments	-	-	-	2
▪ of which: exposures disposed of and not cancelled	-	-	-	-

A.2 Classification of exposures on the basis of external and internal ratings

A.2.1 Banking Group - Distribution of cash and "off-balance sheet" loans by external rating classification

Exposures	External rating classes						No rating	Total
	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6		
A. Cash exposure	709,358	327,759	-	-	-	-	2,916	1,040,033
B. Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.1 Financial derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B.2 Credit derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. Guarantees issued	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,362	1,362
D. Commitments to grant finance	-	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	4,977
Total	709,358	332,736	-	-	-	-	4,278	1,046,372

The risk classes for external ratings indicated in this table refer to creditworthiness classes of the debtors/guarantors described in the prudential regulation (see Circular no. 263 of 27/12/2006 on "New prudential regulatory provisions for the Banks" and subsequent amendments).

The bank uses the standardised risk mapping method of the ratings agency, Fitch, as described below:

Long-term rating

Classes of merit	Risk weighting coefficients				ECAI
	Administrations and central banks	supervised intermediaries, public sector entities territorial entities	Banks multilateral of development	Companies and other entities	Fitch ratings
1	0%	20%	20%	20%	from AAA to AA-
2	20%	50%	50%	50%	from A+ to A-
3	50%	100%	100%	100%	from BBB+ to BBB-
4	100%	100%	100%	100%	from BB+ to BB-
5	100%	100%	100%	100%	from B+ to B-
6	150%	150%	150%	150%	CCC+ and lower

Short-term rating

Classes of merit	Administrations and central banks	ECAI
		Fitch ratings
1	20%	F1+, F1
2	50%	F2
3	100%	F3
from 4 to 6	150%	lower than F3

A.3 Distribution of guaranteed exposures by guarantee type

A.3.2 Banking group - Credit exposures to guaranteed customers

	Net exposure value	Guarantees in instalments (1)			CLN	Personal guarantees (2)							Total (1)+(2)		
		Property	Securities	Other real guarantees		Credit derivatives			Credit commitments						
						Other public entities	Banks	Other entities	Governments and central banks	Other public entities	Banks	Other entities			
2. Guaranteed cash credit exposures:	138,724	-	-	99,202	35,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	134,202
1.3 totally guaranteed	130,730	-	-	99,202	31,097	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	130,299
- of which impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.4 part guaranteed	7,994	-	-	-	3,903	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,903
- of which impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. "Off balance sheet" guaranteed credit exposures:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.1 fully guaranteed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- of which impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.2 part guaranteed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- of which impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

B. DISTRIBUTION AND CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT EXPOSURES

B.1 Banking group - Segment distribution of cash and "off-balance sheet" credit exposures to customers (book value)

Exposures / Counterparties	Governments			Other public entities			Financial companies			Insurance companies			Non-financial companies			Other entities		
	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value	Net Exposure	Specific value adjustments	Portfolio value
A. Cash exposures																		
A1. Non-performing loans	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
A2. Watchlist loans	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
A3. Restructured exposures	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
A4. Past due exposures	-	-	X	540	2	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
A5. Other exposures	564,926	X	72	352,319	X	1,121	106,566	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	1,078	X	-
TOTAL A	564,926	-	72	352,859	2	1,121	106,566	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,078	-	-	-
B. "Off-balance sheet" exposure																		
B1. Non-performing loans	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
B2. Watchlist loans	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
B3. Other impaired assets	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X
B4. Other exposures	4,977	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	22	X	-
TOTAL B	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2012	569,903	-	72	352,859	2	1,121	106,566	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,100	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2011	63,189	-	-	190,230	-	250	21,975	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

B.2 Banking group - Geographic distribution of cash and “off-balance sheet” credit exposures to customers (book value)

Exposures / Geographic areas	ITALY		OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES		AMERICA		ASIA		REST OF THE WORLD	
	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments
A. Cash exposures										
A1. Non-performing loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A2. Watchlist loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A3. Restructured exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A4. Past due exposures	540	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A5. Other exposures	1,024,889	1,193	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL A	1,025,429	1,195	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. “Off-balance sheet” exposures										
B1. Non-performing loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B2. Watchlist loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B3. Other impaired assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B4. Other exposures	4,999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL B	4,999	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2012	1,030,428	1,195	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2011	212,205	250	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

B.3 Banking Group - Geographic distribution of cash and “off-balance sheet” credit exposures to banks (book value)

Exposures / Geographic areas	ITALY		OTHER EUROPEAN COUNTRIES		AMERICA		ASIA		REST OF THE WORLD	
	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments	Net Exposure	Total value adjustments
A. Cash exposures										
A1. Non-performing loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A2. Watchlist loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A3. Restructured exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A4. Past due exposures	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A5. Other exposures	14,493	-	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL A	14,493	-	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. “Off-balance sheet” exposures										
B1. Non-performing loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B2. Watchlist loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B3. Other impaired assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B4. Other exposures	1,340	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL B	1,340	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2012	15,833	-	111	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL (A+B) 2011	22,115	-	80	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

B.4 Significant exposures

At 31 December 2012 the significant exposures of the Banca Sistema Group comprise the following:

- a. Euro 715,281
- b. 33 positions

On 27 December 2010, the Bank of Italy issued the 6th update of Circular 263 of 27 December 2006 which defines “significant exposures”, the exposures of amounts that equal or exceed 10% of the regulatory capital, where “exposure” refers to the amount of

the risks assets on a cash basis and the off-balance sheet transactions with customers or groups of related customers, as defined by the laws on credit risk and counterparty risk.

As at 31 December 2012, there were 33 cash and off-balance sheet risk assets with respect to customers or groups of related customers that qualified as “significant exposures”, with the exposure amounting to Euro 715,281 thousand and the relative weighted value amounting to Euro 120,966 thousand.

