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

- our ability to successfully implement our strategy over the 2012-2014 period;
- our ability to successfully achieve our debt reduction targets;
- the continuing impact of increased competition in a liberalized market, including competition from established domestic competitors and global and regional alliances formed by other telecommunications operators in our core Italian domestic fixed-line and wireless markets;
- the impact of the global recession in the principal markets in which we operate;
- our ability to utilize our relationship with Telefónica to attain synergies primarily in areas such as network, IT, purchasing and international mobile roaming;
- our ability to introduce new services to stimulate increased usage of our fixed and wireless networks to offset declines in the traditional fixed-line voice business due to the continuing impact of regulatory required price reductions, market share loss, pricing pressures generally and shifts in usage patterns;
- our ability to successfully implement our internet and broadband strategy both in Italy and abroad;
- the impact of regulatory decisions and changes in the regulatory environment in Italy and other countries in which we operate;
- the impact of economic development generally on our international business and on our foreign investments and capital expenditures;
- our services are technology-intensive and the development of new technologies could render such services non-competitive;
- the impact of political developments in Italy and other countries in which we operate;

- the impact of fluctuations in currency exchange and interest rates;
- our ability to build up our business in adjacent markets and in international markets (particularly in Brazil), due to our specialist and technical resources;
- our ability to achieve the expected return on the investments and capital expenditures we have made and continue to make (such as those in Brazil);
- the amount and timing of any future impairment charges for our licenses, goodwill or other assets; and
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The foregoing factors should not be construed as exhaustive. Due to such uncertainties and risks, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date hereof. We undertake no obligation to release publicly the result of any revisions to these forward-looking statements which may be made to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof, including, without limitation, changes in our business or acquisition strategy or planned capital expenditures, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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Board of Directors

At December 31, 2011, the board of directors of Telecom Italia is composed of the following 15 directors:

Executive Chairman	Franco Bernabè
Deputy Chairman	Aldo Minucci
Managing Director and	Marco Patuano
Chief Operating Officer	
Directors	César Alierta Izuel
	Tarak Ben Ammar
	Lucia Calvosa (independent)
	Elio Cosimo Catania (independent)
	Massimo Egidi (independent)
	Jean Paul Fitoussi (independent)
	Gabriele Galateri di Genola
	Julio Linares López
	Gaetano Micciché
	Renato Pagliaro
	Mauro Sentinelli (independent)
	Luigi Zingales (independent)
Secretary to the Board	Antonino Cusimano

Board of Statutory Auditors

The board of statutory auditors of Telecom Italia was elected by the shareholders meeting held on April 8, 2009 and will remain in office until the approval of the 2011 annual financial statements.

The board of statutory auditors is composed as follows:

Chairman	Enrico Maria Bignami
Acting Auditors	Gianluca Ponzellini
	Lorenzo Pozza

Alternate Auditors

Salvatore Spiniello
Ferdinando Superti Furga
Silvano Corbella
Maurizio Lauri
Vittorio Giacomo Mariani
Ugo Rock

Letter to the Shareholders

To the Shareholders,

2011 was a difficult year for the global economy and, to an even greater extent, for the Italian economy, which became entangled in the sovereign debt crisis.

The increase in the cost of capital, resulting from the rise in interest rates, led to a downward revision of the present value of future cash flows used to determine the value of goodwill, which also had repercussions on Telecom Italia. Consequently, it proved necessary to write down a part of the goodwill which arose following the Olivetti/Telecom Italia operations of 1999 and 2003 and the acquisition of TIM's minority shares in 2005.

However, the writedowns did not affect business and operational results which, on the contrary, improved yet again. In 2011, Telecom Italia's market share in mobile telephone lines once more began to grow, gaining in the last two quarters of the year almost half a percentage point.

At the same time, there was less erosion of Telecom Italia's market share in the sphere of fixed telephone services.

In Brazil, the results exceeded all expectations, with an increase in revenues of 18% favoring a significant rise in operating profit, with a market share which, in terms of lines, reached 26.5% and which, during the last 12 months, registered an increase of almost 1.5 percentage points. Moreover, in 2011, we brought to a close the acquisition of Aes Atimus. Thanks to the Aes Atimus fiber optic network, re-christened TIM Fiber, it will be now possible to develop further the mobile network and, at the same time, offer fixed network services, including ultra-broadband services, in the two most important areas of the country, which generate almost one quarter of Brazilian GDP.

In Argentina, too, the relaunch and consolidation of the Telecom Argentina Group continues and a very positive year closes with 26% higher revenues and a significant increase in operating profit. The number of lines rose by more than two million, growing the market share by more than one percentage point.

At the Group level, the deleverage process continued. This has made it possible to reduce consolidated debt year-over-year by 1 billion euros and over three years by more than 4 billion euros, amply fulfilling the objectives laid down in the 2008 business plan. It is particularly significant that the reduction in the level of debt has been achieved, despite the investments of almost 2 billion euros made for the acquisition of the frequencies for the LTE mobile networks and for the acquisition of Aes Atimus.

These investments are of strategic importance for the future, since they allow a further strengthening of our position in Brazil and, at the same time, make it possible to expand the range of services offered in Italy.

Despite these investments and future commitments to develop ultra-broadband networks, the Group's deleverage process is sustainable in terms of the Group's capacity to generate cash flow. Considering the sovereign debt crisis and the considerable increase of the spreads in the Italian debt, the Board of Directors has thus decided to reduce the amount of resources available for dividends in the three-year period, with the aim of safeguarding the Group's rating, that is, the rating issued by the agencies with regard to the sustainability of a company's level of debt. Notwithstanding this, we believe that the dividends established for the current year will reflect a level of remuneration in line with that offered by other large international telecommunications groups.

Reducing the level of debt is a fundamental step for our Group. We must continue to reduce the burden which is weighing heavily on the future prospects of the Group and is suffocating its ambitions with regard to future growth. The results achieved in this area over the last three years, in an extremely challenging economic and financial context, make us confident that we can also achieve the ambitious objectives we have set ourselves for the next three years.

The aim is to reach the year 2015 with a level of debt that can be regarded as "normal", in other words, a level of debt which, from the point of view of our capacity to generate cash flow, is absolutely in line with, if not better than, that of other large international telecommunications groups.

In conjunction with the progress made on the debt front, we have achieved significant progress in terms of the relaunch of commercial activities and more efficient management of the processes and, more generally, growth strategies.

Our aims have not changed: we intend to continue our action to consolidate the domestic market, promote growth in Latin America and encourage continuous improvements in the efficiency of management and productive processes. In addition, we nurture a strong innovative drive with regard to future developments in the sector, which Telecom Italia must look at and invest in, as one of the world's leading international telecommunications companies.

We intend to achieve all of this with maximum respect for the professional and ethical values of a company that is socially aware, and able to play a crucial part, shouldering its responsibilities in helping to develop the countries where it operates, and when dealing with its partners and customers. The Group therefore conducts its affairs, and will continue to do so, in a correct, transparent way, open to confrontation and dialog with the institutions, organizations on behalf of society and competitors.

On this solid basis of ethical priorities, the Group is continuing along the path of relaunching its activities begun more than three years ago, a path which has brought much satisfaction, despite the presence of an overall negative economic scenario which does not appear likely to improve in the short term. We are confident that, with commitment and hard work on everybody's part, we shall succeed in restoring the capacity of Telecom Italia Group to create the value, which our shareholders expect.

Franco Bernabè

Key Operating and Financial Data Telecom Italia Group

Highlights 2011

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In a macroeconomic and market climate marked by deceleration in higher growth economies and fears of a recession in mature ones, the Group reaches all its 2011 targets in terms of revenues and earnings and also a reduction in net financial debt.

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The enormous effort to improve efficiency, especially in the Domestic market, brings operating free cash flow to 5,767 million euros in 2011 notwithstanding the investment of 1.2 billion euros for the acquisition of LTE mobile frequencies in Italy. Excluding this investment, operating cash flow generated by the Group improves from last year to about 7 billion euros.

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The greater focus on investments, equal to about 6.1 billion euros, including LTE frequencies acquired in the last quarter, did not stand in the way of reducing adjusted net debt which falls by more than 1 billion euros compared to December 31, 2010 and totals 30.4 billion euros at the end of the year.

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The strengthening process continues in markets which have better development potential and will produce a growth in results for the Group. Thanks to the consolidation of Argentina and the strong advances made by Brazil, consolidated revenues gain 8.7% over the prior year (+2.7% in organic terms), reaching 30 billion euros.

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The change in earnings is also positive: EBITDA, although hurt by the negative trend of the domestic business (-3.9% compared to the prior year in organic terms) still grew over last year by 7.3% (stable in organic terms) thanks to the contribution of international operations.

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In 2011, operations in South America, in organic terms, account for 35% of sales and 16% of the operating cash flow (EBITDA-Capex) of the Group.

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The Domestic market continues to feature a declining business trend due to the difficult macroeconomic picture and is accentuated in the last quarter by financial pressure which particularly involves the countries of southern Europe. Nevertheless, the competitive repositioning begun last year and the positive change from data services and evolved handset sales in the mobile area lead progressively to a slowdown in the decline of revenues compared to the prior year; in the last quarter -2% (-5.7% for the first nine months of 2011).

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As for Goodwill allocated to Core Domestic, the results of the impairment test indicate an overall impairment charge of 7.3 billion euros, mainly due to the deterioration of the parameters of reference in the financial markets and a general decline in the macroeconomic scenario. Such Goodwill, which originated during the period 1999-2005 after acquisition operations and the shortening of the chain of control of the Company, is recalculated at 34.2 billion euros. As a result of the impairment test, the Goodwill of the Media Business Unit is also written down for 57 million euros. The Goodwill impairment charges have no financial consequences and therefore no effect on the direction of deleveraging already announced to the market.

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Such impairment charges are reflected in the negative EBIT of 603 million euros and the Loss attributable to owners of the Parent of 4,726 million euros. Organic EBIT is 6,808 million euros (+5.1% compared to 2010), while the Profit attributable to owners of the Parent, on a comparable basis excluding the impact of the goodwill impairment charge and other non-recurring items would be 2.6 billion euros in 2011, in line with that of 2010, also in comparable terms.

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The Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., reports a loss of 3,571 million euros. In comparable terms excluding the impact of the goodwill impairment charge and other non-recurring items the Profit would be 1.8 billion euros in 2011.

The performance of the main financial indicators for 2011

The trend of the key operating and financial indicators for the year and the fourth quarter of 2011 can be summarized as follows:

Consolidated Reported Revenues: in 2011 are 29,957 million euros with a positive change of 8.7% (+2,386 million euros). The increase is due to the Latin America operations which benefit from the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation for the full year, and the positive performance by the Brazil Business Unit (7,343 million euros, +1,144 million euros compared to 2010, or +18.5%). The change in consolidated Organic Revenues⁽¹⁾ in 2011 comes to +2.7%, displaying a trend of constant improvement during the year; consolidated Organic Revenues for the fourth quarter of 2011 in fact recorded a 5.0% increase compared to the fourth quarter of 2010.

More to the point:

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the organic reduction in Domestic Business Unit Revenues in 2011 is 4.8% (-2.1% in the fourth quarter of 2011); as for revenues by customer segment, 2011 records a reduction of 5.0% in the Consumer segment, a contraction of 6.9% in the Business segment and 5.4% in the Top Clients segment.

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Revenues in Brazil show organic growth of 18.2% compared to 2010 (+1,129 million euros); in the fourth quarter of 2011, organic revenue growth is 20.0% (+325 million euros).

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Revenues in Argentina increase 26.5% in organic terms compared to 2010 (+674 million euros); in particular, Revenues of the Mobile business are up 32.3% while the Fixed area expands by 15.0%. For the fourth quarter of 2011, organic revenue growth is 24.1% (+174 million euros).

Consolidated Reported EBITDA: grows 834 million euros (from 11,412 million euros in 2010 to 12,246 million euros in 2011); a positive contribution to this result is made by the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation for the entire year; for the fourth quarter of 2011, EBITDA increases 4.6% (+134 million euros). The consolidated Reported EBITDA margin falls 0.5 percentage points to 40.9% in 2011 (41.4% in 2010). The consolidated Organic EBITDA Margin is down 1.1 percentage points to 41.2% in 2011 (42.3% in 2010). Such performance is linked to the higher contribution to revenues by South America, where margins are lower than those of the Domestic Business, as well as the increase in sales of mobile handsets, aimed at a greater penetration of data services. In terms of the amount, organic EBITDA is 12,339 million euros (12,335 million euros in the prior year); in the fourth quarter of 2011, organic EBITDA is 3,105 million euros, up 3.3% compared to 3,006 million euros in the fourth quarter of 2010.

Consolidated Reported EBIT: is a negative 603 million euros in 2011 (a positive 5,818 million euros in 2010) and is penalized by the impact of the above impairment charges for a total of 7.4 billion euros relating to the Goodwill allocated to Core Domestic and Media.

Consolidated Organic EBIT: is 6,808 million euros in 2011 (+5.1% compared to 2010) and 1,756 million euros in the fourth quarter of 2011 (+5.9%). The consolidated Organic EBIT Margin is 22.7%, with an improvement of 0.5 percentage points compared to the prior year.

Finance income/expenses and Investment Results: show the balance of Finance income and expenses presenting an improvement of 76 million euros mainly in connection with the reduction in Net financial debt. At the same time, investment management and the equity valuation of associates display an overall decline of 411 million euros; the change is mainly due to the presence, in 2010, of the positive impact of the fair value adjustment of the stake held in the Sofora group prior to acquisition of control (266 million euros) and the negative effect of the equity valuation of associates (negative for 39 million euros in 2011 and positive for 99 million euros in the prior year).

Loss for the year attributable to owners of the Parent: is 4,726 million euros, with a reduction of 7,847 million euros compared to 2010 (profit of 3,121 million euros). In comparable terms, the result attributable to owners of the Parent is in line with 2010. In particular, comparable profit in 2011 would be 2.6 billion euros, calculated by excluding the impact of the goodwill impairment charge and other non-recurring items; the profit in 2010 would have been the same amount if calculated by excluding the positive impact connected with the acquisition of control of Sofora, the benefit of over 600 million euros from the recognition of deferred tax assets in Brazil and other non-recurring items.

Operating free cash flow: is 5,767 million euros in 2011 and 446 million euros lower than the prior year mainly owing to the acquisition of LTE (Long Term Evolution) frequencies for 1,223 million euros. Excluding the impact of the acquisition of LTE frequencies in 2011 and the payment made to the Revenue Agency relating to the Telecom Italia Sparkle case in 2010, operating free cash flow would record an improvement of 388 million euros. This is a confirmation of the Group's strong and growing capacity to generate cash flow, thanks to the staying power of Domestic and the positive contribution of Brazil and also the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation.

Adjusted net financial debt: is 30,414 million euros at December 31, 2011, with a reduction of 1,054 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (31,468 million euros). This reduction is even more significant when considering that in the fourth quarter of 2011 an amount of 1,223 million euros was spent for the acquisition of LTE frequencies. Excluding this investment, net financial debt would have been more than 2 billion euros lower.

More to the point, cash generated by operating activities, together with the receipt of 464 million euros from the sale of the investments in EtecSA (Cuba) and Loquendo and the effects of the subscription by the market to the TIM Participações S.A. capital increase (about 240 million euros, net of the relative incidental expenses), more than guaranteed the cash requirements for the payment of dividends (1,326 million euros, of which 1,183 million euros was distributed to the market by the Parent), income taxes (1,381 million euros), acquisition of control of two companies in the AES Atimus group in Brazil (about 686 million euros) and purchases of shares which in 2011 enabled the Telecom Italia Group to increase its economic interest in the Telecom Argentina group from 16.2% to 22.7%.

Liquidity margin: at December 31, 2011 is 14.7 billion euros and consists of liquidity for 7.7 billion euros and long-term irrevocable credit lines for 7 billion euros (6 billion euros expiring in 2014 and 1 billion euros expiring in 2013), not subject to restrictions on their utilization. During 2011, three new bonds were issued on the European market for a total of 2.75 billion euros while about 5.3 billion euros of debt was repaid or repurchased. Given the particular context of the financial markets, the Telecom Italia Group has adopted a more prudent approach and at the end of 2011 the Group's liquidity margin is more than sufficient to meet its debt repayment obligations for the next 24 months.

The Telecom Italia Group consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2011 and the comparative figures for the prior year have been drawn up in accordance with international accounting standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and adopted by the European Union (IFRS).

The Telecom Italia Group, in addition to the conventional financial performance measures established by IFRS, uses certain alternative performance measures in order to present a better understanding of the trend of operations and financial condition. Specifically, these alternative performance measures refer to: EBITDA, EBIT, the organic change in revenues, EBITDA and EBIT and accounting and adjusted net financial debt. Further details on such measures are presented under Alternative performance measures .

Furthermore, the part entitled Business Outlook for the Year 2012 contains forward-looking statements in relation to the Group's intentions, beliefs or current expectations regarding financial performance and other aspects of the Group's operations and strategies. Readers of the Annual Report are reminded not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements; actual results may differ significantly from forecasts owing to numerous factors, the majority of which are beyond the scope of the Group's control.

PRINCIPAL CHANGES IN THE SCOPE OF CONSOLIDATION

Companies entering the scope of consolidation:

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Tim Fiber Brazil: on October 31, 2011, acquisitions were made for a 100% stake in the company Eletropaulo Telecomunicações Ltda and a 98.3% stake in AES Communications Rio de Janeiro S.A., both telecommunications infrastructure operators in the states of San Paolo and Rio de Janeiro, now renamed Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ, respectively. The acquisitions were carried out through the subsidiary Tim Celular S.A. Brazil Business Unit.

- 4GH group - Domestic: on July 27, 2011, the 4G Holding group entered the scope of consolidation (in the Domestic Business Unit) after the acquisition of 71% of the ordinary shares of 4G Holding S.p.A. which in turn holds 100% of 4G Retail S.r.l.. The acquisition of 4G Holding, with its approximate 200 points-of-sale located in the most important shopping malls in Italy, will enable Telecom Italia to build up its positioning in the retail distribution market specialized in the sale of telephony equipment and broaden its nationwide presence.

- Sofora Telecom Argentina group: on October 13, 2010, the Sofora Telecom Argentina group entered the scope of consolidation following the increase, from 50% to 58%, of the stake held by the Telecom Italia Group in the share capital of Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A., the controlling holding company of the Telecom Argentina group. During 2011, further shares were acquired which increased the economic interest in the Telecom Argentina group from 16.2% at December 31, 2010 to 22.7% at December 31, 2011.

Companies exiting the scope of consolidation:

- Loquendo Domestic: on September 30, 2011, Loquendo S.p.A. was sold and consequently exited the scope of consolidation.

- BBNed and Elettra: in 2010, Elettra (a company included in the Domestic Business Unit International Wholesale), sold on September 30, 2010, and the BBNed group (included in Other Operations), sold on October 5, 2010, exited the scope of consolidation.

(1)

The organic change in Revenues, EBITDA and EBIT is calculated by excluding the effects of the change in the scope of consolidation, exchange differences and non-organic components constituted by non-recurring items and other non-organic income/expenses.

Tables

Consolidated Operating and Financial Data

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
Revenues	29,957	27,571	26,894	28,746	29,554
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	12,246	11,412	11,115	11,090	11,295
EBIT before goodwill impairment loss ⁽¹⁾	6,761	5,864	5,499	5,437	5,738
<i>Goodwill impairment loss</i>	(7,364)	(46)	(6)	-	-
EBIT ⁽¹⁾	(603)	5,818	5,493	5,437	5,738
Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations	(2,624)	4,132	3,339	2,894	4,120
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(4,267)	3,582	2,218	2,217	2,459
Loss from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(13)	(7)	(622)	(39)	(99)
Profit (loss) for the year	(4,280)	3,575	1,596	2,178	2,360
Profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	(4,726)	3,121	1,581	2,177	2,353
Normalized profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	2,604	2,608	2,203	2,277	2,007
Capital expenditures	6,095	4,583	4,543	5,040	5,031

Consolidated Financial Position Data

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	12/31/2009	12/31/2008	12/31/2007
Total assets	83,859	89,040	86,267	86,223	88,593
Total equity	26,695	32,555	27,120	26,328	26,494
- attributable to owners of the Parent	22,791	28,819	25,952	25,598	25,431
- attributable to non-controlling interests	3,904	3,736	1,168	730	1,063
Total liabilities	57,164	56,485	59,147	59,895	62,099
Total equity and liabilities	83,859	89,040	86,267	86,223	88,593
Share capital	10,604	10,600	10,585	10,591	10,605
Accounting net financial debt ⁽¹⁾	30,819	32,087	34,747	34,039	35,701
Adjusted net financial debt ⁽¹⁾	30,414	31,468	33,949	34,526	35,873
Adjusted net invested capital ⁽²⁾	57,109	64,023	61,069	60,854	62,367
Debt Ratio (Adjusted net financial debt/ Adjusted net invested capital)	53.3%	49.2%	55.6%	56.7%	57.5%

Consolidated Profit Ratios

	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007
EBITDA ⁽¹⁾ /Revenues	40.9%	41.4%	41.3%	38.6%	38.2%
EBIT ⁽¹⁾ /Revenues (ROS)	n.s.	21.1%	20.4%	18.9%	19.4%
Adjusted net financial debt /EBITDA ⁽¹⁾	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.1	3.2

(1)

Details are provided in the section Alternative Performance Measures .

(2)

Adjusted net invested capital = Total equity + Adjusted net financial debt.

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Headcount, number in the Group at period-end ⁽¹⁾

(number) 12/31/2011 12/31/2010 12/31/2009 12/31/2008 12/31/2007

Headcount (excluding headcount relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale)	84,154	84,200	71,384	75,320	79,238
Headcount relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	2,205	2,505	4,191
Headcount, average number in the Group ⁽¹⁾					

(equivalent number) 2011 2010 2009 2008 2007

Headcount (excluding headcount relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale)	78,369	70,150	69,964	73,508	75,735
Headcount relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	2,168	3,277	3,893

Financial Ratios

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(euros) 2011 2010 2009

Share prices (December average)

- Ordinary	0.83	0.98	1.08
- Savings	0.69	0.81	0.76

Dividends per share ⁽²⁾

- Ordinary	0.043	0.058	0.050
- Savings	0.054	0.069	0.061

Pay Out Ratio ^{(2) (*)}

	51%	32%	54%
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Market to Book Value ^(**)

	0.74	0.76	0.83
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Dividend Yield (based on December average) ^{(2) (***)}

- Ordinary	5.21%	5.93%	4.63%
- Savings	7.79%	8.47%	8.03%

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2011 2010 2009

(euros)

Basic earnings per share ordinary shares	(0.24)	0.16	0.08
Basic earnings per share savings shares	(0.24)	0.17	0.09

(1)

Headcount includes the number of persons with temp work contracts.

(2)

For the year 2011, the ratio was calculated on the basis of the proposed resolutions submitted to the shareholders meeting held on May 15, 2012. For all periods under comparison, the reference index was assumed to be the Parent's Normalized Earnings, calculated by excluding Non-recurring items, as detailed in the Note Significant non-recurring events and transactions in the separate financial statements of Telecom Italia S.p.A. at December 31, 2011.

(*)

Dividends paid in the following year/Profit for the year.

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Capitalization/Equity of Telecom Italia S.p.A.

(***)

Dividends per share/Share prices.

Review of Operating and Financial Performance Telecom Italia Group

2011 Consolidated Operating Performance

The main profit indicators in 2011 compared to 2010 are the following:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change (a-b)		
			amount	%	% organic
	(a)	(b)			
Revenues	29,957	27,571	2,386	8.7	2.7
EBITDA	12,246	11,412	834	7.3	-
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>40.9%</i>	<i>41.4%</i>	<i>(0.5)pp</i>		
<i>Organic EBITDA margin</i>	<i>41.2%</i>	<i>42.3%</i>	<i>(1.1)pp</i>		
Depreciation and amortization, Gains (losses) on disposals and Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	(5,485)	(5,548)	63	1.1	
EBIT before goodwill impairment loss	6,761	5,864	897	15.3	
Goodwill impairment loss	(7,364)	(46)	(7,318)		
EBIT	(603)	5,818	(6,421)	°	5.1
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>n.s.</i>	<i>21.1%</i>	<i>n.s.</i>		
<i>Organic EBIT margin</i>	<i>22.7%</i>	<i>22.2%</i>	<i>0.5pp</i>		
Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations	(2,624)	4,132	(6,756)	°	
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(4,267)	3,582	(7,849)	°	
Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(13)	(7)	(6)	°	
Profit (loss) for the year	(4,280)	3,575	(7,855)	°	
Profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	(4,726)	3,121	(7,847)	°	
Normalized profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	2,604	2,608	(4)	(0.2)	
Revenues					

Revenues amount to 29,957 million euros in 2011, increasing 8.7% compared to 27,571 million euros in 2010 (+2,386 million euros). In terms of the organic change, consolidated revenues increased 2.7% (+785 million euros).

Specifically, the organic change in revenues is calculated by excluding:

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the effect of the change in the scope of consolidation (+1,703 million euros), principally in reference to the entry of the Argentina Business Unit since October 13, 2010;

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the effect of exchange differences (-74 million euros, due to the change in the exchange rates of the Brazil Business Unit ⁽¹⁾ and of the Argentina Business Unit ⁽¹⁾ for +15 million euros and -77 million euros, respectively, and other Group companies for -12 million euros);

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other non-organic revenues, equal to 28 million euros in 2010, principally relating to the end, in the second quarter of 2010, of the 1001TIM loyalty program which had resulted in the recognition of revenues of 35 million euros from previously deferred bonus points that had not been used by the customer.

(1)

The average exchange rate used to translate the Brazilian real to euro (expressed in terms of units of local currency per 1 euro), is equal to 2.32669 in 2011 and 2.33215 in 2010. The average exchange rate used to translate Argentine pesos (expressed in terms of units of local currency per 1 euro) is equal to 5.74419 in 2011 and 5.18735 in 2010. The effect of the change in exchange rates is calculated by applying, to the period under comparison, the foreign currency translation rates used for the current period.

The breakdown of revenues by operating segment is the following:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010		Change		% organic	
		% of total	% of total				% amount
Domestic	19,032	63.5	20,068	72.8	(1,036)	(5.2)	(4.8)
<i>Core Domestic</i>	<i>18,123</i>	<i>60.5</i>	<i>19,065</i>	<i>69.1</i>	<i>(942)</i>	<i>(4.9)</i>	<i>(4.8)</i>
<i>International Wholesale</i>	<i>1,393</i>	<i>4.6</i>	<i>1,569</i>	<i>5.7</i>	<i>(176)</i>	<i>(11.2)</i>	<i>(8.8)</i>
Brazil	7,343	24.5	6,199	22.5	1,144	18.5	18.2
Argentina (*)	3,220	10.7	798	2.9	2,422		26.5
Media, Olivetti and Other Operations	583	1.9	713	2.6	(130)		
<i>Adjustments and Eliminations</i>	<i>(221)</i>	<i>(0.6)</i>	<i>(207)</i>	<i>(0.8)</i>	<i>(14)</i>		
Total consolidated revenues	29,957	100.0	27,571	100.0	2,386	8.7	2.7

(*)

In the scope of consolidation since October 13, 2010.

The following chart summarizes the changes in organic revenues in the periods under comparison:

The Domestic Business Unit (divided into Core Domestic and International Wholesale) reports a declining trend in organic Revenues of 4.8% compared to 2010; the decrease in revenues, notwithstanding greater tension in the

macroeconomic and competitive scenario, is slowing down and improving and, in the fourth quarter of 2011, is equal to -2.1% (compared to -3.8% in the third, -6.0% in the second and -7.4% in the first). This is due to higher mobile revenues (particularly revenues from services and internet mobile devices), protection of the value of the customer base and development of ICT services in the fixed area.

Organic revenues from services (18,132 million euros in 2011) record a contraction of 5.2% and confirm the cited improving trend over the prior year (-3.2% in the fourth quarter of 2011, compared to -3.7% in the third, -6.2% in the second and -7.6% in the first). Organic revenues from services in the mobile area (-8.7% in 2011, -7.1% in the fourth quarter of 2011) are still feeling the efforts, but to a lesser degree, of competitively repositioning TIM's plans particularly as regards voice traffic, which is offset only in part by the positive trend in mobile internet revenues.

The fixed-line area, with a contraction in revenues from services of 466 million euros (-3.5%), displays a considerable improvement in the fourth quarter of 2011 (-1.9%). In particular, revenues from retail customers (-5.1%) show a reduction which is lower than that recorded in 2010 (-6.7%) and an improving trend during the course of the year (-4.0% in the fourth quarter of 2011).

As for handset sales, revenues total 900 million euros in 2011, indicating a recovery entirely driven by the mobile area which benefits from a greater sales push on handsets offering mobile internet connectivity.

As for the Brazil Business Unit, organic revenues grew 18.2% in 2011 compared to the prior year. Revenues from services confirm the positive trend (+13.1% compared to 2010), propelled by the growth of the customer base (over 64 million lines at December 31, 2011, up 25.6% over the prior year). Handset revenues also show a significant increase (+95.6% compared to 2010) boosted, like the domestic business, by the strategy focusing on smartphones and webphones as the lever for the growth of mobile data traffic revenues.

As for the Argentina Business Unit, organic revenues gained 26.5% compared to 2010 (+674 million euros); mobile business revenues (+564 million euros) jumped and recorded a growth of 32.3% while the fixed area grew 15.0% over the prior year.

An in-depth analysis of revenue performance by individual Business Unit is provided in the section *The Business Units of the Telecom Italia Group*.

EBITDA

EBITDA is 12,246 million euros, increasing 834 million euros (+7.3%) compared to the prior year; the EBITDA margin is 40.9% (41.4% in 2010). In organic terms, EBITDA is in line with the prior year and the EBITDA margin is down 1.1 percentage points (41.2% in 2011 vs. 42.3% in 2010) owing partly to a higher percentage of total revenues by South America where margins are lower than those of the Domestic Business as well as higher mobile handset sales, aimed at a greater penetration of data services.

Details of EBITDA and EBITDA margins by operating segment are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010		Change			
		% of total	% of total	% of total	% organic		
Domestic	9,243	75.4	9,393	82.3	(150)	(1.6)	(3.9)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	48.6		46.8		1.8pp		0.5pp
Brazil	1,990	16.3	1,801	15.8	189	10.5	10.7
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	27.1		29.1		(2.0)pp		(1.9)pp
Argentina (*)	1,035	8.5	245	2.1	790		24.1
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	32.2		30.6		1.6pp		(0.7)pp
Media, Olivetti and Other Operations	(22)	(0.2)	(27)	(0.2)	5		
<i>Adjustments and Eliminations-</i>	-		-		-		
Total consolidated EBITDA	12,246	100.0	11,412	100.0	834	7.3	-
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	40.9		41.4		(0.5)pp		(1.1)pp

(*)

In the scope of consolidation since October 13, 2010.

The following chart summarizes the changes in organic EBITDA:

Specifically, the organic change in EBITDA is calculated by excluding:

- the effect of the change in the scope of consolidation (592 million euros, mainly referring to the consolidation of Argentina Business Unit);

- the effect of exchange differences (-23 million euros);

- (Revenues and income) / Costs and expenses as described below:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Non-organic revenues due to end of bonus points program	-	(35)	35
Expenses for mobility under Law 223/91	12	258	(246)
Disputes and settlements	42	91	(49)
Other (income) expenses	39	40	(1)
Total net non-organic (Revenues and income) / Costs and expenses	93	354	(261)

EBITDA was particularly impacted by the change in the line items analyzed below:

- Acquisition of goods and services: the increase of 1,476 million euros is largely due to the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation for the full year 2011 (+1,052 million euros, including a negative exchange rate effect for 34 million euros) and the surge in the sales and technical costs of the Brazil Business Unit the main cause of the overall increase of +879 million euros needed to support the growth of the customer base and sales. Countering these changes is the domestic business which benefits from cost cutting actions which contributed to a reduction in purchases of 365 million euros compared to 2010 (-5.1%).

- Employee benefits expenses: record a net decrease of 104 million euros.

The change was influenced by:

- the impact of +364 million euros, including the negative exchange rate effect of 11 million euros, due to the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation for the full year 2011 (+11,521 people compared to 2010);

- the reduction of the Italian component of ordinary employee benefits expenses, mainly due to the reduction in the average headcount of the salaried workforce by 3,526 compared to 2010 (of whom -1,188 are under so-called solidarity contracts in Telecom Italia S.p.A. and Shared Service Center S.r.l.);

- the reduction of 113 million euros owing to the actuarial effects relating to employee severance indemnities in connection both with the change in the economic parameters of reference (discount rate and inflation rate) and the new law concerning pensions (Law 214 of December 22, 2011) which extends the estimated period in which a person works;

- lower expenses of 246 million euros in connection with the mobility procedure under Law 223/91. It should be recalled in particular that employee benefits expenses in 2010 included expenses for 258 million euros relating to the start of the mobility procedure under Law 223/91 by the Parent, Telecom Italia, SSC, TI Sparkle, Olivetti S.p.A. and Olivetti I-Jet. In 2011, the provisions were adjusted by another 12 million euros, of which 9 million euros is for the Parent, Telecom Italia, and 3 million euros for SSC.

- Other operating expenses: grew 437 million euros compared to 2010, largely on account of the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation for the full year 2011 (+248 million euros, including a negative exchange rate effect of 8 million euros), the increase in the Brazil Business Unit (+159 million euros) and the Domestic Business Unit (+69 million euros). In particular:

writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management include mainly 397 million euros (317 million euros in 2010) referring to the Domestic Business Unit, 100 million euros (133 million euros in 2010) to the Brazil Business Unit and 29 million euros to the Argentina Business Unit;

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provision charges recorded for pending disputes refer mainly to 60 million euros (18 million euros in 2010) of the Brazil Business Unit, 50 million euros (53 million euros in 2010) of the Domestic Business Unit, and 17 million euros of the Argentina Business Unit;

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telecommunications operating fees and charges comprise 554 million euros (412 million euros in 2010) referring primarily to the Brazil Business Unit, to the Argentina Business Unit for 61 million euros and to the Domestic Business Unit for 58 million euros (56 million euros in 2010).

Details of the main line items which impacted EBITDA are presented in the following tables:

Acquisition of goods and services

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Purchases of goods	2,525	1,568	957
Portion of revenues to be paid to other operators and interconnection costs	4,232	4,275	(43)
Commercial and advertising costs	2,259	2,100	159
Power, maintenance and outsourced services	1,618	1,258	360
Rent and leases	647	594	53
Other expenses	1,578	1,588	(10)
Total acquisition of goods and services	12,859	11,383	1,476
<i>% of Revenues</i>	42.9	41.3	1.6pp

Employee benefits expenses

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Employee benefits expenses - Italy	3,081	3,571	(490)
Ordinary employee expenses and costs excluding actuarial (gains) losses	3,186	3,317	(131)
Actuarial (gains) losses relating to employee severance indemnities	(117)	(4)	(113)
Expenses for the mobility procedure under Law 231/1991		258	(246)
Employee benefits expenses Outside Italy	836	450	386
Total employee benefits expenses	3,917	4,021	(104)
<i>% of Revenues</i>	13.1	14.6	(1.5)pp

Average headcount of the salaried workforce

(equivalent number)		2011	2010	Change
Average salaried headcount	Italy	53,561	57,087	(3,526)
Average salaried headcount	Outside Italy ⁽¹⁾	24,808	13,063	11,745
Total average salaried headcount	⁽²⁾	78,369	70,150	8,219

(1)

The increment in the average headcount of the salaried workforce is primarily attributable to the consolidation of the Argentina Business Unit for the full year 2011(15,232 average headcount 2011).

(2)

Includes the average headcount with temp work contracts: 87 in 2011 (75 in Italy and 12 outside Italy). In 2010 the headcount was 84 (68 in Italy and 16 outside Italy).

Headcount at year-end

(number)		12/31/2011	12/31/2010	Change
Headcount	Italy	56,878	58,045	(1,167)
Headcount	Outside Italy	27,276	26,155	1,121
Total ⁽¹⁾		84,154	84,200	(46)

(1)

Includes headcount with temp work contracts: 42 at December 31, 2011 and 71 at December 31, 2010.

Other income

(millions of euros)		2011	2010	Change
Late payment fees charged for telephone services		71	72	(1)
Recovery of employee benefit expenses, purchases and services rendered		36	47	(11)
Capital and operating grants		24	38	(14)
Damage compensation, penalties and sundry recoveries		36	18	18
Sundry income		132	80	52
Total		299	255	44

Other operating expenses

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(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management	533	478	55
Provision charges	128	80	48
Telecommunications operating fees and charges	675	484	191
Indirect duties and taxes	349	200	149
Penalties, settlement compensation and administrative fines	41	105	(64)
Association dues and fees, donations, scholarships and traineeships	23	24	(1)
Sundry expenses	110	51	59
Total	1,859	1,422	437

Depreciation and amortization

Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Amortization of intangible assets with a finite useful life	2,162	2,216	(54)
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment owned and leased	3,332	3,326	6
Total	5,494	5,542	(48)

The increase in amortization and depreciation charges is due to the entry of the Argentina Business Unit in the scope of consolidation (+390 million euros, including a negative exchange rate effect of 13 million euros) offset by the decrease in amortization and depreciation charges of the Domestic Business Unit (-329 million euros) and the Brazil Business Unit (-108 million euros, including the effect of the change in the real/euro exchange rate of +3 million euros).

Net gains (losses) on disposals of non-current assets

Net gains on disposals of non-current assets total 3 million euros. The gain of 35 million euros, net of the relative incidental expenses, realized on the sale of Loquendo at the end of September 2011 is offset by net losses from the disposal of tangible assets, mainly of the Parent, for the replacement and subsequent disposal of dedicated mobile telephony plant.

In 2010, net gains on disposals of non-current assets were recorded for 11 million euros and included the gain, net of the incidental expenses of 19 million euros, in connection with the completion of the transactions for the sale of Elettra by the Domestic Business Unit - International Wholesale.

Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets

Net impairment losses on non-current assets amount to 7,358 million euros in 2011 (63 million euros in 2010). The line item includes 7,307 million euros for the impairment charge on the goodwill allocated to the Core Domestic cash-generating unit in the Domestic Business Unit and 57 million euros for the impairment charge on the goodwill allocated to the Media Business Unit, which had already been written down for 46 million euros in 2010.

In particular, in preparing the annual financial statements, the Telecom Italia Group repeated the impairment test that had been carried out in the first half of 2011 which led to the recognition in the half-year condensed consolidated financial statements at June 30, 2011 of an impairment loss of 3,182 million euros on the Core Domestic cash-generating unit.

The macroeconomic and market climate was marked by a slowdown in the higher growth economies and fears of a recession in the mature ones which was more accentuated in the domestic market. Added to this was an escalation, in the second half of the year, of financial market pressures, with particular reference to the trend of interest rates. The test therefore took into account such deterioration of the financial markets in general terms, with reference to interest rates, while the worsening of expectations regarding the market prospects of the Business Unit in question were considered in specific terms.

Further details are provided in the Note Goodwill in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

The line item also comprises other impairment charges on intangible and tangible assets.

EBIT

EBIT is a negative 603 million euros in 2011 (a positive 5,818 million euros in 2010) and is penalized by the impact of the impairment charge of 7,364 million euros on the goodwill allocated to the Domestic and Media Business Units. Organic EBIT, calculated by also excluding the above goodwill impairment charges, is 6,808 with a positive change of 333 million euros (+5.1%); the organic EBIT margin increased from 22.2% in 2010 to 22.7% in 2011.