C. SECURITISATION AND ASSET DISPOSAL TRANSACTIONS

C.1 Securitisation transactions

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As from 1 July 2011, Banca Sistema acquired control of the SF Trust Group. It had been founded in 2007 by the RBS Special Opportunities Fund, an independent, private equity fund owned by institutional investors and private banking customers, managed by RBS Asset Management Limited; The SF Trust Group acquired existing and future receivables from supplies, administration, grants or tenders of goods and services

with Italian public administration entities. Over the years, the SF Trust group (SFT) financed its operations through the Pubblica Funding securitisation vehicle, whose Notes were entirely underwritten by the Royal Bank of Scotland Plc. The receivables were acquired by SFT Italia and immediately transferred back to Pubblica Funding with a price structure that took full advantage of the price that SFTI paid the original customers/assignors.

The main parties who were involved in the transaction are listed below:

Issuer	Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l.
Assignor	S.F. Trust Italia S.r.l.
Servicer	Zenith Service S.p.A.
Sub-Servicer	SF Trust Servicing Ltd
Cash Manager	Citibank N.A.
Principal Paying Agent	Citibank N.A.
Lead manager	The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc
Arranger	The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc
Liquidity Facility Provider	The Royal Bank of Scotland Plc
Corporate Services Provider	Structured Finance Management $\frac{3}{4}$ Italy S.r.l.
Representative of the Noteholders	Citicorp Trustee Company Limited

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C.1.1 Banking group - Exposures from securitisation transactions according to the quality of the underlying assets

Underlying asset quality / Exposures	Cash exposure				Guarantees issued				Credit lines			
	Senior	Mezzanine	Junior	Junior	Senior	Mezzanine	Junior	Junior	Senior	Mezzanine	Junior	Junior
	Gross exposure	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Net exposure	Gross exposure	Net exposure
A. With own underlying assets:												
a. Impaired	-	-	7,111	5,338	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. Other	-	-	7,111	5,388	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. With underlying third party assets:												
a. Impaired	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
b. Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

C.1.2 Banking group - Exposures from the main "own" securitisation transactions according to securitised asset type and exposure type

Type of securitised asset / Exposures	Cash exposure				Guarantees issued				Credit lines			
	Senior		Junior		Senior		Junior		Senior		Junior	
	Book values	Adjustment/Write-back	Book values	Adjustment/Write-back	Net exposure	Adjustment/Write-back	Net exposure	Adjustment/Write-back	Net exposure	Adjustment/Write-back	Net exposure	Adjustment/Write-back
A. Entirely written-off from the financial statements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. Partially written-off from the financial statements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C. Not written-off from the financial statements	-	-	5,338	(1,774)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.1 Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l.	-	-	5,338	(1,774)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

C.1.4 Banking group - Exposures from separate securitisation transactions broken down by portfolio and type

Exposure / Portfolio	Held-for-trading financial assets	Financial assets carried at fair value	Available-for-sale financial assets	Held-to-maturity financial assets	Receivables	31-12-2012	31-12-2011
1. Cash exposure					5,338	5,338	(13,544)
▪ Senior	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Mezzanine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Junior	-	-	-	-	5,338	5,338	(13,544)
2. Off-balance sheet exposures							
▪ Senior	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Mezzanine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Junior	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

C.1.5 Banking group - Total amount of the securitised assets underlying junior securities or other forms of loan support

Assets / Values	Traditional securitisations	Synthetic securitisations
A. Underlying own assets:	47,055	-
A.1 Entirely written-off	-	-
1. Non-performing loans	-	x
2. Watchlist loans	-	x
3. Restructured exposures	-	x
4. Past due exposures	-	x
5. Other assets	-	x
A.2 Partially written off	-	-
1. Non-performing loans	-	x
2. Watchlist loans	-	x
3. Restructured exposures	-	x
4. Past due exposures	-	x
5. Other assets	-	x
A.3 Not written-off	47,055	-
1. Non-performing loans	-	-
2. Watchlist loans	-	-
3. Restructured exposures	-	-
4. Past due exposures	68	-
5. Other assets	46,987	-
B. Underlying third party assets:	-	-
B.1 Non-performing loans	-	-
B.2 Watchlist loans	-	-
B.3 Restructured exposure	-	-
B.4 Past due exposures	-	-
B.5 Other assets	-	-

C.1.6 Banking group - Interests in the vehicle companies

Company Name	Registered office	% interest
Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l.	Milan	0%

C.1.7 Banking group - Servicer assets - securitised credit collections and repayment of SPV-issued securities

Servicer	SPV	Securitised assets (year-end figure)		Credits collected during the year		% share of securities repaid (end of period)		
		Impaired	Performing	Impaired	Performing	senior	mezzanine	junior
Zenith Service S.p.A.	Publica Funding n.1 S.r.l.	68	46,987	-	63,679	Impaired assets	Performing assets	Performing assets
						81.2%	-	-

No junior securities have ever been issued.

C.2.1. Banking group - Financial assets disposed and not derecognised

Underlying asset quality / Exposures	Held-for trading financial assets			Financial assets carried at fair value			Available-for-sale financial assets			Held-to-maturity financial assets			Loans to banks			Loans to customers			Total			
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	
A. Cash assets																						
1. Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312
2. Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312
3. UCITS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B. Derivative instruments																						
Total 2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	149,312
<i>of which impaired</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 2011	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>of which impaired</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Key:
A = financial assets disposed and fully recognised (book value)
B = financial assets disposed and partly recognised (book value)
C = financial assets sold and partly derecognised (full value)

C.2.2 Banking group - Financial liabilities from financial assets sold but not cancelled

Liabilities / Portfolio	Held-for-trading financial assets	Financial assets carried at fair value	Available-for-sale financial assets	Held-to-maturity financial assets	Loans to banks	Loans to customers	Total
1. Due to customers	-	-	249,012	-	-	-	249,012
a) corresponding to assets disclosed in full	-	-	249,012	-	-	-	249,012
b) corresponding to assets part-disclosed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Due to banks	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
a) corresponding to assets disclosed in full	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
b) corresponding to assets part-disclosed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	-	-	249,012	-	-	-	249,012
Total 2011	6,487	-	-	-	-	-	6,487

D. Banking group - Credit risk measurement models

1.2 Banking group - market risks

The Banca Sistema Group does not trade its financial instruments. At 31 December 2012 the only active holdings in the trading portfolio for regulatory purposes were represented by certain bond securities issued by leading banks for insignificant amounts.

The limitation system in place sets out a system for the careful, balanced management of operating independence, establishing limits in terms of consistency and portfolio composition in accordance with the type of securities; the Risk Management department produces specific reports by the Risk Management Committee and Board of Directors at different intervals (monthly/quarterly).

1.2.1 Interest rate risk and pricing risk – regulatory trading portfolio

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

General aspects

Market risk involves the risk of loss that a financial intermediary is exposed to due to carrying out trading operations on financial instruments on the markets. More specifically, it involves the risk of recording losses due to unfavourable market trends that cause unexpected or unforeseeable reductions in the value of the instruments held.

These involve risks generated by operations on the markets regarding the financial instruments and currencies and the important components are:

- general position risk caused by unfavourable price trends in the instruments traded, and specific risk due to factors related to the situation of the issuer;
- settlement risk, which includes transactions which have not yet been settled after expiry exposing the Group to the risk of loss due to the failure to settle the transaction;

- concentration risk, which provides for specific internal capital for banks which - due to the risks positions relating to the trading portfolio for regulatory purposes - exceeds the limit identified by the credit line;
- exchange rate risk which is the risk of suffering loss due to unfavourable changes in the exchange rates in foreign currencies.

Interest rate risk and pricing risk management processes and measurement methods

The calculation of the market risk requirement, known as the building-block approach, is given by the sum of the capital requirements calculated against the individual market risks (position, settlement and concentration risk). This approach is prudential since by summing the individual requirements on a linear basis, the benefits provided by diversification are ignored, therefore obtaining higher internal capital with respect to the risks taken on. More specifically, the following calculation methods were adopted:

- for the general position risk on debt securities, the internal capital is calculated by a method based on the expiry date;
- for the specific position risk on debt securities, the internal capital is calculated by a method that assigns each security to one of four categories (issuers with zero weighting, qualified issuers, unqualified issuers and high risk issuers) with different weightings, multiplied in turn by 8%;
- for the position risk on equity securities, the internal capital is calculated as the sum of the general requirement (equal to 8% of the net general position) and the specific requirement (equal to 4% of the gross general position);
- for the position risk for the UCITS units, the internal capital is calculated by the residual method, i.e. equal to 32% of the current value of the shares held in the “regulatory trading portfolio”;

- for the settlement, concentration and exchange rate risk, the internal capital is calculated with reference to the other rules provided under Prudential Regulatory Regulations.

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1. Regulatory trading portfolio: breakdown of cash financial assets and liabilities and financial derivatives by residual maturity (date of re-pricing)

Currency: Euro

Type / Residual Duration	On demand	Up to 3 months	From 3 months to 6 months	From 6 months to 1 year	From 1 year to 5 years	From 5 years to 10 years	Over 10 years	Term not defined
1. Cash assets	-	-	-	-	129	-	-	-
1.1 Debt securities	-	-	-	-	129	-	-	-
▪ with early redemption option	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ other	-	-	-	-	129	-	-	-
1.2 Other assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Cash liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.1 Reverse repurchase agreements	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.2 Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Financial derivatives	-	4,977	4,980	-	-	-	-	-
3.1 With underlying security	-	4,977	4,980	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Options	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other derivatives	-	4,977	4,980	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	4,980	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.2 No underlying security	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Options	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

A. General considerations, interest rate risk and pricing risk management, procedures and measurement methods

The Banca Sistema Group is not especially exposed to interest rate risk since its sources are mainly from retail customers through the *SI conto!* deposit accounts and from interbank deposits collateralised at very short-term fixed rates.

Customer deposits with the *SI conto!* accounts are at fixed rates for the entire duration of the term, reviewed by the Bank on a unilateral basis in accordance with the regulations and the contracts.

The interest rates applied to the customers for the factoring relationships are also at fixed rates and these are also reviewable by the Bank on a unilateral basis in accordance with regulations and contracts.

The bond securities portfolio comprises Government securities with yields indexed at market rates. The remaining part comprises short-term securities at fixed rates. The average financial term of the entire portfolio is slightly less than a year. The securities held are classified under the Available-for-sale portfolio, and in accordance with the Group's compliance with the order of the Bank of Italy of 18.05.2010, provides that the change in fair value - in any case modest given the high credit standing and short average financial term - is represented in the capital reserves of the Group.

The assumption of interest rate risk related to the funding activities of the Treasury Department of the Parent Company is carried out in accordance with the policies and limits established by the Board of Directors and is governed by specific authorisations that set independence limits for the parties authorised to work in the Treasury area of the Bank.

The company departments in charge of ensuring the correct management of interest rate risk include the Treasury Department - which is involved in the direct

management of funding - and the Risk Management department - which is in charge of identifying the most suitable risk indicators and monitoring the performance of funding assets and liabilities in relation to the pre-established limits.