In detail, the organic change in EBIT is calculated by:

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considering the effect of the change in the scope of consolidation (286 million euros, mainly in reference to the consolidation of the Argentina Business Unit);

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considering the effect of exchange differences (-12 million euros);

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excluding (Revenues and income)/Costs and expenses, with details as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Non-organic (Revenues and income)/Costs and expenses already described under EBITDA	93	354	(261)
Goodwill impairment charge	7,364	46	7,318
(Gains)/losses, Impairment (Reversals)/losses on non-current assets and investments	(46)	(17)	(29)
Total net non-organic (Revenues and income)/Costs and expenses	7,411	383	7,028
Share of profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method			

Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
EtecSA (Cuba)	-	84	(84)
Italtel Group	(38)	3	(41)
Other	(1)	12	(13)
Total	(39)	99	(138)

The Share of profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method is a loss of 39 million euros in 2011 (profit of 99 million euros in 2010). In particular, the year 2011 was negatively affected by the writedown of the entire investment in the Italtel Group: the overall macroeconomic situation on the one hand and the specific prospects of future evolution of the company's business on the other, have led to believe, in fact, that the recovery of the entire amount of the associate is not probable.

The year 2010 included the positive impact relating to the investment in EtecSA (Cuba), including the share of results up to September 30, 2010 and the reversal of impairment losses (30 million euros) after agreements were reached at the end of 2010 for the sale of the investment which was subsequently finalized on January 31, 2011.

Other income (expenses) from investments

In 2011, Other income (expenses) from investments is an income balance of 16 million euros and includes 17 million euros for the net gain on the sale of the entire 27% investment in the Cuban operator EtecSA. That amount is in addition to the benefit from the impairment reversal of 30 million euros, recorded in 2010.

In 2010, Other income (expenses) from investments was an income balance of 289 million euros and specifically included the revaluation, net of the negative exchange rate effect, of 266 million euros on the investment interest already held in Sofora Telecomunicaciones (50%). In particular, as set forth in IFRS 3, following the acquisition of control of Sofora Telecomunicaciones, which took place on October 13, 2010, the investment interest previously held in the subsidiary, accounted for using the equity method, was remeasured at fair value at the acquisition date of control. The line item also included the net gain of 29 million euros realized on the settlement agreement reached between the Telecom Italia Group and the Bolivian government for the resolution of the dispute over the May 1, 2008 expropriation by that government of the investment held by the Group in Entel Bolivia.

Finance income (expenses)

Finance income (expenses) is an expense balance of 1,998 million euros (an expense balance of 2,074 million euros in 2010), with a positive change of 76 million euros largely arising from lower net debt exposure.

Income tax expense

Income tax expense is 1,643 million euros and posts an increase of 1,093 million euros compared to 2010 (550 million euros). In particular, income taxes in 2010 comprised a benefit of more than 600 million euros deriving mainly from the recognition of deferred tax assets by the Brazil Business Unit in connection with tax loss carryforwards which became recoverable on the basis of the prospects of earnings of the companies in the Business Unit. In addition to this effect, the increase in income taxes is also due to the higher taxable base of the Parent, Telecom Italia, the Brazil Business Unit as well as the consolidation of the Argentina Business Unit for the full year 2011.

Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale

In 2011, the balance is a loss of 13 million euros and includes expenses incurred in connection with sales transactions of prior years. In 2010, the balance was a loss of 7 million euros and included the same type of transactions.

Profit (loss) for the year

The loss for the year can be analyzed as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Profit (loss) for the year	(4,280)	3,575
Attributable to:		
Owners of the Parent:		
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(4,713)	3,128
Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(13)	(7)
Profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	(4,726)	3,121
Non-controlling interests:		
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	446	454
Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
Profit for the year attributable to Non-controlling interests	446	454

In comparable terms, the result for the year attributable to owners of the Parent is in line with that of 2010. Specifically, the comparable profit in 2011 would have been 2,604 million euros and is calculated by excluding the impact of the previously mentioned goodwill impairment charge and other non-recurring items; the profit in 2010 would have been basically the same (2,608 million euros) when calculated by excluding the positive impact of the acquisition of control of Sofora, the benefit of more than 600 million euros deriving from the recognition of deferred tax assets and other non-recurring items in Brazil.

Consolidated financial position performance

Financial position structure

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011 (a)	12/31/2010 (b)	Change (a-b)
Assets			
Non-current assets	67,304	73,062	(5,758)
<i>Goodwill</i>	36,957	43,923	(6,966)
<i>Other intangible assets</i>	8,600	7,936	664
<i>Tangible assets</i>	15,948	16,415	(467)
<i>Other non-current assets</i>	5,799	4,788	1,011
Current assets	16,555	15,589	966
<i>Inventories, Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets</i>	8,217	8,177	40
<i>Current income tax receivables</i>	155	132	23
<i>Securities other than investments, Financial receivables and other current financial assets, Cash and cash equivalents</i>	8,183	7,280	903
Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	389	(389)
<i>of a financial nature</i>	-	-	-
<i>of a non-financial nature</i>	-	389	(389)
	83,859	89,040	(5,181)
Equity and liabilities			
Equity	26,695	32,555	(5,860)
Non-current liabilities	39,753	38,414	1,339
Current liabilities	17,411	18,071	(660)
Liabilities directly associated with Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	-
<i>of a financial nature</i>	-	-	-
<i>of a non-financial nature</i>	-	-	-
	83,859	89,040	(5,181)

Non-current assets

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Goodwill: is 6,966 million euros lower due not only to the previously mentioned impairment charge of 7,364 million euros but also to the following variations:

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increase of 556 million euros for the recognition of the provisional amount of goodwill following the acquisition of control and the subsequent consolidation of Tim Fiber RJ (formerly AES Communications Rio de Janeiro) and Tim Fiber SP (formerly Eletropaulo Telecomunicações) in the Brazil Business Unit;

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increase of 16 million euros for the recognition of the provisional amount of goodwill following the acquisition of control and the subsequent consolidation of the 4GH group.

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decrease of 10 million euros in connection with the sale of the subsidiary Loquendo on September 30, 2011;

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change in the exchange rates of the Brazilian and Argentine companies.

As set forth in IFRS 3, within 12 months of the above acquisitions, the accounting transactions for the business combinations must be closed by the definitive allocation of the purchase prices paid. It should be noted that the price paid on October 13, 2010 for the acquisition of control of the Sofora Telecom Argentina group was definitively allocated during 2011. As a result, the goodwill of the Sofora Telecom Argentina group recorded provisionally in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2010 for 166 million euros was adjusted to 177 million euros to reflect the definitive fair value of the Sofora Telecom Argentina group at the acquisition date of relative control.

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Other intangible assets: increased 664 million euros, from 7,936 million euros at the end of 2010 to 8,600 million euros at December 31, 2011, being the balance of the following:

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additions (+3,066 million euros);

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amortization charge for the year (-2,162 million euros);

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disposals, exchange differences, changes in the scope of consolidation, reclassifications and other movements (for a net balance of -240 million euros).

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Tangible assets: decreased 467 million euros from 16,415 million euros at the end of 2010 to 15,948 million euros at December 31, 2011, being the balance of the following:

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additions (+3,029 million euros);

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depreciation charge for the year (-3,332 million euros);

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disposals, exchange differences, changes in the scope of consolidation, reclassifications and other movements (for a net balance of -164 million euros).

Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale

At December 31, 2010, this line item included the entire investment held in EtecSA (Cuba) which was disposed of on January 31, 2011.

Consolidated equity

Consolidated equity amounts to 26,695 million euros (32,555 million euros at December 31, 2010), of which 22,791 million euros is attributable to owners of the Parent (28,819 million euros at December 31, 2010) and 3,904 million euros is attributable to Non-controlling interests (3,736 million euros at December 31, 2010).

In greater detail, the changes in equity are the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
At the beginning of the year	32,555	27,120
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	(4,605)	4,568
Dividends declared by:	(1,302)	(1,164)
<i>Telecom Italia S.p.A.</i>	<i>(1,184)</i>	<i>(1,029)</i>
<i>Other Group companies</i>	<i>(118)</i>	<i>(135)</i>
Effect of capital transactions by Telecom Italia Media	-	47
Issue of equity instruments	7	32
Effect of increase in economic interest in Argentina BU	(210)	-
Effect of capital transactions by companies in the Brazil BU	240	-
Changes in scope of consolidation and other changes	10	1,952
At the end of the year	26,695	32,555

Cash flows

The following chart summarizes the main transactions which had an impact on the change in net financial debt during 2011:

Change in adjusted net financial debt

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
EBITDA	12,246	11,412	834
Capital expenditures on an accrual basis	(6,095)	(4,583)	(1,512)
Change in net operating working capital:	(100)	(223)	123
<i>Change in inventories</i>	(36)	96	(132)
<i>Change in trade receivables and net amounts due on construction contracts</i>	3	13	(10)
<i>Change in trade payables (*)</i>	(63)	(175)	112
<i>Other changes in operating receivables/payables</i>	(4)	(157)	153
Change in provisions for employee benefits	(250)	73	(323)
Change in operating provisions and Other changes	(34)	(466)	432
Net operating free cash flow	5,767	6,213	(446)
<i>% of Revenues</i>	19.3	22.5	(3.2)pp
Sale of investments and other disposals flow	486	973	(487)
Financial investments flow	(925)	(56)	(869)
Tim Participações, Telecom Italia Media and Telecom Italia S.p.A. (PAD) capital increases	240	67	173
Dividend payments	(1,326)	(1,093)	(233)
Finance expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow	(3,188)	(3,623)	435
Reduction/(Increase) in adjusted net financial debt	1,054	2,481	(1,427)

(*)

Includes the change in trade payables for amounts due to fixed asset suppliers.

In addition to what has already been described with reference to EBITDA, net financial debt during 2011 has been particularly impacted by the following items:

Capital expenditures on an accrual basis

The breakdown of capital expenditures by operating segment is as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011		2010		Change
		% of total		% of total	
Domestic	4,200	68.9	3,106	67.8	1,094
Brazil	1,290	21.2	1,216	26.5	74
Argentina	556	9.1	188	4.1	368
Media, Olivetti and Other Operations	66	1.1	76	1.7	(10)
<i>Adjustments and Eliminations</i>	<i>(17)</i>	<i>(0.3)</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>(0.1)</i>	<i>(14)</i>
Total consolidated capital expenditures	6,095	100.0	4,583	100.0	1,512
<i>% of Revenues</i>		20.3		16.6	3.7

Capital expenditures total 6,095 million euros in 2011, increasing 1,512 million euros (+33%) compared to 2010. In particular, the increase is due to: investments made by the Domestic Business Unit for the acquisition of user rights for the 800 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2600 MHz frequencies to be used for broadband mobile communication services, for a total amount of 1,223 million euros, the consolidation of the Argentina Business Unit for the full year (+368 million euros, including the negative exchange rate effect of 18 million euros) and higher capital expenditures by the Brazil Business Unit (+74 million euros, including a positive exchange rate effect of 3 million euros). Further details on the aforementioned acquisition of the user rights to the frequencies are provided in the paragraph Principal changes in the regulatory framework of the Domestic Business Unit.

Sale of investments and other disposals flow

Sale of investments and other disposals flow totals 486 million euros and principally relates to:

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411 million euros for the portion already received, net of related incidental expenses, on the sale of EtecSA (Cuba). The transaction specifically provides that the Telecom Italia Group will receive a total of 706 million U.S. dollars, of which 500 million U.S. dollars has already been paid by the buyer on January 31, 2011; the remaining amount will be paid by EtecSA in 36 monthly installments. The receivable is secured by specific guarantees;

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53 million euros received, net of related incidental expenses and the net financial debt of the subsidiary, on the sale of the entire stake held in Loquendo on September 30, 2011.

Financial investments flow

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Acquisition of interests in the Sofora Telecom Argentina group

During 2011, the Telecom Italia Group increased the stakes held in Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A., in Nortel Inversora S.A. (the controlling holding company of the Telecom Argentina group, which, in turn, is controlled by Sofora Telecomunicaciones) and in Telecom Argentina S.A. for a total investment of 211 million euros. Following these acquisitions, the economic interest of the Telecom Italia Group in Telecom Argentina went from 16.2% at December 31, 2010 to 22.7% at December 31, 2011.

In particular:

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on January 24, 2011, the Telecom Italia Group, through its subsidiary Telecom Italia International N.V., purchased 2,351,752 Nortel American Depositary Shares (ADS), representing *Preferidas B* shares, from Fintech Investment Ltd for 65.8 million U.S. dollars (approximately 48 million euros). The ADSs in question represent 117,587.6 *Preferidas B* shares (without voting rights). This share package was later conferred to the Argentina company Inversiones Milano S.A., later renamed Tierra Argentea S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group;

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on March 9, 2011, Telecom Italia, through its subsidiary Telecom Italia International N.V., purchased a 10% stake for approximately 104 million euros in Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A. from the local partner Werthein and by so doing increased its investment holding in Sofora from 58% to 68% of the company's share capital;

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on October 27, 2011, Tierra Argentea S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group, purchased 14.48 million Telecom Argentina Class B shares at the price of 20.50 Argentine pesos per share. In the following months of November and December, the company purchased another 1.1 million shares of the same class. The equivalent amount of the transactions was equal in total to 319 million Argentine pesos (equal to about 56 million euros).

The transactions did not alter or modify either the governance rights of the Telecom Argentina group established by agreement between the shareholders signed by the Telecom Italia Group and Werthein group, which is still in force, or the commitments undertaken by the Telecom Italia Group with the Argentine antitrust authorities.

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Acquisition of control of the 4GH group

On July 27, 2011, Telecom Italia, after having received the National Antitrust Authority's (AGCM) approval, finalized the acquisition of a 71% stake in the company 4G Holding S.p.A., with a total impact on net financial debt of 27.4 million euros, for an outlay of about 8.6 million euros (including incidental expenses) and the consolidation of the financial debt of the acquired companies. The deal was carried out through the wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parent Telecom Italia, TLC Commercial Services S.r.l..

The acquisition of the 4GH group, with its approximate 200 points-of-sale located in the most important shopping centers in Italy, will make it possible for the Telecom Italia Group to build up its positioning in the retail distribution market specialized in the sale of telephony equipment on the domestic market.

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Acquisition of control of the companies Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ

On October 31, 2011, two companies belonging to the AES Atimus group, telecommunications infrastructure operator in the states of San Paolo and Rio de Janeiro, were acquired from Companhia Brasileira de Energia, through the subsidiary Tim Celular S.A. The total impact on net financial debt is 686 million euros, for an outlay of about 656 million euros (including incidental expenses) and the consolidation of the financial debt of the acquired group.

Capital increases

On October 27, 2011, the share capital increase of Tim Participações S.A. ended with a cash in for the Telecom Italia Group of 240 million euros, net of the relative incidental expenses. In particular, the capital was increased by means of the issue of 200,258,368 ordinary shares at the offering price of 8.60 reais each for a total of 1.7 billion reais (equal to about 700 million euros). Besides the 190,796,858 shares in the initial offering, there were 9,461,510 shares of the greenshoe option, completely exercised, granted by Tim Participações S.A. to Morgan Stanley S.A. and Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC, part of the placement consortium.

The Telecom Italia Group, through Telecom Italia International N.V. the parent of the holding company Tim Brasil Serviços e Participações S.A. subscribed to its entire share of the reserved capital increase in Tim Participações S.A. for 1.1 billion reais (equal to about 450 million euros), but was unable to subscribe to any of the shares issued following exercise of the greenshoe. Consequently, the percentage investment in Tim Participações S.A. fell to 66.68% from the previous 66.94%.

In 2010, capital increases amounted to a total of 67 million euros and of that amount 44 million euros referred to the Telecom Italia Media increase and 23 million euros to the Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., as part of the broad-based employee share ownership Plan.

Finance expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow

Finance expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow mainly includes the payment, during 2011, of net finance expenses (1,712 million euros), income taxes (1,381 million euros) and also the change in non-operating receivables and payables.

Net Financial Debt

Net financial debt is composed as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011 (a)	12/31/2010 (b)	Change (a-b)
Non-current financial liabilities			
Bonds	24,478	24,589	(111)
Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities	10,078	8,317	1,761
Finance lease liabilities	1,304	1,442	(138)
	35,860	34,348	1,512
Current financial liabilities (*)			
Bonds	3,895	4,989	(1,094)
Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities	1,951	1,661	290
Finance lease liabilities	245	232	13
	6,091	6,882	(791)
Financial liabilities directly associated with Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	-
Total Gross financial debt	41,951	41,230	721
Non-current financial assets			
Securities other than investments	(12)	(13)	1
Financial receivables and other non-current financial assets	(2,937)	(1,850)	(1,087)
	(2,949)	(1,863)	(1,086)
Current financial assets			
Securities other than investments	(1,007)	(1,316)	309
Financial receivables and other current financial assets	(462)	(438)	(24)
Cash and cash equivalents	(6,714)	(5,526)	(1,188)
	(8,183)	(7,280)	(903)
Financial assets included in Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	-
Total financial assets	(11,132)	(9,143)	(1,989)
Accounting net financial debt	30,819	32,087	(1,268)
<i>Reversal of fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets/liabilities</i>	<i>(405)</i>	<i>(619)</i>	<i>214</i>
Adjusted net financial debt	30,414	31,468	(1,054)
<i>Breakdown as follows:</i>			
Total adjusted gross financial debt	39,382	39,383	(1)
Total adjusted financial assets	(8,968)	(7,915)	(1,053)
<i>(*) of which current portion of medium/long-term debt:</i>			
<i>Bonds</i>	<i>3,895</i>	<i>4,989</i>	<i>(1,094)</i>

<i>Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities</i>	<i>1,064</i>	<i>919</i>	<i>145</i>
<i>Finance lease liabilities</i>	<i>245</i>	<i>232</i>	<i>13</i>

The financial risk management policies of the Telecom Italia Group are directed towards diversifying market risks, hedging exchange rate risk in full and optimizing interest rate exposure by an appropriate diversification of the portfolio, which is also achieved by using carefully selected derivative financial instruments. Such instruments, it should be stressed, are not used for speculative purposes and all have an underlying.

Furthermore, in order to determine its exposure to interest rates, the Group defines an optimum composition for the fixed-rate and variable-rate debt structure and uses derivative financial instruments to achieve that prefixed composition. Taking into account the Group's operating activities, the optimum mix of medium/long-term non-current financial liabilities has been established, on the basis of the nominal amount, in a range of 65% - 75% for the fixed-rate component and 25% - 35% for the variable-rate component.

In managing market risks, the Group has adopted a Guideline policy for debt management using derivative instruments and mainly uses IRS and CCIRS derivative financial instruments.

The volatility of interest rates and exchange rates, featuring prominently in the financial markets since the fourth quarter of 2008, has significantly impacted the fair value measurement of derivative positions and the related financial assets and liabilities. Having said this and in order to present a more realistic analysis of net financial debt, starting from the actual figures at June 2009, in addition to the usual indicator (renamed Accounting net financial debt), a new indicator was also presented denominated Adjusted net financial debt which excludes effects that are purely accounting and non-monetary in nature deriving from the fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets and liabilities. The measurement of derivative financial instruments, which also has the objective of pre-setting the exchange rate and the interest rate of future variable contractual flows, does not, in fact, require an actual financial settlement.

Sales of receivables to factoring companies

The sales of receivables to factoring companies finalized during 2011 resulted in a positive effect on net financial debt at December 31, 2011 of 1,334 million euros (1,209 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Gross financial debt

Bonds

Bonds at December 31, 2011 are recorded for 28,373 million euros (29,578 million euros at December 31, 2010). Their nominal repayment amount is 26,975 million euros, decreasing 1,354 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (28,329 million euros).

The change in bonds during 2011 is as follows:

(millions of original currency)	Currency	Amount	Issue date
New issues			
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 7% maturing 1/20/2017 (*)	Euro	1,000	10/20/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 750 million euros 4.75% maturing 5/25/2018	Euro	750	5/25/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 5.125% maturing 1/25/2016	Euro	1,000	1/25/2011

(*)

On October 20, 2011, bonds were issued for 750 million euros; subsequently, on November 3, 2011, the issue was reopened and increased for another 250 million euros.

(millions of original currency)	Currency	Amount	Repayment date
Repayments			
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. Floating Rate Notes 850 million U.S. dollars, 3-month USD LIBOR +0.61%	USD	850	7/18/2011
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. 750 million U.S. dollars 6.2%	USD	750	7/18/2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 7.50% 1,791 million euros ⁽¹⁾	Euro	1,791	4/20/2011
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. Floating Rate Notes 400 million U.S. dollars, 3-month USD LIBOR +0.48%	USD	400	2/1/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 4.5% 750 million euros	Euro	750	1/28/2011

(1)

Net of buybacks by the company for 209 million euros during the years 2009-2011.

As occurred in past years, during 2011, the Telecom Italia Group bought back bonds, with the aim of:

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giving investors a further possibility of monetizing their positions;

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partially repaying some debt securities before maturity, increasing the overall return on the Group's liquidity without inviting any additional risks.

In particular, the following bonds were repurchased:

(millions of original currency)	Currency	Amount	Buyback periods
Buybacks			
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 1,791 million euros 7.50% maturing April 2011 (*)	Euro	93	January - March 2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 801 million euros 7.25% maturing April 2012	Euro	199	January - September 2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 759 million euros 6.875% maturing January 2013	Euro	91	N o v e m b e r December 2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,222.5 million euros 6.25% maturing February 2012	Euro	27.5	December 2011
	Euro	5	December 2011

Telecom Italia S.p.A. 645 million euros 6.75%
maturing March 2013

(*)

Bonds had already been bought back for 116 million euros in the years 2009 and 2010. Therefore the total amount bought back is 209 million euros.

In reference to the Telecom Italia S.p.A. 2002-2022 bonds, reserved for subscription by employees of the Group, at December 31, 2011, the nominal amount is equal to 266 million euros and decreased by 39 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (305 million euros).

Revolving credit facility and term loan

The following table shows the composition and the drawdown of the committed credit lines available at December 31, 2011. These are represented by the revolving credit facility for a total of 8 billion euros expiring August 2014, the syndicated revolving line for a total of 1.25 billion euros expiring February 2013 and the revolving credit line for a total of 200 million euros signed December 20, 2010 and expiring June 19, 2012 (renewable at the discretion of Telecom Italia, up to December 18, 2013):

(billions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	Agreed	Drawn down	Agreed	Drawn down
Revolving Credit Facility expiring February 2013	1.25	0.25	1.25	--
Revolving Credit Facility expiring August 2014	8.0	2.0	8.0	1.5
Revolving Credit Facility expiring June 2012 (renewable to December 2013)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.12
Total	9.45	2.45	9.45	1.62

On August 3, 2011, a bilateral stand-by credit line was secured for a period of five years (expiring August 3, 2016) for 100 million euros from Banca Regionale Europea, drawn down for the full amount.

Maturities of financial liabilities and average cost of debt

The average maturity of non-current financial liabilities (including the current portion of medium/long-term financial liabilities due within 12 months) is 7.26 years.

The average cost of the Group's debt, considered as the cost for the year calculated on an annual basis and resulting from the ratio of debt-related expenses to average exposure, is about 5.6%.

For details of the maturities of financial liabilities in terms of expected nominal repayment amounts, as contractually agreed, reference should be made to the Notes Financial liabilities (current and non-current) and Financial risk management in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

Current financial assets and liquidity margin

The Telecom Italia Group's available liquidity margin, calculated as the sum of Cash and cash equivalents and current Securities other than investments, amounts to 7,721 million euros at December 31, 2011 (6,842 million euros at December 31, 2010) which, together with its unused committed credit lines for 7 billion euros, allows the Group to amply meet its repayment obligations over the next 24 months.

In particular:

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Cash and cash equivalents amount to 6,714 million euros (5,526 million euros at December 31, 2010). The different technical forms of investing available cash at December 31, 2011, which include euro commercial paper for 220 million euros, can be analyzed as follows:

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Maturities: investments have a maximum maturity of three months;

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Counterpart risk: investments by the European companies are made with leading banking, financial and industrial institutions with high-credit-quality and at least an A- rating. Investments by the companies in South America are made with leading local counterparts;

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Country risk: investments are made mainly in major European financial markets.

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Securities other than investments amount to 1,007 million euros (1,316 million euros at December 31, 2010). Such forms of investment represent alternatives to the investment of liquidity with the aim of raising the return. These mainly consist of 864 million euros of Italian treasury bonds purchased by Telecom Italia S.p.A., which pursuant to Consob Communication DEM/11070007 of August 5, 2011 represent investments in Sovereign debt securities and have been made in accordance with the Guideline for investments of liquidity using financial instruments adopted by

the Telecom Italia Group in July 2009, and also 142 million euros of bonds with different maturities, but all with an active market, that is, readily convertible into cash. For further details, reference should be made to the Note Financial risk management in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

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In the fourth quarter of 2011, adjusted net financial debt increased 466 million euros. The operating cash generated was absorbed by the payment of income taxes, the acquisition of the companies in the AES Atimus Group in Brazil and the acquisition of LTE frequencies in Italy.

Adjusted net financial debt

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	9/30/2011	Change
Accounting net financial debt	30,819	30,250	569
Reversal of fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets/liabilities	(405)	(302)	(103)
Adjusted net financial debt	30,414	29,948	466
<i>Breakdown as follows :</i>			
Total adjusted gross financial debt	39,382	36,343	3,039
Total adjusted financial assets	(8,968)	(6,395)	(2,573)

Research and Development

As for Research and Development, this area is discussed in a specific paragraph of the Sustainability Section of this Report on Operations, under The Community in this Report on Operations.

Events Subsequent to December 31, 2011

With regard to subsequent events, reference should be made to the specific Note Events subsequent to December 31, 2011 in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

Business Outlook for the Year 2012

As for the Telecom Italia Group's outlook for the current year, the objectives linked to the principal economic indicators, as outlined in the Business Plan 2012-2014, are, for the full year 2012:

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Revenues and EBITDA basically stable compared to 2011

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Adjusted net financial debt of about 27.5 billion euros

Principal risks and uncertainties

The business outlook for 2012 could be affected by risks and uncertainties caused by a multitude of factors, the majority of which are beyond the Group's control.

The following are the main risks and uncertainties concerning the Telecom Italia Group's activities in 2012.

Macroeconomic trend

Italy's exposure to the sovereign debt crisis overshadowing the Euro area may cause a new weakening of the Italian economy, after the slight recovery that in 2010 and in 2011 had followed the heightened downward swing produced by the global economic crisis that began at the end of 2008. The Italian economy is facing a restrictive fiscal policy (a mix of spending cuts and tax increases) aimed at putting into place a long-term plan to reduce the budget deficit with the objective of balancing the budget by 2013. Such restrictive fiscal policy pursues structural adjustments which guarantee the sustainability over the long term of public finances. Furthermore, the tight credit situation deriving from the growing problems of the banking sector in the Eurozone, contributes further to lowering the forecasts of growth for the next few years: the climate for investments remains difficult and the confidence of the consumer low.

The macroeconomic scenario in Brazil is expected to show steady growth, supported by high levels of domestic and foreign investments, high consumption, falling inflation and a steady rate of exchange. The overall economic equilibrium has permitted the Central Bank to cut interest rates as a precautionary measure, in case the economy is affected by the global recession. At the moment, the Brazilian macroeconomic context seems to be fairly stable, although it is expanding more slowly than in the past, but any worsening of the situation could have an adverse effect on the demand for telecommunications services.

The Argentine economy is expected to grow in 2012, although at a lower rate than in the previous years when the country recorded strong economic expansion. Private consumption should continue to be the primary driver of the economy, however, the effects of the fall in agriculture production, of growing external restrictions and of a more conservative tax approach could give rise to growth that is in some ways lower but more balanced. In this context, inflation will continue to represent a pivotal element.

Finally, the international landscape will represent a determining factor for economic growth, where the prices of raw materials and the evolution of the global financial markets exemplify the main critical elements.

Telecommunications market trend

The telecommunications sector is generally regarded as being less cyclical than other sectors, since, in the business segment, telecommunications services are perceived as an effective tool through which companies can improve productivity. In the residential segment, on the other hand, they are becoming a factor of increasing importance in the budgets of family expenditures. However, the recession has had a major impact on the growth prospects of our domestic market, and may continue to do so. In particular, the weakness of the economy may lead companies to adopt a more cautious approach when it comes to acquiring telecommunication services due to the overall reduction in expenditures (operating costs and investments) of industrial sectors, whereas, in the residential segment, the fall in consumption may implicate a further lowering of the prices of telecommunications services and a fall in the demand for our products and services.

The market of telecommunications in Brazil is primed for further growth, sustained by the development of the mobile area (both phone and data services) and broadband for fixed phone lines. In particular, the trend of replacing fixed services with mobile services, seen in recent years, is expected to continue.

On the Argentine market, growth is expected, driven by the evolution of both fixed and mobile broadband. However, the evolution of the Argentine telecommunications market may be influenced by the unfurling of the effects of number portability on mobile phones, and may lead to a rise in the level of competition.

As for the domestic market, the development of the Brazilian and Argentine telecommunications markets is influenced by the evolution of the macroeconomic context. As a result, if the macroeconomic figures were to be worse than anticipated, this could reflect negatively on the demand for telecommunications services.

Furthermore, on a global scale, the telecommunications sector is being subjected to growing pressure from lateral competition by operators in the IT, Media and Devices/Consumer Electronics sectors, and by OTT operators which offer content and services via the internet to people who do not have their own TLC network. Because of this, the evolution of the telecommunications markets in the main countries in which we operate (Italy, Brazil and Argentina) may be influenced by the development of the competitive scenario with regard to these players.

Financial risks

The Telecom Italia Group pursues a policy of managing financial risks (market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk) by the definition, at a central level, of guidelines for directing operations, the identification of the most suitable financial instruments to reach prefixed objectives, the monitoring of the results achieved and the exclusion of the use of financial instruments for speculative purposes.

Furthermore, the Group pursues the objective of achieving an adequate level of financial flexibility which is expressed by maintaining a treasury margin to cover refinancing requirements at least for the next 12-18 months with liquidity and committed syndicated credit lines.

The particular climate of the financial markets has persuaded the Telecom Italia Group to adopt a more conservative approach than the aforementioned policy and at the end of 2011 the Group has a liquidity margin able to amply meet debt repayment obligations for the next 24 months. Consequently, the Telecom Italia Group can wait for the most

appropriate time to access the financial markets. Further details are provided in the Note Financial risk management to the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

Consolidated Financial Statements Telecom Italia Group

Separate Consolidated Income Statements

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change	
	(a)	(b)	amount	%
Revenues	29,957	27,571	2,386	8.7
Other income	299	255	44	17.3
Total operating revenues and other income	30,256	27,826	2,430	8.7
Acquisition of goods and services	(12,859)	(11,383)	(1,476)	(13.0)
Employee benefits expenses	(3,917)	(4,021)	104	2.6
Other operating expenses	(1,859)	(1,422)	(437)	(30.7)
Changes in inventories	56	(135)	191	°
Internally generated assets	569	547	22	4.0
Operating profit before depreciation and amortization, capital gains (losses) and impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets (EBITDA)	12,246	11,412	834	7.3
Depreciation and amortization	(5,494)	(5,542)	48	0.9
Gains (losses) on disposals of non-current assets	3	11	(8)	(72.7)
Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	(7,358)	(63)	(7,295)	°
Operating profit (loss) (EBIT)	(603)	5,818	(6,421)	(110.4)
Share of profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	(39)	99	(138)	°
Other income (expenses) from investments	16	289	(273)	(94.5)
Finance income	2,464	3,081	(617)	(20.0)
Finance expenses	(4,462)	(5,155)	693	13.4
Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations	(2,624)	4,132	(6,756)	(163.5)
Income tax expense	(1,643)	(550)	(1,093)	°
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(4,267)	3,582	(7,849)	°
Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(13)	(7)	(6)	°
Profit (loss) for the year	(4,280)	3,575	(7,855)	°
Attributable to:				

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Owners of the Parent	(4,726)	3,121	(7,847)	°
Non-controlling interests	446	454	(8)	°

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

In accordance with IAS 1 (*Presentation of Financial Statements*), the following statements of comprehensive income include the profit (loss) for the year as shown in the separate consolidated income statements and all non-owner changes in equity.

(millions of euros)		2011	2010
Profit (loss) for the year	(a)	(4,280)	3,575
Other components of the Statements of Comprehensive Income:			
Available-for-sale financial assets:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		5	(7)
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		2	5
Net fiscal impact	(b)	(4)	(1)
		3	(3)
Hedging instruments:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		523	767
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		(230)	(480)
Net fiscal impact	(c)	(83)	(77)
		210	210
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations:			
Profit (loss) on translating foreign operations		(613)	659
Loss (profit) on translating foreign operations transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		75	18
Net fiscal impact	(d)	-	-
		(538)	677
Share of other profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method:			
Profit (loss)		-	109
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		-	-
Net fiscal impact	(e)	-	-
		-	109
Total	(f=b+c+d+e)	(325)	993
Total profit (loss) for the year	(a+f)	(4,605)	4,568
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Parent		(4,825)	3,855
Non-controlling interests		220	713

Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	Change
	(a)	(b)	(a-b)
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets			
Goodwill	36,957	43,923	(6,966)
Other intangible assets	8,600	7,936	664
	45,557	51,859	(6,302)
Tangible assets			
Property, plant and equipment owned	14,854	15,238	(384)
Assets held under finance leases	1,094	1,177	(83)
	15,948	16,415	(467)
Other non-current assets			
Investments in associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	47	85	(38)
Other investments	38	43	(5)
Non-current financial assets	2,949	1,863	1,086
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets	1,128	934	194
Deferred tax assets	1,637	1,863	(226)
	5,799	4,788	1,011
Total Non-current assets	(a) 67,304	73,062	(5,758)
Current assets			
Inventories	447	387	60
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets	7,770	7,790	(20)
Current income tax receivables	155	132	23
Current financial assets			
<i>Securities other than investments, financial receivables and other current financial assets</i>	1,469	1,754	(285)
<i>Cash and cash equivalents</i>	6,714	5,526	1,188
	8,183	7,280	903
Current assets sub-total	16,555	15,589	966
Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale			
of a financial nature	-	-	-
of a non-financial nature	-	389	(389)
	-	389	(389)
Total Current assets	(b) 16,555	15,978	577
Total Assets	(a+b) 83,859	89,040	(5,181)

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(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	Change
	(a)	(b)	(a-b)
Equity and Liabilities			
Equity			
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent	22,791	28,819	(6,028)
Equity attributable to non-controlling interests	3,904	3,736	168
Total Equity	(c) 26,695	32,555	(5,860)
Non-current liabilities			
Non-current financial liabilities	35,860	34,348	1,512
Employee benefits	850	1,129	(279)
Deferred tax liabilities	1,056	991	65
Provisions	831	860	(29)
Miscellaneous payables and other non-current liabilities	1,156	1,086	70
Total Non-current liabilities	(d) 39,753	38,414	1,339
Current liabilities			
Current financial liabilities	6,091	6,882	(791)
Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities	10,984	10,954	30
Current income tax payables	336	235	101
Current liabilities sub-total	17,411	18,071	(660)
Liabilities directly associated with discontinued operations/non-current assets held for sale of a financial nature	-	-	-
of a non-financial nature	-	-	-
	-	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	(e) 17,411	18,071	(660)
Total Liabilities	(f=d+e) 57,164	56,485	679
Total Equity and Liabilities	(c+f) 83,859	89,040	(5,181)

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Profit (loss) from continuing operations	(4,267)	3,582
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortization	5,494	5,542
Impairment losses (reversals) on non-current assets (including investments)	7,365	(116)
Net change in deferred tax assets and liabilities	189	(749)
Losses (gains) realized on disposals of non-current assets (including investments)	(18)	(41)
Share of losses (profits) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	39	(99)
Change in employee benefits	(250)	73
Change in inventories	(36)	96
Change in trade receivables and net amounts due from customers on construction contracts	3	13
Change in trade payables	(164)	(278)
Net change in current income tax receivables/payables	90	(170)
Net change in miscellaneous receivables/payables and other assets/liabilities	67	(980)
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities (a)	8,512	6,873
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of intangible assets on an accrual basis	(3,066)	(1,781)
Purchase of tangible assets on an accrual basis	(3,029)	(2,802)
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on an accrual basis	(6,095)	(4,583)
Change in amounts due to fixed asset suppliers	557	103
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on a cash basis	(5,538)	(4,480)
Acquisition of control of subsidiaries or other businesses, net of cash acquired	(668)	(4)
Net cash and cash equivalents arising from the acquisition of the control of the Sofora group - Argentina	-	392
Acquisitions/disposals of other investments	(1)	35
Change in financial receivables and other financial assets	(580)	502
Proceeds from sale that result in a loss of control of subsidiaries or other businesses, net of cash disposed of	51	180
Proceeds from sale/repayment of intangible, tangible and other non-current assets	435	56
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities (b)	(6,301)	(3,319)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Change in current financial liabilities and other	1,351	957
Proceeds from non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)	4,523	2,007
Repayments of non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)	(5,290)	(5,842)
	240	67

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Share capital proceeds/reimbursements (including subsidiaries)

Dividends paid		(1,326)	(1,093)
Changes in ownership interests in consolidated subsidiaries		(211)	-
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities	(c)	(713)	(3,904)
Cash flows from (used in) discontinued operations/non-current assets held for sale	(d)	-	-
Aggregate cash flows	(e=a+b+c+d)	1,498	(350)
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	(f)	5,282	5,484
Net foreign exchange differences on net cash and cash equivalents	(g)	(110)	148
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	(h=e+f+g)	6,670	5,282

Additional Cash Flow Information

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Income taxes (paid) received	(1,381)	(1,392)
Interest expense paid	(3,044)	(3,079)
Interest income received	1,332	1,176
Dividends received	2	3

Analysis of Net Cash and Cash Equivalents

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents from continuing operations	5,526	5,504
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from continuing operations	(244)	(101)
Cash and cash equivalents from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	81
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
	5,282	5,484
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents from continuing operations	6,714	5,526
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from continuing operations	(44)	(244)
Cash and cash equivalents from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
	6,670	5,282

Highlights The Business Units of the Telecom Italia Group

The highlights of the Telecom Italia Group are presented in this Annual Report based on the following operating segments:

- Domestic Business Unit: includes domestic operations for voice and data services on fixed and mobile networks for final customers (retail) and other operators (wholesale), the operations of the Telecom Italia Sparkle group (international wholesale) as well as the relative support activities;
- Brazil Business Unit: includes mobile (Tim Celular) and fixed (Intelig, Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ) telephone operations in Brazil;
- Argentina Business Unit: comprises fixed (Telecom Argentina) and mobile (Telecom Personal in Argentina and Núcleo in Paraguay) telephone operations;
- Media Business Unit: includes telephone network operations and management;
- Olivetti Business Unit: includes manufacturing operations for digital printing systems, office products and Information Technology services;
- Other Operations: includes finance companies and other minor companies not strictly related to the core business of the Telecom Italia Group.