This management assesses and monitors the main assets and liabilities subject to interest rate risk through the ALM measuring report. The results of these analyses are submitted to the Risk Management Committee who evaluates the exposure of the Group to interest rate risk and proposes investment/funding policies and interest rate risk management policies, and during the year suggests any interventions that should be taken to ensure that it is managed in accordance with the risk policies approved by the Bank.

The interest rate risk position is also subject to periodic reporting to the Board of Directors of the Bank within the scope of the Risk Reporting prepared by the Risk Management Department. The Interest Rate Risk is considered to be a Pillar II risk, and is kept under continuous assessment by the treasury management and is subject to self-evaluation when drafting the ICAAP (Internal Capital Adequacy Assessment Process) Report. The Interest rate risk was subject to specific measurement in terms of capital requirements in the final document sent to the Supervisory Authority in accordance with the regulations (Circular no. 263 of 27 December 2006 - Title III, Chapter 1, Attachment C). With a warning threshold of 20% of the Regulatory Capital, the risk index value of the Group was 0.2% as at 31 December 2012. The Group does not use interest rate hedging instruments due to the extent of the risk.

B. Fair value hedging

The Group did not have any fair value hedging in place as at 31 December 2012.

C. Cash flow hedging

The Group did not have any cash flow hedging in place as at 31 December 2012.

QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

1. Banking portfolio: distribution by residual life (re-pricing date) of the financial assets and liabilities

Currency: Euro

Type / Residual Duration	On demand	Up to 3 months	From 3 months up to 6 months	From 6 months up to 1 year	From 1 year up to 5 years	From 5 years up to 10 years	Over 10 years	Term Not defined
1. Cash assets	54,988	130,367	231,669	506,032	116,848	-	-	-
1.1 Debt securities	-	-	164,047	376,947	-	-	-	-
▪ With early redemption option	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other	-	-	164,047	376,947	-	-	-	-
1.2 Loans to banks	10,292	4,183	-	-	-	-	-	-
1.3 Loans to customers	44,696	126,184	67,622	129,085	116,848	-	-	-
▪ Current accounts	1,078	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other loans	43,618	126,184	67,622	129,085	116,848	-	-	-
- With early redemption option	36,749	26,486	67,622	129,085	116,848	-	-	-
- Other	6,869	99,698	-	-	-	-	-	-
2. Cash liabilities	45,919	342,830	108,190	148,739	368,276	-	-	-
2.1. Due to customers	32,055	342,830	93,105	148,739	228,059	-	-	-
▪ Current accounts	12,479	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other debts	19,576	342,830	93,105	148,739	228,059	-	-	-
- With early redemption option	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- Other	19,576	342,830	93,105	148,739	228,059	-	-	-
2.2 Due to banks	13,864	-	-	-	100,060	-	-	-
▪ Current accounts	3,144	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other debts	10,720	-	-	-	100,060	-	-	-
2.3 Debt securities	-	-	15,085	-	40,157	-	-	-
▪ With early redemption option	-	-	10,075	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other	-	-	5,010	-	40,157	-	-	-
2.4 Other liabilities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ With early redemption option	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. Financial derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.1 With underlying security	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Options	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.2 No underlying security	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Options	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Other derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
+ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1.2.3 Exchange rate risk

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

A. General considerations, exchange risk management processes and measurement methods

None of the currency items in Euro subject the Group to exchange rate risk.

1.2.4 Derivative instruments

A. Financial derivatives

The Bank does not operate with derivative instruments on its own accounts.

B. Credit derivatives

As at 31 December 2012 the bank posted the credit-linked notes (CLN) value as a protection buyer. The “host security” is the security IT0004881436 Banca Sistema 18/07/2014 - 5.1% of nominal value equal to Euro 35 million.

B.1 Credit derivatives: notional year-end and average values

Transaction categories	Regulatory trading portfolio		Banking portfolio	
	Individual party	Basket	Individual party	Basket
1. Protection bought	-	-	-	-
a) Credit default products	-	-	-	-
b) Credit spread products	-	-	-	-
c) Total rate of return swap	-	-	-	-
d) Other	-	-	-	35,000
Total 2012	-	-	-	35,000
Average values	-	-	-	-
Total 2011	-	-	-	-
2. Protection sold	-	-	-	-
a) Credit default products	-	-	-	-
b) Credit spread products	-	-	-	-
c) Total rate of return swap	-	-	-	-
d) Other	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	-	-	-	-
Average values	-	-	-	-
Total 2011	-	-	-	-

B.4 Credit derivatives: notional year-end and average values

Contracts that do not come under offsetting agreements	Governments and Central Banks	Other public entities	Banks	Finance companies	Insurance companies	Non-financial companies	Other entities
Regulatory trading	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1) Protection bought	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- notional value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- positive fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- negative fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- future exposure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2) Protection sold	-	-	35,000	-	-	-	-
- notional value	-	-	35,000	-	-	-	-
- positive fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- negative fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- future exposure	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank portfolios	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1) Protection bought	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- notional value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- positive fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- negative fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2) Protection sold	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- notional value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- positive fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- negative fair value	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

B.6 Residual maturity of the credit derivatives: notional values

Underlying / Residual life	Up to 1 year	Over 1 year and up to 5 years	Over 5 years	Total
A. Regulatory trading portfolio	-	-	-	-
A.1 Credit derivatives with "qualified reference obligation"	-	-	-	-
A.2 Credit derivatives with "unqualified reference obligation"	-	-	-	-
B. Banking portfolio	-	35,000	-	35,000
B.1 Credit derivatives with "qualified reference obligation"	-	35,000	-	35,000
B.2 Credit derivatives with "unqualified reference obligation"	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	-	35,000	-	35,000
Total 2011	-	-	-	-

1.3 Banking Group - Liquidity risk

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

A. General aspects, management processes and methods of measuring liquidity risk

The liquidity risk is represented by the possibility that the Group cannot keep its commitments to pay due to its inability to obtain funds or its inability to sell assets on the market to deal with any financial imbalances. The inability to obtain new adequate financial resources also represents a liquidity risk, in terms of amount and cost, with respect to the operating requirements/opportunities, forcing the Group to slow down or stop development of its business, or incurring excessive funding costs to meet its commitments, with significant negative impacts on the profitability of its business.

Funding sources are represented by the capital, customer funding, funding from the Italian and international interbank market and the Eurosystem.

In order to promptly discover and deal with any difficulties in obtaining the funds needed for running its business, the Banca Sistema Group - in accordance with the provisions of the Prudential Regulatory provisions - established its own Contingency Funding Plan, i.e. a set of specific strategies to adopt in the event of liquidity issues, setting out the procedures to obtain funding sources in the event of an emergency.

These strategies represent a basic feature in the reduction of liquidity risk.

This policy defines - in terms of liquidity risk - the objectives, processes and strategies to implement in the event of liquidity problems, the organisational structures set up to deal with these strategies, the risk indicators, the calculation methods and warning thresholds and the procedures to adopt to obtain funding sources that can be used in the case of an emergency.

In the past year, the Bank had a particularly prudent funding policy aimed at favouring the stability of the

funding, on some occasions obtaining higher funding sources than strictly required for the immediate operating requirements, acting as a stable provider on the interbank markets, even with extremely short expiry periods. This policy, which sacrificed economic efficiency of treasury management in favour of certainty and stability in terms of liquidity in relation to the rate differential between interbank funding and investments, was proven successful as can be seen by the Group's profitability levels.

More specifically, at a prudential level, Banca Sistema kept the quality of its securities high and its assets liquid to cover all the funding from the "SI conto!" deposit product; the average percentage of cover of the deposits during the year was around 60% and 80% considering the securities guaranteeing the refinancing transaction with the ECB (LTRO) free.

The Parent Company departments in charge of ensuring the correct application of the liquidity policies include the Treasury Department - which is involved in the direct management of liquidity - and the Risk Management department - which is in charge of identifying the most suitable risk indicators and the performance in relation to the pre-established limits.

Just as with the interest rate risk, this management assesses and monitors the main assets and liabilities subject to interest rate risk through the ALM (Asset Liability Management) measuring report for the liquidity risk.

The results of these analyses are submitted to the Risk Management Committee who evaluates the exposure of the Group to liquidity risk and proposes investment/funding policies.

The liquidity risk position is also subject to periodic reporting to the Board of Directors of the Bank within the scope of the Risk Reporting prepared by the Risk Management Department.

QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

Time distribution by residual contract duration of financial assets and liabilities

Items / Timescales	On demand	From 1 to 7 days	From 7 to 15 days	From 15 days to 1 month	From 1 month to 3 months	From 3 months to 6 months	From 6 months to 1 year	From 1 year to 5 years	Over 5 years	Term not defined
Cash assets	60,567	100,365	815	2,745	22,554	229,143	513,019	121,661	230	4,183
A.1 Treasury securities	-	-	-	-	-	159,512	376,636	5,000	-	-
A.2 Other debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	129	230	-
A.3 UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A.4 Loans	60,567	100,365	815	2,745	22,554	69,631	136,367	116,532	-	4,183
▪ Banks	10,292	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,183
▪ Customers	50,275	100,365	815	2,745	22,554	69,631	136,367	116,532	-	-
Cash liabilities	45,918	254,125	4,365	12,901	76,583	93,105	148,739	364,355	10,000	5,000
B.1 Deposit and current accounts	32,296	5,131	4,365	7,757	76,583	93,105	148,739	179,790	-	-
▪ Banks	12,568	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Customers	19,728	5,131	4,365	7,757	76,583	93,105	148,739	179,790	-	-
B.2 Debt securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	40,000	10,000	5,000
B.3 Other liabilities	13,622	248,994	-	5,144	-	-	-	144,565	-	-

Items / Timescales	On demand	From 1 to 7 days	From 7 to 15 days	From 15 days to 1 month	From 1 month to 3 months	From 3 months to 6 months	From 6 months to 1 year	From 1 year to 5 years	Over 5 years	Term not defined
"Off-balance sheet" transactions	-	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	35,000	-	-
C.1 Financial derivatives with exchange of capital	-	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	4,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.2 Financial derivatives without exchange of capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.3 Deposits and loans receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.4 Irrevocable commitments to grant finance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.5 Financial guarantees issued	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.6 Financial guarantees received	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
C.7 Credit derivatives with trading of capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35,000	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35,000	-	-
C.7 Credit derivatives without exchange of capital	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Long positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
▪ Short positions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1.4 Banking group - operational risks

QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

Operational risk is the risk of suffering losses due to the inadequacy or inefficiency of procedures, human resources or internal systems, or by external events. Operational risks include - among other things - losses ensuing from fraud, human error, interruptions of operations, the unavailability of systems, breaches of contract, or natural catastrophes. Operational risk includes legal risk, while strategic risk or reputational risk are not included. Therefore operational risk refers to the various types of events that are not individually significant alone, but only if analysed together and quantified by the entire risk category.

In order to calculate the capital requirements to cover operational risk, the Banca Sistema Group uses the Basic Indicator Approach - BIA - where the capital requirements are calculated by applying a regulatory coefficient to an indicator of the volume of company operations as set out by Title II, chapter 5 of the Supervisory regulations.

A. General considerations, operational risk management processes and measurement methods

The Supervisory Authorities acknowledge that the specific approach adopted by individual banks for managing operational risk may depend on a series of factors including the size, organisational set-up and the nature and complexity of the transactions. In this context, there is more internal awareness about operational risk and controls, which, along with the implementation of a functional internal reporting system and the availability of emergency plans, form the essential elements of an effective and efficient operational risk management system.