Information by operating segment is as follows:

	Revenues		EBITDA		EBIT		Capital expenditures		Headcount at year-end (number)	
(millions of euros)	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	2011	2010	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Domestic	19,032	20,068	9,243	9,393	(1,945)	5,162	4,200	3,106	55,389	56,530
Brazil	7,343	6,199	1,990	1,801	986	685	1,290	1,216	10,539	10,114
Argentina (*)	3,220	798	1,035	245	509	110	556	188	16,350	15,650
Media	238	258	28	13	(87)	(92)	61	67	765	777
Olivetti	343	391	(35)	(19)	(41)	(24)	5	5	1,075	1,090

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O t h e r										
Operations	2	64	(15)	(21)	(15)	(38)	-	4	36	39
<i>Adjustments</i>										
<i>a n d</i>										
<i>Eliminations</i>	(221)	(207)	-	-	(10)	15	(17)	(3)	-	-
Consolidated										
Total	29,957	27,571	12,246	11,412	(603)	5,818	6,095	4,583	84,154	84,200

(*)

In the scope of consolidation since October 13, 2010.

Highlights of the operating data of the Telecom Italia Group Business Units are presented in the following table:

	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	12/31/2009
DOMESTIC FIXED			
Fixed-line network connections in Italy at year-end (thousands)	16,745	17,609	18,525
Physical accesses (Consumer + Business) at year-end (thousands)	14,652	15,351	16,097
Broadband accesses in Italy at year-end (thousands)	9,089	9,058	8,741
<i>of which retail accesses (thousands)</i>	<i>7,125</i>	<i>7,175</i>	<i>7,000</i>
Network infrastructure in Italy:			
access network in copper (millions of km pair, distribution and connection)	112.2	111.7	110.5
access and carrier network in optical fiber (millions of km - fiber)	4.6	4.3	4.1
Network infrastructure abroad:			
European backbone (km of fiber)	55,000	55,000	55,000
Mediterranean (km of submarine cable)	7,500	7,000	7,000
South America (km of fiber)	30,000	30,000	30,000
Total traffic:			
Minutes of traffic on fixed-line network (billions)	108.9	121.5	134.4
Domestic traffic	93.3	104.1	115.6
International traffic	15.6	17.4	18.8
DOMESTIC MOBILE			
Number of lines at year-end (thousands)	32,227	31,018	30,856
Change in lines (%)	3.9	0.5	(11.3)
Churn rate (%) ⁽¹⁾	21.9	22.0	29.4
Total average outgoing traffic per month (millions of minutes)	3,633	3,305	2,982
Total average outgoing and incoming traffic per month (millions of minutes)	4,843	4,597	4,260
Average monthly revenues per line (in euros) ⁽²⁾	17.4	19.7	20.0
BRAZIL			
Number of lines at year-end (thousands)	64,070	51,015	41,102
ARGENTINA (*)			
Number of fixed lines at year-end (thousands)	4,141	4,107	4,060
Number of mobile lines at year-end (thousands)	20,342	18,212	16,281
Broadband accesses at year-end (thousands)	1,550	1,380	1,214
MEDIA			
La7 audience share Free-to-Air (analog mode) (average during year, in %)	3.8	3.1	3.0
La7 audience share Free-to-Air (analog mode) (average of last month of the year, in %)	3.9	3.3	2.9

(1)

The data refers to total lines. The churn rate represents the number of mobile customers who discontinued service during the period expressed as a percentage of the average number of customers.

(2)

The values are calculated on the basis of revenues from services (including revenues from prepaid cards) as a percentage of the average number of lines.

(*)

The operating data of the Argentina Business Unit for the year 2009 is presented only for illustration purposes. The Argentina Business Unit has been consolidated by the Telecom Italia Group since October 13, 2010.

The Business Units of the Telecom Italia Group

Domestic

The Domestic Business Unit operates as the consolidated market leader in the sphere of voice and data services on fixed and mobile networks for final retail customers and other wholesale operators. In the international field, the Business Unit develops fiber optic networks for wholesale customers (in Europe, in the Mediterranean and in South America).

The Structure of Business Unit

The Domestic Business Unit is organized as follows:

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Principal companies: Telecom Italia S.p.A., Matrix S.p.A., 4GH group, Telecontact Center S.p.A., Path.Net S.p.A., Telenergia S.p.A., HR Services S.r.l. and Shared Service Center S.r.l..

The principal operating and financial data of the Domestic Business Unit are now reported according to two Cash-generating units (CGU):

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Core Domestic: includes all telecommunications activities inherent to the Italian market. Revenues are broken down in the following tables according to the net contribution of each market segment to the CGU s results, excluding intrasegment transactions. The sales market segments defined on the basis of the customer centric organizational model are as follows:

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Consumer: comprises the aggregate of voice and internet services and products managed and developed for persons and families in the fixed and mobile telecommunications markets, from public telephony to the web portal/services of the company Matrix;

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Business: is constituted by the aggregate of voice, data, internet and ICT solutions services and products managed and developed for SMEs (small and medium enterprises) and SOHOs (Small Office Home Office) in the fixed and mobile telecommunications markets;

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Top: comprises the aggregate of voice, data, internet and ICT solutions services and products managed and developed for Top, Public Sector, Large Account and Enterprise clientele in the fixed and mobile telecommunications markets;

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National Wholesale: consists of the management and development of the portfolio of regulated and unregulated wholesale services for fixed and mobile telecommunications operators in the domestic market;

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Other (Support Structures): includes:

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Technology & IT: constitutes services related to the development, building and operation of network infrastructures, real estate properties and plant engineering, delivery processes and assurance regarding clientele services in addition to the development and operation of information services;

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Staff & Other: services carried out by Staff functions and other support activities performed by minor companies of the Group also offered to the market and other Business Units.

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International Wholesale: International Wholesale includes the activities of the Telecom Italia Sparkle group which operates in the international voice, data and internet services market aimed at fixed and mobile telecommunications operators, ISPs/ASPs (Wholesale market) and multinational companies through its own networks in the European, Mediterranean and South American markets.

Main operating and financial data

Key results of the Domestic Business Unit in total and by customer/business segment in 2011 compared to 2010 are as follows:

Domestic Business Unit

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change		
			amount	%	% organic
Revenues	19,032	20,068	(1,036)	(5.2)	(4.8)
EBITDA	9,243	9,393	(150)	(1.6)	(3.9)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>48.6</i>	<i>46.8</i>		<i>1.8pp</i>	<i>0.5pp</i>
EBIT	(1,945)	5,162	(7,107)	°	(1.3)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>n.s.</i>	<i>25.7</i>		<i>n.s.</i>	<i>1.0pp</i>

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Capital expenditures	4,200	3,106	1,094	35.2	
Headcount at year-end (number)	55,389	56,530	1,141	(2.0)	
Core Domestic					
(millions of euros)	2011	2010		Change	
			amount	%	% organic
Revenues	18,123	19,065	(942)	(4.9)	(4.8)
<i>Consumer</i>	9,217	9,739	(522)	(5.4)	(5.0)
<i>Business</i>	3,267	3,509	(242)	(6.9)	(6.9)
<i>Top</i>	3,322	3,511	(189)	(5.4)	(5.4)
<i>National Wholesale</i>	2,103	2,076	27	1.3	1.0
<i>Other</i>	214	230	(16)	(7.0)	(5.3)
EBITDA	9,009	9,104	(95)	(1.0)	(3.4)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	49.7	47.8		1.9pp	0.7pp
EBIT	(2,088)	4,967	(7,055)	°	(0.5)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	n.s.	26.1		n.s.	1.2pp
Capital expenditures	4,124	3,027	1,097	36.2	
Headcount at year-end (number)	54,380	55,475	(1,095)	(2.0)	

International Wholesale

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change		
			amount	%	% organic
Revenues	1,393	1,569	(176)	(11.2)	(8.8)
<i>of which third party</i>	<i>960</i>	<i>1,099</i>	<i>(139)</i>	<i>(12.6)</i>	<i>(7.8)</i>
EBITDA	246	300	(54)	(18.0)	(17.7)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>17.7</i>	<i>19.1</i>		<i>(1.4)pp</i>	<i>(1.9)pp</i>
EBIT	143	194	(51)	(26.3)	(26.5)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>10.3</i>	<i>12.4</i>		<i>(2.1)pp</i>	<i>(2.3)pp</i>
Capital expenditures	76	82	(6)	(7.3)	
Headcount at year-end (number)	1,009	1,055	(46)	(4.4)	

Revenues

In 2011, except for National Wholesale, all segments displayed a contraction in revenues but affirm a progressive recovery during the course of the year thanks to the growth of the mobile customer base, a reduction in the loss of fixed accesses and the effectiveness of the new offering policies both in terms of the slowdown in price reductions and the development of new services (Broadband and ICT). More to the point:

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Consumer: the Consumer segment reports a reduction in revenues of 522 million euros (-5.4%) compared to 2010. The decrease in organic revenues is 487 million euros (-5.0%) and confirms the trend of recovery already observed during the year compared to the same periods of 2010 (-0.4% in the fourth quarter of 2011, -4.0% in the third, -6.4% in the second and -9.2% in the first). It should be noted that organic revenues excluded 35 million euros of revenues of the second quarter of 2010 relating to the end of the 1001TIM loyalty program which had resulted in the recognition of revenues from previously deferred bonus points that had not been used by the customer. The organic shrinkage can be entirely traced to revenues from services (-607 million euros, or -6.4%). This contraction is attributable to traditional voice services, both mobile and fixed, that were only partly offset by higher mobile internet revenues (+81 million euros, or +17.8% compared to 2010 and +28 million euros, or +22.6% in the fourth quarter compared to the same period of the prior year).

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Business: in 2011, the Business segment shows a reduction in revenues of -242 million euros (-6.9%), and a trend of progressive recovery since the beginning of the year. This decline is mostly in reference to the mobile services and traditional fixed-line voice services, with the latter, in particular, attributable to an erosion of the customer base (-5.8% compared to 2010).

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Top: the reduction in revenues in 2011 by the Top segment is 189 million euros (-5.4%) compared to 2010. Such decline principally refers to revenues from services (-144 million euros, or -4.8%), due, in particular, to a contraction in fixed telephony and a reduction in per unit mobile voice revenues which is only partially compensated by the growth in fixed-line ICT.

- National Wholesale: the increase in the revenues of National Wholesale (+27 million euros, or +1.3%) is generated by the growth of the customer base of OLOs (Other Licensed Operators) regarding services for Local Loop Unbundling, Wholesale Line Rental and Bitstream.

International Wholesale Revenues

International Wholesale (the Telecom Italia Sparkle Group) reported revenues of 1,393 million euros in 2011, down 176 million euros (-11.2%, or -8.8% in organic terms) compared to 2010. Such decline is almost entirely due to voice services (-167 million euros, or -14.8%), which are penalized by strong price pressure caused by market competition and also measures to rationalize the sector based on a more selective approach in terms of the quality of the customer portfolio and traffic, however without any significant impact on the margin. Moreover, revenues in 2010 included 29 million euros generated by the subsidiary Elettra which was sold in September 2010.

Besides the summary by market segment reported above, sales information by technology (fixed and mobile) is also presented below as a continuation of the information presented in the annual and interim reports of the previous periods.

Revenues of the Business Unit by technology and market segment are reported below:

(millions of euros)	Market segment	2011			2010			Change %	
		Total	Fixed(*)	Mobile(*)	Total	Fixed(*)	Mobile(*)	Fixed(*)	Mobile(*)
	Consumer Business	9,217	4,409	4,973	9,739	4,674	5,275	(5.4)	(5.7)
	Top	3,267	2,182	1,126	3,509	2,336	1,220	(6.9)	(7.7)
	N a t i o n a l	3,322	2,585	826	3,511	2,724	887	(5.4)	(6.9)
	Wholesale	2,103	3,028	154	2,076	2,934	234	1.3	3.2
	Other	214	220	35	230	201	76	(7.0)	9.5
	Total Core								
	Domestic	18,123	12,424	7,114	19,065	12,869	7,692	(4.9)	(3.5)
	I n t e r n a t i o n a l								
	Wholesale	1,393	1,393		1,569	1,569		(11.2)	(11.2)
	Eliminations	(484)	(276)		(566)	(322)			
	Total Domestic	19,032	13,541	7,114	20,068	14,116	7,692	(5.2)	(4.1)

(*)

The breakdown by fixed and mobile technology is presented gross of intersegment eliminations.

Fixed-line Telecommunications Revenues

Fixed-line telecommunications revenues amount to 13,541 million euros in 2011, decreasing 575 million euros compared to 2010 (-4.1%; -3.8% in organic terms, of which -3.5% relates to revenues from services). Such contraction is largely attributable to the reduction in retail accesses, which at December 31, 2011 total 14.7 million lines (-4.6% compared to December 31, 2010), but which is showing signs of slowing down - thanks to sales policies aimed at maintaining and recapturing customers - even though the reference market features a general decline. As for broadband services, conversely, sales are basically steady due to a client portfolio that is more or less stable in a market environment that identifies with fierce competition. The total broadband portfolio is equal to 9.1 million accesses (+31,000 compared to December 31, 2010), of which 7.1 million are retail accesses, with a market share of 53%, down from 2010 (-1.8 percentage points), and 2.0 million wholesale accesses.

The following table shows the trend of revenues in the major areas of business:

(millions of euros)	2011		2010		Change	
	amount	% of total	amount	% of total	amount	%
Retail voice	5,681	41.9	6,133	43.4	(452)	(7.4)

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Internet	1,688	12.5	1,751	12.4	(63)	(3.6)
Business data	1,617	11.9	1,655	11.7	(38)	(2.3)
Wholesale	4,155	30.7	4,171	29.5	(16)	(0.4)
Other	400	3.0	406	3.0	(6)	(1.5)
Total Fixed-line Telecommunications Revenues	13,541	100.0	14,116	100.0	(575)	(4.1)
Mobile Telecommunications Revenues						

Although revenues in the mobile sector are still contracted, the sector displays a structural improvement in sales performance which confirms the merit of the repositioning strategy adopted for the mobile business: the customer base totals about 32.2 million lines and grew from the end of 2010 1.2 million mainly in light of higher acquisitions and stable churn rates (21.9% compared to 22.0% in 2010).

Mobile telecommunications revenues are 7,114 million euros in 2011, decreasing 578 million euros compared to 2010 (-7.5%, or -7.1% in organic terms), with a progressive and constant improving trend compared to the same period of 2010 (-2.2% in the fourth quarter of 2011; -6.5% in the third; -7.6% in the second and -12% in the first). Revenues from services show an organic change of -8.7% compared to

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2010 (-7.1% in the fourth quarter of 2011 compared to the same period of 2010; -7.5% in the third; -8.7% in the second and -11.7% in the first).

The following table shows the trend of revenues in the major areas of business:

(millions of euros)	2011		2010		Change	
		<i>% of total</i>		<i>% of total</i>	<i>amount</i>	<i>%</i>
Outgoing voice	3,600	50.6	4,033	52.4	(433)	(10.7)
Incoming voice	1,117	15.7	1,358	17.7	(241)	(17.7)
VAS (value-added services)	2,038	28.6	2,045	26.6	(7)	(0.3)
Handsets	359	5.1	256	3.3	103	40.2
Total Mobile Telecommunications Revenues	7,114	100.0	7,692	100.0	(578)	(7.5)
EBITDA						

EBITDA of the Domestic Business Unit is 9,243 million euros in 2011, down 150 million euros compared to 2010 (-1.6%). The EBITDA margin is 48.6% and an improvement compared to 2010 (+1.8 percentage points). The contraction in revenues impacted EBITDA and was offset in part by selective control over fixed costs which produced cost containment and reduction.

Organic EBITDA in 2011 is 9,351 million euros (-376 million euros, or -3.9% compared to 2010), with an organic EBITDA margin equal to 49.1%, an increase compared to 2010 (+0.5 percentage points).

In detail:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Historical EBITDA	9,243	9,393	(150)
Exchange rate effect		(4)	4
Changes in the scope of consolidation		(8)	8
Non-organic (income) expenses	108	346	(238)
<i>Non-organic revenues</i>	-	(35)	35
<i>Disputes and settlements (*)</i>	63	91	(28)
<i>Expenses for mobility under Law 223/91</i>	12	254	(242)
<i>Other (income) expenses</i>	33	36	(3)
Comparable EBITDA	9,351	9,727	(376)

(*)

The amount at December 31, 2011 includes expenses of 21 million euros for compensation due on the early termination of the Competence Center contract with Telecom Italia Media.

With regard to the change in the main costs, the following is noted:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Acquisition of goods and services	6,766	7,131	(365)
Employee benefits expenses	2,987	3,473	(486)
Other operating expenses	778	709	69

In particular:

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acquisition of goods and services: shrunk 365 million euros (-5.1%) compared to 2010. Such contraction is mainly due to a decrease in the amounts to be paid to other operators, owing principally to the reduction in mobile termination rates. The higher expense for certain items, such as energy and variable costs related to product/service sales, has been absorbed by efficiency measures applied to fixed operating costs;

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employee benefits expenses: fell 486 million euros compared to 2010, attributable mostly to the reduction in the average headcount of the salaried workforce (-3,529 compared to 2010, of whom -1,188 are under solidarity contracts at Telecom Italia S.p.A. and SSC - Shared Service Center S.r.l), as well as a reduction (110 million euros) deriving from the actuarial effects regarding employee severance indemnities in connection with the change in the economic parameters of reference (discount rate and inflation rate) and also the new law on pensions (Law 214 of December 22, 2011) which extends the estimated period in which a person works. It should be noted that employee benefits expenses in 2010 included a total of 254 million for the start by the Parent, Telecom Italia, SSC and Telecom Italia Sparkle of the mobility procedure under Law 223/91. In 2011, the provisions were adjusted by another 12 million euros, of which 9 million euros is for the Parent, Telecom Italia, and 3 million euros for SSC.

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other operating expenses: rose 69 million euros compared to 2010, mainly due to the increase in expenses and provision charges connected with credit management and credit risks, particularly on Business clientele. Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management	397	317	80
Provision charges	50	53	(3)
Telecommunications operating fees and charges	58	56	2
Indirect duties and taxes	108	122	(14)
Sundry expenses	165	161	4
Total	778	709	69
EBIT			

EBIT is a negative 1,945 million euros in 2011, decreasing 7,107 million euros. EBIT particularly comprises the goodwill impairment charge of 7,307 million euros referring to the Core Domestic cash-generating unit, recorded on the basis of the results of the impairment test.

Organic EBIT, calculated by also excluding the above goodwill impairment charges, is 5,410 with a negative change of 74 million euros (-1.3%); the organic EBIT margin increased from 27.4% in 2010 to 28.4% in 2011.

In detail:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Historical EBIT	(1,945)	5,162	(7,107)
Exchange rate effect		(2)	2
Differences in the scope of consolidation		(4)	4
Non-organic (income) expenses	7,355	328	7,027
<i>Non-organic expenses already described under EBITDA</i>	108	346	(238)
<i>Core Domestic CGU goodwill impairment charge</i>	7,307	-	7,307
<i>Gains/losses, impairment (Reversals)/losses on non-current assets and investments</i>	(60)	(18)	(42)
Comparable EBIT	5,410	5,484	(74)

In particular, with reference to the goodwill impairment charge of the Core Domestic CGU, for 7,307 million euros, in preparing the annual financial statements the Telecom Italia Group repeated the impairment test that had been performed in the first half of 2011 which led to the recognition in the Half-year Financial Report at June 30, 2011 of an impairment loss of 3,182 million euros referring to the Core Domestic cash-generating unit. The macroeconomic and market climate was marked by a slowdown in the higher growth economies and fears of a recession in the mature ones which was more accentuated in the domestic market. Added to this was an escalation, in the second half of the year, of financial market pressures, with particular reference to the trend of interest rates. The measurement therefore took into account such deterioration of the financial markets in general terms, with reference to interest rates, while the worsening of expectations regarding the market prospects of the Business Unit in question were considered in specific terms.

Further details are provided in the Note Goodwill in the consolidated financial statements at December 31, 2011 of the Telecom Italia Group.

Capital expenditures

Capital expenditures total 4,200 million euros, up 1,094 million euros compared to 2010. The increase is due principally to the acquisition of the user rights for 800, 1800 and 2600 MHz LTE frequencies to be designated for broadband mobile communications for a total of 1,223 million euros. This follows the auction by the Ministry of Economic Development which took place in the second half of the year. The user rights, formally awarded by the Ministry on October 3, 2011, were assigned in February 2012.

The percentage of capital expenditures to revenues is 22.1%, excluding the acquisition of the above LTE frequencies, the ratio is 15.6%, basically in line with 2010 (15.5%).

Headcount

Headcount is 55,389 at December 31, 2011, with a reduction of 1,141 compared to December 31, 2010 and includes 4 persons with temp work contracts (8 at December 31, 2010).

Commercial developments

Mobile consumer

In 2011, sales actions in the mobile services market focused on the acquisition of new lines by pushing the plans of the Tutto Compreso Ricaricabile range. This was enhanced by the addition of the option offering unlimited calls to a TIM number of the customer's choice and the promotion Switch to TIM and Double your Top-ups for customers acquired through Mobile Number Portability (MNP).

Greater effort was devoted to the target of younger customers with the launch of the TIM Young rate plan (with plenty of free, exclusive content with special rates for new customers from October) and the new TIM Cloud service, offering customers the option of saving content (photos, films and music) on the Cloud and sharing it with friends.

With reference to the ethnic target, TIM strengthened its commercial hold on the market and continued to improve the TIMCard Etniche range with the new and highly competitive TIM Card International New rate plan.

High-value customers were also targeted, with the enhancement of the Tutto Compreso a canone/bundle mensile range, combined with hi-tech handsets, iPhones and other smartphones with dedicated solutions, rate plans and options (for example: the launch of the new TuttoSmartphone range, the introduction of the option of unlimited free traffic at a lower speed, once the bundle included in the rate plan has been exceeded, for all flat rate plans).

The range of rate plans for mobile internet navigation from a PC continues to gain leverage from TIM's Internet Pack range, to which new rate plans have been added: Internet Pack senza limiti starting in March and Internet Pack Premium con chiavetta a 42Mega starting in December. From March onwards, this latest Internet Pack will be supplied not only with the traditional internet stick, but also with the new 3G-WiFi modems.

The mobile internet plan for tablets has been improved by the Internet Senza Limiti rate plan, available for products on the TIM price list and for the Apple iPad, and can also be acquired through the Tutto Tablet installment formula. October saw the launch of the new Tablet Pack which offers customers the option of purchasing a year's internet traffic in advance.

The range of rate plans for internet navigation from mobile phones has been streamlined to ensure greater transparency for customers, with the re-launch of the TIMx Smartphone senza limiti rate plan (2.5 euro/week for 250 MB of internet access).

TIM also continued to develop seasonal promotions for internet applications; for the summer the Carta Vacanze, Summer Edition Internet Pack senza limiti and Promo internet estate rate plans were launched giving new TIM Smartphone owners free navigation throughout the summer. At Christmas, the TIMxSmartphone promotion offered 2 months' free trial to new TIM Smartphone customers.

As for the development of new TIM services, July saw the launch of MobilePay, a single shared platform with other mobile operators allowing customers to pay for digital content and services with a phone credit. The platform was also enhanced by the addition of various kinds of digital content and services, especially in the sector of publications.

December saw the beginning of marketing of the new Biblet eBook Reader for reading books in digital format and accessing the digital biblestore (more than 20,000 titles). The biblestore was also made accessible to smartphones and tablets. During the year, partnerships were established with various leading Italian publishers to encourage people to adopt these innovative products and services by offering content in promotion (access to daily newspapers or the

mobile site etc.) to people who had purchased innovative products (tablets, smartphones or internet sticks) or navigation offers.

Fixed line consumer

With regard to landline phone services, the streamlining process begun in 2010 continues. In July, Telecom Italia was one of the first operators in Europe, with regard to conventional rates for calls between fixed lines, to eliminate the distinction between full rates and reduced rates according to time bands, for both local and long-distance calls, thus permitting customers to benefit from a fixed price 24 hours a day 7 days a week.

Efforts continued to promote the Superinternet option successfully launched in April making it possible to satisfy the growing demand of broadband customers in terms of download and, more particularly, upload.

On November 7, 2011 Telecom Italia went ahead with marketing the new super-fast Fibra 100 Mega plans, based on the new-generation fiber optic network and already available in parts of Milan, Rome, Turin and Bari.

In December, there was a new addition to Telecom Italia's ADSL offering: Internet Play, aimed at young people who play online, which reduces the ping (communication delay) of the connection by up to 40%, ensuring faster response times and better performance when playing games online.

Telecom Italia's range of content was boosted by Cubomusica, a service that offers music in streaming online, with a catalog of more than 4.5 million tracks resulting from the partnership created with leading recording companies. The service was launched in February 2011 for ADSL customers with a free-trial offer. In October a new promotion was activated on the Tutto Senza Limiti plan, which includes Cubomusica GRATIS per 1 anno. During the same period, Cubomusica was also launched on the mobile market, for smartphones (Android and before long Apple).

Business

As regards the Business market, in the second half of 2011, various initiatives were launched with the aim of increasing commercial presence both in the fixed and mobile segments.

In the fixed line segment, promotions were introduced directed at both new customers and Telecom Italia customers which combine the removal of the connection fee and free broadband access for between three and six months. What's more, the range of premium phone-data bundle packages (the Tuttocompreso profiles) was expanded. These include unlimited calls towards the national fixed phone network, unlimited ADSL connectivity, free installation and top assistance services.

In the last quarter of 2011, a solution for small businesses was launched for managing voice services, and can be used either for PBX services on conventional lines or for VoIP. The solution, which has been integrated within the infrastructure of Telecom Italia's broadband service, is completely compatible with the customer's system. During 2012 this solution will be integrated with the Virtual PBX Cloud solutions.

In the mobile segment, the +50% packages were announced, summer promotions on all bundled packages which, for the same price, increase the customer's bundle of free minutes by 50%. The range of flexible packages (Flex profiles) was also extended, with proposals offering discounts on roaming rates.

In order to augment the penetration of large screen devices, the Tablet a zero promotion was launched, whereby customers who activate Internet in mobilità unlimited at a cost of 25 euros/month will receive a Samsung tablet or an Apple iPad, and the one-off payment may be eliminated (in the case of the smaller version of the Samsung tablet).

Another event marking the last quarter of the year, with the aim of developing the IT market and sustaining Telecom Italia's positioning as an IT provider, was the birth of IL MIO SITO, a complete service enabling users to create a professional website simply, independently and rapidly for their business or activity. The launch plan offers a domain on the internet, free e-mail, fax facilities and web hosting for the first year, and tools for creating and helping to develop the website.

Top clients and public sector

The last quarter of 2011 saw the launch of services aimed at making Telecom Italia's offering on the Top Client and Public Sector market even more comprehensive and competitive, positioning Telecom Italia as the Italian ICT market's Number One Infrastructure Provider.

Top clients

The product range of the fixed network was enhanced to provide a more flexible response to customers' requirements with the creation of new 7Mb/sec ADSL Hyperway data access profiles, the availability of xDSL profiles based on IP and the provision of fiber optic GBE (GigabitEthernet) access in new areas.

With regard to mobile voice services, the range of top-up profiles was bolstered by the addition of the All Inclusive gamma exclusive plan, which includes smartphones, e-mail/internet traffic and new billing services which keep personal and professional traffic separate.

The evolution of the product range associated with tablets currently available on the market was ensured by bundles called Pack Exclusive per TOP, with internet traffic included. More than 50 business applications developed by 10 partners were launched, and can be supplied as part of the package according to the customer's requirements.

With regard to IaaS (Infrastructure As A Service) services, efforts were made to make the whole range more flexible. The line of the Nuvola ITHosting Evoluto package, the IT infrastructure service developed for large companies, was improved by the addition of solutions which respond to increasingly complex requirements, also creating Private Cloud services through the Data Center in a Box profile.

Ospit@ Virtuale is a Hosting service for medium-size businesses, with adaptable calculating capacity, storage and bandwidth, enhanced by the functions offered by a new management console that can take care of self-ordering, provisioning and all the consumption factors.

The evolution of SaaS (Software As A Service) services has expanded the product range thanks to the introduction of new applications solutions: Nuvola It SIM Location, Nuvola It Your Way and Nuvola It Fast Start.

Nuvola It SIM Location is Telecom Italia's new package offering a hi-tech solution for locating, managing and certifying vehicular services through digital maps carried on board vehicles with GPS sat nav systems and GSM/GPRS networks for data transmission.

Nuvola It Your Way is a package which integrates the best technologies on the market for handling the logistics and transportation of goods. The solution is based on three main application modules: maintenance and technical assistance, enabling all the management and monitoring of the vehicle to be conducted remotely.

Nuvola It Fast Start is the ERP solution resulting from the collaboration between Telecom Italia and SAP Italia aimed at SMEs. The package offers an integrated solution and a user-friendly, intuitive interface that can be accessed from any channel, and can be implemented within a few weeks. The Fast Start program is the only management solution

with an online configuring device: a simple, transparent tool which enables the customer to select processes which are useful for his/her own sector or business, and rapidly obtain a cost estimate.

Nuvola It IntouchHD, the HD videocommunication solution enabling users to organize virtual Intra-Company and Inter-Company meetings, also allows interoperability between different terminals of any kind and is aimed at companies in the TOP and Enterprise segments, and Nuvola It Message Cube, the Messaging & Collaboration package which integrates the functions of e-mail with hi-tech unified messaging, web collaboration and real-time collaboration services, saw a repositioning of prices based on different business profiles.

Public sector

During 2011, the Public Sector segment saw gradual consolidation taking place in the core TLC sector as a result of the activation of the new Consip agreement for fixed telephony and IP connectivity services. Some value-added services have also been introduced such as Telephony over IP, e-mail management and network security.

Within the sphere of mobile services, during the year, the size of the mobile phone segment was consolidated as a result of marketing the services included in the Consip Mobile 5 agreement.

Still in the sphere of mobile telephony, new value-added services were launched called Push Mail and Messaggistica which will enable upselling on an important scale on the Customer Base.

Within the sphere of vertical solutions, Telecom Italia enhanced its range in three specific areas:

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Territorio Digitale with the launch of Smart Services applied to different contexts (towns, buildings, hospitals and schools), with the aim of distributing innovative services (infotainment, videosurveillance, WiFi hot spots, remote teaching etc.) in specific areas, while optimizing energy consumption.

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Burocrazia Digitale with solutions for the automated management of the Sportello Unico delle Attività Produttive, for asset and property management, with workflow and management and of the real estate portfolio, for the simplification of the interfaces needed to navigate PA websites (Virtual Tour 2.0).

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Sanità Digitale with solutions for remotely monitoring clinical data (Nuvola It Home Doctor), managing patient health files, for archiving diagnostic data; managing medical offices.

Principal changes in the regulatory framework

Wholesale fixed markets

Wholesale access services

With Decision 578/10/CONS of November 11, 2010, AGCom set the new rates for wholesale access services to Telecom Italia's fixed network (unbundling, bitstream and WLR) and the calculation of the WACC, both applicable for the period May 1, 2010 - December 31, 2012. The WACC applicable to Telecom Italia's wholesale access services

was set at 9.36%.

In particular, for the unbundling charge, AGCom set the following values: 8.70 euros per month from May 1, 2010, 9.02 euros per month from January 1, 2011 and 9.28 euros per month from January 1, 2012.

For Wholesale Line Rental (WLR), which is offered only from TI telephone exchanges which do not offer unbundled services (Local Loop Unbundling), with decision 578/10/CONS of November 11, 2010,

AGCom set the new price effective for the period May 1, 2010 to December 31, 2012 on the basis of a Network Cap mechanism which replaced the previously applied retail minus approach. In observance of Decision 578/10/CONS, on April 11, 2011 Telecom Italia announced the 2011 pricing for the WLR service, indicating a monthly charge for a POTS line of 12.51 euros/month for residential customers and of 14.87 euros/month for business customers. From 2012, the WLR charge for both residential and business customers was set at 12.89 euros per month.

The price increases for unbundling and other wholesales services for the two years 2011-2012 were made conditional, however, on the verification by the Regulator of attainment of certain parameters measuring quality improvement and modernization of the Company's access network.

Following certification by an independent body, the outcome of AGCom's verification was favorable and Telecom Italia was authorized to put the wholesale price changes into effect.

Wholesale origination, termination and call transit

In April 2011, AGCom published the final regulation for setting the 2011 prices (Decision 229/11/CONS) of wholesale origination, local transit, termination on the Telecom Italia network and termination on the network of another operator (reverse), confirming the same price levels as 2010. Specifically concerning the termination service on the networks of alternative operators, AGCom decided to postpone to 2012 the application of the symmetric termination prices, equal to Telecom Italia's local telephone exchange rate SGU (Urban Group Stage), between alternative infrastructured operators and Telecom Italia itself. AGCom has also decided that beginning in 2013 Telecom Italia and other fixed line operators (OLOs) will offer only IP interconnection with a single symmetric rate, resulting from the BU-LRIC (Bottom-Up-Long Range Incremental Cost) model which will be developed in the next few months consistently with the EU Recommendation 2009/396/EC on termination rates.

In December 2011, the TAR of Lazio (Regional Administrative Court) upheld Telecom Italia's appeals against Decision 229/11/CONS and the previous Decision 179/10/CONS to annul the parts which set, respectively, asymmetric termination prices for alternative operators for the second half of 2010 and for 2011. Under the same ruling, the TAR of Lazio rejected the incidental appeal by the alternative operators against the imposition of symmetric termination prices to Telecom Italia's local exchange level (SGU) beginning January 1, 2012. The Regulator and alternative operators appealed the decision by the TAR of Lazio with the Council of State which will issue its ruling in the second quarter of 2012.

New Generation Networks

On September 23, 2010, with Decision 498/10/CONS, AGCom introduced the procedure for the regulation of access services to next generation networks. Subsequently, in January and May 2011 the Regulator submitted the new regulatory structure for next generation networks access to public consultation. With Decision 1/12/CONS of January 18, 2012, the Regulator announced its final decision which does not explicitly require the unbundling of fiber at Telecom Italia telephone exchanges. The obligation to supply an end-to-end service in dark fiber between the Telecom Italia center and the final customer's site was also confirmed, but with a significant attenuation of the scope compared

to the proposal submitted for public consultation, introducing explicitly the principle of the reasonableness and proportionality of the service demands of alternative operators by reference to Telecom Italia's NGAN (Next Generation Access Network) investment plan. With regard to the pricing of the bitstream on fiber service, AGCom confirmed the restriction of the obligation to adhere to cost to the non-competitive NGAN geographical areas only and limited to 60 days the time which must pass between publication of the reference offer for bitstream on fiber services approved by the Regulator and subsequent provision by Telecom Italia of retail services. In February 2012, AGCom initiated three procedures concerning the completion of the NGAN regulations: 1) the cost model for the determination of prices for wholesale services received and supplied and definition of the areas of competition for the geographic differentiation of bitstream service selling prices; 2) evaluation of the imposition on all operators of obligations for symmetrical access to vertical fiber cabling and to the sections leading to the buildings; 3) evaluation of possible amendments to the regulation of the copper wire sub loop unbundling service in the light of the possible introduction of vectoring technology on FTTCab-VDSL accesses.

Wholesale mobile markets

Termination on the mobile network

In November 2011, the Regulator issued its final recommendation (Decision 621/11/CONS) on wholesale pricing for voice termination rates on the single national mobile networks. The new glide path, based on six-monthly rather than annual changes, starts from July 1, 2012 and ends on July 1, 2013, with the application of a termination price which is symmetrical for all mobile operators of 0.98 €cents/minute.

Voice termination on mobile network Euro cent/min.	Price from July 1, 2011	New glide path		
		From July 1 2012	From January 1 2013	From July 1 2013
Termination on H3G network	6.3	3.5	1.7	0.98
Termination on TI, Vodafone & Wind networks	5.3	2.5	1.5	0.98

Retail fixed markets

Retail charge

Beginning July 1, 2011, a rate adjustment was made which consists of increasing the price of the RTG charge for Consumer clientele from 16.08 euros/month (including VAT) to 16.64 euros/month (including VAT). The last variation of the Consumer charge was made on February 1, 2009. In line with the new charge and with AGCom regulations concerning special economic treatment, the RTG charge was modified for the less affluent classes from 8.04 euros /month (including VAT) to 8.32 euros/month (including VAT). The ISDN charge and all the charges for Business connections have instead remained unchanged.

Local, national and fixed-to-mobile retail traffic

Beginning July 1, 2011, a new rate maneuver came into effect for national calls from the fixed line network which provides for a different breakdown of the plans according to the particular clientele segment. For the Consumer clientele, the Ora Gratis (free hour) for local calls and the Mezz Ora Gratis (free half hour) for long-distance calls was eliminated, while at the same time the pricing scheme was simplified by introducing a flat rate (no longer differentiated by the time frame). Specifically, the new prices are equal to 0.71 €cents/minute (including VAT) for local calls and 5.04 €cents/minute (including VAT) for long distance. For both types of traffic, the set-up charge for each call is unchanged at 7.94 €cents (including VAT). As regards the Business clientele, the Ora Gratis has been eliminated for all local calls (Mezz'Ora Gratis for long-distance calls had never been introduced for this type of clientele) while domestic traffic rates (local and long-distance) have remained unchanged (including the breakdown by time frame).

Ultra-Broadband offering

In order to guarantee the commercial start-up phase of Telecom Italia's retail optical fiber offering, in the transition period until completion of the regulation of NGANs, AGCom, with Decision 61/11/CONS concerning Telecom Italia's retail offering, has imposed the following conditions: (i) Telecom Italia may only offer the service in those cities in which NGAN services are already being offered by alternative operators (Milan, Rome, Turin, Naples, Genoa, Bari, Bologna); (ii) the number of customers that can be activated by Telecom Italia is set at a maximum of 40,000; (iii) the

formulation of a wholesale offering for the resale of ultra-broadband services must be based on the retail minus principle.

International roaming

On July 6, 2011, the European Commission published the proposed Roaming III Regulation which will come into force on July 1, 2012. The Regulation proposes the extension of the maximum CAP until 2016 for retail prices and until 2022 for wholesale prices, for calls, SMSs and intra-EU roaming data services. The proposal was submitted for approval to the European Parliament and the Council of Ministers of the European Union on the basis of the so-called co-decision procedure. The Regulation is expected to be approved in the second quarter of 2012.

Long Term Evolution LTE frequencies

On December 7, 2010, the Stability Law 2011 was approved after which AGCom and the Department of Communications of the Ministry of Economic Development began the procedures for the assignment, by means of auctions, of the user rights for the radio frequencies intended for electronic mobile broadband communication services.

On June 10, 2011, AGCom published Decision 282/11/CONS containing the regulation on the procedures for the release of the user rights for the frequencies 800, 1800, 2000 and 2600 MHz. The Ministry of Economic Development, for its part, in the Gazzetta Ufficiale, Issue 75, of June 27, 2011, called for bids for the assignment of the user rights for the frequencies in the same 800, 1800, 2000 and 2600 MHz bands.

The minimum auction bids for the single frequency lots were as follows:

BANDWIDTH	Minimum amount per lot (amounts in euros)
800 FDD	353,303,732.16
1800 FDD	155,869,293.60
2000 TDD	77,934,646.80
2600 FDD	30,668,726.75
2600 TDD	36,802,472.10

Telecom Italia was admitted by the Ministry of Economic Development to the presentation of the bids for the use of the frequencies.

The auction began on August 31, 2011 and ended on September 29, 2011; on October 3, 2011, the Ministry of Economic Development Communications Department after the outcome of the auction - informed Telecom Italia that it had been awarded two generic blocks of 2x5 MHz each in the 800 MHz spectrum, one generic block of 2x5MHz in the 1800 MHz spectrum and three generic blocks of 2x5MHz each in the 2600 MHz. The total cost was 1,223 million euros, including a discount of 38 million euros, in exchange for Telecom Italia's commitment to build over 50% of the new networks using equipment with eco-sustainable environmental features. Suitable guarantees were provided against this discount.

On November 3, 2011, Telecom Italia informed the Ministry that it had:

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paid 767 million euros as the fee for being awarding the above blocks of frequencies;

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set up a 5-year surety bond of 456 million euros following its request to pay the amount in installments.

On December 15, 2011, Telecom Italia asked the Ministry to authorize the start of trials for new services based on LTE technology in the 800, 1800 and 2600 MHz frequencies. Following the request tabled by Telecom Italia and the other mobile operators, the Ministry set up a meeting to monitor the release of the 800 and 2600 MHz frequencies by, respectively, the local television broadcasters and the Ministry of Defense.

The user rights, formally awarded by the Ministry on October 3, 2011, were assigned in February 2012.

AGCom fee

AGCom carried out inspections to verify Telecom Italia's and all the other telecommunications companies' compliance with their obligations to pay the AGCom fee for the years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. On March 1, 2011, with Decision 99/11/CONS, the Regulator communicated to Telecom Italia the findings of its inspections, asserting that the Company had not paid the correct amount of the fees for AGCom's operating costs for the years in question and listing the additional accounting items which, in its view, should have been included in the chargeable base for the computation of the fee. Telecom Italia has therefore received a demand from AGCom for payment of an amount of 26.6 million euros for fees not paid for the five-year period 2006-2010. Telecom Italia has challenged this demand before the TAR of Lazio and the court has ordered the suspension of the payment demand pending settlement of the case. The case was examined by the TAR at a hearing held on December 13, 2011; the court's judgment is expected to be delivered.

On March 3, 2011, Decision 599/10/CONS was published relating to the annual fee for the contribution towards AGCom's operating costs for 2011, in which AGCom raised the quota payable from 1.5% to 1.8% of 2009 communications sector revenues. On April 30, 2011 Telecom Italia made a conditional payment of an amount of 24.2 million euros, computed on a basis consistent with the Company's submission challenging Decision 99/11/CONS and at the same time challenged Decision 599/10/CONS before the TAR of Lazio with regard both to the increase in the fee percentage and the extension of the accounting items to be included in the chargeable base. This dispute was examined by the court at the December 13, 2011 hearing together with that concerning the challenge to Decision 99/11/CONS.

Mobile Number Portability (MNP)

On January 7, 2011, AGCom Decision 147/11/CIR was published concerning the Revision of the norms for mobile number portability approval of the regulations. Among other things the Decision provides that:

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MNP must be implemented by 8.30 am on the second working day following the day on which the customer's request was input to the recipient operator's system;

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the recipient operator must compensate the customer, on request from the latter, for any delay in the activation of portability of the number, with an indemnity of at least 2.5 euros per day for each working day of delay up to a maximum amount of 50 euros. The indemnity is not due for delays of up to two working days; for delays in excess of two working days the indemnity is computed for all the days of delay including the first two;

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the personal data of the customer requesting MNP must be handled by the donating operator with the maximum confidentiality and be used exclusively for the purposes of performing the service.

Calculation of the net cost of the Universal Service

With Decision 153/11/CIR of December 12, 2011 AGCom concluded the process of valuing the net cost of the Universal Service for 2004. In particular, the Regulator approved the application of the allocation mechanism and determined the net cost for 2004 in the aggregate amount of 25.9 million euros.

The contribution quota due by the other operators (Vodafone, Wind, Fastweb, Tele tu and BT Italia) amounts to 8.7 million euros.

Decision 153/11/CIR also authorizes the initiation of work on the verification of the net cost of the Universal Service for the year 2005 and requires Telecom Italia - by January 25, 2012 - to submit the new valuation of the 2005 net cost.

Competition

The market

Strong competitive pressure in the Italian telecommunications over the years has led to an ongoing impoverishment of the traditional components of service, particularly voice service.

In this context, the key element in the evolution of the market has been the increased penetration of broadband, first fixed and now also mobile, and above all greater penetration of new generation handsets.

At the same time, the evolution of the competitive scenario continues to veer towards a situation of increased complexity, with more interrelationships between players of different markets, opening the field to the competition of non-traditional operators, particularly OTTs (Over the Top) companies and producers of electronic and consumer devices), as well as giving telecommunication operators the possibility of developing new so-called network based services (mainly in the IT and Media fields)

For the telecommunications operators, in addition to the core competition from the other historical operators in the sector, there is an invasion of the field by the Over the Top companies and the device producers, which take advantage of their full understanding of consumer trends, consumer electronics evolution and software environments and which, operating wholly in the digital world, base their behavior on a competitive rationale which is totally different to that of the telecom players.

Over time, therefore, the traditional players' business models change so as to meet the threat from the new entrants and to utilize the new opportunities:

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in Media, the broadcasters, vertically integrated players, continue to dominate the scenario but, with the Web having a growing importance as a complementary distribution platform, they are increasingly under pressure from consumer electronics companies and the Over the Tops;

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in Information Technology (where Italy continues to have a level of investment relative to its GDP which is significantly lower than that of the United States and of other European countries), the decline in revenues is driving the various players towards the cloud computing growth oasis as a way of protecting market shares in their respective core businesses. A strengthening of the telecommunications operators is expected in this sector, however, also through partnerships;

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in the Consumer Electronics market, the producers can develop services that can be used through internet, appealing to handset owners and user experience, attenuating the relationship between the customer and the telecommunications operator and competing with the media and OTTs, thanks to the games console and the set-top box, for the role of net enabler of the living room screen;

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the Over The Top operators lead, for some time now, the transformation of the ways TLC (also over voice) services are used and are increasingly integrating them with Media and IT.

Conversely, with regard to the positioning of the telecommunications operators in the converging markets, it should be noted that there are, at varying levels of development:

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initiatives to enter the IT market of innovative services by expanding Cloud services from the business to the consumer world;

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new wireless applications such as Machine-to-Machine and mobile payment;

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significant presence as facilitators of online digital content use on the living room screen using OTT TV multidevice solutions.

Competition in Fixed Telecommunications

The fixed-line telecommunications market is characterized by the rapid decline in voice revenues due to both the reduction in prices and the progressive shift of voice traffic to mobile; in recent years all the operators have attempted to offset this phenomenon by concentrating mainly on the ability to innovate the offering by developing the penetration of ADSL and by introducing bundled voice, broadband and services deals (the double play), in a highly competitive context with the consequent pressure on pricing.

The evolution of the competitive product offering has been affected by the transition of competitors from an essentially reseller approach (Carrier Selection/Carrier PreSelection for voice and Wholesale for ADSL) to an approach based on control of the infrastructure (Local Loop Unbundling (“LLU”) above all). In addition, the fixed-mobile convergence trend is more and more evident, with the main operators now offering integrated services and many operators now also being MVO s (Mobile Virtual Operators) .

The migration of customers from fixed-line to mobile telephony services continued during 2011 and also the migration to alternative communications solutions (Voice Over IP, messaging, e-mail and social network chat) thanks also to the high penetration of personal computers. For years, both for private consumers and for small and medium businesses there has been a substitution of mature traditional voice services with value-added content and services based on the internet protocol. Such change is favored by the use of the internet and by the changes in user preferences and also by the spread of broadband, personal computers and other connected devices as well as by the quality of the service.

The competitive scenario in the Italian fixed telecommunications market is characterized by the presence, besides Telecom Italia, of a number of operators (Wind-Infostrada, Fastweb, Vodafone-TeleTu, BT Italia) with different business models focused on different segments of the market.

At the end of 2011, fixed accesses in Italy numbered approximately 22.1 million, slightly down from 2010. The growing competition in the access market has led to a gradual reduction in Telecom Italia's market share.

Concerning the broadband market, at December 31, 2011 fixed broadband customers in Italy numbered about 13.5 million with a penetration rate on fixed accesses of about 61%.

The penetration of broadband is driven not only by the penetration of personal computers but also by the growing demand for speed and access to new IP based services (Voice over IP, Content, social networking services, gaming online, IP Centrex, etc.). In 2011, however, the growth in the fixed line broadband market contracted relative to the situation in the preceding years due both to a general tendency of operators to concentrate on the growth of flat-rate plans (dual play) with higher value-added and to the deterioration in the macroeconomic environment.

The decline continues in revenues from the data transmission segment, the main part of the Top customers market which, characterized by re-engineering and upgrading of internet accesses with high and very high transmission capacity and medium and large private data networks, has felt the effects of a competition-induced decline in average prices in the presence of a substantial stability in the various operators' market shares.

Competition in Mobile Telecommunications

The mobile market, while increasingly saturated and mature in its traditional component of voice services nevertheless continues to experience growth in the number of mobile lines, driven by the growth in multiSIM/multidevice customers and in non-human lines (at December 31, 2011, mobile lines in Italy numbered about 97 million with growth of about 3% over 2010 and with a penetration rate of approximately 159% of the population). Along with the phenomenon of a progressive contraction in traditional service components such as voice and messaging, significant growth was witnessed in the mobile broadband market which in the last few years was, and in the future will still be, the main opportunity for the strategic and commercial growth of the mobile telecom industry.

In 2011, there has been a continuation of the growth of mobile broadband customers on both the large and small screen, with a high penetration rate on mobile lines owing to the growing number of smartphones and tablets found in the country.

Besides innovative services that have already caught on and are under full-scale development, as in the case of mobile Apps, there are other market environments, associated with the development of mobile broadband, with major potential for growth in the medium term, such as mobile payment and mobile cloud.

The competitive scenario in the Italian mobile telecommunications market is dominated by Telecom Italia and also by the infrastructured operators (Vodafone, Wind, H3G) which are focused on different segments of the market or have different strategies.

In addition to these operators, mobile virtual operators (MVO) are also in the field. PosteMobile is the most important player which at this time has a limited share of the market but records a significant rate of growth compared to infrastructured operators.

Brazil

The Telecom Italia Group operates in the mobile and fixed telecommunications sector in Brazil through the Tim Brasil group which offers services using UMTS and GSM technologies. Moreover, through the subsidiary Intelig Telecomunicações, the Tim Brasil group completes its services portfolio by offering fiber-optic data transmission using full IP technology such as DWDM and MPLS. At the end of October 2011, the Tim Brasil group acquired control of two companies in the AES Atimus group which have been renamed Tim Fiber RJ and Tim Fiber SP. The companies will offer residential broadband services.

The structure of the Business Unit

The Tim Brasil group is organized as follows:

Main operating and financial data

Key results of the Brazil Business Unit for 2011 compared to 2010 are presented in the following table:

	(millions of euros)		(millions of Brazilian reais)		amount	Change	
	2011	2010	2011	2010		%	%
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(c-d)	(c-d)/d	organic
Revenues	7,343	6,199	17,086	14,457	2,629	18.2	18.2
EBITDA	1,990	1,801	4,631	4,201	430	10.2	10.7
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>27.1</i>	<i>29.1</i>	<i>27.1</i>	<i>29.1</i>		<i>(2.0)pp</i>	<i>(1.9)pp</i>
EBIT	986	685	2,294	1,597	697	43.6	44.8
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>11.0</i>	<i>13.4</i>	<i>11.0</i>		<i>2.4pp</i>	<i>2.5pp</i>
Capital expenditures	1,290	1,216	3,002	2,836	166	5.9	
Headcount at year-end (number)			10,539	10,114	425	4.2	

Revenues

Revenues total 17,086 million reais, increasing 2,629 million reais compared to 2010 (+18.2%). Service revenues in 2011 are 15,353 million reais, up from 13,571 million reais in 2010 (+13.1%). Revenues from the sale of products

increased from 886 million reais in 2010 to 1,733 million reais in 2011 (+95.6%), reflecting the strategy to penetrate the market with high-value smartphones and webphones as leverage for the development of mobile data services.

The Average Revenues Per User (ARPU) for the year 2011 is 21.4 reais at December 2011 compared to 23.7 reais at December 2010 (-9.8%).

Total lines at December 31, 2011 number 64.1 million, growing 25.6% over December 31, 2010, corresponding to a 26.5% market share.

EBITDA

EBITDA in 2011 is 4,631 million reais, up 430 million reais compared to 2010 (+10.2%); the increase in the EBITDA margin associated with the growth of revenues is partnered by operating efficiencies achieved on the front of industrial costs, employee benefits expenses and trade receivables management.

The EBITDA margin is 27.1%, down 2 percentage points from 2010. This result is the consequence of the cited market penetration strategy focusing on smartphones and webphones, offset however by operating efficiencies in industrial costs and employee benefits expenses.

The organic change in EBITDA compared to 2010 is +448 million reais and the organic EBITDA margin is 27.2% (29.1% in 2010). Details are as follows:

(millions of Brazilian reais)	2011	2010	Change
Historical EBITDA	4,631	4,201	430
Other non-organic (income) expenses	18	-	18
Comparable EBITDA	4,649	4,201	448

With regard to changes in costs, the following is noted:

	(millions of euros)		(millions of Brazilian reais)		Change (c-d)
	2011 (a)	2010 (b)	2011 (c)	2010 (d)	
Acquisition of goods and services	4,399	3,519	10,234	8,208	2,026
Employee benefits expenses	321	283	747	659	88
Other operating expenses	747	588	1,738	1,371	367
Change in inventories	(19)	76	(45)	178	(223)

• acquisition of goods and services: totals 10,234 million reais (8,208 million reais in 2010). The increase of 24.7% compared to 2010 (+2,026 million reais) can be analyzed as follows:

— +1,259 million reais for purchases of raw materials, auxiliaries, consumables and merchandise (of which +985 million reais is product cost)

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+220 million reais for external services costs,

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+363 million reais for the portion of revenues to be paid to other TLC operators,

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+184 million reais for rent and lease costs;

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employee benefits expenses amount to 747 million reais, increasing 88 million reais compared to 2010 (+13.4%). The average headcount grew from 8,727 in 2010 to 9,194 in 2011. The percentage of employee benefits expenses to revenues is 4.4%, decreasing 0.2 percentage points from 2010;

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other operating expenses: amount to 1,738 million reais, increasing 26.8% (1,371 million reais in 2010). Such expenses consist of the following:

(millions of Brazilian reais)	2011	2010	Change
Writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management	232	311	(79)
Provision charges	140	41	99
Telecommunications operating fees and charges	1,290	961	329
Indirect duties and taxes	33	26	7
Sundry expenses	43	32	11
Total	1,738	1,371	367

EBIT

EBIT is 2,294 million reais, increasing 697 million reais compared to 2010. This increase is due to a higher contribution by EBITDA and lower depreciation and amortization charges of 259 million reais (2,335 million reais in 2011, compared to 2,594 million reais in 2010). In particular, the decrease in depreciation and amortization is partly due to the revision of the useful life of software (+166 million reais) carried out in 2010 and partly to the reduced use of handset subsidies during 2011.

The organic change in EBIT is a positive 715 million reais compared to 2010, with an EBIT margin of 13.5% (11% in 2010). Details are as follows:

(millions of Brazilian reais)	2011	2010	Change
Historical EBIT	2,294	1,597	697
Other non-organic (income) expenses already described under EBITDA	18	-	18
Comparable EBIT	2,312	1,597	715

Capital expenditures

Capital expenditures stand at 3,002 million reais, increasing 166 million reais compared to 2010. The success of the new sales strategy has brought a gradual reduction in the portion of subscriber acquisition costs capitalized and an increase in the expenditures dedicated to network infrastructures so as to sustain the growth of voice and data traffic.

Headcount

Headcount is 10,539 at December 31, 2011, an increase of 425 compared to December 31, 2010 (10,114).

Commercial developments

In the Consumer segment, TIM has intensified marketing of the Infinity prepaid plan which distinguishes itself from competitors offerings principally because of its qualities of simplicity and convenience.

New refill options have been introduced for customers of Infinity Pre and Infinity Controle, such as the internet refill channel using a credit card. The refill amount can vary from 12 to 100 reais.

In the post-paid segment, TIM has continued with its strategy of promoting the Liberty plans, stimulating growth and consumption within its own community.

In the area of value-added services, TIM has launched a plan which increases the use of SMS by post-paid customers - Liberty Torpedo allowing subscribers to send an unlimited number of messages to any operator (on and off-net) at the flat charge of 9.90 reais per month. The plan introduces the concept of unlimited traffic for SMS and replaces the

traditional pricing based on consumption.

TIM has also extended the internet navigation plan Liberty Web Light to more than 300 cities across the national territory in accordance with the government's digital development project Plano Nacional de Banda Larga. With this plan it is possible to use an unlimited connection with a mini-modem at a speed of 1 Mbps at a flat monthly charge of 35 reais.

To encourage data traffic, new plans have been promoted - Infinity Web (internet access plans using a mobile modem) aimed at customers with tablets and mini-modems (dongles). For unlimited internet use the daily charge is 1.99 reais.

TIM has signed an agreement with the bank Banco Itaú by means of which a co-branded credit card is offered exclusively to TIM customers in association with a loyalty points program.

In the Business market, TIM has launched the service known as MDM TIM which enables businesses to manage confidential information transmitted on a smartphone or tablet used by employees of the business. In this offering, TIM appears to be a pioneer and an innovator in the market.

Further, continuing with innovation, TIM has upgraded its own network to support the new internet Protocol IPv6 which will make it possible to sustain the growing demand for voice and data services.

With regard to product, TIM has strengthened its competitive position with an exclusive agreement with Apple for the sale of the iPad2 across the entire country with a basic offering of 199 reais per month, with payment by credit card deferred over 12 monthly installments.

On December 16, 2011, the promotion campaign began, with extensive recognition from publicity and the media, for the sale of the new iPhone 4S in nine Brazilian capital cities. iPhone 4S are on sale in the 16GB, 32GB and 64GB versions, at prices ranging from 1,899 reais to 2,499 reais.

In the market for fixed telephony services, TIM has launched Fixo ilimitado TIM, a voice service with a monthly charge of 39.90 reais giving unlimited national calls to fixed numbers. The customer can also call TIM mobile numbers within the same monthly charge using the long-distance code 41.

Competition

At the end of 2011, the Brazilian mobile market reached 242.2 million lines. This is 19.3% more than last year and a penetration of 123.9% of the population (104.7% in 2010). The total net increase for the year was 39.3 million, exceeding the growth figure of the prior year by 29 million, proclaiming 2011 as the year with the highest market

growth ever recorded.

Argentina

The Telecom Italia Group operates in Argentina and Paraguay through the Sofora - Telecom Argentina group. Specifically, in Argentina it operates in fixed telecommunications through the company Telecom Argentina and in mobile telecommunications through the company Telecom Personal (with the Personal brand), and in Paraguay it operates in mobile telecommunications with the company Núcleo.

The structure of the Business Unit

At December 31, 2011, the Argentina Business Unit is organized as follows:

Main operating and financial data

The following table gives the main results reported by the Argentina Business Unit for the entire year 2011 and, for 2010, starting from the acquisition date of control of the Business Unit by the Telecom Italia Group (October 13, 2010). The amounts presented include the effects of the application of the purchase price method. Specifically, all the assets and liabilities of the Sofora group were measured for their recognition at fair value at the acquisition date. Such amounts, as established by IFRS 3, were adjusted by the definitive amounts determined during the course of 2011, within 12 months of the acquisition date. The income statement for the 12 months of 2011 thus includes the effects of such measurements and particularly the higher amortization and depreciation related thereto (equal to 858 Argentine pesos, about 149 million euros, in 2011). Such higher amortization and depreciation in 2010 only had an impact from October 13, 2010 and amounted to 221 million Argentine pesos (about 43 million euros).

	2011		Period from October 13, 2010 to December 31, 2010	
	(millions of euros)	(millions of Argentine pesos)	(millions of euros)	(millions of Argentine pesos)
Revenues	3,220	18,496	798	4,142
EBITDA	1,035	5,947	245	1,269
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	32.2	32.2	30.6	30.6
EBIT	509	2,925	110	568

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<i>EBIT margin</i>	15.8	15.8	13.7	13.7
Capital expenditures	556	3,192	188	975
Headcount at year-end (number)		16,350		15,650
(*)				

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Includes employees with temp work contracts: 1 at December 31, 2011 and 18 at December 31, 2010.

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For a better understanding of the performance of the Argentina Business Unit, the following table presents the key results reported in 2011 compared to those for the full year 2010. The restated data for 2010 are provided solely for information purposes (illustrative and comparative) since they were included in the consolidated results of the Telecom Italia Group from the acquisition date of control only.

	(millions of euros)			(millions of Argentine pesos)		Change % (c-d)/d
	2011 (a)	2010 (b)	2011 (c)	2010 (d)	amount (c-d)	
Revenues	3,220	2,820	18,496	14,627	3,869	26.5
EBITDA	1,035	924	5,947	4,793	1,154	24.1
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	32.2	32.8	32.2	32.8		(0.6)pp
EBIT	509	553	2,925	2,868	57	2.0
<i>EBIT margin</i>	15.8	19.6	15.8	19.6		(3.8)pp
Capital expenditures	556	493	3,192	2,558	634	24.8
Headcount at year-end (number) (*)			16,350	15,650	700	4.5

(*)

Includes employees with temp work contracts: 1 at December 31, 2011 and 18 at December 31, 2010.

Revenues

Revenues in 2011 amount to 18,496 million pesos, increasing 3,869 million pesos (+26.5%) compared to 2010 (14,627 million pesos) thanks to the growth of the broadband and mobile customer bases, in addition to the relative ARPU.

The main source of revenues for the Argentina Business Unit is mobile telephony which accounted for 71% of consolidated revenues, with an increase of over 32% compared to 2010.

In particular, the trend of the main operating data of the Business Unit is reported in the following table:

	2011	2010	Change amount	Change %
Fixed-line				
Lines at year-end (thousands)	4,141	4,107	34	0.8
ARPU - Average Revenue Per User (Argentine pesos)	45.7	42.8	2.9	6.8
Mobile				

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Lines at year-end (thousands)	20,342	18,212	2,130	11.7
<i>Telecom Personal lines (thousands)</i>	<i>18,193</i>	<i>16,333</i>	<i>1,860</i>	<i>11.4</i>
<i>% Postpaid lines (*)</i>	<i>32%</i>	<i>30%</i>		<i>+2 pp</i>
<i>MOU Telecom Personal (minutes/month)</i>	<i>99</i>	<i>102</i>	<i>(3)</i>	<i>(2.9)</i>
<i>ARPU Telecom Personal (Argentine pesos)</i>	<i>51.4</i>	<i>44.4</i>	<i>7.0</i>	<i>15.8</i>
<i>Núcleo mobile lines (thousands)**)</i>	<i>2,149</i>	<i>1,878</i>	<i>271</i>	<i>14.4</i>
<i>% Postpaid lines (*)</i>	<i>17%</i>	<i>15%</i>		<i>+2 pp</i>
Broadband				
Broadband accesses at year-end (thousands)	1,550	1,380	170	12.3
ARPU (Argentine pesos) (***)	87.0	76.1	10.9	14.3

(*)

Includes lines with a ceiling invoiced at the end of the month which can be topped-up with prepaid refills.

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Includes WiMAX lines.

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The calculation method was updated in order to exclude, from the customer base, the internet sticks sold to customers who already have ADSL access.

Fixed-line telephony service: the number of fixed lines at the end of 2011 increased slightly compared to the end of 2010, thanks mainly to the rate plans linked to internet services. Even though the fixed-line regulated services in Argentina continue to be influenced by the rate freeze imposed by the Emergency Economic Law of January 2002, ARPU grew by almost 7% compared to 2010 due to sales of plans which include minutes of traffic and value-added services.

Mobile telephony service: Telecom Personal mobile lines in Argentina increased by 1,860 thousand compared to the end of 2010, arriving at a total of 18,193 thousand lines at December 31, 2011, 32% of which were postpaid. At the same time, thanks to high-value customer acquisitions and clear leadership in the smartphone segment, ARPU gained about 16%, reaching 51.4 pesos (44.4 pesos in 2010). A large part of this growth can be traced to value-added services (including SMS text messaging) and the mobile internet service which, on the whole, accounts for approximately 48% of revenues from mobile telephony services in 2011.

In Paraguay, the Núcleo customer base grew about 14% compared to December 31, 2010 and at December 31, 2011 has 2,149 thousand lines, 17% of which were postpaid.

Broadband: Telecom Argentina's portfolio of total broadband lines at December 31, 2011 reached 1,550 thousand accesses, with an increase of 170 thousand accesses compared to the end of 2010 and representing about 12% growth. During 2011, the growth of internet access lines was accompanied by a price increase with a consequent rise in ARPU.

EBITDA

EBITDA is up 1,154 million pesos (+24.1%) reaching 5,947 million pesos in 2011. The EBITDA margin is 32.2%, down 0.6 percentage points compared to 2010, mainly due to higher costs for the acquisition of goods and services and employee benefits expenses.

With regard to changes in costs, the following is noted:

	(millions of euros)		(millions of Argentine pesos)		
	2011	2010	2011	2010	Change
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(c-d)
Acquisition of goods and services	1,398	1,195	8,031	6,201	1,830
Employee benefits expenses	478	391	2,746	2,030	716
Other operating expenses	331	296	1,903	1,538	365
Change in inventories	(17)	19	(96)	97	(193)

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acquisition of goods and services: totals 8,031 million pesos (6,201 million pesos in 2010). The increase of 29.5% compared to the prior year (+1,830 million pesos) is mainly due to higher outside service costs for 932 million pesos and higher purchases of raw materials, auxiliaries, consumables and merchandise for 777 million pesos;

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employee benefits expenses: stand at 2,746 million pesos, increasing 716 million pesos compared to 2010 (+35.3%). The change comes from salary increases, as a result of periodical revisions in union agreements and largely connected to inflation. Moreover, an increase is recorded in the average number of employees in the mobile area. The percentage of employee benefits expenses to total revenues is 14.8%, increasing 0.9 percentage points over 2010;

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other operating expenses: amount to 1,903 million pesos, increasing 23.7% (1,538 million pesos in 2010). Such expenses consist of the following:

(millions of Argentine pesos)	2011 (a)	2010 (b)	Change (a-b)
Writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management	169	115	54
Telecommunications operating fees and charges	348	273	75
Indirect duties and taxes	1,286	1,064	222
Sundry expenses	100	86	14
Total	1,903	1,538	365
EBIT			

EBIT rose by 57 million pesos (+2.0%) to 2,925 million pesos in 2011. It includes the effects of the application of the purchase price method which led to higher expenses, mainly for amortization and depreciation, for a total of 907 million pesos (about 158 million euros); such higher expenses had an effect on the 2010 results from October 13, 2010 only and amounted to 281 million pesos (about 54 million euros).

In the absence of such expenses, EBIT would have been higher by 683 million pesos (+21.7% compared to 2010), thanks to the higher contribution by EBITDA.

The EBIT margin is 15.8%, down 3.8 percentage points compared to 2010. Excluding the effects of the adoption of the purchase price method described above, the EBIT margin would have been 20.7% or 0.8 percentage points lower than the prior year.

Capital expenditures

Capital expenditures stand at 3,192 million pesos, increasing 24.8% over last year. Such amount includes 746 million pesos for the capitalization of subscriber acquisition costs for the subscription of binding 18 month contracts for mobile customers and 12 month contracts for broadband customers (551 million pesos in 2010).

With regard to the fixed network, capital expenditures have been directed to the expansion of the fiber optic infrastructure and the access network, the development of backhauling for mobile traffic, DWDM technology and expansion of the IP backbone in order to improve transmission capacity and increase the access speed offered to customers.

At the same time, Telecom Personal has principally invested in the 3G network to increase capacity and expand coverage as well as in the platforms to expand value-added services and in IT projects.

Capital expenditures by Núcleo are aimed mainly at the 3G access network.

Headcount

Headcount at December 31, 2011 is 16,350, an increase of 700 compared to December 31, 2010 (+4.5%). About 34% of the increase refers to the fixed-line sector and the remaining 66% to the mobile sector.

At December 31, 2011, the Argentina Business Unit had temp work contracts for 1 person (18 persons at December 31, 2010).

Commercial developments

Fixed-line telephony and broadband services

In the residential fixed-line telephony segment, Telecom Argentina concentrated its efforts on meeting customer access demand, seeking to control the fall in the minutes used because of a shift to mobile traffic while maintaining the growth of ARPU. At the local level, voice services featured promotions with the aim of eliminating the set-up charge and a demand for services which include access to broadband. With regard to national and international long-distance services, efforts continued to encourage people to acquire subscriber plans, and improve the customer ARPU. With regard to value-added services, there was an improvement in sales of the *Aladino 410* and *Aladino Deco* cordless phones.

The leadership of the "Arnet" brand benefited from an effective advertising campaign and a different offer for each segment at competitive prices.

In December 2011, with the launch of *Arnet 10 mega*, the range of available access speeds was extended, thus creating an alternative in terms of average speed.

Again with regard to value-added services, November 2011 saw the launch of *Arnet Play*, the first video streaming service for Telecom Argentina residential customers. The service offers added value in the sphere of broadband access with access to a vast library of content, through the customer's TV set or computer and with unlimited viewing, against payment of a fixed monthly charge. In addition, the customer can rent the latest in viewing and other special content. Another key value-added service introduced in 2011 is *Arnet Mobile* which supplies internet access through Personal's 3G network, making it possible to expand the service already offered to customers with a broadband connection.

In the Corporate segment, the strategy of supplying convergent solutions offering voice, data, internet, multimedia, ICT, data center and applications continued, both for the fixed-line and mobile phone services.

Mobile telephony services

In 2011, Personal continued its strategy as innovation leader by launching various products and promotions that will satisfy the various demands of customers with regard to communication. Offerings in 2011 featured the consolidation of third-generation coverage together with the development of value-added services, as a result of recent improvements in intelligent handsets and tablets.

Personal also continues to expand its range of *Todo Incluido* plans, which integrate voice, data and text messaging, along with *Personal Black*, the services platform which offers a subscription with an unlimited number of data services and a portfolio of ten intelligent handsets and tablets with special content at special prices.

With regard to Núcleo, the commercial offers launched in the last quarter of 2011 were much better suited to market requirements, a policy which improved customers' perception of the operator. In particular, new packages were launched with a greater variety of services at more affordable prices, replacing previous packages with an unlimited number of services.

Competition

The telecommunications market in Argentina and Paraguay continues to show strong demand for new services and higher access speed in a fiercely competitive environment in the different business segments.

Specifically, in the mobile segment in Argentina, Personal is one of three operators offering services at the national level and competes with Claro (America Móvil group) and Movistar (Telefónica group). Competition is expected to intensify as a result of the introduction of number portability in 2012. The acquisition and retention of high-value customers will continue to be central to Personal's strategy which intends to lend support to mobile use through the launch of new products and services which not only make it possible to retain existing customers, but also to put Personal in the position of being the preferred operator in the mobile sector in Argentina.

In Paraguay, Núcleo, although operating in a market featuring strong competition, strengthened its market position. Its main competitor is Tigo (Millicom group).

As for the broadband segment, the Argentina Business Unit operates through the Arnet brand and its competitors are mainly ADSL Speedy (Telefónica group), the operator Fibertel (Clarín group), which offers broadband access services using cable modems, and Telecentro which offers triple play plans.

Media

The Media Business Unit operates in the business segments TI Media – La7, MTV Group and Network Operator. In particular:

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TI Media – La7: includes activities carried out by the company relating to the television broadcasters La7 and La7d and those relating to the Multimedia/Web (La7.it and La7.tv) area. Up to September 30, 2011, the activities relating to digital content for the Telecom Italia Group had also been included; this activity ended on October 1, 2011 following the early termination of the contract with Telecom Italia;

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MTV Group: includes activities carried out by MTV Italia and its subsidiary MTV Pubblicità relating to the television broadcasters MTV and MTV Music, the 360° Playmaker production unit, the production of multimedia musical platforms and satellite channels, in addition to MTV Mobile and Digital (Web);

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Network operator (TIMB): includes activities conducted by Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting for the operation of the analog and digital broadcasting networks of La7 and MTV and the Digital Multiplex channels operated by the group, in addition to accessory services and radio and television broadcasting platforms offered to group companies and third parties.

The structure of the Business Unit

The Business Unit is organized as follows:

Main operating and financial data

Key results of the Media Business Unit in 2011 compared to 2010 are presented in the following table:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change		
			amount	%	% organic
Revenues	238	258	(20)	(7.8)	(7.8)
EBITDA	28	13	15	115.4	(46.2)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>11.8</i>	<i>5.0</i>			

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EBIT	(87)	(92)	5	5.4	(10.9)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>n.s.</i>	<i>n.s.</i>			
Capital expenditures	61	67	(6)	(9.0)	
Headcount at year-end (number)	765	777	(12)	(1.5)	

Revenues

Revenues amount to 238 million euros in 2011, decreasing 20 million euros compared to 258 million euros in 2010. In greater detail:

- revenues of TI Media La7 in 2011, before intragroup eliminations, stand at 140 million euros, increasing 24 million euros (+21.0%) compared to 2010, thanks to the decisive increase in gross advertising revenues which in 2011 total 186 million euros +32.1% over the same period of 2010. Advertising revenues particularly benefitted from the excellent performance of channel La7's daily average audience share which reached 3.8% in 2011 and also from channel La7d's net revenues for 2011 which totaled 6 million euros.

- MTV Group revenues come to 74 million euros, before intragroup eliminations, decreasing 24 million euros compared to 2010 (98 million euros). This reduction is due for 9 million euros to lower net advertising revenues and the remaining amount to the fall of other activities, particularly, lower revenues from external productions of Playmaker (-7 million euros), lower revenues by MTV Mobile (-2 million euros), following the recent contract revision at the end of 2010, and lower revenues by the satellite-music platform channels as a result of the renegotiation, to lower values, of the contract with Sky (-2 million euros).

- revenues from network operator activities, before intragroup eliminations, amount to 55 million euros, compared to 76 million euros in 2010, decreasing 21 million euros. This reduction is largely due to lower revenues from the customer Dahlia (-26 million euros) which ceased operations at the beginning of 2011. The reduction in the revenues of analog activities with the Group, in relation to the switch-off process, was offset by higher revenues from the lease of digital bandwidth on its Multiplexes.

EBITDA

EBITDA is a positive 28 million euros in 2011 and increased 15 million euros compared to 2010, thanks to income of 21 million euros as a result of compensation for the early termination of the Competence Center contract. Excluding such income, therefore in organic terms, EBITDA is 7 million euros, decreasing 6 million euros compared to the same period of 2010. In particular:

- EBITDA of TI Media La7, comes to -2 million euros in 2011 and, as described above, includes compensation income of 21 million euros; this is an improvement of 34 million euros compared to 2010 (-36 million euros); in organic terms, EBITDA amounts to -23 million euros. Such result is affected by the higher contribution of revenues as previously described, which more than offset the higher operating costs linked largely to the programming of channels La7 and La7d.

- EBITDA of the MTV group is 7 million euros, decreasing 5 million euros compared to 2010 (12 million euros). The reduction in EBITDA is due to the contraction in revenues due both to lower advertising and also to Mobile, Satellite and Playmaker activities, which were only partly compensated by the reduction in operating costs.

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EBITDA relating to network operator activities is 23 million euros and is 12 million euros lower than 2010. This result was influenced by the loss of Dahlia TV sales and compensated by a reduction in operating costs due to greater efficiency of network management.

EBIT

EBIT is a negative 87 million euros in 2011, showing an improvement of 5 million euros compared to 2010. In organic terms, EBIT recorded a reduction of 5 million euros (-10.9%) compared to 2010.

In detail:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Historical EBIT	(87)	(92)	5
Non-organic (income) expenses	36	46	(10)
Non-organic expenses already described under EBITDA	(21)	-	(21)
Goodwill impairment charge	57	46	11
Comparable EBIT	(51)	(46)	(5)

The goodwill impairment loss of 57 million euros (46 million euros in 2010) was recognized following the results of the impairment test.

Capital expenditures

Capital expenditures total 61 million euros (67 million euros in 2010). Such expenditures refer to TI Media La7 (31 million euros), the MTV group (4 million euros) and the network operator (26 million euros). They mostly refer to the acquisition of television rights extending beyond one year (29 million euros) and purchases of infrastructures for the development and maintenance of the digital terrestrial network for 26 million euros principally in connection with Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting's digitalized operations in regions where analog television has been switched off.

Headcount

Headcount is 765 at December 31, 2011 (including 37 with temp work contracts), with a decrease of 12 compared to December 31, 2010 (777, including 44 with temp work contracts). Without considering the reduction in the temp work headcount (7 persons), the reduction of 5 people is due to the change both in the number of persons with fixed-term contracts -10 (TI Media La7 +1, MTV Group -11) and permanent contracts, 5 in total (TI Media La7 +15, network operator -1, MTV Group -9). In particular, the addition of 15 persons with permanent contracts at TI Media La7 is for the most part to settle some work relationships and bring External Relations inside the company.

Other information

Early termination of the Competence Center contract with Telecom Italia

On September 29, 2011, the Telecom Italia Media board of directors' meeting passed a resolution to go forward with the early termination of the Competence Center contract with Telecom Italia.

The Contract was originally signed in 2007 for a three-year period and subsequently renewed at least until December 31, 2012. The purpose of the contract was the supply of editorial services by Telecom Italia Media to Telecom Italia covering the creation, design of programs, research and purchase of media content for the relative use on Telecom Italia's various TV platforms (IPTV, Cubovision, WEB, etc.). Telecom Italia Media received a minimum guaranteed payment, established on the basis of a forecast of strong customer expansion of the IPTV and OTTV platforms, as well as a variable price as Telecom Italia's relative sales increased.

The above growth forecasts were not met owing to a reduced market, in addition to modifications of the effective application of the regulatory framework of reference, accompanied by a strong push to reduce prices by the two main players of the pay TV platforms in Italy.

In view of the above, Telecom Italia decided on the in-house management of the editorial activities relating to the platforms which it manages. For these reasons, Telecom Italia made a proposal to Telecom Italia Media to early terminate the Contract, as from October 1, 2011, paying Telecom Italia Media compensation of 21 million euros. A fairness opinion on the compensation was issued by an independent external valuation expert, identified by common agreement of the parties.

Principal changes in the regulatory framework

Adoption of the new European framework for electronic communication services and networks and for the national use of local bandwidth

Law 217 of December 15, 2011 published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale on January 2, 2012 introduced the 2010 Community Law. This instrument, in addition to delegating to the government the task of adopting within three months the new framework for electronic communications services and networks (with the consequent revision of the Electronic Communications Code Legislative Decree 259/2003), provides that operators of local networks may host programs offering audiovisual media services at national level. This provision, which damages Telecom Italia Group Media's network operator, was challenged by Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting in the appeal against the new digital terrestrial regulation 353/11/CONS. It will be necessary to determine what legal measures should be used to protect the interests of Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting with regard to the ensuing enacting legislation.

In the context of the adoption of the European Directives 2009/140/CE and 2009/136/CE dealing with the new regulatory framework for electronic communications, the Ministry of Economic Development has released for consultation the outlines of two legislative decrees relating to the modification of the Electronic Communications Code and the Personal Data Protection Code. Telecom Italia Media participated in these consultations requesting the revision of the provision which excludes from trading the frequencies received free of charge and requesting a regulatory link in terms of administrative rights for network operator activities using digital terrestrial technology and fees for the concession of frequency rights of use.

National Digital Frequency Assignment Plan

The National Digital Frequency Assignment Plan (PNAFD) approved with Decision 300/10/CONS establishes 25 national networks, four of which in DVB-H, and introduces k-SFN technology for certain networks which otherwise would not have 80% coverage of the territory.