In order to calculate the capital requirements to cover the operational risk, the Group - as noted above - adopted the Basic method, which provides that the capital requirements are calculated by applying a regulatory coefficient equal to 15% of an indicator of the volume of company operations identified in the operating income. More specifically, the Group evaluates

the operational risk related to the introduction of new products, activities, processes and systems and reduces the operational risk by defining specific policies and rules to deal with various issues and matters.

The Risk Management produces and sends the Risk Committee and the CEO a report every quarter which shows - among other things - a concise indicator of the degree of complexity of company operations, the capital requirements generated by the operational risk and their development compared to the previous report.

In the first few months of 2013, the Control Departments' Working Group set up a Risk Self Assessment (RSA) project.

This method implies an initial evaluation of the possible risks related to the actual operations in the company in question, a subsequent analysis of the controls in place that can reduce the theoretical risk which has emerged and a consequential evaluation of the so-called "residual" risk levels, i.e. after the existing controls have been made, allowing the necessary actions to take to be identified.

The objective of the RSA is to provide management with an instrument to manage operational risk, i.e. the possibility of evaluating the existing control system in the Group in terms of ability to efficiently deal with the risks and reduce the risks identified to an "acceptable" level.

SECTION 1 - CONSOLIDATED EQUITY

A. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

The company's capital comprises the amount of own funds of the bank, i.e. the set of funds that can be used to achieve the corporate purpose and to deal with the risks faced by the company. Therefore the capital is the main protection against the risks relating to the banking activity and as such, it has to be sufficient to guarantee both adequate margins of entrepreneurial independence in the development and growth of the bank, and ensure the maintenance of a solid, stable company. To that end, the Board of Directors of the parent company concentrates most attention on the own capital of the bank and the subsidiaries, aware of both the function in protecting the trust of external financiers, since it can be used to absorb any losses, and its importance for management purposes for operational reasons and to develop the company.

The group is subject to the capital adequacy requirements established by the Basel Committee in accordance with the rules defined by the Bank of Italy. In accordance with these rules, at Group level, the ratio between the capital and the weighted risk assets must be equal to at least 8%.

The level of risk propensity of the Group is closely connected to its capital base and the riskiness inherent in its assets; in that context definition of the Group's risk strategy is the first process in a broader framework of determining the capital adequacy, where the final aim is to allow the Supervisory Authorities to formulate a judgement on the capital adequacy of the bank and its compliance with both minimum capital base requirements and internal company objectives in terms of risk coverage indices. Definition of the risk strategy is therefore also the main input in setting out a proper capital allocation process over the various assets that generate riskiness.

The capital adequacy level of the Group is measured and constantly monitored in terms of adequacy in covering the capital requirements that are needed to sustain the company business (in terms of Total capital ratio and Tier 1 capital ratio) and protection and planning the overall risk level.

In addition, the Group carries out operational planning on an annual basis that constitutes the logical follow-on of the strategic planning and is aimed at quantifying the main capital, volumes and profitability objectives of the Group over the space of 12 months.

B. QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

Please refer to the information provided in Part B of these Notes to the Financial Statements, Liabilities, Section 15 - Group Equity

B.1 Group Equity: breakdown by type of company

Underlying / Residual life	Banking group	Insurance companies	Other companies	Netting and adjustments due to consolidation	Total
Capital	7,861	-	-	-	7,861
Share premiums		-	-	-	-
Reserves	5,835	-	-	-	5,835
Capital instruments		-	-	-	-
(Treasury shares)		-	-	-	-
Valuation reserves	407	-	-	-	407
- Available-for-sale financial assets	407	-	-	-	407
- Property, plant and equipment		-	-	-	-
- Intangible assets		-	-	-	-
- Foreign investment hedges		-	-	-	-
- Cash flow hedges		-	-	-	-
- Exchange differences		-	-	-	-
- Non-current assets being disposed of		-	-	-	-
- Actuarial profit (loss) on retirement plans with defined benefits		-	-	-	-
- Shares of valuation reserves relating to the investee companies valued at equity		-	-	-	-
- Special revaluation laws		-	-	-	-
Profit (loss) for the year for the Group and minorities	1,492	-	598	-	2,090
Total	15,595	-	598	-	16,193

B.2 Valuation reserves of available-for-sale financial assets: breakdown

Assets / Values	BANKING GROUP		INSURANCE COMPANIES		OTHER COMPANIES		NETTING AND ADJUSTMENTS DUE TO CONSOLIDATION		TOTAL	
	Positive reserve	Negative reserve	Positive reserve	Negative reserve	Positive reserve	Negative reserve	Positive reserve	Negative reserve	Positive reserve	Negative reserve
1. Debt securities	486	79	-	-	-	-	-	-	486	79
2. Equity securities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3. UCITS units	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4. Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total 2012	486	79	-	-	-	-	-	-	486	79
Total 2011	350	140	-	-	-	-	-	-	350	140

B.3 Valuation reserves of available-for-sale financial assets: annual changes

	Debt securities	Equity securities	UCITS units	Loans
1. Opening balance	210	-	-	-
2. Positive changes	407	-	-	-
2.1 Increases in fair value	407	-	-	-
2.2 Reversal of negative reserves to income statement	-	-	-	-
From impairment	-	-	-	-
On disposals	-	-	-	-
2.3 Other changes	-	-	-	-
3. Negative changes	210	-	-	-
3.4 Decrease in fair value	-	-	-	-
3.5 Impairment adjustments	-	-	-	-
3.6 Reversal of positive reserves to income statement: on disposals	210	-	-	-
3.7 Other changes	-	-	-	-
4. Closing balance	407	-	-	-

SECTION 2 - CAPITAL AND REGULATORY COEFFICIENTS

2.1 Regulatory capital

A. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

The regulatory capital was calculated in accordance with the Bank of Italy instructions in circular no. 155 of 18 December 1991, circular no. 263 of 27 December 2006 and all amendments.