The PNAFD distinguishes between the so-called internal digital dividend, 5 DVB-T networks and one DVB-H network, to be assigned by means of a competitive beauty contest procedure, and the so-called external digital dividend, UHF channels 61-69, for mobile communications services.

With Decision 330/11/CONS, AGCom abolished the regional consultation meetings and initiated a process for the completion of the frequency plan with the detailed planning of the resources to be assigned to local broadcasters and to RAI in the areas which have not yet undergone digitalization.

Beauty Contest

With Decision 497/10/CONS, AGCom set the criteria for the competitive procedure for the assignment of the internal digital dividend by means of a beauty contest.

The Decision erroneously placed Telecom Italia Media on the same footing as RAI and Mediaset, the incumbent operators of terrestrial networks, forbidding the company, along with RAI and Mediaset, from participating for Lot A which is reserved for existing operators with at most one analog network and for new entrants among which AGCom included SKY Italia, admitted to the bidding process by the European Commission.

On July 6, 2011 the call for bids and the bid rules were published and on September 5, 2011 Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting, the Group's network operator, submitted three separate assignment requests, for lots B.1, B.2 and C.1. The Commission admitted the requests of:

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Europa 7 for Lot A.1

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Dfree, H3G and Canale Italia for Lot A.2

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Dfree and Canale Italia for Lot A.3

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Rai, Mediaset and Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting for Lot B.1

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Rai, Mediaset and Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting for Lot B.2

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Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting for Lot C.1

On November 30, 2011, SKY Italia, admitted for Lot A.2, withdrew from the contest.

After acceptance in December 2011 of three parliamentary demands, the Government is committed to suspend the procedure for the assignment of TV frequencies by beauty contest and to identify a frequencies assignment procedure in the general collective interest in financial terms and in terms of the strengthening of pluralism in the information and television sector.

On January 20, 2012, TIMB received an official communication from the Ministry of Economic Development which suspends the beauty contest for 90 days and, at the same time, gives TIMB 60 days in which to submit any other observations in this sense.

On February, 1 2012, TIMB replied and asked that a round table be set up to compensate the Group for the damages suffered in the conversion process of the networks from analog to digital and to settle the dispute as a whole.

Principal appeals regarding digital frequencies

With the appeal filed on August 8, 2011, TI Media challenged the bid and bid rules relating to the beauty contest intimating the illegality of:

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barring TI Media from bidding for Lot A as if it were on the same footing as RAI and Mediaset;

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considering SKY as a new entry operator and, in contrast, subjecting Telecom Italia Media to the same restrictive measures as RAI and Mediaset, which are incumbents;

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the economic and technological restriction on Lot C.1, which for five years can be used only in DVB-H (outside the market) or in DVB-T2 (without any commercial attraction since the penetration of this technology in the market is presently inexistent and is not planned for at least five years from switch off);

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the assignment criteria for the points which tend to favor operators which have a dominant position (RAI and Mediaset);

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the absence of fixing asymmetrical measures regarding RAI (an enterprise in public ownership), whose participation in the bid changes the competitive situation.

On November 8, 2011 Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting filed an appeal for the annulment, subject to precautionary measures, of the admission of RAI to the beauty contest, challenging various elements which violate the bid rules including: i) reaching the maximum number of DVB-T networks which an operator may run by reference to the limit of 5 DVB-T networks set by the European Commission ii) failure to comply with various requirements of the bid process such as the obligatory corporate separation of publisher from operator of a digital terrestrial network. On January 11, 2012, in a closed session of the court, the date was set for the merit hearing for April 4, 2012.

Auditel

At the meeting of the board of directors of Auditel on November 28, 2011, Telecom Italia Media raised the following matters:

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the question of the underestimation of La7 audience size and of the consequent economic loss arising from inability to fully realize the corresponding potential in the market for advertising revenue;

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the failure to upgrade the company's corporate governance, a matter raised by the Communications Authority itself, so as to make Auditel effectively independent with respect to its two majority shareholders RAI and Mediaset.

If responses to these matters are not forthcoming within a reasonable time, presumably by the end of the first quarter of 2012, Telecom Italia Media will be compelled to take whatever steps are necessary to safeguard its interests.

Following SKY's formal complaint, AGCom fined Auditel for abuse of its dominant position.

According to AGCom, Auditel's seriously abusive actions were the following:

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it impeded without justification the release of daily figures by channel and platform (in spite of the fact that the technical problems with this metric were resolved in June 2009);

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until January 2010 it impeded the release of daily figures for Other Digital Terrestrials on the grounds of opposition from one of the main shareholders, Mediaset, which only in January 2010 withdrew its reservations leading to the release of the data (there were no technical/statistical obstacles and the context and benefit to the major Auditel shareholders must be considered);

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it erroneously attributed the measured audience data to the population not in possession of a TV receiver.

With regard to foreigners, however, AGCom concluded that the delay was not caused by Auditel but arose from problems such as privacy restrictions on access to personal data records.

The violations are considered serious and without mitigating circumstances and are quantified in 1,806,604 euros, taking as reference Auditel's sales revenues in 2009 (17.3 million euros) and in 2010 (17.2 million euros) and establishing a fine for each abusive action.

Olivetti

The Olivetti group mainly operates in the sector of office products and services for Information Technology. Thanks to its vast offering of cutting-edge hardware and software, its solution provider activities offer solutions able to automate processes and business activities for small and medium enterprises, large corporations and vertical markets. The Group continues the process, begun during the last few years, of expanding and diversifying the offering by concentrating on both the development of software solutions and applications services for businesses and public administrations, and also specialized electronic devices.

The market of the Business Unit is focused mainly in Europe, Asia and South America.

The structure of the Business Unit

The Business Unit is organized as follows (main companies only):

Main operating and financial data

Key results of the Olivetti Business Unit in 2011 compared to 2010 are presented in the following table:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change	
			amount	%
Revenues	343	391	(48)	(12.3)
EBITDA	(35)	(19)	(16)	(84.2)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>(10.2)</i>	<i>(4.9)</i>		
EBIT	(41)	(24)	(17)	(70.8)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>(12.0)</i>	<i>(6.1)</i>		
Capital expenditures	5	5		
Headcount at year-end (number)	1,075	1,090	(15)	(1.4)

Revenues

Revenues amount to 343 million euros in 2011, decreasing 48 million euros compared to 2010, partly because of the negative exchange rate effect of 3 million euros. The market context is particularly depressed for the third consecutive year and the deterioration of the Italian and European macroeconomic picture had an adverse effect on 2011; this caused a decisive fall in ICT expenditures in Italy.

As far as Olivetti S.p.A. is concerned, this scenario led to a drastic reduction in sales to the Parent, Telecom Italia, (-23 million euros compared to 2010) and is reason in itself for an almost 50% decline in year-over-year revenues.

Sales in Italy in the indirect channel came to an abrupt stop in the last part of the year (-6 million euros compared to 2010) in parallel with the heightening of the crisis which particularly hard hit the SMEs and professional offices customer channel; conversely, the direct sales channel in Italy of large customers exceeded last year's figures (+4 million euros), in part thanks to the positive contribution of new service offers.

European sales recorded a good trend in the French and British affiliates, a drop in both the German affiliate (since January 2012, sales operations are conducted through a local agency) and in the Spanish affiliate which suffered in a macroeconomic contest that under certain aspects was worse than the Italian one. Revenues are basically stable in the international sales channel (sales to extra EU and extra Latin America customers). The gains made by South America in sales are significant. This market is recording strong growth such that expectations are for a strengthening of Olivetti's presence there.

EBITDA

EBITDA is a negative 35 million euros, with a negative change of 16 million euros compared to the prior year. In 2011, as a future increase of share capital, Telecom Italia S.p.A. conferred trademarks (12 million euros) and patents (4 million euros) to Olivetti S.p.A.. The result of this conferral was the resolution of contracts with Telecom Italia which covered the utilization of these rights, with a negative impact on EBITDA of 10 million euros. Added to this first effect are lower margins of 10 million euros associated with the decline in revenues, of which, about 4 million euros in particular is the effect of the ongoing contraction in the ink jet segment. The turnaround process currently in progress which has led to a repositioning of new product and service line offers, the entry into new markets and the reorganization of some sales channels has not yet compensated for the decline in ink jet products and the unfavorable macroeconomic scenario. The lower margins have been partially reabsorbed by a reduction in fixed costs for 4 million euros compared to the prior year.

At the organic level, EBITDA, calculated by taking into account expenses connected with the mobility procedure under Law 223/91 signed in 2010, shows a negative change of 19 million euros.

EBIT

EBIT is a negative 41 million euros, with a negative change of 17 million euros compared to 2010, owing to the reasons explained under EBITDA.

Capital expenditures

Capital expenditures amount to 5 million euros, unchanged compared to the prior year.

Headcount

Headcount at December 31, 2011 is 1,075 (984 in Italy and 91 outside Italy), a reduction of 15 compared to December 31, 2010 (1,090, of whom 1,001 in Italy and 89 outside Italy). During the period, 33 persons were added and 48 persons left, consistently with the professional remix focused on the new Olivetti sales offerings.

Commercial developments

During 2011, in response to the evolution of the ICT market and the new opportunities offered by Cloud Computing, Olivetti pursued its repositioning strategy as a solution provider by putting together an integrated hardware and software package, customized for the client and supported by an extensive assistance network. In particular, after launching in February 2011 the first OliPad 100 tablet, complete with applications for the consumer world and the business world, in September 2011, two new tablet models were launched: OliPad 110 and OliPad Smart again based on Android but with 10" and 7" screens.

For the Business market, the OliPad tablets, sold through the Olivetti and Telecom Italia sales network, offer a higher level of personalization according to a company's individual needs. They also give access to a rich offering of applications thanks to the Applications Warehouse, a veritable virtual warehouse of software applications that can be configured and customized that Olivetti has expressly dedicated to companies and the Public Administration. Just a

few of the applications available are: digital catalogs and display guides for points-of-sale devoted to the fashion sector, sales force management applications and management of specific activities in the pharmaceutical sector. During the last few months, various commercial endeavors have been activated with large customers with the aim of employing the OliPad for automation projects: in the advanced stage is the project for accessing company applications by more than fifteen thousand people in the field in the transport sector, in addition to other important projects in pharmaceuticals and utilities. In the banking and insurance sector, Olivetti, with Telecom Italia, supplied the biometric signature solution for 13,000 branches of the Intesa Sanpaolo group and commenced similar projects for important banks such as Cariparma, Credito Valtellinese, AXA MPS and others.

With regard to the Consumer market, OliPad tablets are marketed through the Telecom Italia sales network and at large retail consumer electronics chains.

Work is continuing on the important project begun in 2009 in collaboration with Telecom Italia for the supply of specialized payments/services terminals at authorized tobacco stores in Italy. In June 2011, in particular, Olivetti supplied the first 1000 new M210T terminals, developed in only 9 months, according to the technical specifications agreed with the final customer.

Furthermore, in 2011, Advalso's business grew by almost 50% thanks to the consolidation of traditional activities (technical front end) and also the focus on end-to-end caring activities.

Events subsequent to December 31, 2011

In order to benefit from potential synergies and consequent economies of scale, effective January 1, 2012, under the rationalization project of the customer care activities offered to the Telecom Italia customer, Olivetti finalized the operation for the integration of the customer care offer by transferring contact center operations from Advalso S.p.A. to Telecontact Center S.p.A. (a Telecom Italia subsidiary).

The operation which aims at the unitary management under the control of Telecontact Center of the call center activities conducted in the Telecom Italia Group, allows:

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Advalso to focus on the activities connected with the development and performance of services and advanced technical assistance solutions, in end-to-end logic consistently with the evolution of the Olivetti offer;

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Telecontact Center to add other activities to its contact center operations that Advalso will bring since it is able to take advantage of potential synergies with returns, both business and operating, linked principally to the complementary nature of the offer and synergies able to generate additional income and possible system efficiencies.

The business segment to be contributed is Advalso's Contact Center Division; at December 31, 2011 the division had a workforce of 249 employees.

Review of Operating and Financial Performance Telecom Italia S.p.A.

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change		
			(a)	(b)	amount
Revenues	18,045	18,985	(940)	(5.0)	(5.1)
EBITDA	9,000	9,089	(89)	(1.0)	(3.3)
<i>EBITDA margin</i>	<i>49.9%</i>	<i>47.9%</i>	<i>2.0 pp</i>		
<i>Organic EBITDA margin</i>	<i>50.5%</i>	<i>49.5%</i>	<i>1.0 pp</i>		
Depreciation and amortization, Gains (losses) on disposals and Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	(3,806)	(4,120)	314		
EBIT BEFORE GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT LOSS	5,194	4,969	225	4.5	
Goodwill impairment loss	(5,376)	-	(5,376)		
EBIT	(182)	4,969	(5,151)	°	(0.3)
<i>EBIT margin</i>	<i>n.s.</i>	<i>26.2%</i>	<i>n.s.</i>		
<i>Organic EBIT margin</i>	<i>29.3%</i>	<i>27.9%</i>	<i>1.4 pp</i>		
Profit (loss) before tax	(2,378)	4,610	(6,988)		
Profit (loss) for the year	(3,571)	3,513	(7,084)		
Capital expenditures	4,122	3,018	1,104		
Net financial debt	36,402	36,586	(184)		
Headcount at year-end (number)	47,801	49,636	(1,835)		

Operating Performance

Revenues

Revenues amount to 18,045 million euros, decreasing 940 million euros (-5.0%) compared to 2010; in organic terms, revenues fell by 5.1% compared to 2010. It should be noted that organic revenues excluded 35 million euros of revenues of the second quarter of 2010 relating to the end of the 1001TIM loyalty program which had resulted in the recognition of revenues from previously deferred bonus points that had not been used by the customer.

The trend in revenues shows the following changes in the sales segments compared to 2010:

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a contraction in revenues in the Consumer segment (9,168 million euros, decreasing 5.4% compared to 2010, or -519 million euros), due to the reduction in services (-681 million euros), compensated in part by the increase in sales (+120 million euros). The reduction in revenues from services is entirely attributable to the contraction of revenues from traditional voice services, particularly fixed voice (-104 million euros, or -8.1%) and outgoing Mobile voice (-336 million euros, or -11.5%). As far as internet services are concerned, revenues increased compared to 2010 due to the continuous growth of mobile broadband services (+71 million euros), which offsets the slowdown recorded in fixed broadband services (-38 million euros);

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a reduction in revenues in the Business segment (3,267 million euros, decreasing 6.9%, or -242 million euros compared to 2010). This reduction is mainly due to fixed telephony services (-150 million euros) while mobile browsing services have basically remained stable (+2 million euros);

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a shrinkage in revenues in the Top segment (3,308 million euros, decreasing 5.4% compared to 2010, or -188 million euros). The voice and data areas were penalized the most by the difficulties in the overall economic scenario, recording a decline of 9.6% (-92 million euros) and 6.8% (-11 million euros), respectively. The mobile area also recorded a contraction in revenues (-6%, or -48 million euros);

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 an increase in revenues in the National Wholesale segment (+28 million euros, or +1.3%), generated by the growth of the customer base of OLOs on services for Local Loop Unbundling, Wholesale Line Rental and Bitstream.

EBITDA

EBITDA is 9,000 million euros, decreasing 89 million euros (-1%) compared to 2010. The organic change in EBITDA is a negative 3.3% (-315 million euros). The EBITDA margin grew from 47.9% in 2010 to 49.9%; at the organic level, the EBITDA margin is 50.5% (49.5% in 2010).

Non-organic income and expenses excluded from the calculation of organic EBITDA are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Non-organic revenues	-	(35)	35
Expenses for mobility agreements under Law 223/91	9	245	(236)
Disputes and settlements	63	91	(28)
Other (income) expenses	33	30	3
Total non-organic (income) expenses	105	331	(226)

At the EBITDA level, the negative effects described under the comments on revenues are partly offset by the reduction in operating costs which are analyzed below.

Acquisition of goods and services

Acquisition of goods and services stands at 6,324 million euros, decreasing 327 million euros (-4.9%) compared to 2010 (6,651 million euros). The change is attributable to a reduction in the portion of revenues to be paid to other operators mainly as a result of the reduction in mobile termination prices.

The increase recorded by certain expense items (purchases of goods related to the sale of products and energy) has largely been compensated by the benefits arising from efficiency measures applied to fixed operating costs.

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Purchases of goods	1,088	895	193
Portion of revenues to paid to other operators and interconnection costs	1,730	2,055	(325)
Commercial and advertising costs	883	982	(99)
Consulting and professional services	163	155	8
Power, maintenance and outsourced services	982	942	40
Rent and leases	788	843	(55)
Other expenses	690	779	(89)
Total acquisition of goods and services	6,324	6,651	(327)

<i>% of Revenues</i>	35.0	35.0	-
Employee benefits expenses			

Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Ordinary employee expenses and costs excluding actuarial (gains) losses	2,731	2,879	(148)
Actuarial (gains) losses relating to employee severance indemnities	(102)	(3)	(99)
Expenses for mobility under Law 223/91	9	245	(236)
Total employee benefits expenses	2,638	3,121	(483)

The reduction of 483 million euros in the employee benefits expenses is due to the following factors:

- a reduction in the ordinary component mainly due to a lower average headcount of the salaried workforce, which went from 50,076 in 2010 to 46,206 in 2011, with a reduction of -3,870 (of whom -880 are under so-called solidarity contracts);
- a reduction (99 million euros) deriving from the actuarial effects regarding employee severance indemnities in connection with the change in the economic parameters of reference (discount rate and inflation rate) and also the new law on pensions (Law 214 of December 22, 2011) which extends the estimated period in which a person works;
- lower accruals for mobility expenses. In fact, in 2010, expenses were accrued for 245 million euros for the start of the mobility procedure under Law 223/91 which followed the August 4, 2010 agreement with the unions. In 2011, the provision was adjusted by an additional 9 million euros.

Headcount at December 31, 2011 is 47,801 with a reduction of 1,835 compared to December 31, 2010.

Other operating expenses

Details are as follow:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management	359	310	49
Provision charges	48	52	(4)
Telecommunications operating fees and charges	57	53	4
Indirect duties and taxes	80	92	(12)
Penalties, settlement compensation and administrative fines	59	105	(46)
Association dues and fees, donations, scholarships and traineeships	20	22	(2)
Sundry expenses	82	32	50
Total	705	666	39

Other operating expenses increased by 39 million euros compared to 2010. Specifically, other operating expenses show higher writedowns and expenses in connection with credit management (mainly referring to business customers as a result of a progressive deterioration in the macroeconomic picture), and a reduction in indirect duties and taxes and settlement compensation which more than offset the increase in sundry expenses.

Depreciation and amortization

Depreciation and amortization charges are 3,793 million euros (4,107 million euros in 2010), decreasing 314 million euros and referring to tangible assets for 184 million euros and intangible assets for 130 million euros. The reduction in depreciation is largely on account of the decrease in depreciable assets owing in part to the reduction of capital expenditures in recent years, especially for rentals (-49 million euros of depreciation) and the underground network (-108 million euros). The decrease in the amortization charge of intangible assets is mainly due to a lower amount of amortizable assets referring to the development of software applications.

Gains on disposals of non-current assets

Gains on disposals of non-current assets are a negative 9 million euros. They include losses for 26 million euros, principally in connection with the disposal of tangible assets, particularly for the replacement and subsequent disposal of dedicated mobile telephony plant, as well as gains for 17 million euros referring mostly to the contribution of some trademarks and patents to the subsidiary Olivetti S.p.A.

Impairment (reversals) losses on non-current assets

Net impairment losses on non-current assets amount to 5,380 million euros in 2011 (9 million euros in 2010). The line item includes 5,376 million euros for the impairment charge on goodwill referring to domestic activities.

In particular, in preparing the annual financial statements, Telecom Italia S.p.A. repeated the impairment test that had been performed in the first half of 2011. The macroeconomic and market climate was marked by a slowdown in the higher growth economies and fears of a recession in the mature ones. Added to this was an escalation, in the second half of the year, of financial market pressures, with particular reference to the trend in interest rates. The measurement therefore took into account such deterioration of the financial markets and also the worsening of the prospects of the reference market of the company.

Further details are provided in the Note Goodwill in the separate financial statements of Telecom Italia S.p.A. at December 31, 2011.

The line item also includes 4 million euros referring to the writedown of network materials that are no longer usable and telephone systems in the process of being replaced with new technologically advanced materials.

EBIT

EBIT is a negative 182 million euros, down from 5,151 million euros compared to 2010 as a result of the impact of the above goodwill impairment charge. The organic change in EBIT is a negative 0.3% (-16 million euros); at the organic level, the EBIT margin is 29.3% (27.9% in 2010). Non-organic income and expenses excluded from the calculation of organic EBIT are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Non-organic expenses already described under EBITDA	105	331	(226)
Gain on the sale of trademarks and patents	(15)	-	(15)
Goodwill impairment charge	5,376	-	5,376
Total Non-organic (revenues and income) /costs and expenses	5,466	331	5,135
Income (expenses) from investments			

Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
Dividends	254	2,357	(2,103)
Other income and gains on disposals of investments	41	1	40
Impairment losses on financial assets	(442)	(562)	120
Total	(147)	1,796	(1,943)

Specifically:

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in 2011, dividends mainly refer to Telecom Italia Sparkle (250 million euros) and in 2010 this item comprised dividends from Telecom Italia International for 2,000 million euros and Telecom Italia Deutschland Holding for 345 million euros;

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gains on the sale of investments relate to the gain, net of incidental expenses, arising from the sale of the subsidiary Loquendo S.p.A. on September 30, 2011;

- impairment losses are mainly in respect of the writedowns of the investments in Matrix (130 million euros), Telecom Italia Media (45 million euros) and Telecom Italia Sparkle (199 million euros), Olivetti (36 million euros) and Telecom Italia Deutschland Holding GMBH (13 million euros), on the basis of the results of the impairment test. In 2010, impairment losses mainly included those in respect of the investments in Telecom Italia Deutschland Holding (352 million euros, following the reduction in the equity of the company after the distribution of reserves), Telecom Italia Media (162 million euros, on the basis of the results of the impairment test), Olivetti (18 million euros), Tiglio 1 (13 million euros) and SSC (10 million euros).

Finance income (expenses)

The balance of financial income (expenses), which shows an improvement of 106 million euros largely because of lower net debt exposure, is an expense of 2,049 million euros (an expense balance of 2,155 million euros in 2010).

Income tax expense

Income tax expense is 1,193 million euros and posts an increase of 96 million euros compared to 2010 mainly due to the increase in the taxable base.

Profit (loss) for the year

The Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., reports a loss of 3,571 million euros in 2011. Excluding non-recurring items and the above goodwill impairment charges, the net result for the year would have been a profit of 1,765 million euros.

Consolidated financial position performance

Financial position structure

(millions of euros)	2011 (a)	2010 (b)	Change (a-b)
Assets			
Non-current assets	64,043	68,717	(4,674)
Goodwill	34,627	40,013	(5,386)
Other intangible assets	4,865	3,970	895
Tangible assets	10,817	11,401	(584)
Other non-current assets	12,852	12,415	437
Deferred tax assets	882	918	(36)
Current assets	8,110	9,909	(1,799)
Inventories, Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets	5,172	5,385	(213)
Current income tax receivables	-	-	-
Current financial assets	2,938	4,524	(1,586)
	72,153	78,626	(6,473)
Equity and liabilities			
Equity	20,537	25,564	(5,027)
Non-current liabilities	36,736	39,283	(2,547)
Current liabilities	14,880	13,779	1,101
	72,153	78,626	(6,473)

Non-current assets

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Goodwill: decreased 5,386 million euros, of which 5,376 million euros refers to the above goodwill impairment charge of Telecom Italia S.p.A. and 10 million euros to the sale of Loquendo in September 2011;

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Other intangible assets: increased 895 million euros being the balance of the following:

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additions (+2,350 million euros),

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amortization charge for the year (-1,466 million euros),

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capitalization of borrowing costs (+12 million euros),

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disposals, reclassifications and other movements (-1 million euros).

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Tangible assets: decreased 584 million euros being the balance of the following:

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additions (+1,771 million euros),

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depreciation charge for the period (-2,327 million euros),

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disposals, reclassifications and other movements (-28 million euros).

Equity

Equity amounts to 20,537 million euros, decreasing 5,027 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (25,564 million euros). The changes in equity during 2011 and 2010 are reported in the following table:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
At the beginning of the year	25,564	23,068
Total profit (loss) for the year	(3,571)	3,513
Dividends declared	(1,190)	(1,035)
Issue of equity instruments and other changes	7	42
Movements in the reserve for available-for-sale financial assets and derivative hedging instruments	(273)	(24)
At the end of the year	20,537	25,564

Cash flows

The following chart summarizes the main transactions which had an impact on the change in net financial debt during 2011:

Change in net financial debt

(millions of euros)	2011	2010	Change
EBITDA	9,000	9,089	(89)
Capital expenditures on an accrual basis	(4,122)	(3,018)	(1,104)
Change in net operating working capital:	(99)	(237)	138
Change in inventories	(13)	56	(69)
Change in trade receivables and net amounts due on construction contracts	132	292	(160)
Change in trade payables (*)	(142)	(588)	446
Other changes in operating receivables/payables	(76)	3	(79)
Change in provisions for employees benefits	(221)	57	(278)
Change in operating provisions and Other changes	(61)	(390)	329
Net operating free cash flow	4,497	5,501	(1,004)
<i>% of Revenues</i>	<i>24,9</i>	<i>29,0</i>	
Sale of investments and other disposals flow	60	(37)	97
Financial investments flow	(42)	(199)	157
Dividends flow	(936)	1,323	(2,259)
Issue of equity instruments	-	23	(23)
Financial expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow	(3,395)	(3,502)	(107)
Reduction (Increase) in net financial debt	184	3,109	(2,925)

(*)

Includes the change in trade payables for amounts due to fixed asset suppliers.

The reduction in net operating free cash flow in 2011 compared to 2010 (-1,004 million euros) is due to higher requirements for capital expenditures (mainly in connection with the acquisition of LTE frequency rights); such change is partially compensated by the improvement in working capital.

In addition to what has already been described with reference to EBITDA, net financial debt in 2011 has been particularly impacted by the following:

Capital expenditures flow

Capital expenditures total 4,122 million euros (3,018 million euros in 2010), up 1,104 million euros (36.6%), due to the acquisition of user rights for the 800 MHz, 1800 MHz and 2600 MHz frequencies to be used for broadband mobile communication services, for a total of 1,223 million euros. This follows the auction by the Ministry of Economic Development which took place in the second half of the year. The user rights, formally awarded by the Ministry on October 3, 2011, were assigned in February 2012.

Sale of investments and other disposals flow

Sale of investments and other disposals flow amounts to 60 million euros and principally relates to the collection of the consideration on the sale of the investment in Loquendo (equal to 55 million euros).

Financial investments flow

Financial investments flow amounts to 42 million euros for payments made to subsidiaries and associates for share capital increases or replenishments of share capital and/or the coverage of losses (of which 15 million euros is in favor of TLC Commercial Services and 10 million euros in favor of SSC).

Dividends flow

Dividends paid amount to 1,190 million. Dividends collected from Group companies total 254 million euros and particularly include the dividends collected from Telecom Italia Sparkle (250 million euros), Loquendo (2 million euros) and Pathnet (1 million euros).

Finance expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow

Finance expenses, income taxes and other net non-operating requirements flow mainly includes the payment, during 2011, of income taxes (1,010 million euros), net finance expenses and the change in non-operating receivables and payables.

Net financial debt

Net financial debt is 36,402 million euros, decreasing 184 million euros compared to 36,586 million euros at the end of 2010.

In addition to the usual indicator (renamed Accounting net financial debt), another indicator is also presented denominated Adjusted net financial debt which excludes effects that are purely accounting and non-monetary in nature deriving from the fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets and liabilities.

The composition is the following:

Net financial debt

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011 (a)	12/31/2010 (b)	Change (a-b)
Non-current financial liabilities			
Bonds	13,131	16,406	(3,275)
Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities	20,510	19,312	1,198
Finance lease liabilities	1,300	1,436	(136)
	34,941	37,154	(2,213)
Current financial liabilities ⁽¹⁾			
Bonds	5,327	3,067	2,260
Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities	1,723	2,777	(1,054)
Finance lease liabilities	240	212	28
	7,290	6,056	1,234
Gross financial debt	42,231	43,210	(979)
Non-current financial assets			
Financial receivables and other non-current financial assets	(2,891)	(2,100)	(791)
	(2,891)	(2,100)	(791)
Current financial assets			
Securities other than investments	(864)	(1,159)	295
Financial receivables and other current financial assets	(479)	(602)	123
Cash and cash equivalents	(1,595)	(2,763)	1,168
	(2,938)	(4,524)	1,586
Total financial assets	(5,829)	(6,624)	795
Accounting net financial debt	36,402	36,586	(184)
Reversal of fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets/liabilities	(1,519)	(1,046)	(473)
Adjusted net financial debt	34,883	35,540	(657)
<i>Breakdown as follows:</i>			
Total adjusted gross financial debt	38,713	40,915	(2,202)
Total adjusted financial assets	(3,830)	(5,375)	1,545
<i>(1) of which current portion of medium/long-term debt:</i>			
<i>Bonds</i>	5,327	3,067	2,260
<i>Amounts due to banks, other financial payables and liabilities</i>	681	1,459	(778)
<i>Finance lease liabilities</i>	240	212	28

The non-current portion of gross financial debt is 34,941 million euros (37,154 million euros at the end of 2010) and represents 83% of total gross financial debt.

In keeping with the Group's objectives in terms of debt composition and in accordance with the adopted Guideline policy for debt management using derivative instruments, Telecom Italia S.p.A., in securing loans both from third parties and intercompanies, uses IRS and CCIRS derivative financial instruments to hedge its liabilities.

Derivative financial instruments are designated as fair value hedges for the management of exchange rate risk on financial instruments denominated in currencies other than euro and for the management of interest rate risk on fixed-rate loans. Derivative financial instruments are designated as cash flow hedges when the objective is to fix the exchange rate and interest rate of future variable contractual flows.

Sales of receivables to factoring companies

The sales of receivables to factoring companies finalized in 2011 resulted in a positive effect on net financial debt at December 31, 2011 of 1,291 million euros (1,178 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Bonds

Bonds at December 31, 2011 total 18,458 million euros (19,473 million euros at December 31, 2010). Their nominal repayment amount is 17,589 million euros (of which 15,089 is due to third parties and 2,500 million euros to the subsidiary Telecom Italia Finance S.A.), decreasing 1,034 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (18,623 million euros).

The change in bonds during 2011 is as follows:

(millions of original currency)	Currency	Amount	
New issues			Issue date
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 7% maturing 1/20/2017 ^(*)	Euro	1,000	10/20/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 750 million euros 4.75% maturing 5/25/2018	Euro	750	5/25/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 5.125% maturing 1/25/2016	Euro	1,000	1/25/2011
Repayments			Repayment date
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 4.5% 750 million euros	Euro	750	1/28/2011

(*)

On October 20, 2011, bonds were issued for 750 million euros; subsequently, on November 3, 2011, the issue was reopened and increased for another 250 million euros

In 2011, Telecom Italia S.p.A. bought back the following bonds:

(millions of original currency)	Currency	Amount	Buyback periods
Buybacks			
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,222.5 million euros 6.25%			
maturing February 2012	Euro	27.5	December 2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 645 million euros 6.75%			
maturing March 2013	Euro	5	December 2011

In reference to the Telecom Italia S.p.A. 2002-2022 bonds, reserved for subscription by employees of the Group, at December 31, 2011, the nominal amount is equal to 266 million euros and decreased by 39 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (305 million euros).

Revolving Credit Facility and Term Loan

The following table shows the composition and the drawdown of the committed credit lines available at December 31, 2011. These are represented by the revolving credit facility for a total of 8 billion euros expiring August 2014, the syndicated revolving line for a total of 1.25 billion euros expiring February 2013 and the revolving credit line for a total of 200 million euros signed December 20, 2010 and expiring June 19, 2012 (renewable at the discretion of Telecom Italia up to December 18, 2013):

(billions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	Agreed	D r a w n down	Agreed	D r a w n down
Revolving Credit Facility expiring February 2013	1.25	0.25	1.25	--
Revolving Credit Facility expiring August 2014	8.0	2.0	8.0	1.5
Revolving Credit Facility expiring June 2012 (renewable to December 2013)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.12
Total	9.45	2.45	9.45	1.62

On August 3, 2011, a bilateral stand-by credit line was secured for a period of five years (expiring August 3, 2016) for 100 million euros from Banca Regionale Europea, drawn down for the full amount.

Maturities of financial liabilities

The average maturity of non-current financial liabilities is 7.16 years.

For details of the maturities of financial liabilities in terms of expected nominal repayment amounts, as contractually agreed, reference should be made to the Notes Net financial debt and Financial Risk Management in the separate financial statements of Telecom Italia S.p.A. at December 31, 2011.

Financial assets

Financial assets total 5,829 million euros (6,624 million euros at December 31, 2010) of which 890 million euros refers to financial receivables from Group companies.

Moreover, 2,938 million euros (4,524 million euros at December 31, 2010) is classified as current financial assets. This level of current assets, together with unused committed credit lines of 7 billion euros, allows the Company to amply meet its repayment obligations.

In particular:

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Cash and cash equivalents amount to 1,595 million euros (2,763 million euros at December 31, 2010). The different technical forms of investing available cash at December 31, 2011 can be analyzed as follows:

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Maturities: investments have a maximum maturity of three months;

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Counterpart risk: investments by the European companies are made with leading banking, financial and industrial institutions with high-credit-quality and at least an A- rating;

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Country risk: investments are made mainly in major European financial markets.

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Securities other than investments amount to 864 million euros (1,159 million euros at December 31, 2010): these consist of Italian treasury bonds purchased by Telecom Italia S.p.A.. These bonds, which pursuant to Consob Communication DEM/11070007 of August 5, 2011 represent investments in Sovereign debt securities, have been made in accordance with the Guideline for investments of liquidity using financial instruments adopted by the Telecom Italia Group in July 2009. Such forms of investment represent alternatives to the investment of liquidity with the aim of raising the return. For further details, reference should be made to the Note Financial risk management in the separate financial statements of Telecom Italia S.p.A. at December 31, 2011.

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Separate Income Statements

(millions of euros)	Year	Year	Change	
	2011	2010	(amount)	%
Revenues		18,045	(940)	(5.0)
Other income	247	210	37	17.6
Total operating revenues and other income		18,292	(903)	(4.7)
Acquisition of goods and services	(6,324)	(6,651)	327	4.9
Employee benefits expenses	(2,638)	(3,121)	483	15.5
Other operating expenses	(705)	(666)	(39)	(5.9)
Changes in inventories	13	(56)	69	°
Internally generated assets	362	388	(26)	(6.7)
Operating profit before depreciation and amortization, capital gains (losses) and impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets (EBITDA)		9,000	(89)	(1.0)
Depreciation and amortization	(3,793)	(4,107)	314	7.6
Gains (losses) on disposals of non-current assets	(9)	(4)	(5)	°
Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	(5,380)	(9)	(5,371)	°

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Operating profit (loss) (EBIT)	(182)4,969	(5,151)	°
Income (expenses) from investments	(147) 1,796	(1,943)	°
Finance income	2,538 2,819	(281)	(10.0)
Finance expenses	(4,587) (4,974)	387	7.8
Profit (loss) before tax	(2,378)4,610	(6,988)	°
Income tax expense	(1,193) (1,097)	(96)	(8.8)
Profit (loss) for the year	(3,571)3,513	(7,084)	°

Statements of Comprehensive Income

In accordance with IAS 1 (Presentation of Financial Statements), which came into effect on January 1, 2009, the following statements of comprehensive income include the profit (loss) for the year as shown in the separate consolidated income statements and all non-owner changes in equity.

(millions of euros)		Year	Year
		2011	2010
Profit (loss) for the year	(a)	(3,571)	3,513
Other components of the Statements of Comprehensive Income:			
Available-for-sale assets:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		9	(1)
Net fiscal impact		(4)	(1)
	(b)	5	(2)
Hedging instruments:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		(506)	(1)
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Income Statement		122	(29)
Net fiscal impact		106	8
	(c)	(278)	(22)
Total	(d=b+c)	(273)	(24)
Total profit (loss) for the year	(a+d)	(3,844)	3,489

Statements of Financial Position

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010	Change
	(a)	(b)	(a-b)
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets			
Goodwill	34,627	40,013	(5,386)
Intangible assets with a finite useful life	4,865	3,970	895
	39,492	43,983	(4,491)
Tangible assets			
Property, plant and equipment owned	9,726	10,224	(498)
Assets held under finance leases	1,091	1,177	(86)
	10,817	11,401	(584)
Other non-current assets			
Investments	9,416	9,803	(387)
Non-current financial assets	2,891	2,100	791
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets	545	512	33
Deferred tax assets	882	918	(36)
	13,734	13,333	401
Total Non-current assets	(a)	64,043,687,17	(4,674)
Current assets			
Inventories	125	112	13
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets	5,047	5,273	(226)
Current income tax receivables	-	-	-
Current financial assets			
<i>Securities other than investments, financial receivables and other current financial assets</i>	1,343	1,761	(418)
<i>Cash and cash equivalents</i>	1,595	2,763	(1,168)
	2,938	4,524	(1,586)
Total Current assets	(b)	8,110,909	(1,799)
Total Assets	(a+b)	72,153,78,626	(6,473)
Equity and Liabilities			
Equity			
Share capital issued	10,694	10,689	5
Less: treasury shares	(21)	(21)	-
Share capital	10,673	10,668	5
Paid-in capital	1,704	1,697	7
Other reserves and retained earnings, including profit (loss) for the year	8,160	13,199	(5,039)
Total Equity	(c)	20,537,25,564	(5,027)
Non-current liabilities			
Non-current financial liabilities	34,941	37,154	(2,213)
Employee benefits	741	968	(227)
Deferred tax liabilities	1	1	-
Provisions	468	485	(17)
Miscellaneous payables and other non-current liabilities	585	675	(90)

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Total Non-current liabilities	(d)	36,73639,283	(2,547)
Current liabilities			
Current financial liabilities		7,290	6,056
Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities		7,527	7,689
Current income tax payables		63	34
Total Current liabilities	(e)	14,88013,779	1,101
Total Liabilities	(f=d+e)	51,61653,062	(1,446)
Total Equity and Liabilities	(c+f)	72,15378,626	(6,473)

Statements of Cash Flows

(millions of euros)	Year	Year
	2011	2010
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Profit (loss) for the year	(3,571)	3,513
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation and amortization	3,793	4,107
Impairment losses (reversals) on non-current assets (including investments)	5,829	648
Net change in deferred tax assets and liabilities	138	11
Losses (gains) realized on disposals of non-current assets (including investments)	(31)	4
Change in employee benefits	(222)	57
Change in inventories	(13)	55
Change in trade receivables and net amounts due from customers on construction contracts	132	292
Change in trade payables	(196)	(474)
Net change in current income tax receivables/payables	29	(231)
Net change in miscellaneous receivables/payables and other assets/liabilities	(124)	(408)
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities (a)	5,764	7,574
Cash flows from investing activities:		
Purchase of intangible assets on an accrual basis	(2,351)	(1,230)
Purchase of tangible assets on an accrual basis	(1,771)	(1,788)
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on an accrual basis	(4,122)	(3,018)
Change in amounts due to fixed asset suppliers	510	(113)
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on a cash basis	(3,612)	(3,131)
Acquisitions of control of subsidiaries or other businesses, net of cash acquired	-	-
Acquisitions/disposals of other investments	(42)	(200)
Change in financial receivables and other financial assets	(313)	184
Proceeds from sale/reimbursements of intangible, tangible and other non-current assets	60	(29)
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities (b)	(3,907)	(3,176)
Cash flows from financing activities:		
Change in current financial liabilities and other	788	260
Proceeds from non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)	4,083	1,879
Repayments of non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)	(6,391)	(6,859)
Share capital proceeds/reimbursements	-	23
Dividends paid	(1,190)	(1,034)
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities (c)	(2,710)	(5,731)
Aggregate cash flows (d=a+b+c)	(853)	(1,333)
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year (e)	2,136	3,469
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of the year (f=d+e)	1,283	2,136

Additional Cash Flow Information

	Year	Year
(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Income taxes (paid) received	(1,010)	(1,321)
Interest expense paid	(3,311)	(3,438)
Interest income received	1,440	1,462
Dividends received	254	2,357

Analysis of Net Cash and Cash Equivalents

	Year	Year
(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents	2,763	4,236
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand	(627)	(767)
	2,136	3,469
Net cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,594	2,763
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand	(311)	(627)
	1,283	2,136

Reconciliation of Consolidated Equity

(millions of euros)	Profit (loss) for the year		Equity at 12/31	
	2011	2010	2011	2010
Equity and profit (loss) for the year of Telecom Italia S.p.A.	(3,571)	3,513	20,537	25,564
Equity and result for the year of consolidated companies, net of the share attributable to Non-controlling interests	1,118	1,274	19,728	19,026
Consolidation adjustments on the equity and profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent:				
elimination of carrying amount of consolidated investments	-	-	(31,899)	(31,433)
impairment losses of consolidated companies included in the results of parent companies	779	519	11,091	10,931
elimination of goodwill recognized in Parent financial statements	5,376	-	(34,627)	(40,013)
recognition of positive differences arising from purchase of investments, of which:				
goodwill	(7,307)	-	36,651	43,774
allocation of the purchase price to the net assets acquired and the liabilities assumed in the business combinations	(26)	276	322	268
effect of elimination of carrying amount of Parent's shares held by Telecom Italia Finance	1	1	(103)	(121)
valuation of investments using the equity method, net of dividends	(39)	99	22	123
intragroup dividends	(936)	(2,645)	-	-
adjustments of losses (gains) on disposals of investments	(119)	46	-	-
elimination of internal profits included in tangible and intangible assets	4	2	(23)	(40)
measurement of hedging derivatives, from Group's view	44	4	801	383
other adjustments	(50)	32	291	357
Equity and profit (loss) for the year attributable to owners of the Parent	(4,726)	3,121	22,791	28,819
Equity and result for the year attributable to Non-controlling interests	446	454	3,904	3,736
Equity and profit (loss) for the year in the consolidated financial statements	(4,280)	3,575	26,695	32,555

Corporate Boards at December 31, 2011

Board of Directors

The ordinary session of the shareholders meeting held on April 12, 2011 appointed the new board of directors of the Company composed of 15 directors who will remain in office for three years until the approval of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2013.

On April 13, 2011, the board of directors appointed Franco Bernabè Executive Chairman, Aldo Minucci Deputy Chairman and Marco Patuano Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer.

On August 4, 2011, the board of directors coopted the director Lucia Calvosa to replace the director Ferdinando Falco Beccalli, who resigned on June 6, 2011.

On December 1, 2011, the board of directors coopted the director Massimo Egidi to replace the director Francesco Profumo, who resigned on November 16, 2011.

At December 31, 2011, the board of directors is therefore composed of 15 members, as follows:

Executive Chairman Franco Bernabè
Deputy Chairman Aldo Minucci
Managing Director and Marco Patuano

Chief Operating
Officer

Directors César Alierta Izuel
Tarak Ben Ammar
Lucia Calvosa (independent)
Elio Cosimo Catania (independent)
Massimo Egidi (independent)
Jean Paul Fitoussi (independent)
Gabriele Galateri di Genola
Julio Linares López
Gaetano Micciché
Renato Pagliaro
Mauro Sentinelli (independent)
Luigi Zingales (independent)

Secretary to the Board Antonino Cusimano

All the board members are domiciled for the positions they hold in Telecom Italia at the registered offices of the Company in Milan, Piazza degli Affari 2.

On April 13, 2011, the board of directors also appointed the members of the board Committees, which are now composed as follows:

- Executive Committee – Executive Chairman, Deputy Chairman, Managing Director, Directors Elio Cosimo Catania, Julio Linares López, Renato Pagliaro and Mauro Sentinelli (*);
- Committee for Internal Control and Corporate Governance – Directors Elio Cosimo Catania (Chairman of the Committee), Jean Paul Fitoussi, Lucia Calvosa (**), Mauro Sentinelli and Luigi Zingales;
- Nomination and Remuneration Committee - Directors Elio Cosimo Catania (Chairman of the Committee), Jean Paul Fitoussi, Gabriele Galateri di Genola and Massimo Egidi (***)

In addition to the responsibilities of the internal Committees which remain those established by the Company's Self-regulatory Code, the following duties were also attributed to:

- the Executive Committee: responsibility for expressing a preliminary opinion on the transactions submitted for approval to the board of directors pursuant to point 3.2 of the Self-regulatory Code, that is, on the transactions which, by their nature, strategic importance, size or commitments which they may involve, have a significant impact on the operations of the Company and the Group;
- the Committee for Internal Control and Corporate Governance: responsibility over matters regarding transactions with related parties according to the specific Procedure on this subject and the task of high-level oversight regarding corporate social responsibility;
- the Nomination and Remuneration Committee: responsibility over matters regarding the executive management succession and replacement process, as well as the task of formulating the proposal for allocating the total compensation established by the shareholders' meeting among the entire board of directors.

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The Committee had also included the director Ferdinando Falco Beccalli.

(**)

On September 29, 2011, the board of directors, having taken note of the resignation of the director Francesco Profumo, appointed the director Lucia Calvosa to replace him. The Committee continues to be composed of only independent directors.

(***)

On January 19, 2012, the board of directors appointed the director Massimo Egidi to replace the director Francesco Profumo.

Board of Statutory Auditors

The board of statutory auditors of Telecom Italia was elected by the shareholders meeting held on April 8, 2009 and will remain in office until the approval of the 2011 annual financial statements.

The board of statutory auditors is composed as follows:

Chairman	Enrico Maria Bignami
Acting Auditors	Gianluca Ponzellini
	Lorenzo Pozza
	Salvatore Spiniello
	Ferdinando Superti Furga
Alternate Auditors	Silvano Corbella
	Maurizio Lauri
	Vittorio Giacomo Mariani
	Ugo Rock

Independent Auditors

The shareholders meeting held on April 29, 2010 appointed the audit firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A. to audit the Telecom Italia financial statements for the nine-year period 2010-2018.

Manager responsible for preparing the Company's financial reports

Andrea Mangoni (Head of the Group Administration, Finance and Control & International Development Function) is the manager responsible for preparing Telecom Italia's financial reports.

Macro-Organization Chart of the Telecom Italia Group at December 31, 2011

Under General Disposition no. 557 dated February 8, 2012, the following report to the deputy chairman Aldo Minucci, as from the same date:

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Audit entrusted to Federico Maurizio d'Andrea;

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Compliance entrusted to the Group Compliance Officer *Francesca Petralia*;

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IT & Security Compliance entrusted to *Roberto Mazzilli*.

Information for Investors

Telecom Italia S.p.A. Share Capital at December 31, 2011

Share capital (in euros)	10,693,628,019.25 euros
Number of ordinary shares (par value 0.55 euros each)	13,416,839,374
Number of savings shares (par value 0.55 euros each)	6,026,120,661
Number of Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary treasury shares	37,672,014
Number of Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary shares held by Telecom Italia Finance S.A.	124,544,373
Percentage of ordinary treasury shares held by the Group to total share capital	0.83%
Market capitalization (based on December 2011 average prices)	15,242 million euros

On August 2, 2011, under the broad-based employees share ownership Plan reserved for employees of Telecom Italia and the companies which it controls with headquarters in Italy, share capital was increased with the grant of 8,876,296 bonus ordinary shares, for a total par value of 4,881,962.80 euros, drawing from the specific profit reserve set up on April 12, 2011 by the ordinary session of the shareholders meeting.

Shareholders

Composition of Telecom Italia S.p.A. shareholders according to the Shareholders Book at December 31, 2011, supplemented by communications received and other available sources of information (ordinary shares):

The shareholders of Telco (Generali Group: 30.58%; Mediobanca S.p.A.: 11.62%; Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A.: 11.62%; Telefónica S.A.: 46.18%) signed a Shareholders Agreement, relevant for Telecom Italia pursuant to Legislative Decree 58/1998, art. 122.

The description of the basic contents of the agreement is contained in the Report on the Corporate Governance and Share Ownership Structure, posted on the website: telecomitalia.com.

Major Holdings in Share Capital

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At December 31, 2011, taking into account the results in the Shareholders Book, communications sent to Consob and the Company pursuant to Legislative Decree 58 dated February 24, 1998, art. 120 and other sources of information, the principal shareholders of Telecom Italia S.p.A. s ordinary share capital are as follows:

Holder	Type of ownership	Percentage of ownership
Telco S.p.A.	Direct	22.39%
Findim Group S.A.	Direct	4.99%

Furthermore, the following companies, as investment advisory firms, notified Consob that they are in possession of Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary shares:

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Blackrock Inc.: on May 20, 2010, for a quantity of ordinary shares which at December 31, 2011 is equal to 2.89% of total Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary shares;

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Alliance Bernstein LP: on November 14, 2008, for a quantity of ordinary shares which at December 31, 2011 is equal to 2.06% of total Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary shares.

Common Representatives

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The special meeting of the savings shareholders held on May 28, 2010 elected Emanuele Rimini as the common representative for three financial years (up to the approval of the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2012).

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By decree of March 26, 2009, the Milan Court appointed Francesco Pensato as the common representative of the bondholders for the Telecom Italia S.p.A. Euro 1,250,000,000 5.375 per cent. Notes due 2019 (with a mandate for the three-year period 2009-2011).

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By decree of March 7, 2011, the Milan Court appointed Enrico Cotta Ramusino as the common representative of the bondholders for the Telecom Italia S.p.A. 2002-2022 bonds at variable rates, open special series, reserved for subscription by employees of the Telecom Italia Group, in service or retired (with a mandate for the three-year period 2011-2013).

Annual Report on the Corporate Governance and Share Ownership Structure

The annual Report on the Corporate Governance and Share Ownership Structure is posted on the Company s website at the following address: www.telecomitalia.com; section Corporate, channel Governance.

Shareholders meeting

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The shareholders meeting is convened after the limit of 120 days, as permitted by art. 2364, paragraph 2 of the Italian Civil Code, in relation to the needs of consolidation.

Performance of the Stocks of the Major Companies in the Telecom Italia Group

Relative performance by Telecom Italia S.p.A.

1/1/2011 - 12/31/2011 vs. FTSE Italia All-Share and DJ Stoxx TLC Index

(*) Chart based on Telecom Italia ord. price of EUR 0.9915 at 1/3/2011 - Stock market prices. Source: Reuters.

Relative performance by Telecom Italia Media S.p.A.

1/1/2011 12/31/2011 vs. FTSE - Italia All-Share and DJ Stoxx Media Index^(*)

(*) Chart based on Telecom Italia Media ord. price of EUR 0.238 at 1/3/2011 - Stock market prices. Source: Reuters.

Relative performance by Tim Participações S.A.

1/1/2011 12/31/2011 vs. BOVESPA and ITEL Index (in Brazilian reais)^(*)

(*) Chart based on Tim Participações ord. price BRL 6.7059 at 1/3/2011 - Stock market prices. Source: Reuters.

Relative performance by Telecom Argentina S.A. (Class B ordinary shares)
 1/1/2011 12/31/2011 vs. Merval Index (in Argentine pesos) (*)

(*) Chart based on Telecom Argentina Class B price ARS 19.44 at 1/3/2011 - Stock market prices. . Source: Reuters.

Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary and savings shares, Tim Participações S.A. ordinary shares, Telecom Argentina S.A. Class B ordinary shares and Nortel Inversora S.A. Class B preferred shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). The shares are listed through American Depositary Shares (ADS) representing, respectively, 10 Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary shares and 10 savings shares, 5 Tim Participações S.A. ordinary shares, 5 Telecom Argentina S.A. Class B ordinary shares and 0.05 Nortel Inversora S.A. Class B preferred shares.

Rating at December 31, 2011

	Rating	Outlook
STANDARD & POOR'S	BBB	Negative
MOODY'S	Baa2	Negative
FITCH RATINGS	BBB	Negative

In October, Standard & Poor's and Fitch Ratings also downgraded the Outlook to Negative .

The downgrade of the Outlook from Stable to Negative principally reflects the rating agencies' fear of the impact on business from a possible slowdown in the macroeconomic scenario in Italy, associated in part with the introduction of austerity measures by the government.

Related Party Transactions

In accordance with art. 5, paragraph 8 of Consob Regulation 17221 of March 12, 2010 concerning related party transactions and the subsequent Consob Resolution 17389 of June 23, 2010, there were no significant transactions entered into in 2011 as defined by art. 4, paragraph 1, letter a) of the aforementioned regulation or other transactions with related parties which had a major impact on the financial position or on the results of the Telecom Italia Group or Telecom Italia S.p.A..

Furthermore, there were no changes or developments regarding the related party transactions described in the 2010 report on operations which had a significant effect on the financial position or on the results of the Telecom Italia Group or Telecom Italia S.p.A. in 2011.

Transactions with related parties, when not dictated by specific laws, are usually conducted at arm's length. Furthermore, the transactions are subject to an internal procedure (adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors on November 4, 2010, pursuant to the Regulation adopted by Consob with Resolution 17221/2010, which can be consulted on the Company's website at the following address: www.telecomitalia.com, section Governance, channel governance system), which defines procedures and timing for verification and monitoring.

The information on related parties required by Consob Communication DEM/6064293 of July 28, 2006 is presented in the financial statements themselves and in the Note Related party transactions in the consolidated financial statements of the Telecom Italia Group and the separate financial statements of Telecom Italia S.p.A. at December 31, 2011.

Furthermore, a specific Group Steering Committee for Relations with Telefónica has been operational since the end of 2007. Its purpose, among other things, is to identify business areas and activities that could lead to possible industrial synergies between the two Groups and to devise the resulting plans to implement them. The internal working groups consequently set up for this purpose continue to work jointly to identify numerous areas of interest regarding:

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the achievement of synergies, strictly speaking, especially in the areas of procurement, IT, technology and research and innovation, in which the common factor would be the experience and expertise of each of the two parties, with consequent possible improvements;

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the sharing of best practices in the areas of specific processes or company services, aimed at improving performance in the respective domestic markets.

The program for industrial cooperation has already generated slightly more than 1.3 billion euros during the three years 2008-2010, confirming the initial value assigned to the project announced to the market in March 2008. The quota of the synergies benefitting Telecom Italia is equal to 55%.

Such collaboration will also continue during the next three years 2011-2013, with the aim of further synergies of a value comparable to that already achieved in the previous three years in part due to the ongoing extension of the activities now in progress and in part due to ever greater attention to innovative services and the alignment of technological platforms as well as the continuous improvement in their respective domestic performance by sharing best practices.

The operational sphere of the initiative would exclude the operations of the two groups in Brazil and Argentina.

In view of its strategic nature, as well as having considered the circumstance that Telefónica is a related party of Telecom Italia, the Committee for Internal Control and Corporate Governance has been called upon to monitor the manner in which the project is implemented, in light of the specific rules of conduct.

Endnotes

Net of capital expenditures requirements

Sustainability Section

Introduction

For the past 15 years, Telecom Italia has been publishing a Sustainability Report in which it analyses the Company's performance in respect of the stakeholders with whom it interacts on a daily basis.

As a demonstration of the importance attached to this subject, as of 2003, information and indicators regarding sustainability have been incorporated into the Report on operations, thus confirming the Group's intention to present financial and non-financial data together.

References and Governance

The Telecom Italia Group operates with the conviction that business activities must be conducted in a way that considers the expectations of stakeholders, in accordance with the principles established by internationally recognised standards. In defining and implementing its sustainability strategies and programmes, the Group makes reference to the guidelines issued by the main international Corporate Responsibility guidance and standardisation organisations.

In 2002, Telecom Italia signed up to the principles of the main point of reference at the global level, that is, the Global Compact, which was launched in 2000 by the UN to promote the protection of the environment, respect for human rights and working standards, and anti-corruption practices.

The Sustainability Management System also takes into account the principal reference regulations and international standards:

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European Commission directives, recommendations and communications;

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the OCSE guidelines directed at multinational enterprises;

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ISO9000 and ISO14000 quality and environmental management system certifications;

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principles of the International Labour Organization (ILO) Conventions on respecting the fundamental rights of workers;

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the Social AccountAbility 8000 standard (SA8000), aimed at promoting respect for human rights and working conditions by companies and their supply chains;

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AA1000 AccountAbility Principles Standard (APS 2008) drawn up by AccountAbility, an international organisation which promotes collaboration between stakeholders, and lays down standards and guidelines on matters of sustainability. The APS 2008 standard establishes the principles a company must respect in order to define itself as accountable;

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ISO26000 guidelines presented at the end of the year for private and public organisations of all sizes.

Since 2009, the Committee for Internal Control and Corporate Governance has been supervising sustainability activities in general, including projects conducted by the Telecom Italia Foundation, to ensure they are consistent with the Group's ethical values.

Placement in the indexes

Sustainability indexes are stock indexes in which securities are selected not only on the basis of economic-financial parameters but also in the light of social and environmental criteria. The selection process is carried out by specialised agencies that assess companies on the basis of publicly available information or questionnaires, taking account of opinions expressed by the media and stakeholders. Inclusion in these indexes is of strategic importance to companies because of the positive effects on their reputation and because, in addition to the pension funds and ethical funds, an ever increasing number of investors favour sustainable companies, considering them to be less risky and more promising in the medium to long term.

Taking part in the process of evaluation is, moreover, a timely moment for reflection within the company on the results achieved. The suggestions of the rating agencies at the end of the process are taken into consideration when planning improvement actions in the future.

In 2011, for the eighth year in a row, Telecom Italia has been confirmed in both categories of the Dow Jones Sustainability indexes:

- the Dow Jones Sustainability World Index (DJSI World), which includes 341 components;

- the Dow Jones Sustainability Europe index (DJSI Europe), consisting of 172 European components, and the respective Eurozone index, consisting of 97 components in the Euro area.

Since the inception of the Financial Times Stock Exchange for Good (FTSE4Good) series, Telecom Italia has been present in all the major indexes:

- FTSE4Good Global (719 components);

- FTSE4Good Europe (284 components);

- FTSE4Good Environmental Leaders Europe, which includes 40 components selected from the FTSE4Good Europe on the basis of the results achieved on matters of environmental protection.

Telecom Italia is also included in the following indexes:

- Advanced Sustainable Performance Index (ASPI) Eurozone, consisting of 120 components;

- Ethibel Sustainability Indexes (ESI):

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- Excellence Europe, comprising 199 components;

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- Excellence Euro, consisting of 114 components;

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- Excellence Global, comprising 121 components.

- MSCI ESG Indexes:

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MSCI WORLD ESG INDEX, consisting of 795 components;

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MSCI WORLD formerly USA ESG INDEX, consisting of 482 components;

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MSCI EAFE ESG INDEX, consisting of 433 components;

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MSCI EUROPE ESG INDEX, consisting of 227 components.

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ECPI Indexes:

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ECPI Ethical Global Equity, consisting of 300 components;

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ECPI Ethical Euro Equity, consisting of 150 components;

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ECPI Ethical EMU Equity, consisting of 150 components.

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AXIA Sustainable Index (ASI), consisting of 40 components.

Tim Participações had its position confirmed in the ISE (Índice de Sustentabilidade Empresarial) index managed by BM&F Bovespa (the São Paulo stock exchange), together with the Brazilian Environment Ministry and other financial and sustainability organisations. The index consists of 38 components that have achieved the highest sustainability scores, selected on the basis of a questionnaire submitted to the 182 most traded companies on the BM&F Bovespa.

Communication of non-financial performance

In the context of the Alliance between the European Commission and companies launched in March 2006 with the aim of turning Europe into a centre of excellence in CSR, a "Sustainability and non-financial performance evaluation" laboratory has been set up, of which Telecom Italia has been a co-leader.

Following a widespread consultation process involving companies, investors, academics, representatives of the European Commission and stakeholders in Italy and abroad, the laboratory launched an advanced non-financial

performance communication model based on six priority areas (human capital, customer relations, community, innovation, environment and corporate governance) in which companies and investors are both interested. Therefore, the high quality reporting of non-financial information by companies on these subjects would be valued by the financial markets and taken into consideration in the assessment of investments. For further information, see the website launched by the laboratory, investorvalue.org.

During 2011, the laboratory's work continued in the context of a collaborative venture project launched by CSR Europe and EABIS (European Academy for Business in Society), in which Telecom Italia plays a leading role together with other big companies and international organisations.

The project has the dual purpose of:

- identifying a small number of sustainability key performance indicators shared with the financial community (analysts, asset managers, banks and funds);
- sharing the best practice used by companies to measure and manage non-financial performance.

For further information, see the sustainability section of the telecomitalia.com website and the Enterprise 2020/Priority topics 2011 – 2013 section of the csreurope.org website.

Reporting

Scope and criteria

In accordance with the principle of materiality, and unless otherwise stated (see the Human Resources chapter), the sustainability report covers only subsidiaries with revenue greater than 300,000 Euro and more than 40 employees which are included in the Telecom Italia's Financial Statements, (excluding discontinued companies and non-current assets held for sale).

The Business Units referred to in the tables, unless otherwise stated, are:

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Domestic: telecommunication services and infrastructure and other associated activities carried out in Italy

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Brazil: services and activities of Tim Brasil

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Argentina: services and activities of the Telecom Argentina Group

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Media: activities of the Media Group

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Olivetti: activities of the Olivetti Group

In accordance with the triple bottom line^(*) approach, the company's economic and financial data has to be analysed and represented together with the environmental and social results. Only an overall analysis of company performance including all three dimensions can provide stakeholders with comprehensive information and allow their interests to be balanced in a way that guarantees the success and survival of the company in the medium and long term. For this reason, the Group has included sustainability data in the Consolidated Financial Statements since 2003, pre-empting the implementation of European Directive 51/2003, which was transposed in Italy by Legislative Decree No. 32 of February 2, 2007.

The Sustainability Report is based on a multi-stakeholder approach involving the joint analysis of actions taken in respect of the main stakeholders with whom the Company interacts. It is drawn up on the basis of a system of around 200 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) relating to all the areas in which the Company has a major impact and measuring its capacity to respond as well as the degree to which it has achieved the established objectives. The KPIs are defined on the basis of:

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the analysis of the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), an international organisation which has developed universally applicable guidelines for drawing up sustainability reports that facilitate comparisons between companies;

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the demands of stakeholders;

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the questionnaires sent out by the leading rating agencies for the purpose of admission to the stock market sustainability indexes;

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the experience gained over the 15 years during which the Company has performed this activity.

The KPIs are managed on the CPM system, a dedicated application used also for the management of financial data.

The AA1000 standard

The Sustainability Report is based on the AA1000 AccountAbility Principles Standard (APS) 2008, adopted as of the 2009 Financial Statements, and set out below:

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inclusivity: identification of the stakeholders and their expectations, and the development of strategies of involvement aimed at improving the Company's sustainability performance;

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materiality: identification of the important issues for the organisation and its stakeholders;

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responsiveness: a description of the initiatives carried out by the Company to meet the expectations of stakeholders.

The adherence of Telecom Italia's financial statements to the AA1000 standard is verified by the PricewaterhouseCoopers auditing company.

Economic value generated and distributed

The economic value generated and distributed to stakeholders is shown below⁽¹⁾. Since 2008, the method of presentation recommended by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) has been adopted, with appropriate adaptation.

Telecom Italia Group economic value generated and distributed

(million euros)	2011	2010
Direct economic value generated		
a) Total revenue and operating income	30,256	27,826
b) Interest payable and dividends paid	196	117
c) Net gains (losses) on disposals of non-current assets	3	11
d) Direct economic value generated (a+b+c)	30,455	27,954
Economic value distributed		
e) Operating costs	13,744	12,193
f) Employee costs	3,917	4,021
g) Shareholders and providers of capital	3,305	3,206
h) Taxes and duties	1,814	1,458
i) Economic value distributed (e+f+g+h)	22,780	20,878
Economic value retained (d-i)	7,675	7,076

(million euros)	2011	2010
Wages and salaries	2,788	2,615
Social security costs	993	931
Provisions for employees' severance and retirement	(77)	52
Other expenses	213	423
Employee costs	3,917	4,021

(million euros)	2011	2010
Acquisition of external goods and services	12,842	11,371
Other operating costs ^(*)	1,527	1,234
Change in inventories	(56)	135
Internally generated assets	(569)	(547)
Operating costs	13,744	12,193

(*)

Mainly includes write-downs and charges connected to the management of non-financial credits of 533 million euros (478 million euros in 2010), accruals for risks of 128 million euros (80 million euros in 2010), and contributions and fees for the performance of Tlc activities of 675 million euros (484 million euros in 2010) net of Other taxes and duties of 349 million euros (200 million euros in 2010) included in the item Taxes and duties.

(million euros)	2011	2010
Dividends distributed	1,257	1,064
Interest payable	2,048	2,142

Shareholders and providers of capital	3,305	3,206
(million euros)	2011	2010
Income taxes	1,465	1,258
Indirect taxes and duties	349	200
Taxes and duties	1,814	1,458
regarding Italian activities	1,177	1,240
regarding activities abroad	637	218

Customers

Customer satisfaction

Customer listening at Telecom Italia

Telecom Italia has developed a customer listening model which enables the assessment of both service quality and customer experience resulting from the possible different type of contacts with Telecom Italia: these range from the most recent contacts (e.g. the activation of an ADSL line, a request for information or the reporting of a fault) to the overall customer perception built over time. The results are used to continuously improving our performance with the aim of providing products and services that are ever more responsive to customer needs.

In 2011, the listening system was extended and structured into 6 areas:

- operational processes/events: in order to monitor the fundamental operational processes (delivery, assurance, sales, technical and commercial support, etc.);
- touch points: monitoring of the various customer contact channels and occasions (e.g. points of sale, billing, customer care and web);
- key products and services: e.g. fixed and mobile broadband, smartphones, etc.;
- lifecycle: monitoring of fundamental relationship events (between customer and operator;
- intangible issues that have a cross-cutting impact on customer satisfaction (e.g. innovation);
- "reflective" surveys: these are based on the customer's overall perception and are not connected with a specific event. The indicator used in this kind of survey is the Customer Satisfaction Index (CSI). The CSI allows international statistical standards (ACSI model) to be used to measure customer perception of the main satisfaction drivers in the different type of customers of Telecom Italia (fixed consumer, mobile consumer, fixed business , mobile business, top clients, public sector) and the similar services provided by leading competitors.

During 2011, a new CSI measurement model was introduced that takes further dimensions into account (e.g. socio-cultural variables, local context, etc.). In December 2011, Telecom Italia obtained a Certificate of Conformity of its Customer Satisfaction Index (CSI) measurement process with the requirements of the UNI 11098-2003 standard (Guidelines for determining Customer Satisfaction and for measuring the respective process indicators).

The CSI values of Telecom Italia by type of customer are shown below. The 2010 data have therefore been recalculated in order to make them comparable to 2011.

Customer type(*)

	2011	2010
CONSUMER	74.24	73.86
BUSINESS	62.98	62.10
TOP CLIENTS	68.40	67.19
PUBLIC SECTOR	71.91	71.34
TOTALS	70.86	70.38

(*)

Average satisfaction is measured on a scale of 0-100, where 0 means not at all satisfied and 100 means completely satisfied .

The information in the following table refers to the annual average value of customer satisfaction concerning customer care, measured in the "reactive" surveys for Telecom Italia S.p.A.

Type of customer care customer

	Overall satisfaction(*)	
	2011	2010
187 consumer fixed telephony	8.32	7.39
119 consumer mobile telephony	8.56	8.33
191 business fixed telephony	7.06	6.72
191 business mobile telephony	7.13	6.47

(*) Average satisfaction on a scale of 1-10, where 1 means not at all satisfied and 10 means completely satisfied .

Customer satisfaction within the managerial incentives scheme

Among the targets set for all the managers included in Telecom Italia's short term managerial incentives scheme there are also those linked to customer satisfaction, in line with the business plan for the period. The targets are measured on the basis of customer satisfaction indexes monitored by means of periodic "reflective" surveys: the overall CSI for the Company and the specific customer satisfaction indexes per customer type.

Additional targets are set for particularly critical processes and activities (commercial and technical front-end) based on quality parameters measured by "reactive" surveys.

Customer satisfaction within collective incentives schemes

Also Telecom Italia's collective incentives schemes include a target linked to customer satisfaction. In particular, the performance-related pay award for employees not covered by an individual incentive scheme, incorporates both the overall customer satisfaction target across the whole Company and specific targets for the organisational structures responsible for different customer categories.

Suppliers

General matters

The selection, assessment and control of Telecom Italia Group's suppliers, for high risk procurement sectors, involves a pre-contractual qualification stage in which the economic/financial and technical/organisational characteristics are assessed. The positive evaluation of these characteristics allows inclusion in the Group's Register of Vendors. The Group requires every supplier to make a commitment, for themselves and their authorised sub-contractors, collaborators and employees, to observe the principles of ethics and conduct included in the Group's Code of Ethics.

Registered companies which have received purchase orders normally undergo checks during the supply period, including incoming quality control (mandatory for acceptance and use of the purchased goods) and monitoring of the vendor rating (systematic assessment of the supply).

Main sustainability initiatives

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The process that establishes the activities aimed at improving the social responsibility of the supply chain has been redesigned by introducing a more comprehensive system of elements used to assess the sustainability of suppliers during the qualification stages, incoming quality and vendor rating.

The most significant aspects of the process include:

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the creation of a self-assessment questionnaire for new suppliers during the qualification phase. The questionnaire was developed according to best industry practice and the main requirements of the relevant standards for responsible corporate management relating to ethical values and safeguarding the environment, including SA8000, Global Compact and ISO14000;

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the classification of suppliers based on the potential risks associated with their sustainability performance, using a specific method that considers the socio-environmental and business continuity aspects of the procurement markets to which the suppliers belong. Suppliers in the higher risk classes undergo Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) audits.

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In December 2011, ISO9001:2008 certificate of conformity of the Quality Management System was confirmed for the Group's Supply Chain & Real Estate department, with specific recognition for the initiatives taken in the field of sustainability. The certification required 27 Department processes to be mapped, identifying 155 performance indicators that allow the administration of services provided to internal clients and suppliers to be monitored and improved. Furthermore, the ISO14001 certification was confirmed for the service unit Facility and Real Estate and Infrastructure Acquisitions activities.

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Application continued of the green procurement policy established in 2009, which contains guidelines for establishing the environmental requirements of products and services purchased.

The policy covers all stages of the product life: design, production, use and end of life.

Published on the supplier portal of Telecom Italia and in the sustainability section of the telecomitalia.com website, the document contributes to orienting purchasing policies towards low environmental impact products and services.

Sustainability checks

Activities continued aimed at verifying the CSR of common suppliers and sub-suppliers, as required by the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed by Telecom Italia, France Telecom and Deutsche Telekom at the end of 2009. Belgacom, KPN, Swisscom and Vodafone have also subsequently signed up to the Memorandum.

Thanks to the new members, the verification activities now cover 55 production sites located in Asia, Central and South America, North Africa and Eastern Europe. During 2010-2011, 33 audits were carried out by specialised international companies, selected by competitive tender, covering approximately 155,000 workers.

Involvement initiatives

For the fifth year in a row, the Group's main suppliers have been involved in satisfaction surveys regarding the Supply Chain & Real Estate department and, more generally, Telecom Italia. The online questionnaire, consisting of 27 questions, remained active for 3 weeks. The survey involved 1,132 suppliers with a 48% response rate. The overall assessment of the supply relationship with the Telecom Italia Group achieved a score of 73/100, which is consistent with 2010, thus confirming the improvement recorded in the last survey and the generally positive trend in the level of satisfaction recorded since 2008. The analysis of the satisfaction level shows an upward trend in the percentage of suppliers who state they are satisfied or very satisfied.

The two e-communities set up in previous years for suppliers in the civil infrastructure and network operations sectors, aimed at improving dialogue mainly regarding social and environmental sustainability, remain active.

The activities of the e-communities mainly take place through a platform known as TelecHome. Developed in Web 2.0 logic, it contributes to the exchange of information and experiences within the e-communities, in order to:

- integrate the best operational practices on specific issues;
- publish the results obtained, in terms of the environmental/social certifications attained;
- support voting campaigns on various initiatives.

The Environment

Environmental performance

The information regarding environmental performance has been drawn from management data, some of which are estimated.

The environmental performance data given below cover energy, atmospheric emissions, water, paper, waste and electromagnetic emissions.

Energy

Energy consumption by Telecom Italia S.p.A. and the Group is presented according to the guidelines proposed by the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI G3 guidelines) regarding direct consumption for heating and transport (Scope1 according to the GreenHouse Gas Protocol⁽²⁾) and indirect consumption for the purchase and use of electricity (Scope2).

Heating systems

		Telecom Italia S.p.A.2011 2011	Changes %	
			vs 2010	vs 2009
Energy generated by heating oil	MJ	120,177,570	3.12%	6.37%
Energy generated by methane	MJ	437,290,915	0.25%	(36.54%)
Total energy for heating	MJ	557,468,485	0.86%	(30.49%)

Heating systems

TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)							
		TI Group	Domestic	Brazil	Argentina	Media	Olivetti
2011							
Total energy for heating	MJ	689,155,125	87.85%	0.00%	3.71%	0.44%	8.00%

The data in the table relating to Telecom Italia S.p.A. show that, compared to 2010, consumption for heating has remained essentially unchanged and that, as noted last year, consumption has been falling significantly since 2009, when the big cogeneration plants came into service. These plants produce heat and electricity at the same time in a number of Data Processing Centres (DPCs), leading to a reduction in the purchase of fossil fuels used exclusively to heat working environments. In Brazil, the climate makes it unnecessary to heat indoor premises while in Argentina heating is necessary only for a few months in the coldest areas of the country.

Vehicles

		Telecom Italia S.p.A.2011	Changes %	
		2011	2011	
			vs 2010	vs 2009
Unleaded petrol consumption	l	2,081,298	(46.02%)	(60.99%)
Diesel consumption	l	17,526,407	(2.38%)	(0.86%)
LPG consumption	l	238,606	(*)	(*)
Total energy for transport()	MJ	699,138,479	(8.53%)	(12.84%)

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The amount of LPG used in 2009 and 2010 was negligible and was not recorded.

(*) Represents conversion into MegaJoules of the consumption of unleaded petrol, diesel and LPG expressed in litres.

Number of vehicles and distance travelled(3)

		Telecom Italia S.p.A.2011	Changes %	
		2011	2011	
			vs 2010	vs 2009
Total number of company vehicles	no.	19,243	(3.33%)	(8.66%)
Number of low-emission vehicles()	no.	18,968	(3.34%)	(8.75%)
Total distance travelled	Km	306,714,162	(4.16%)	(0.64%)

(*)

Euro4 or higher standard vehicles fuelled by unleaded petrol, diesel and LPG, electric vehicles or vehicles running on other fuels with comparable or lower emissions.

At Telecom Italia S.p.A., the significant containment of energy consumption for transport is due partly to the reduction in the distance travelled and partly to the greater efficiency achieved in managing the fleet of vehicles.

Number of vehicles and distance travelled(*)

		TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)				
		TI Group	Domestic	Brazil	Argentina	Media Olivetti
		2011				
Total number of vehicles	no.	23,901	81.59%	3.30%	13.85%	0.38% 0.88%
Total energy consumed	MJ	956,252,389	74.36%	4.43%	19.01%	0.74% 1.46%
Total distance travelled	Km	386,246,821	80.60%	3.54%	14.00%	0.64% 1.22%

Endnotes

Consumption figures for electricity used to operate telecommunication and civil/industrial plants follow.

Electricity procured and produced

		Changes %	
	Telecom Italia S.p.A.2011 2011	vs 2010	vs 2009
Electricity from mixed sources(*) kWh	1,896,664,295	(6.28%)	(9.40%)
Electricity from renewable sources kWh	37,032,133	(7.91%)	(13.79%)
Total electricity kWh	1,933,696,428	(6.31%)	(9.49%)

(*)

Electricity purchased from mixed sources is equal to 1,813 GWh approximately. Self-produced electricity from mixed sources is equal to 84 GWh approximately and refers to the co-generation plants, with an associated consumption equal to 22 million m³ of methane. The production of electricity from continuous generators (not shown in the table) is estimated to be around 3 GWh.

Electricity procured and produced

		TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)				
		TI Group 2011	Domestic	Brazil	Argentina	Media Olivetti
Total electricity kWh	2,743,240,667	72.03%	12.67%	13.76%	0.89%	0.65%

Energy saving and network efficiency improvement initiatives led to a significant reduction in overall electricity consumption of over 6%. During 2011, energy efficiency and optimisation of consumption initiatives primarily related to:

- adoption of the most modern and efficient technological solutions for TLC platforms and servers installed in Data Centres, including the concentration and virtualisation of machines⁽⁴⁾;
- introducing innovative mobile network system technologies in order to improve performance in terms of transmission capacity and allow new services to be introduced that significantly reduce energy consumption;
- rationalising and optimising air conditioning systems, particularly by segregating environments depending on their different temperature requirements, and increasing the average operating temperatures of telephone exchanges, servers and Radio Base Stations (RBSs);
- modernising of AC/DC conversion equipment through the introduction of technological solutions that guarantee better performance;

- maintaining the efficiency of the fixed traditional switching network and the data networks;

- installing time switches to turn off the lighting systems;

- the targeted use of Full Free Cooling⁽⁵⁾ technologies and other low environmental impact systems characterised by reduced energy consumption in cooling systems;

- additional use of remote metering systems via sensor to cover around 25% of the company's energy use in 2011 (with a plan for further increases to achieve remote metering of around 50% of consumption in 2012);

- energy efficiency audits at Telecom Italia's most important sites in terms of energy consumption and consequent adoption of improvement actions;

- sharing of technological sites thanks to co-siting agreements⁽⁶⁾ leading to energy savings of around 30%.

The following initiatives were carried out in 2011 regarding the use of non-traditional or alternative and experimental new technologies:

- cogeneration/trigeneration: 5 large systems are in operation in four Data Centre sites (Rozzano, Padua, Bologna and 2 in Pomezia) and energy requirements are fulfilled by a trigeneration system (power generation, heating and cooling system) which, together with the traditional supply systems, allows energy savings of around 30%;

- building of small scale cogeneration plants fuelled by methane with an electrical output of 120 kWe. 5 additional systems have been completed at industrial sites to join the 12 systems already producing electricity and heat;

- wind/photovoltaic power: at 8 RBSs situated in areas characterised by favourable environmental and meteorological conditions, which were previously powered by diesel generators, a supplementary mixed wind and photovoltaic supply has been installed (3 to 6 kW wind power generator and 5 kWp photovoltaic panels). Similar work is taking place at a further 5 RBSs and data analysis is continuing in order to identify additional suitable sites;

- building of geo-cooling⁽⁷⁾ systems at three medium-sized telecommunication exchanges to provide air conditioning for

the equipment rooms, replacing the traditional cooling units and with a view to making wider use of the technology across the territory;

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commissioning of a further 52 energy backup systems with hydrogen fuel cells instead of the traditional lead battery systems, joining the 137 already in operation. The introduction of this equipment has allowed the purchase and subsequent disposal of traditional batteries containing approximately 160 tonnes of lead to be avoided. Lifecycle assessments show a benefit to the environment in terms of CO₂ not emitted of around 60 tonnes.