The regulatory capital is monitored and measured on a periodic basis in terms of capital adequacy, capital base index, financial structure and prudential coefficients and other regulatory aspects (risk concentration and other prudential rules).

1. Tier I capital

The positive elements that comprise the Tier I capital comprise the share capital, the reserves and the registered profit for the year.

On 18/12/2012, the subordinated bond IT0004881444 was issued, called "Banca Sistema S.p.A. equal to €5,000,000 of Tier I subordinated bonds at a mixed fixed/variable rate". The Security is a "non-innovative capital instrument" (Tier I), in accordance with the provisions of Title I, Chapter 2, Paragraph 4 of the Circular of the Bank of Italy of 27 December 2006, no. 263, as amended (Circular no. 263) and is 100% calculated in accordance with Circular no. 263 and the regulations applicable to Banca Sistema when issued - in order to form the Tier I capital of the Issuer.

2. Tier II capital

Tier II capital comprises the ordinary bond IT0004869712 "Banca Sistema 15 November 2012 - 15 November 2022 SUBORDINATED Lower Tier II, at a variable rate", CALLABLE, non-convertible for Euro 10,000,000, calculable for a total amount of 50% of the Tier I capital.

3. Tier III capital

The Tier III capital covering the capital requirements for market risks is represented by the portion of the subordinated loan not calculable within the limit of 71.4% of the market risk.

B. QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

Items / Values	Total 2012	Total 2011
A. Tier I capital before application of prudential filters	18,960	5,226
B. Tier II capital prudential filters	-	-
B1 - positive IAS/IFRS prudential filters (+)	-	-
B2 - negative IAS/IFRS prudential filters (-)	-	-
C. Tier I capital gross of deductible elements (A+B)	18,960	5,226
D. Elements deductible from Tier I capital	-	-
E. Total TIER 1 (C-D)	18,960	5,226
F. Tier II capital before application of prudential filters	9,480	2,613
G. Tier II capital prudential filters:	-	-
G1 - positive IAS/IFRS prudential filters (+)	-	-
G2 - negative IAS/IFRS prudential filters (-)	-	-
H. Tier II capital gross of deductible elements (F+G)	9,480	2,613
I. Elements deductible from Tier II capital	-	-
L. Total Tier 2 (H-I)	9,480	2,613
M. Elements deductible from total Tier I and Tier II capital	-	-
N. Regulatory Capital (E+L-M)	28,440	7,840
O. Tier 3 capital	16	57
P. Regulatory capital including Tier 3 (N+O)	28,456	7,897

2.3 Capital adequacy

A. QUALITATIVE INFORMATION

Since the bank is a traditional type of bank, the Regulatory capital must guarantee cover of the credit risk, the market risk and the operational risk. The “New regulations for the prudential supervision of Banks” (Circular of the Bank of Italy no. 263 of December 2006 as amended) contains the rules regarding the international convergence of capital measurements and equity ratios (Basel II). To that end, the Bank’s assets must represent at least 8% of the total weighted assets (total capital ratio) - reduced by 25% due to the establishment of the new Banking Group Banca Sistema

starting from 1 September 2011 - resulting from the risks typical of the banking and financial activities (credit risk, counterparty risk, market and operational risk) weighted in accordance with the regulatory segmentation of the debtors and taking account of the credit risk mitigation techniques. Therefore, the Bank will examine the Regulatory Capital aggregates on a quarterly basis in order to check the consistency with the risk profile and the adequacy with respect to the current and prospective development plans.

As at 31 December 2012 the Group had a ratio between Tier 1 capital and weighted risk assets of 11.6% and a regulatory capital including Tier 3 capital and risk weighted assets equal to 17.3%.

B. QUANTITATIVE INFORMATION

Categories / Risk assets	Unweighted amounts		Weighted amounts / requirements	
	2012	2011	2012	2011
A. VALUES				
A.1 Credit risk and counterparty risk	912,012	320,603	146,197	54,167
1. Standard method	912,012	320,603	146,197	54,167
2. Method based on internal ratings	-	-	-	-
2.1 Base	-	-	-	-
2.2 Advanced	-	-	-	-
3. Securitisations	-	-	-	-
B. REGULATORY CAPITAL REQUIREMENTS	-	-	-	-
B.1 Credit risk and counterparty risk	-	-	11,696	4,333
B.2 Market risk	-	-	23	107
1. Standard method	-	-	23	107
2. Internal models	-	-	-	-
3. Concentration Risk	-	-	-	-
B.3 Operational risk	-	-	1,413	198
1. Basic method	-	-	1,413	198
2. Standard method	-	-	-	-
3. Advanced method	-	-	-	-
B.4 Other prudential requirements	-	-	-	-
B.5 Other calculation elements	-	-	-	-
B.6 Total prudential requirements	-	-	13,132	4,638
C. RISK ASSETS AND REGULATORY COEFFICIENTS	-	-	164,147	57,980
C.1 Weighted risk assets	-	-	164,147	57,980
C.2 Tier 1 capital / Risk-weighted assets (Tier 1 Capital Ratio)	-	-	11.6%	9.01%
C.3 Regulatory capital including Tier 3 / Weighted risk assets (Total capital ratio)	-	-	17.3%	13.62%

Advertising of amounts paid to Independent Auditors

In accordance with the provisions of art. 149 duodecies of the Consob Issuers' Regulations, the table below shows the information on the payments made to the independent auditors, KPMG S.p.A. and the companies belonging to its network for the following services:

- Auditing services including the following:
 - Checking the annual accounts in order to make a professional judgement.
 - Checking the interim accounts.
- Certification services including tasks with which the auditor evaluates a specific element, where the calculation is made by another party who is

responsible for it, through suitable criteria, in order to reach a conclusion that provides the recipient with a degree of reliability in relation to that specific element.