A number of projects were launched in 2011 to obtain energy efficiency certificates (white certificates) with a value of 270,000 TOEs (Tonnes of Oil Equivalent) saved over five years. These certificates, which can be traded on the electricity market, have a unit value of 100 euros per TOE not used.

At Telecom Argentina, an interdisciplinary energy committee was set up that meets on a quarterly basis in order to analyse energy consumption and determine rationalisation strategies.

To this end, the methodical monitoring of consumption at each individual plant, using measurement and monitoring instruments with wireless technologies and remote sensors (Kaleidos project), and the preventive maintenance carried out to ensure that any corrective actions required can be quickly identified, are extremely important.

In the city of Rosario, the first green contact centre has been inaugurated and is currently in progress the process of obtaining its LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification. The building has been designed and built according to green building standards and includes state-of-the-art technologies in its customer contact infrastructure and equipment.

Atmospheric emissions

Greenhouse gas emissions by Telecom Italia and the Group consist almost exclusively of carbon dioxide and are due to the use of fossil fuels for heating, transport, electricity generation, purchase of electricity produced by third parties and staff travel (for business trips and commuting between home and work). In addition to these, dispersals of hydrochlorofluorocarbons and hydrofluorocarbons (HCFC and HFC) from air conditioning systems are also considered and converted into kg of CO₂ equivalent.

As with the classification of power consumption, for atmospheric emissions use is made of the Global Reporting Initiative - GRI Version 3 - guidelines, which refer to the definitions of the GHG Protocol, distinguishing between direct emissions (Scope1: use of fossil fuels for vehicles, heating, power generation), indirect emissions (Scope2: purchase of electricity for industrial and civil use) and other indirect emissions (Scope3).

Unless otherwise stated, the atmospheric emissions recorded in this Report have been calculated based on the latest coefficients made available by the GHG Protocol⁽⁸⁾; emissions in previous years have been recalculated based on these coefficients in order to allow comparison.

Atmospheric emissions

		Changes %	
	Telecom Italia	2011	2011
	S.p.A. 2011	vs 2010	vs 2009
CO ₂ emissions from transport	kg 52,018,660	(8.43%)	(12.47%)

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CO ₂ emissions from heating	kg	32,738,582	1.03%	(28.60%)
Emissions of CO ₂ equivalents for HCFC/HFC(*) dispersals	kg	21,508,900	(19.81%)	(26.81%)
CO ₂ emissions from electricity generation by cogeneration	kg	40,975,696	36.21%	213.87%
CO ₂ emissions from electricity generation using diesel	kg	2,261,181	(15.23%)	(37.79%)
Total direct emissions of CO ₂ - under Scope1 GRI	kg	149,503,019	0.48%	(1.23%)
CO ₂ emissions from purchases of electricity generated by mixed sources	kg	722,386,641	(7.50%)	(12.29%)
Total indirect emissions of CO ₂ - under Scope2 GRI	kg	722,386,641	(7.50%)	(12.29%)
CO ₂ emissions from work-home commuting()	kg	55,843,288	(6.81%)	(14.72%)
CO ₂ emissions from air travel()	kg	9,942,526	(0.61%)	(16.14%)
Total other indirect emissions of CO ₂ - under Scope3 GRI	kg	65,785,814	(5.93%)	(14.93%)
Total CO ₂ emissions	kg	937,675,474	(6.20%)	(10.89%)

(*)

Hydrochlorofluorocarbons (HCFC) and hydrofluorocarbons (HFC), in terms of equivalent CO₂ emissions are determined by reference to specific Global Warming Potential (GWP) parameters for the two gases: the index is based on a relative scale that compares the gas considered with an equal mass of carbon dioxide with a GWP of 1. The GWP of HCFC used was 1,780 and that of HFC was 1,300. In 2009, however, a single parameter was used without differentiating between the types of gas dispersed.

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In determining the impact of home-work commuting, reference is made to statistical data produced on the company's personnel.

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Air travel emissions were calculated based on the individual journeys actually made and the coefficients suggested by the GHG Protocol depending on the short or long term duration of each individual journey.

Atmospheric emissions

TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)
 TI Group 2011 DomesticBrazil ArgentinaMedia Olivetti

Total CO ₂ emissions	kg	177,807,364	86.08%	2.14%	9.06%	0.44%	2.28%
under Scope1 GRI							
Total CO ₂ emissions	kg	963,547,634	76.72%	1.05%	20.97%	1.01%	0.25%
under Scope2 GRI							
Total other CO ₂ emissions	kg	96,316,630	75.98%	8.04%	15.44%	0.22%	0.32%
under Scope3 GRI							

Total CO₂ emissions kg 1,237,671,628 78.00% 1.75% 18.83% 0.87% 0.55%

Atmospheric emissions by Telecom Italia S.p.A. are falling significantly in overall terms. The following are a number of considerations on how individual items contributed to the achievement of the overall result:

- reduction of emissions due to lower consumption by vehicles;
- reduction of equivalent CO₂ emissions, relating to the dispersal of HCFC and HFC used in air conditioning systems, due to the adoption of more meticulous methods for preventing leaks and the replacement of these gases with lower environmental impact solutions;
- an increase in emissions attributable to cogeneration, resulting from the company's decision to invest more in this technology, with financial and environmental benefits. The increase is in any case offset by the lower amount of power purchased from the grid, which overall has led to a positive balance being achieved in terms of emissions;
- reduction of emissions from diesel electricity generators in situations where the electricity distribution network is unavailable;
- reduction of emissions resulting from electricity consumption;
- reduction of emissions from business air travel by employees due to a reduction in the number of trips, resulting in particular from the greater use of video-conferencing.

Water

Water consumption

		Telecom Italia S.p.A.2011	Changes %	
		2011	2011	2011
			vs 2010	vs 2009
Consumption of water drawn from artesian wells	m ³	53,858	(20.50%)	(36.80%)
Consumption of water provided by water supply companies	m ³	4,300,000	(0.97%)	(1.61%)
Total water consumption	m ³	4,353,858	(1.27%)	(2.28%)

TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)

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Consumption of water drawn from artesian wells	m ³	944,003	5.70%	0.00%	0.00%	0.01%	94.29%
Consumption of water drawn from supply companies	m ³	6,528,173	67.92%	2.73%	28.70%	0.35%	0.30%
Total water consumption(*)	m ³	7,472,176	60.06%	2.39%	25.07%	0.31%	12.17%

(*) The data of the Argentina BU was estimated on the basis of invoices received.

Paper

Paper purchased

		Telecom Italia S.p.A. 2011	Changes %	
		2011	vs 2010	vs 2009
paper purchased for office use	kg	413,578	(21.92%)	(35.16%)
paper purchased for commercial use	kg	1,551,076	(5.61%)	(23.18%)
Total paper purchased	kg	1,964,654	(9.59%)	(26.05%)

Purchases of paper for office and commercial use (telephone bills) continue to be directed at product types that meet the highest environmental standards based on the responsible management of forests according to the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC, see fsc.org) requirements.

With regard to the working environment, consumption has been rationalised by the awareness-building work on rationalising use and by the printing on demand project which provides for the use of shared high performance printers.

As regards paper purchased for commercial use, activities continued for the purpose of achieving an overall reduction in consumption, particularly by promoting the use of electronic invoices and statements among customers. This allowed over 92 tonnes of paper to be saved, as well as reducing the production of CO₂ associated with delivery of the packages.

The collection of sorted waste in offices, organised in all the company's office premises, allowed 21,670 tons of paper to be sent for recycling during 2011.

Telecom Argentina is also focusing on digital billing, which currently covers around 5% of customers and allows the company to avoid printing and sending out around 150,000 documents for each billing cycle.

Paper for office use

TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)
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Non-recycled paper purchased	kg	255,828	1.03%	2.47%	96.50%	0.00%	0.00%
Recycled paper purchased	kg	63,072	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
FSC certified paper purchased	kg	473,003	93.59%	1.34%	0.00%	2.96%	2.11%
Total paper purchased for office use	kg	791,903	56.23%	9.56%	31.18%	1.77%	1.26%

Waste

The data shown in the table refer to the quantity of waste consigned⁽⁹⁾ and recorded by law⁽¹⁰⁾.

Waste consigned (*)

			Changes %	
			Telecom Italia	2011
			S.p.A. 2011	2011
			vs 2010	vs 2009
Hazardous waste	kg	5,747,941	6.26%	(8.30%)
Non-hazardous waste	kg	12,406,059	12.28%	7.54%
Total quantity of waste	kg	18,154,000	10.30%	1.96%
Waste for recycling/recovery	kg	17,345,326	15.16%	7.13%
Ratio between the amount of waste recycled/recovered and the total waste	%	95.55%	4.41%	5.07%

(*)

The data does not include telephone poles because these are not disposed of as ordinary waste but under the framework agreement signed in 2003 with the Ministry of the Environment, the Ministry of Production Activities and the production and recovery companies, subject to the favourable opinion of the conference of State-Regions-Autonomous Provinces. In 2011, Telecom Italia decommissioned 160,861 poles weighing a total of 12,868,880 Kg.

Waste consigned

TI Group breakdown by Business Unit (%)
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 2011

Total waste consigned(*)	kg	20,583,186	89.89%	4.49%	2.36%	0.69%	2.57%
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For comparison purposes among the Business Units, the data of the Telecom Argentina BU doesn't include decommissioned telephone poles (kg 16,146,750 in 2011) although these have been consigned and are not managed separately from other waste. Furthermore, the figure has not been calculated on the basis of estimated data, and only includes recorded waste.

Waste data varies over time according to the quantities and types delivered to the companies contracted to treat it. The most important item of data for Telecom Italia's purposes is the ratio between waste produced and consigned for

recycling/recovery, which has improved significantly compared to the two previous years.

Ministerial Decree No. 65 of March 8, 2010 (published in the Gazzetta Ufficiale on May 10, 2010) implemented the collection of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) by all Telecom Italia sales channels as of June 18, 2010. As required by the legislation, Telecom Italia and all its sales channels have been registered as "Distributors" in the National Register of Environmental Managers and management procedures have been adapted to comply with the legislation.

In 2011 Telecom Italia has regenerated a large number of its own devices (including 121,644 modems, 640 set top boxes for IPTV, 35,900 fixed line telephony products and 150,679 other materials related to technical logistics). This activity has a dual purpose: to help reduce WEEE while generating an economic benefit derived from not purchasing new equipment. The savings have thoroughly covered the regeneration costs of these products.

For ADSL (home gateway) modems, a review has been carried out of the reconditioning and disposal processes in the event of a fault or at the end of their useful life, in order to reduce the environmental impacts of these stages but also to identify solutions that improve the choice of materials and the methods for dismantling future products. Part of this analysis has already been used to build the new Telecom Italia Wi-Fi N modem, which inaugurated the new range of green products in 2011. Around half a million of these modems were sold in 2011.

An awareness-building campaign is taking place at Telecom Argentina urging customers to deliver their used mobile phone batteries to retail outlets. An agreement with a specialised company allows the lithium, cobalt and nickel contained in the appliances to be recovered and re-introduced as materials in the production cycle under conditions that are completely safe for the environment.

Electromagnetic emissions

The actions of the Telecom Italia Group on the subject of electromagnetic emissions are essentially:

- careful and proper management of its equipment during its entire life cycle, in compliance with current regulations and internal standards of efficiency and safety;
- deployment of, and constant research into, the latest technological instruments for checks and controls.

Systematic monitoring has continued of the levels of electromagnetic emissions in the installations of La7, MTV and Telecom Italia Media in order to guarantee that legal limits are respected and high safety standards are maintained. For the Telecom Italia Media Group in particular, such monitoring is related to electromagnetic field levels for protection of the population and the levels of exposure of workers. According to the checks carried out in Italy, the electromagnetic emissions generated by La7 and MTV are well within legal limits.

Similar attention is paid to the emissions from mobile handsets using the frequency bands operated by Telecom Italia: GSM 900MHz, DCS 1800MHz and UMTS. In 2011, in accordance with the established targets, all the models of technologically innovative mobile phones marketed by Telecom Italia under the TIM brand were submitted to SAR qualification⁽¹¹⁾. In determining the SAR compliance of mobile handsets, Telecom Italia complies with ICNIRP (International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection) guidelines and subsequent declarations of conformity⁽¹²⁾. This qualification, which is carried out during the pre-marketing stage, when Telecom Italia does not often have the SAR value declared by the manufacturer, makes the test more valuable than a simple quality control check.

During the year, the percentage of GSM network traffic in half rate mode increased. This technology allows a single radio resource to be used for two simultaneous conversations, thus reducing the overall power emitted as compared to the traditional voice coding system.

In order to respond to the growing demand for information about non-ionising radiation⁽¹³⁾ Telecom Argentina signed an agreement with the Argentinian federation of municipalities and a continuous monitoring and data dissemination system has been installed in over 500 municipalities.

The Community

Contributions made by the Telecom Italia Group to the Community, calculated according to the guidelines of the London Benchmarking Group (LBG), amounted to around 31 million euros in 2011 (33.4 million euros in 2010).

More than 100 major international companies subscribe to the LBG, which was founded in 1994 and is the global gold standard for the classification of voluntary contributions made by companies in favour of the Community.

In accordance with the LBG model, in order to measure and represent the Group's commitment to the community, the contributions disbursed have been subdivided into three categories (Charity, Investments in the community, Initiatives in the community), adopting a pyramid-shaped scheme, which places initiatives of a charitable nature at the top and initiatives which in addition to being of benefit to the Community are in the commercial interest of the Company at the bottom.

Allocation by % of the contribution to the Community by the Telcom Itali Group

Research and development

Within Telecom Italia, research and development activities are carried out by the Information Technology, TILab and Innovation & Industry Relations departments, which oversee the development of new technologies and the engineering aspects of Telecom Italia's service offers through strategic partnerships with the main producers of telecommunications equipment and systems and with research centres of excellence at the most highly qualified national and international academic institutions. Activities to enhance and generate competitive advantage for the Group are of particular importance and are pursued through strategic management of the relationship between research, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and business, aimed at developing the company's assets in patents rights. 14 new applications for patents were filed during 2011.

The themes on which projects are developed are identified on the basis of the three-year technological plan, the reference document for the Group, which provides guidelines for the evolution of the network, platform and services.

Published annually, following a wide-ranging process involving all the areas of the company involved, the Plan identifies the main external factors (regulations, standards, vendors, other market operators) that may influence the company's strategies and highlights the emerging and cross-cutting technologies in other sectors that may be of interest to the Group.

Projects and initiatives

Endnotes

The themes identified can be arranged in 3 macro-strands:

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Network and service platform innovation

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Services to reduce environmental impact

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Services for the Community

Network and service platform innovation

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Careful electromagnetic compatibility analyses were carried out on the new generation wireless LTE (Long Term Evolution) networks currently being designed. The analyses focused in particular on the interference problems associated with the proximity of the spectrum in the 800 MHz band between LTE channels and digital TV channels (DVB-T) and the problems connected with the proximity between aerials for receiving the TV signal and the existing mobile telephony system transmitters (GSM, UMTS) for the purpose of complying with the legal emission limits for electromagnetic fields.

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In the context of activities aimed at developing new mobile access technologies, testing on "active aerials" is taking place for the purpose of improving the spectral efficiency and control and optimisation of the aerial radiation pattern. This activity is required in order to improve the energy efficiency of Radio Base Stations (RBS) by connecting these aerials using optical fibres, thus eliminating the losses due to coaxial cables.

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Research activities continued on mobile radio access as part of the European ARTIST4G project, working with a number of leading operators, manufacturing companies, universities, research centres and European SMEs, with the aim of improving the quality of the service for users connected to the same mobile network cell, without affecting performance for other users. The work is proceeding as planned and the project is expected to be completed by the first half of 2012.

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The new generation of high capacity hybrid radio links were added to the network. These allow both circuit and packet traffic to be carried and will be used, among other things, to connect the remote sites of the new LTE network.

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The first version of the M2M platform for Machine_to_Machine communications between networked devices came into operation, allowing Telecom Italia's top customers (big companies and organisations) to manage their stock of terminals and SIM cards, even using automatic (not-human) applications between networked devices.

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Test campaigns were completed in the laboratory for solutions to be used on high speed trains. The Cubovision project was developed for Trenitalia (Cubo3n) for the purpose of delivering and updating multimedia content on the Frecciarossa fleet of trains (currently under development for the Frecciargento and Frecciabianca fleet as well). The services and offer (browsing of the catalogue, purchase and use of content) are delivered via a Wi-Fi multi-device (PC, MAC, iPhone, iPad) web portal hosted entirely on the servers installed on board, thus optimising interaction with the Telecom Italia service centre platforms created with mobile radio access.

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For the mobile Cubovision project, two applications have been developed to offer content: one for the Android platform and one for the IOS (iPhone, iPad) platform. These applications include video content management in adaptive formats that guarantee the best possible user experience in all band conditions (Wi-Fi, HSDPA mobile radio, UMTS mobile radio, etc.) and protection of pay-per-view content.

- As part of the POF-PLUS (Plastic Optical Fibre for Pervasive Low-cost Ultra-high capacity Systems) project, a plastic fibre optic system was developed for Ethernet data transmission at 1 Gbit/s over a distance of 50 metres using an international state-of-the-art LED light source that was even exhibited at the OFC 2011 conference. At the same time as its experimental activity, Telecom Italia contributed to drawing up an ETSI (European Telecommunications Standards Institute) specification which is the first international standard in this field.

Services to reduce environmental impact

- Next Generation Data Center: is a project aimed at developing hardware infrastructure according to virtualisation and cloud computing principles, based on replacing the physical servers in Telecom Italia data centres by making shared use of infrastructure between the various applications. The project, which aims to develop commercial offers for the ICT market (e.g. ospit@ virtuale), allows logistical and energy optimisations to be achieved.

- Next Generation Workplace: is a personal computing evolution that allows centrally managed content and applications to be accessed remotely and in multichannel mode, replacing traditional workstations, based on a desktop, with highly simplified PCs that only contain the basic network information needed to communicate with the centralised infrastructure. In addition to contributing in a decisive way to reducing energy consumption, the project is aimed at improving the operational flexibility of employees, establishing the foundation for future development of work models (e.g. teleworking).

- ITS & Infomobility Platform: aims to enable new mobility services for Public Administration and private users by gradually introducing the idea of a vehicle constantly connected with the outside world (e.g. service centre, roadside infrastructure, occupants, other vehicles, etc.). The objective is to improve the efficiency and eco-sustainability of transport for the benefit of the community. The strategy and solutions are developed in close synergy with the industry standardisation activities in which Telecom Italia is closely involved.

- Smart metering: solutions that allow energy consumption to be monitored and optimised, such as Energy@Home.

- Smart Town: the solution provides a package of services for municipalities by using the public lighting network and is offered as part of the Digital Town (Smart Cities) initiatives involving Italy's main cities.

- EARTH (Energy Aware Radio and NeTwork TecHnologies): studies network architectures and the individual radio components of existing and future generation mobile systems in order to improve their energy efficiency by at least 50% compared to current standards, with resulting benefits in terms of savings and a reduction in harmful emissions.

- ECONET (low Energy CONsumption NETworks): is intended to develop new technologies and integrated control mechanisms in order to enable energy saving in fixed network equipment by dynamically adapting network capacity

and resources according to the actual traffic loads and requirements of users, guaranteeing quality of service at the same time. The aim is to allow the energy requirement of equipment to be reduced by 50% in the short to medium term (and 80% in the long term).

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Telepresence: development of a prototype for the telepresence service for business customers, the features of which guarantee a high standard of video quality (resolution up to full HD), visibility of the whole person, smoothness in the reproduction of movements and polyphonic audio with echo and background noise suppression. The prototype is distinguished by the use of low cost technologies such as HD consumer webcam, low cost 50" plasma TV, medium range PC and new sound cards.

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On the Access Gateways (AG) front, work continued on creating the new range of Telecom Italia Green products, which was inaugurated in April 2011 with the new Wi-Fi for the supply of broadband services. A further two broadband modems were added and the environmental declaration was finalised for the new version of the Sirio Punto telephone, which is expected to be launched in the first few months of 2012. Also completed was the environmental declaration for the Cubovision 2 multimedia box (which is expected to be launched by the beginning of 2012), optimising various environmental aspects in close cooperation with the supplier (energy consumption, choice of materials, disassembly procedures, packaging).

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As of December 2008, Huawei and Telecom Italia have set up a Network Innovation Center (NIC) for synergistic collaborations on various issues, with particular regard to energy efficiency.

Services for the Community

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Solutions for reducing the geographical divide: these are intended to facilitate access to broadband in areas with digital divide problems and new urban areas.

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Laboratorio Accreditato di Prova (LAP) [accredited test laboratory]: operates within TILab and carries out testing activities on ICT services and systems for the company's internal departments and for external companies and organisations. The LAP is accredited as a provider of various services to the Ministry of Economic Development, SIT (Italian calibration service) and Accredia (the new national accreditation body) based on European Regulation EC 765/2008. During 2011, a new technical operating sector was set up, consisting of the laboratory for mobile telephony added value services (VAS) and three new accredited services for performing tests.

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Smart Inclusion: this project allows young long term hospital patients to stay in contact with their school and family home via a touch screen terminal fitted with a camera, while also allowing doctors to optimise the management of care procedures. The technical solution has been created by Telecom Italia by using innovative technologies such as plastic fibre optics and power lines, as well as specific software developments mainly based on open source platforms.

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E-learning and evolved teaching: a series of initiatives have been launched in the field of schooling with the aim of fulfilling the demand for evolved systems based on collaboration, communication and the use of innovative devices such as IMBs - Interactive Multimedia Boards.

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Nuvola Italiana Home Doctor: remote healthcare based on monitoring the physiological parameters of the patient directly from home or in appropriately equipped premises. The measurements are carried out by combining technologies developed by Telecom Italia with the standard medical electronic apparatus on sale.

Human Resources^(*)

(*) The data in this chapter relate to all the Telecom Italia Group companies (see Reporting paragraph).

Headcount and changes

Telecom Italia Group

Headcount as of December 31, 2011 is as follows:

(units)	12.31.2011	12.31.2010	Changes
Italy	56,838	57,994	(1,156)
Abroad	27,274	26,135	1,139
Total personnel on payroll	84,112	84,129	(17)
Agency contract workers	42	71	(29)
Total personnel	84,154	84,200	(46)
Non-current assets held for sale	-	-	-
Total	84,154	84,200	(46)

Excluding agency contract workers, the Group's headcount has decreased by 17 units compared to December 31, 2010.

The changes can be itemised as follows:

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exit of the company Loquendo S.p.A. from the consolidation scope (103 units);

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entry into the consolidation scope of the company 4GH Retail (699 units) and the companies TIM Fiber SP and TIM Fiber RJ (302 units);

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net turnover down by 915 units, as detailed below by individual Business Unit:

(units)	Recruited	Departed	Net change
Domestic	614	2,347	(1,733)
Brazil	4,523	4,400	123
Argentina	1,824	1,107	717
Olivetti, Media and others	191	213	(22)
Turnover	7,152	8,067	(915)
Telecom Italia S.p.A. ^(*)			

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(units)	12.31.2011	12.31.2010	Changes
Total personnel on payroll	47,801	49,636	(1,835)

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In 2011, as in 2010, there were no agency contract workers.

As of December 31, 2011, Telecom Italia S.p.A. had 47,801 employees on its payroll.

Compared to December 31, 2010, an overall reduction of 1,835 units was recorded, due to:

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balance of 7 outgoing units due to inter-company transfers (84 incoming units from the transfer, by the company Matrix S.p.A., of the Market & Technology Captive department);

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net turnover down by 1,828 units, as detailed below:

(units)	Recruited	Departed	Net change
Turnover of Telecom Italia S.p.A.	106	1,934	(1,828)

Tim Brasil Group

(units)	12.31.2011	12.31.2010	Changes
Total personnel on payroll	10,539	10,114	425

The headcount of Tim Brasil Group as of December 31, 2011, was equal to 10,539 units.

Compared to December 31, 2010, an increase of 425 units was recorded, due to:

- - 1 incoming unit from other Group companies;
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 - the entry into the consolidation scope of the companies TIM Fiber SP and TIM Fiber RJ (302 units);
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- net turnover up by 122 units, as detailed below:

(units)	Recruited	Departed	Net change
Turnover at Tim Brasil Group Argentina Business Unit	4,522	4,400	122

(units)	12.31.2011	12.31.2010	Changes
Total personnel on payroll	16,349	15,632	717

Excluding agency contract workers, the headcount of the Argentina Business Unit as of December 31, 2011 was 16,349 units.

Compared to December 31, 2010, an increase of 717 units was recorded, due to:

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- net turnover as detailed below:

(units)	Recruited	Departed	Net change
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Argentina Business Unit turnover	1,824	1,107	717
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Breakdown of Telecom Italia Group personnel

Telecom Italia Group personnel can be broken down as follows:

Telecom Italia Group: employee breakdown by job category **Telecom Italia Group: employee breakdown by age group**

Telecom Italia Group: employee breakdown by academic qualification

The geographical distribution and intake of personnel by the Group are the following:

Telecom Italia Group: employee breakdown by geographical area

Telecom Itali Group: recruitment breakdown by geographical area

Gender balance

In 2011, the distribution of men and women in the Group was the following:

(units)	12.31.2011	12.31.2010	Changes
Men	53,741	54,363	(622)
Women	30,371	29,766	605
Total	84,112	84,129	(17)

In 2011, the percentage of women holding senior management positions in the Telecom Group was approximately 12% and, in middle management, the proportion of the total was 27%.

People Caring

Over the years, the Group has developed several programmes and initiatives to support its employees, to improve the quality of their working lives and also to support those outside the Company.

People Caring is the Telecom Italia department created to respond to the expectations of employees regarding certain important issues, identified through active listening carried out both on line (Intranet, community, email) and through meetings and focus groups. The main topics identified are:

- work-life balance;
- support for the needs of employees and their families;
- support for volunteering initiatives by employees;
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promoting the forms of diversity that exist in the workplace through activities and projects.

Development

The 2010 Group performance assessment process for Italy was completed in March 2011. The uniformity of the assessment criteria used was ensured, as always, by appropriate calibration committees, consisting of managers from the assessed employee's department and Human Resources.

As of April, following the assessment process, specific training plans were implemented.

During 2011, assessment activities continued for senior managers, middle managers and employees, both in Italy and Brazil, where an on line system was developed with the aim of mapping the potential of all the Company's employees, identifying strengths and areas of improvement in order to guide development activities effectively.

In order to attract and retain the best talents, a "Talent without borders" programme was launched in Brazil, aimed at trainees and students enrolled in the last 2 years of university, which allows them to access accelerated and diverse professional career paths.

In Argentina, as part of the "Talent Pool" project, the assessment process was completed for middle managers and specialists in certain areas of the company. This process, which involved 197 people and also involved the use of an on line platform, allow skills development and coaching programmes to be developed. During the second half of 2011, an assessment process was completed for senior managers in the mobile telephony unit, which was also extended to middle managers recruited the previous year.

Selection

During March and July 2011, Telecom Italia signed two important agreements with trade unions for the training and recruitment by the Company of young undergraduates and graduates, with the aim of renewing existing skills and developing new management skills, covering the generation gap. The following initiatives are taking place in particular:

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support for 95 research doctorates for young engineering and economics graduates through agreements signed with several universities nationwide, with the aim of acquiring excellent skills to be dedicated to specific research projects of interest to the company;

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planning of 3 master degree courses in technological innovation for the ICT market aimed at creating a pool of resources highly trained in topics of interest to the company from which to draw future recruits. The universities involved are the Polytechnic of Turin, MIP - Polytechnic of Milan and Federico II University of Naples, involving a total of 65 young Engineering and Economics graduates;

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extension of apprenticeship contracts for advanced training within the project called "The Day Before". The experimental project launched by Telecom Italia in agreement with trade unions was started up by the TeleContact Center (TCC) with the aim of recruiting 200 engineering and economics undergraduates. 103 engineering undergraduates have so far been recruited by the Naples, Catanzaro and Caltanissetta offices. In July the initiative was also launched in Telecom Italia, within Open Access, for the recruitment of a further 200 engineering undergraduates.

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Other collaboration activities with the academic world which have proved successful in previous years also continued. Further 180 stages have started in the Group.

In Brazil, selection programmes continued aimed at promoting the training of young people between the ages of 16 and 24 (Jovem Aprendiz) and young graduates. Tim Brasil continued to prioritise the recruitment of staff who were already working for the company. During 2011, 166 interns were recruited (via the Estágio Sem Fronteiras initiative).

At Telecom Argentina and Telecom Personal tools to seek talent outside the company were diversified and optimised in 2011, involving the help of external consultants and head hunters, the use of social networks and collaboration with universities.

Training

In 2011, over 2.2 million hours of training were carried out in the company costing a total of more than 30 million euros. 96.8% of staff, equal to 81,452 employees, took part in at least one training activity.

Organisational areas, total by training type (Telecom Italia Group)

Type of Training	Total by training type				
	Total hours (no.)	Hours per head (no.)	Participations per (*)(no.)	Participants (no.)	Coverage (%)
Specialist training	1,848,683	22.0	323,878	44,255	52.6%
Senior Managers	3,220	2.5	289	191	15.1%
Middle Managers	46,932	7.1	4,389	1,977	29.9%
Office Staff/Workers	1,798,531	23.7	319,200	42,087	55.2%
Management training	116,596	1.4	11,645	5,878	7.0%
Senior Managers	25,426	20.1	3,475	762	60.3%
Middle Managers	35,324	5.4	3,350	1,749	26.5%
Office Staff/Workers	55,846	0.7	4,820	3,367	4.4%
Institutional training	125,102	1.5	52,906	26,673	31.7%
Senior Managers	1,497	1.2	277	163	12.9%
Middle Managers	6,426	1.0	9,676	1,851	28.0%
Office Staff/Workers	117,179	1.5	42,953	24,659	32.3%
Training for newly-hired employees	38,518	0.5	2,823	1,162	1.4%
Senior Managers	-	-	-	-	-
Middle Managers	313	0.0	20	14	0.2%
Office Staff/Workers	38,205	0.5	2,803	1,148	1.5%
Language training	77,222	0.9	4,982	3,484	4.1%
Senior Managers	15,846	12.5	649	326	25.8%
Middle Managers	22,199	3.4	1,463	1,159	17.6%
Office Staff/Workers	39,177	0.5	2,870	1,999	2.6%
TOTAL	2,206,121	26.2	396,234	81,452	96.8%
Senior Managers	45,989	36.4	4,690	1,442	114.1%
Middle Managers	111,194	16.8	18,898	6,750	102.2%
Office Staff/Workers	2,048,938	26.9	372,646	73,260	96.1%

(*)

Shows the overall number of participations in the various kind of training (classroom, on-the-job, on line training).

Internal communication

The main activities carried out related to:

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off line publishing initiatives, with the production of the planned editions of the corporate magazine for employees and multimedia products on compliance and regulation issues;

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on line publishing initiatives on the Intranet and on the company's web TV.

Telecom Italia people were involved in internal events in person or remotely.

For events attended by large numbers of people, multimedia conventions are now the established method, allowing a small number of people to gather in a physical space (auditorium, large meeting rooms) and interact with a vast virtual audience of colleagues connected from their workstations by video streaming.

The main events held by this method include the 2 editions of *Parli@me*, in which the executives of Telecom Italia have talked to employees connected by video streaming on organisational and strategic matters. All the questions received were answered directly during the course of the event or subsequently.

In Brazil, in order to encourage internal integration and promote corporate identity and corporate values, Olympic games (Olimpíadas TIM 2011) were launched for the second year running. These are an internal championship that includes 6 disciplines and involved over 2,000 employees split into 230 teams.

Internal communication activities also took place, dedicated to health, safety, the environment and to encourage volunteering activities.

In Argentina, NEO TV, a channel of multimedia content, broadcasts in streaming mode in all the company's offices on subjects including health, presentation of work teams and developments in the company's business.

Tecotwitt, a tool similar to Twitter, has been developed to allow all employees to take part in discussions on issues of interest.

Health and Safety

During 2011, a number of specific initiatives were launched or continued regarding health and safety at work, one of the most important of which was an assessment of work-related stress. This initiative was implemented by means of a procedure that involved an assessment based on indicators associated with the context and content of work (e.g. sick leave, holidays not taken, disciplinary procedures, accident rates, decision-making autonomy, interpersonal relationships, home/work interface, work environments, work loads and pace of work) surveyed by means of appropriate check lists. The assessment, which involved all workers, regardless of the department they belong to, was carried out by dividing the workers into 12 homogeneous groups, identified by reference to various criteria, including the types of tasks performed, the ways in which they are performed and the departments in which they work.

The context and content check lists were applied during specific work sessions attended by workers' representatives, the Human Resources department and the Prevention and Protection Service. The results of the assessment, which did not identify widespread situations of work-related stress but an estimate of average risk in three uniform groups, were shared with the workers' health and safety representatives and the other interested parties, with whom an agreement

was also reached on the procedures to be used to identify improvement actions.

Accidents

The accident rates for 2011 show a general decrease in the statistical data, except for the severity index, which increased as a result of a fatal accident at work caused by a car accident (no fatal accident in 2010).

The Group continues to pay constant attention to the issue of safety in the workplace, mainly by verifying implementation of risk control measures and providing training aimed at disseminating a logic of respect and protection for oneself and others.

Similar attention is also paid to providing training for the operation and maintenance of Tlc systems that involve overhead work (poles, ladders and pylons) in order to ensure that people acquire sufficient knowledge on how to behave correctly during work-related activities.

Further education/training efforts have also been directed at providing safe driving courses (operating since 2007). In 2011 these involved over 600 people who use company vehicles on a continuous basis.

The accident at work data for Telecom Italia S.p.A. are shown below.

	2011	2010
Number of accidents (excluding commuting)	657	873
Severity index(*)	0.29	0.20
Frequency rate(*)	8.99	10.91
Average duration in hours	114.14	136.44
Unproductivity index(*)	1.25	1.80
Accidents per 100 workers	1.35	1.70

(*) The severity, frequency and unproductivity indexes are respectively:

the number of conventional working days lost per thousand hours worked

the number of accidents per million hours worked

the number of hours lost due to accidents per thousand hours worked

The accident rates for 2011 show a general decrease in the statistical data, except for the severity index, which increased as a result of a fatal accident at work caused by a car accident (no fatal accident in 2010).

Industrial relations

During 2011, many information and discussion meetings were held with the trade unions to illustrate the reorganisation activities involving the various company departments (Customer, Technology, Staff) and to examine any effects on personnel.

Trade union representatives were involved in the business ethics certification process for the Open Access department (SA 8000 Certification). Obtained in May 2011, the certification relates to the company's ethical performance and is a tool used to inform customers that the company's products are made under proper working conditions and with respect for human rights in the performance of production activities.

With regard to the solidarity contract applied to around 29,200 employees of Telecom Italia S.p.A. for the two-year period between November 8, 2010 and November 7, 2012, in accordance with the agreement of October 25, 2010, the Company and the trade unions held specific verification meetings aimed at discussing the many initiatives taken by Telecom Italia S.p.A. to favour repositioning of surplus personnel. Training is a crucial element for the success of

staff skill re-orienting and improvement processes. For this purpose specific projects have been discussed with the trade unions.

Also among training initiatives carried out in 2011, there is the one targeted to women employees. The project, which was shared with the trade unions through an agreement signed on September 7, 2011, gave sixty female colleagues from Rome, Milan and Turin the opportunity to obtain an expert diploma in electronics and telecommunication at the expense of the company. Participation is voluntary and, in addition to covering tuition fees, the Company took appropriate measures to ensure a sustainable work-life balance.

One of the most significant initiatives launched by Telecom Italia, as a sustainable company that contributes to the economic and social development of the country, is the Senior Apprenticeship Project. The initiative aims to promote closer relations between the academic world and the world of work in southern Italy (see The Day Before project in the Selection paragraph). The project was agreed with the trade unions (SLC-CGIL, FISTel-CISL, UILCom-UIL) under an agreement signed on March 4, 2011.

In order to strengthen its commitment and extend these initiatives to a wider geographical area, and through an agreement signed on July 27, 2011, Telecom Italia S.p.A. shared further projects with the trade unions for the implementation of innovative and concrete initiatives.

On May 19, 2011, Telecom Italia S.p.A. and the national secretariats of SLC-CGIL, FISTel-CISL and UILCom-UIL signed an agreement regarding facilitated tax exemption according to the legal rules introduced on this subject. The agreement allows personnel who earn no more than a specific threshold to benefit from tax exemptions established for the 2011 tax year.

In accordance with current legislative provisions regarding company transfers, Telecom Italia S.p.A. involved the trade union representatives in both procedures carried out during the year, which ended with positive joint assessments:

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the first, which took place in May, is related to the transfer, by means of the partial demerger of Matrix S.p.A., of its branch of activity called "Market & Technology Captive" to Telecom Italia S.p.A..

The company and trade unions signed a specific agreement to harmonize contract work conditions for all workers who joined Telecom Italia S.p.A. after October 1, 2011;

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the second, which was completed in September, relates to all employees of the company TI Audit & Compliance Services S.C. a r.l. which, following the merger by incorporation, have been transferred without interruption to Telecom Italia S.p.A. starting from January 1, 2012.

In accordance with the agreements reached with the workers' representatives in the context of the framework agreement of August 4, 2010 for the management of surplus staff at Telecom Italia S.p.A., on July 27, 2011 an additional 2-year extension of the defensive solidarity contract was agreed between the Company and the trade unions. This will be applied until August 31, 2013 to employees working in the Directory Assistance sector of the Company (12.54, directory data assurance, call centres, international services centre, local support). The workers affected will be partially reimbursed by INPS for the money lost as a result of the reduction in working hours.

In April, the industry's main trade unions (SLC-CGIL, FISTel-CISL and UILCom-UIL) discussed an agreement regarding the initiatives launched respectively by Pathnet S.p.A. and Telecom Italia Sparkle S.p.A. to provide employees with an opportunity to register, for the 2010-2011 academic year, for one of the degree courses run by the faculties of Law, Economics, Engineering, Communication Science, Psychology and Arts of the Uninettuno International Telematic University.

Telecom Italia Media

During the year, discussions with the union of journalists, which are still under way, focused primarily on a more detailed examination of the specific regulatory aspects of the national labour agreement for journalists and the second level agreements.

On December 21, 2011, an agreement was signed with the trade union representatives of Telecom Italia Media, SLC CGIL, UILCOM UIL and FISTEL CISL, both national and local, which provides for the renewal of the union agreement for raising the overall limit set by the law as the maximum length of temporary employment contracts according to article 5, paragraph 4-bis, of legislative decree no. 368 of September 6, 2001, as amended by law 133/2008. This limit was raised from 36 to 63 months in total. The agreement also governs certain aspects of fixed term and permanent employment contracts and various issues relating to employment discipline.