- Tax consulting services.
- Other services.

The payments shown in the table for 2012 are those which contractually include any indexing (but not also out-of-pocket expenses, any regulatory contributions or VAT).

The payments made to any secondary auditors or parties belonging to the respective networks are not included as per the cited provision.

Type of service	Entity providing the service	Recipient	Remuneration
Independent Audit	KPMG S.p.A.	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	88
Limited half-yearly audit	KPMG S.p.A.	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	14
Independent Audit	KPMG S.p.A.	S.F.T.Italia	19
Independent Audit	KPMG S.p.A.	Solvi S.r.l.	12
Independent Audit	KPMG LLP	SFT Holding	25
Independent Audit	KPMG LLP	SFT Servicing	25
Other services	KPMG S.p.A.	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	141
Other services	KPMG S.p.A.	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	5
Other services (annual auditing of ICAAP Report)	KPMG S.p.A.	Banca Sistema S.p.A.	15

Total **344**

PART G - BUSINESS COMBINATIONS RELATING TO COMPANIES OR BUSINESS BRANCHES

SECTION 1 - TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED DURING THE YEAR

1.1 Business combinations

The Banca Sistema Group did not carry out any business combinations that would fall under the range of application of IFRS 3 during the year.

SECTION 2 - TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED AFTER FINANCIAL YEAR CLOSURE

The Banca Sistema Group did not carry out any business combinations after year-end.

SECTION 3 - RETROSPECTIVE ADJUSTMENTS

The Banca Sistema Group did not carry out any business combinations that would fall under the range of application of IFRS 3 during the year.

PART H - TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

Information on remuneration of key management personnel

With respect to payments made in 2012 to managers with key responsibility, in addition to the fixed component of their salaries, there is also a variable element linked to reaching strategic objectives of the Group.

With reference to the fixed salary, there is both a monetary element along with benefits which make up the remuneration package such as additional pension, health and accident amounts. More specifically, there are the following remuneration entities (please refer to the accounting standard for the definitions):

- Short-term benefits: includes salaries, social security charges, remuneration for former holidays not taken, sick leave, paid holidays, and benefits such as medical assistance;
- Post-retirement benefits. The post-retirement benefits include social security plans, pension plans and post-employment benefits.

Payments made in 2012 amounted to Euro 1,142 thousand.

Disclosure on transactions with related parties

a. directors. Payments made to the Board of directors in 2012 amounted to Euro 584 thousand. These payments do not include charges for social security contributions and VAT. No guarantee was issued in 2012 to directors; loans for a total of Euro 200 thousand were granted

b. statutory auditors Payments made to the Board of Statutory Auditors in 2012 amounted to Euro 116 thousand.

These payments do not include charges for social security contributions and VAT. No credit or guarantees were issued in 2012 to the statutory auditors. The transactions between Banca Sistema and the Group companies were put in place in accordance with the provisions of prevailing law on the basis of mutual cost-effectiveness.

Type	Assets	Liabilities	Revenues	Costs
SF Trust Holding Ltd.	1,906	506	50	562
SF Trust Servicing Ltd.	-	629	13	515
SF Trust Italia S.r.l.	901	-	197	594
Solvi S.r.l.	9	1,609	-	1,106
Pubblica Funding No. 1 S.r.l.	5,638		657	
Corporate officers	99	83	-	1
Shareholders – SGBS	-	-	-	-
Shareholders – Sof Luxco	-	498	-	-
Shareholders – Fondazione Pisa	-	31,809	-	2,863
Shareholders – Fondazione CR Alessandria	-	353	-	-
Shareholders – Fondazione Sicilia	-	10	-	1
	8,553	35,497	917	5,642

PART I - PAYMENT AGREEMENTS BASED ON OWN EQUITY INSTRUMENTS

The institute did not carry out any of these transactions during 2012.



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Report of the auditors in accordance with articles 14 and 16 of Legislative decree no. 39 of 27 January 2010

To the shareholders of
Banca Sistema S.p.A.

- 1 We have audited the consolidated financial statements of the Banca SISTEMA Group as at and for the year ended 31 December 2012, comprising the statement of financial position, income statement, statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity, statement of cash flows and notes thereto. The parent's directors are responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards endorsed by the European Union and the Italian regulations implementing article 9 of Legislative decree no. 38/05. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.
- 2 We conducted our audit in accordance with the auditing standards recommended by Consob, the Italian Commission for Listed Companies and the Stock Exchange. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the consolidated financial statements are free of material misstatement and are, as a whole, reliable. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by directors. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Reference should be made to the report dated 12 April 2012 for our opinion on the prior year consolidated financial statements, which included the corresponding figures presented for comparative purposes.

- 3 In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements of the Banca SISTEMA Group as at and for the year ended 31 December 2012 comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards endorsed by the European Union and the Italian regulations implementing article 9 of Legislative decree no. 38/05. Therefore, they are clearly stated and give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Banca SISTEMA Group as at 31 December 2012, the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

- 4 The directors of Banca Sistema S.p.A. are responsible for the preparation of a directors' report with the financial statements to which it refers, as required by the law. For this purpose, we have performed the procedures required by the Italian Standard on Auditing 001 issued by the Italian Accounting Profession and recommended by Consob. In our opinion, the directors' report is consistent with the consolidated financial statements of the Banca Sistema Group as at and for the year ended 31 December 2012.

Milan, 9 April 2013

KPMG S.p.A.

(signed on the original)

Bruno Verona
Director of Audit