As regards relations with unions other than those representing journalists, on May 20, 2011 the companies Telecom Italia Media S.p.A. and Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting S.r.l. jointly signed an agreement with the national and local trade union representatives and the company's workers' representatives relating to the methods for electing and running trade union representatives and workers' safety representatives. On the same day, an agreement was also signed between the company Telecom Italia Media Broadcasting S.r.l. and the national and local trade union

representatives which, considering the strongly improved results achieved by the company, values the contribution made by workers to supporting the overall growth of the company, which has been significant over the past year.

Finally we report that the renewed national collective labour agreement for the employees of private radio and television companies was signed on February 16, 2011.

Tim Brasil

At the beginning of the year, the national collective labour agreement (valid until November 2011) was signed with 26 trade unions. The terms of the final proposal were accepted by 21 trade unions (representing around 97% of employees) and the final adjustment phase is nearing completion for the missing 3%. In September, the company launched a new phase of negotiations with the trade unions, which was completed successfully with 19 trade unions representing 90% of employees signing a new labour agreement (valid until November 2012). The final proposal include profit distribution agreements for the two-year period 2011-2012. Negotiations continued with the trade unions with which an agreement was not reached.

Telecom Argentina

Since 2010, trade unions in the telephone industry have come together in a federation of telecommunication unions called the MUS (Mesa de Unidad Sindical de las Telecomunicaciones), which is the main forum for dialogue about the various issues being negotiated. In this context, joint negotiations were conducted in 2011 and salary increases were agreed that will apply until 2012.

During 2011, the application of teleworking continued as part of the pilot programme for the implementation and promotion of teleworking in the private companies PROPET (Programa Piloto de Seguimiento y Promoción del Teletrabajo en Empresas Privadas) of the National Ministry of Employment MTEYSS (Ministerio de Trabajo, Empleo y Seguridad Social), as an additional tool for achieving a better work-life balance. The programme was applied during 2011 to 66 employees in several areas of the company in 11 different provinces.

Remuneration policy

In 2011, remuneration policies pursued the aim of cooling the incremental effects of the increase in the fixed component of labour costs over time. Intervention was focused on the variable elements of remuneration, making exclusive use of one-off tools with a greater degree of selectivity than in the past. Interventions on fixed remuneration were frozen, with the exception of measures regarding individuals working in core business positions characterised by the actual existence of risks of a competitive nature. The MBO 2011 system, the only short-term formalised incentive tool aimed at managers and particularly valuable employees, confirms the importance that the company has placed over the past two years and continues to place on corporate and departmental macro-economic objectives. In 2011, investment has continued to be made in enhancing the non-monetary components of the pay packet (company benefits). Telecom Italia has equipped itself with a long-term incentive system that brings together senior executive personnel, top management and a selected number of managers in achieving pre-established three-year performance objectives in order to strengthen the link between management remuneration and company performance ensuring the long-term sustainability of the company's results.

Employees share ownership plan 2010-2014

In 2010, Telecom Italia launched the 2010-2014 employees share ownership plan for all permanent employees of Telecom Italia or its subsidiaries with registered offices in Italy.

During the first subscription phase, which took place between June 28 and July 9, 2010, all employees were able to purchase ordinary shares, with a 10% discount on the market price, up to a maximum countervalue of three thousand euros.

On August 2, 2011 the second phase was completed, involving the allocation of one free share for every three shares purchased to those who complied with the conditions set by the plan, i.e. retained ownership of the shares purchased for one year and remained employees of one of the Group companies.

The plan complies with the conditions for access to the fiscal benefits of article 51 of the consolidated law on income tax. Employees who decide to retain full ownership of the shares, bought at a discount and assigned free of charge, for three years from the respective dates of purchase/assignment, will be entitled to an exemption from tax and contributions on the benefit paid by the company in terms of discount and bonus shares.

Shareholders

Financial communication

In 2011, the Company organised quarterly conference calls, road shows abroad and meetings in the Group's corporate centres (reverse road shows) as well as attending industry conferences. During these events, the Company met over 350 investors. In addition to these there are the direct meetings and telephone conversations that the Investor Relations team has on a daily basis.

The responses to the financial market by the Group are based on the criteria of relevance, the sensitiveness of information, the congruence and topicality of the issues dealt with to the Group structure and the actions undertaken to achieve the targets of the Strategic Plan.

Financial communication also takes into consideration the needs of investors linked to Socially Responsible Investing (SRI), which favours companies that pay attention to ethical, social and environmental factors as well as financial aspects. Communication with this particular category of investors, which is jointly administered with the Group Sustainability department, is developed through individual contacts and participation at dedicated events.

As regards relations with individual (retail) shareholders - there are currently 500,000 holders of ordinary shares - Telecom Italia's strategy aims to increase communication channels in order to respond quickly and effectively to queries regarding the performance of shares and the Group as a whole. The messages and ideas that emerge from dialogue with retail investors are collected and reported to top management.

The TI Alw@ys ON (telecomitaliaclub.it) shareholders' club was launched in 2006 as a virtual meeting place between the Company and its individual investors. The Club is also open to those who do not have shares in the Group, and just by joining the Club, members can obtain the same free services that are reserved for shareholders, that is:

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SMS alert, which provides a daily report of the closing price and percentage variations of Telecom Italia's ordinary and savings shares compared to the previous day, as well as the daily percentage variations in the FTSE/Mib index;

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weekly stock exchange report: sent on Monday morning and summarising performance during the week ending the previous Friday;

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quarterly newsletter: contains a comment on the most recent economic and financial results and a focus on events and trends that have influenced the performance of results.

In addition to these services, Telecom Italia offers shareholders an Individual Shareholders' Guide, containing detailed information about the Group, available on request and on the website, as well as constant updates through the (corporate, product and financial press releases).

With regard to on line financial communication, the website (telecomitalia.com) is constantly updated and innovated. This year, Telecom Italia achieved first place overall in the Italian and European KWD Webranking 2011 rankings produced by KWD, the digital division of Hallvarsson & Halvarsson, a Swedish company that assesses and rewards listed companies that are most attentive to on line corporate and financial communication.

Risk Management

In order to ensure a global approach to risk management, the Telecom Italia Group has adopted a process inspired by the Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) framework⁽¹⁴⁾. This is a corporate risk governance tool used to identify, assess and manage risks.

The foundation of the system is the Group Risk Management Committee, which is chaired and coordinated by the head of Administration, Finance and Control & International Development department and is made up of the managers of the departments involved, according to the issues dealt with in the individual meetings.

The Risk Management department manager helps with the coordination of the Committee, which meets on a quarterly basis (or according to specific requirements) and is intended to guarantee governance of the Group risk management process.

The ERM approach, approved by the Risk Management Committee, is based on an assessment of the risk profile by management in relation to company processes and the strategic objectives. This approach provides for risks to be mapped, focusing on the ones regarded to be most significant, and on the formation of inter-departmental working groups defined by the Group Risk Management Committee for the implementation of mitigation plans and control indicators.

The process is updated on an annual basis (or more regularly) at the discretion of the Group Risk Management Committee.

During 2011:

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the stages required by the ERM 2010 cycle were completed, creating a more mature risk management process, defining action plans for the main risks and monitoring these using a quarterly risk dashboard;

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the 2011 ERM cycle was launched;

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The Group's 2011 corporate risk profile was defined (excluding Telecom Argentina) which involved completing the analysis phase and part of the evaluation phase (risk assessment and allocation). The subsequent phases are expected to be completed during 2012;

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in September, the Group Risk Management Committee approved the updated version of the "Telecom Italia Group Risk Management Guidelines" and the "Enterprise Risk Management in the Telecom Italia Group" organisational procedure, which are intended to provide Group companies with a reference tool for day-to-day risk management activities.

Alternative Performance Measures

In this Report on Operations, in the consolidated financial statements of the Telecom Italia Group and in the separate financial statements of the Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., for the year ended December 31, 2011, in addition to the conventional financial performance measures established by IFRS, certain alternative performance measures are presented for purposes of a better understanding of the trend of operations and the financial condition. Such measures, which are also presented in other periodical financial reports (half-year financial report at June 30 and interim reports at March 31 and September 30) should, however, not be construed as a substitute for those required by IFRS.

The non-IFRS alternative performance measures used are described below:

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EBITDA: this financial measure is used by Telecom Italia as the financial target in internal presentations (business plans) and in external presentations (to analysts and investors). It represents a useful unit of measurement for the evaluation of the operating performance of the Group (as a whole and at the Business Unit level) and the Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., in addition to EBIT. These measures are calculated as follows:

Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations

+	Finance expenses
-	Finance income
+/-	Other expenses (income) from investments (1)
+/-	Share of losses (profits) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method (2)

EBIT - Operating profit (loss)

+/-	Impairment losses (reversals) on non-current assets
+/-	Losses (gains) on disposals of non-current assets
+	Depreciation and amortization
EBITDA - Operating profit (loss) before depreciation and amortization, Capital gains (losses) and Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	

(1)

Expenses (income) from investments for Telecom Italia S.p.A.

(2)

Line item in Group consolidated financial statements only.

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Organic change in Revenues, EBITDA and EBIT: these measures express changes (amount and/or percentage) in revenues, EBITDA and EBIT, excluding, where applicable, the effects of the change in the scope of consolidation, exchange differences and non-organic components constituted by non-recurring items and other non-organic income and expenses. Telecom Italia believes that the presentation of such additional information allows for a more complete

and effective understanding of the operating performance of the Group (as a whole and at the Business Unit level) and the Parent. The organic change in revenues, EBITDA and EBIT is also used in presentations to analysts and investors. Details of the economic amounts used to arrive at the organic change are provided in this Report on Operations as well as an analysis of the major non-organic components for years 2011 and 2010.

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 Net Financial Debt: Telecom Italia believes that Net Financial Debt represents an accurate indicator of its ability to meet its financial obligations. It is represented by Gross Financial Debt less Cash and Cash Equivalents and other Financial Assets. The Report on Operations includes two tables showing the amounts taken from the statement of financial position and used to calculate the Net Financial Debt of the Group and Parent.

In order to better represent the actual change in net financial debt, starting with the Half-year Financial Report at June 30, 2009, in addition to the usual measure (renamed Accounting net financial debt) a new measure was introduced denominated Adjusted net financial debt which excludes effects that are purely accounting in nature resulting from the fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets and liabilities.

Net financial debt is calculated as follows:

+ Non-current financial liabilities
 + Current financial liabilities
 + Financial liabilities directly associated with Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale
 A) Gross financial debt
 + Non-current financial assets
 + Current financial assets
 + Financial assets included in Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale
 B) Financial assets
 C=(A - B) Accounting net financial debt
 D) Reversal of fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets/liabilities
 E = (C +Adjusted net financial debt
 D)

Glossary

2G (second-generation Mobile System). Second-generation protocols using digital encoding and including GSM, D-AMPS (TDMA) and CDMA. 2G networks are in current use all over Europe and other parts of the world. These protocols support high bit rate voice and limited data communications. 2G networks technology offer auxiliary services such as data, fax and SMS. Most 2G protocols offer different levels of encryption.

3G (third-generation Mobile System). Third-generation wireless service, designed to provide high data speeds, always-on data access, and greater voice capacity.

3G networks technology provide to transfer both voice data services (telephony, messaging) and non-voice data (such as downloading Internet information, exchanging email, and instant messaging). The high data speeds, measured in Mbps, are significantly higher than 2G and, 3G networks technology enable full motion video, high-speed internet access and video-conferencing. 3G technology standards include UMTS, based on WCDMA technology (quite often the two terms are used interchangeably) and CDMA2000.

ADR Agreement concerning the international carriage of Dangerous goods by Road.

ADS (American Depositary shares)/ ADR (American Depositary Receipt): Used for the listing of Telecom Italia ordinary and savings shares on the NYSE (New York Stock Exchange). The ordinary and savings ADS representing, respectively, 10 ordinary shares and 10 savings shares of Telecom Italia.

ADSL (Asymmetric Digital Subscriber Line). A modem technology which converts existing twisted-pair telephone lines into access paths for multimedia and high-speed data communications. ADSL can transmit up to 6 Mbps to a subscriber, and as much as 832 Kbps or more in both directions. Such rates expand existing access capacity by a factor of 50 or more without new cabling.

Backbone. Network portion with the highest traffic intensity and from which the connections for services in the local areas depart.

Bitstream. Wholesale Broadband access service which consists of supplying an access to XDSL Telecom Italia network and a transmission capacity to the network of another OLO.

BroadBand services. Services characterized by a transmission speed of 2 Mbit/s or more. According to international standards, these services are divided into two categories: (i) Interactive services, including videotelephone/videoconferencing (both point-to-point and multipoint); videomonitoring; interconnection of local networks; file transfer; CAD; highspeed fax; e-mail for moving images or mixed documents; broadband videotex; Video on demand; retrieval of sound programs or fixed and moving images; and (ii) Broadcast services, such as sound programs, television programs (including high-definition TV and pay TV) and selective document acquisition.

Broadcast. Simultaneous transmission of information to all nodes and terminal equipment of a network.

BSS (Business Support System). The system used by network operators to manage business operations such as billing, sales management, customer-service management and customer databases. A type of Operations Support System (OSS).

Bundle. Commercial offer including different telecommunication services (voice, BroadBand internet, IPTV, other) by an operator with only brand. *Bundle Dual Play* includes fixed telecommunication services and BroadBand internet; *bundle Triple Play* is the bundle dual play integrated by IPTV; *bundle Quadruple Play* is the bundle triple play integrated by mobile telecommunication services.

Carrier. Company that makes available the physical telecommunication network.

CDP (Carbon Disclosure Project). An international initiative that encourages companies to focus on deal with the risks and emerging opportunities of climate change.

CLG (Corporate Leaders Group) EU CLG The European Corporate Leaders Group, coordinated by Cambridge University

CO2 Carbon dioxide. Carbon dioxide, one of the most important greenhouse gases. Attributable to industrial processes as a product of combustion, in particular from the use of fossil fuels.

Cogeneration. Cogeneration is the joint production of usable electrical (or mechanical) and heat energy drawn from the same primary source. Cogeneration, using the same fuel for two different uses, aims at a more efficient use of primary energy, with respective financial savings, above all in those production processes where the electricity and thermal extraction take place contemporaneously.

Co-siting. Agreements to share technological sites (for Telecommunications, specifically, sites of access to the network and passive infrastructure) by several operators in order to achieve a more efficient use of the network infrastructure in urban and rural areas.

CPS (Carrier Pre-selection). Permits a customer to pre-select another operator as an alternative to Telecom Italia without dialing an identifying code.

Digital a mode of representing a physical variable such as speech using digits 0 and 1 only. The digits are transmitted in binary form as a series of pulses. Digital networks are rapidly replacing the older analog ones. They allow for higher capacity and higher flexibility through the use of computer-related technology for the transmission and manipulation of telephone calls. Digital systems offer lower noise interference and can incorporate encryption as a protection from external interference.

Digital Terrestrial TV. Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting is a new type of broadcasting technology that provides a more effective way of transmitting television services using a digital system instead of the existing analogue system.

DSL Network (Digital Subscriber Line Network). A network built on existing telephone lines with DSL technology devices which use sophisticated modulation schemes to pack data onto copper wires for connections from a telephone switching station to a home or office.

DSLAM (Digital Subscriber Line Access Multiplexer). The DSLAM denotes a telecommunications equipment to process digital signals of various clients and multiply them in a data link to the nodes of the Internet.

DVB - H (Digital Video Broadcasting - Handheld). DVB - H technology combines digital video with the Internet Protocol (IP): contents are subdivided into packets using the same basic technology employed by the Internet. The use of IP technology allows the transmission of TV and radio programs, web pages, music and video games to smartphones/PDA s.

EEB (Energy Efficiency in Buildings). An international initiative promoted by WBCSD for research into the energy efficiency of buildings.

EFFC (Extraction Full Free Cooling). A system of cooling intended to reduce consumption without the use of greenhouse gases. EFFC is based on the principle of Free Cooling (forced ventilation without the use of air-conditioning), associated with a system for extracting the hot air produced by the equipment, and the further (adiabatic) cooling of the incoming air, achieved by using an area with a high concentration of vaporized water.

EMS (Environmental Management Systems). Environmental Management Systems contribute to the management, in a sustainable way, of the production and support processes, and are a stimulus to continuous improvement in environmental performance in that they are instruments for ensuring the effective management, prevention and continuous reduction of environmental impact in the field of working processes.

EPS (External Power Supplies). External power supplies for equipment

EuP (Energy-using Products). Within the scope of the Directive for the eco-compatible design of products which consume energy (Eco-design Directive for Energy-using Products 2005/32/EC), the regulatory framework has been defined to which producers of energy-using products (EuP) must comply, from the design phase onwards, to increase energy efficiency and reduce the negative environmental impact of their products.

FFC Full Free Cooling. A system of cooling based on the use of forced ventilation in order to reduce energy consumption.

FSC (Forest Stewardship Council). The Forest Stewardship Council is an international non-governmental, non-profit organization. FSC is an internationally recognized system of forestry certification. The purpose of the certification is to ensure proper forestry management and the traceability of derivative products. The FSC logo ensures that the product has been created with raw materials originating in properly managed forests according to the principles of the two main standards: forestry management and the chain of custody. The FSC certification scheme is third party and independent.

FTT HOME, FTT CURB, FTT (*Fiber to the*). It is the term used to indicate any network architecture that uses fiber optic cables in partial or total substitution of traditional copper cables used in telecommunications networks. The various technological solutions differ in the point of the distribution network where the fiber connection is made, with respect to the end-user. In the case of FTT Curb (Fiber to the Curb) the fiber arrives at the apparatus (distribution cabinet) located on the pavement, from where copper connections are run to the customer; in the case of FTTHome (Fiber to the Home), the fiber terminates inside the home of the customer.

GSM (Global System for Mobile Communication). A standard for digital cellular telephony used in the world and working on 900MHz and 1800MHz band.

GRI (Global Reporting Initiative)

HCFC (Hydrochlorofluorocarbons). Hydrochlorofluorocarbons: chemical molecules mainly used in cooling plants to replace chlorofluorocarbons, which have been banned by the Montreal protocol, thanks to their relatively limited ozone-depleting effect (approximately 10% of the ozone-depleting rating of CFC).

HFC (Hydrofluorocarbons). Hydrofluorocarbons: compound molecules used in cooling equipment. They are part of the family of greenhouse gases. They do not cause ozone depletion.

Home Access Gateway Access Gateway Home gateway Residential Gateway. A residential gateway is a home networking device, used as a gateway to connect devices in the home to the Internet or other WAN.

HSDPA (High-Speed Downlink Packet Access/UMTS Hi Speed Universal Mobile Telecommunications System). UMTS evolution allows broadband connections up to 3.6 Mbps.

Kvar (kilovolt amperes reactive). Reactive energy. measurement system, expressed in kilovolt, of power losses in an AC electrical system.

ICT (Information and communication(s) technology). Broad area concerned with information technology, telecommunications networking and services and other aspects of managing and processing information, especially in large organizations.

Internet. The world's best-known data network. Initially used by the U.S. Department of Defense, the Internet now provides an interface for networks based on different technologies (LANs, WANs, data networks, etc.), but which use the TCP/IP protocol platform.

IP (Internet Protocol). A set of communications protocols for exchanging data over the Internet.

IPTV (Internet Protocol Television). A system that utilizes the Internet Protocol infrastructure to transmit digital television content over a network and deliver it via a broadband Internet connection.

LCA (Life Cycle Analysis) Life Cycle Analysis: analytic methodology for the evaluation and quantification of environmental impact associated to a product/process/activity along the whole life cycle, from the extraction and acquisition of raw materials up to the end of life.

Local Loop (Doppino Telefonico). Copper wire-couple, through which the telephone connection reaches users; it is the foundation of traditional telephone lines and it is often called last mile.

LTE (Long Term Evolution). Represents the fourth generation (4G) mobile phone systems. LTE belongs to the standard 3GPP (Third Generation Partnership Project) and it is the latest evolution of GSM / UMTS / HSPA standard. LTE offers a higher spectral efficiency in bits per Hertz and download bandwidth up to 150 Mbit / s per cell reducing the latency time. LTE enabled services that require high interactivity (eg, gaming, video conferencing). A further development of LTE, called "LTE Advanced", will perform bitrates even higher.

MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems). MEMS are miniaturized devices ranging in size from a few micrometers to a few millimeters, which execute one or more monitoring, processing or actuation functions by deploying a combination of electronic, mechanical, optical, chemical or biological components integrated on a usually silicon hybrid circuit.

Multimedia. A service involving two or more communications media (e.g., voice, video, text, etc.) and hybrid products created through their interaction.

Network. An interconnected collection of elements. In a telephone network, these consist of switches connected to each other and to customer equipment. The transmission equipment may be based on fiber optic or metallic cable or point to point radio connections.

NGDC (Next Generation Data Center). A major rethink of the IT architecture through the physical concentration and virtualization of the servers in order to reduce the costs of maintenance/management and energy consumption, and to improve efficiency.

NGN2 (Next Generation Network). New generation network created by Telecom Italia to meet the demands of industries, public administrations and citizens. The new network architecture guarantees an infrastructure designed to face multiple offers by increasing customization levels and bandwidth availability, removing bandwidth limits and providing an impressive capacity along with a wide selection of access systems.

OHSAS (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series). The international standard that sets the prerequisites for management systems for the health and safety protection for workers.

OLOs (Other Licensed Operators). Companies other than the incumbent operator which operate telecommunications systems in a national market.

Optical fiber. Thin glass, silica or plastic wires, building the interstructure base for data transmission. An optical fiber cable contains several individual fibers, and each of them is capable of driving a signal (light impulse) at illimited bandwidth. Optical fibers are usually employed for long-distance communication. They can transfer heavy data loads, and the signal reaches the recipient, protected from possible disturbances along the way. The driving capacity of optical fibers is higher than the traditional cable ones.

OSS (Operations Support System). Methods and procedures (whether mechanized or not) which directly support the daily operation of the telecommunications infrastructure.

Pay-Per-View or PPV. A system by which the viewer pays to see a single program (such as a sporting event, film or concert) at the moment at which it is transmitted or broadcast.

Pay TV. Paid-for TV channels. To receive Pay TV or Pay-Per-View programs, a decoder must be connected to the television set, and a conditional access system.

Penetration. The measurement of the take-up of services. As of any date, the penetration is calculated by dividing the number of subscribers by the population to which the service is available and multiplying the quotient by 100.

Platform. The total input, including hardware, software, operating equipment and procedures, for producing (production platform) or managing (management platform) a particular service (service platform).

Roaming. A function that enables wireless subscribers to use the service on networks of operators other than the one with which they signed their initial contract. The roaming service is active when wireless is used in a foreign country (included in GSM network).

RoHS (Restriction of Hazardous Substances). Restriction of Hazardous Substances. European Directive n° 95 of 2002 regulating the use of hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment.

SAR (Specific Absorption Rate). Specific Absorption Rate. evaluates the electromagnetic power absorbed by a tissue mass . SAR is measured in Watt/kg. As far as mobile phones, the law now enforces SAR as the reference parameter to define the basic limit. a person exposed to an electromagnetic field inducing a SAR level higher than established may undergo the relevant effects and health damage. To safeguard the population health and the health of people directly exposed, by virtue of their work, to electromagnetic waves, the European legislation has established SAR thresholds than should not be exceeded.

Shared Access. Methods of shared access, through the user s duplex cable, with another TLC service provider. This method permits the retention of voice telephony from Telecom Italia (or other operators) alongside ADSL on the proprietary network of the shared access operator, that is, not passing through the Telecom Italia networks but travelling directly along the operator s channels at the substation.

SMS (Short Message Service). Short text messages than can be received and sent through GSM-network connected cellular phones. The maximum text length is 160 alpha-numerical characters.

SOHO. The small office/home office market which consists of businesses that use telephone lines to connect to the Internet, as opposed to dedicated lines, and is made up of small businesses, generally with one or two employees, and businesses conducted out of the home.

TDMA (Time Division Multiple Access). A technology for digital transmission of radio signals between, for example, a mobile phone and a radio base station. TDMA breaks signals into sequential pieces of defined length, places each piece into an information conduit at specific intervals and then reconstructs the pieces at the end of the conduit.

ULL (Unbundling Local Loop). System through which OLO can rent the last mile of local loop, connecting to their equipments.

UMTS (Universal Mobile Telecommunications System). Third-generation mobile communication standard. It is constituted by a broadband system in which data travel at 2Mb-per-second, communication is faster, quality is better and multimedia contents can travel through the Net.

Universal service. The obligation to supply basic service to all users throughout the national territory at reasonable prices.

UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply)

VAS (Value Added Services). Value Added Services provide a higher level of functionality than the basic transmission services offered by a telecommunications network for the transfer of information among its terminals, which include wired or wireless switched-circuit analog voice communications; direct unrestricted digital point-to-point service at 9,600 bit/s; packet switching (virtual call); direct broadband analog transmission of TV signals, and supplementary services, such as closed user groups; call waiting; collect calls; call forwarding, and identification of number called. Value Added Services performed by the network, the terminals or the specialized centers include message handling services (MHS) (which can be used, among other things, for commercial documents in predetermined formats); electronic directories listing users, network addressees and terminals; e-mail; fax; teletex; videotex and videotelephone. Value Added Services could include also value added voice telephony services such as Freephone or Premium Rate Services.

VDSL (Very - high data rate Digital Subscriber Line). Access technology that allows providers to give clients, by means of an apparatus installed in their homes, access to voice and TV services on the traditional telephone line with a speeds of up to 100 Mbps in downstream (VDSL2).

VOD (Video On Demand). TV-program supply on user's request, with payment of a fee for each purchased program (a movie, a soccer match, etc.). broadcast in a special method for cable and satellite TV.

VoIP (Voice Over IP). Transmission of voice communications over Internet Protocol (IP) data networks, such as IP-based LANs, intranets or the Internet.

Wi Max (Worldwide Interoperability for Microwave Access). The Wi - MAX - is a technology that allows wireless access to broadband telecommunications networks. It is defined by the Wi - MAX Forum, a global consortium formed by major companies in the field of fixed and mobile telecommunications which has the purpose to develop, test and promote the interoperability of systems based on IEEE 802.16-2004 standards for fixed access and IEEE.802.16e-2005 for fixed and mobile access.

WLR (WHOLESALE LINE RENTAL). The WLR Service consists in the resale to wholesale of the basic telephony services and advanced ISDN associated with the fees paid by certified residential and non-residential customers of Telecom Italia's public telephone network.

XDSL (Digital Subscriber Line). It is a technology that makes use of standard telephone lines and it includes different categories including. ADSL Asymmetric DSL, HDSL High-data-rate DSL and VDSL, Very high bit rate DSL. This technology uses a digital signal with a very high frequency in order to increase the data transfer rate.

Footnotes

1(*)

The economic value distributed to the Community stakeholder is not shown in the table. See the respective chapter.

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The GHG Protocol (Greenhouse Gas Protocol Initiative), established in 1998 by the World Resources Institute and the World Business Council for Sustainable Development, supports business in respect of greenhouse gas emissions through calculation methods and studies aimed at promoting innovation and accountability for climate change.

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The data shown in the tables and graphs relating to transport refer to all the Group's vehicles (industrial, commercial, used by executives/managers/sales engineers), both owned and hired. The vehicles, consumption and distance travelled of vehicles owned or in use by the sales force of TIM Brasil and Telecom Argentina have been included only where usage is significant and continuous.

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Virtualisation makes the functions of a data processing machine available without the machine actually being present.

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The FFC cooling system consists of a forced ventilation system and interaction between areas of different temperature without recourse to traditional air conditioning systems and, in particular, without the use of climate altering gases. The system, which is currently applied in over 400 plants, allows a saving of over 85% to be achieved compared to traditional air conditioning solutions.

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These reciprocal agreements between operators are required by the Electronic Communications Code in order to promote more efficient use of network infrastructure and optimise mobile network coverage in urban and rural areas. Each operator retains ownership of their passive infrastructure (poles and pylons, electricity and air conditioning plants and civil infrastructure) and hosts the other.

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This system uses the temperature difference between the surface and a point situated a few metres below ground in order to directly achieve natural cooling of the air in the ventilation system or of a fluid that is subsequently used via a heat exchanger.

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Emissions relating to the consumption of electricity purchased in the Italian market have been calculated by using the latest coefficient (2008) calculated by the GHG Protocol - which considers the national energy mix - equal to 398 grams of CO₂/kWh. For Argentina a similar coefficient has been calculated and published by the Secretaría de Energía de la Nación Argentina. The coefficient is equal to 541 grams of CO₂/kWh. For Brazil, the average coefficient for 2011 has been used, which has been calculated and published by the local Ministério da Ciência, Tecnologia e

Innovação. The coefficient is equal to 29 grams of CO₂/kWh .

9(*)

Waste consigned means waste delivered to carriers for recycling or recovery or disposal.

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Slight variations compared to the situation on December 31st may occur until the following March 30th because the source of the data is the records of waste loaded and unloaded, which are consolidated once the actual weight at destination has been verified. The information is supplied to the producer of the waste within 3 months of consignment, which is the reason for the potential variations in the data.

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SAR - Specific Absorption Rate: SAR is measured in Watts/kg and assesses the electromagnetic power absorbed by a mass of tissue.

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Guidelines for Limiting Exposure to Time-Varying Electric, Magnetic, and Electromagnetic Fields (up to 300 GHz). Health Physics 74 (4): 494-522; 1998; Statement on the "Guidelines for limiting exposure to time-varying electric, magnetic and electromagnetic fields (up to 300 GHz). Health Physics 97(3):257-259; 2009.

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The electromagnetic fields used in the context of Tlc are non-ionising radiations, in fact they lack sufficient energy to transform into ions the atoms of the matter with which they come into contact, which are electrically neutral.

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Enterprise Risk Management, 2004 by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission.

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Consolidated Statements of Financial Position

Assets

(millions of euros)		<i>note</i>	<i>12/31/2011 o</i>	<i>f</i>	<i>12/31/2010 of which</i>	<i>which</i>	<i>related</i>
						<i>related</i>	<i>parties</i>
						<i>parties</i>	
Non-current assets							
Intangible assets							
Goodwill		4)	36,957		43,923		
Other Intangible assets		5)	8,600		7,936		
			45,557		51,859		
Tangible assets		6)					
Property, plant and equipment owned			14,854		15,238		
Assets held under finance leases			1,094		1,177		
			15,948		16,415		
Other non-current assets							
Investments in associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method		7)	47		85		
Other investments		8)	38		43		
Non-current financial assets		9)	2,949	269	1,863		109
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets		10)	1,128	-	934		15
Deferred tax assets		11)	1,637		1,863		
			5,799		4,788		
Total Non-current assets	(a)		67,304		73,062		
Current assets							
Inventories		12)	447		387		
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets		13)	7,770	257	7,790		270
Current income tax receivables		11)	155		132		
Current financial assets		9)					
Securities other than investments, financial receivables and other current financial assets			1,469	36	1,754		37
Cash and cash equivalents			6,714	278	5,526		113
			8,183		7,280		
Current assets sub-total			16,555		15,589		
Discontinued operations/ Non-current assets held for sale of a financial nature			-		-		
of a non-financial nature			-		389		
			-		389		
Total Current assets	(b)		16,555		15,978		
Total Assets	(a+b)		83,859		89,040		

Equity and Liabilities

(millions of euros)	<i>Note</i>	<i>12/31/2011</i>	<i>of which</i>	<i>12/31/2010</i>	<i>of which</i>
			<i>related</i>		<i>related</i>
			<i>parties</i>		<i>parties</i>
Equity	14)				
Share capital issued		10,693		10,689	
less: treasury shares		(89)		(89)	
Share capital		10,604		10,600	
Paid-in capital		1,704		1,697	
Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including profit (loss) for the year		10,483		16,522	
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent		22,791		28,819	
Equity attributable to non-controlling interests		3,904		3,736	
Total Equity	(a)	26,695		32,555	
Non-current liabilities					
Non-current financial liabilities	15)	35,860	483	34,348	431
Employee benefits	20)	850		1,129	
Deferred tax liabilities	11)	1,056		991	
Provisions	21)	831		860	
Miscellaneous payables and other non-current liabilities	22)	1,156	3	1,086	4
Total Non-current liabilities	(b)	39,753		38,414	
Current liabilities					
Current financial liabilities	15)	6,091	192	6,882	246
Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities	23)	10,984	252	10,954	325
Current income tax payables	11)	336		235	
Current liabilities sub-total		17,411		18,071	
Liabilities directly associated with Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale					
of a financial nature		-		-	
of a non-financial nature		-	-	-	-
		-		-	
Total Current liabilities	(c)	17,411		18,071	
Total Liabilities	(d=b+c)	57,164		56,485	
Total Equity and Liabilities	(a+d)	83,859		89,040	

Separate Consolidated Income Statements

(millions of euros)	<i>note</i>	Year 2011	<i>o which related parties</i>	<i>f</i> Year 2010	<i>of which related parties</i>
Revenues	25)	29,957	1,100	27,571	1,028
Other income	26)	299	2	255	6
Total operating revenues and other income		30,256		27,826	
Acquisition of goods and services	27)	(12,859)	(729)	(11,383)	(632)
Employee benefits expenses	28)	(3,917)	(113)	(4,021)	(112)
Other operating expenses	29)	(1,859)		(1,422)	
Changes in inventories		56		(135)	
Internally generated assets	30)	569		547	
Operating profit before depreciation and amortization, capital gains (losses) and impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets (EBITDA)		12,246		11,412	
of which impact of non-recurring items	41)	(24)		(271)	
Depreciation and amortization	31)	(5,494)		(5,542)	
Gains (losses) on disposals of non-current assets	32)	3		11	(1)
Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets	33)	(7,358)		(63)	
Operating profit (loss) (EBIT)		(603)		5,818	
of which impact of non-recurring items	41)	(7,353)		(301)	
Share of profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	7)	(39)		99	
Other income (expenses) from investments	34)	16		289	
Finance income	35)	2,464	127	3,081	153
Finance expenses	35)	(4,462)	(93)	(5,155)	(85)
Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations		(2,624)		4,132	
of which impact of non-recurring items	41)	(7,337)		26	
Income tax expense		(1,643)		(550)	
Profit (loss) from continuing operations		(4,267)		3,582	
Profit (loss) from Discontinued operations/ Non-current assets held for sale		(13)		(7)	
Profit (loss) for the year	36)	(4,280)		3,575	
of which net impact of non-recurring items	41)	(7,345)		91	
Attributable to:					
Owners of the Parent		(4,726)		3,121	
Non-controlling interests		446		454	
 (euro)		 Year 2011		 Year 2010	
Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share (EPS):	37)				

Basic EPS is equal to Diluted EPS

Ordinary Share	(0.24)	0.16
Savings Share	(0.24)	0.17
of which:		
from Continuing operations		
ordinary share	(0.24)	0.16
savings share	(0.24)	0.17
from Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale		
ordinary share	-	-
savings share	-	-

Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income

Note 14

(millions of euros)		Year 2011	Year 2010
Profit (loss) for the year	(a)	(4,280)	3,575
Other components of the Statements of Comprehensive Income:			
Available-for-sale financial assets:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		5	(7)
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		2	5
Net fiscal impact		(4)	(1)
	(b)	3	(3)
Hedging instruments:			
Profit (loss) from fair value adjustments		523	767
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		(230)	(480)
Net fiscal impact		(83)	(77)
	(c)	210	210
Exchange differences on translating foreign operations:			
Profit (loss) on translating foreign operations		(613)	659
Loss (profit) on translating foreign operations transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		75	18
Net fiscal impact		-	-
	(d)	(538)	677
Share of other profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method:			
Profit (loss)		-	109
Loss (profit) transferred to the Separate Consolidated Income Statement		-	-
Net fiscal impact		-	-
	(e)	-	109
Total	(f=b+c+d+e)	(325)	993
Total profit (loss) for the year	(a+f)	(4,605)	4,568
Attributable to:			
Owners of the Parent		(4,825)	3,855
Non-controlling interests		220	713

Consolidated Statements of Changes in Equity

Changes in equity in 2010

(millions of euros)	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent							Total	Equity attributable to Non-controlling interests	Total equity
	Share capital	Paid-in capital	Reserve for financial assets	Reserve for cash hedges	Reserve for translating foreign operations	Reserve for unaccounted differences	Other gains (losses) of reserves			
Balance at December 31, 2009	10,585	1,689	(4)	(494)	983	(110)	13,303	25,952	1,168	27,120
Changes in equity during the year:										
Dividends approved							(1,029)	(1,029)	(135)	(1,164)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year			(3)	210	418	109	3,121	3,855	713	4,568
Grant of equity instruments	15	8					9	32		32
Effect of capital transactions by Telecom Italia Media							3	3	44	47
Effect of Sofora Group (Argentina) consolidation (*)									1,948	1,948
Other changes							6	6	(2)	4
Balance at December 31, 2010	10,600	1,697	(7)	(284)	1,401	(1)	15,413	28,819	3,736	32,555

(*) Analyzed in Note 3.

Changes in equity in 2011 Note 14

Equity attributable to owners of the Parent

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(millions of euros)	Share capital	Paid-in capital	Reserve for available-for-sale financial assets	Reserve for cash flow hedges	Reserve for exchange differences	Reserve for translation of foreign operations	Other reserves (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	Total equity attributable to Non-controlling interests	Total equity	
Balance at December 31, 2010	10,600	1,697	(7)	(284)	1,401	(1)	15,413	28,819	3,736	32,555
Changes in equity during the year:										
Dividends approved							(1,184)	(1,184)	(118)	(1,302)
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year			3	210	(312)		(4,726)	(4,825)	220	(4,605)
Grant of equity instruments	4	7					(4)	7		7
Effect of increase in economic stake in Argentina BU							(57)	(57)	(153)	(210)
Effect of capital transactions by Brazil BU companies							19	19	221	240
Other changes							12	12	(2)	10
Balance at December 31, 2011	10,604	1,704	(4)	(74)	1,089	(1)	9,473	22,791	3,904	26,695

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(millions of euros)	<i>note</i>	Year 2011	Year 2010
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Profit (loss) from continuing operations		(4,267)	3,582
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation and amortization		5,494	5,542
Impairment losses (reversals) on non-current assets (including investments)		7,365	(116)
Net change in deferred tax assets and liabilities		189	(749)
Losses (gains) realized on disposals of non-current assets (including investments)		(18)	(41)
Share of losses (profits) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method		39	(99)
Change in employee benefits		(250)	73
Change in inventories		(36)	96
Change in trade receivables and net amounts due from customers on construction contracts		3	13
Change in trade payables		(164)	(278)
Net change in current income tax receivables/payables		90	(170)
Net change in miscellaneous receivables/payables and other assets/liabilities		67	(980)
Cash flows from (used in) operating activities	(a)	8,512	6,873
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of intangible assets on an accrual basis	5)	(3,066)	(1,781)
Purchase of tangible assets on an accrual basis	6)	(3,029)	(2,802)
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on an accrual basis(*)		(6,095)	(4,583)
Change in amounts due to fixed asset suppliers		557	103
Total purchase of intangible and tangible assets on a cash basis		(5,538)	(4,480)
Acquisition of control of subsidiaries or other businesses, net of cash acquired		(668)	(4)
Net cash and cash equivalents arising from the acquisition of control of the			
Sofora group - Argentina	3)	-	392
Acquisitions/disposals of other investments	8)	(1)	35
Change in financial receivables and other financial assets		(580)	502
Proceeds from sale that result in a loss of control of subsidiaries or other businesses, net of cash disposed of		51	180
Proceeds from sale/repayment of intangible, tangible and other non-current assets		435	56
Cash flows from (used in) investing activities	(b)	(6,301)	(3,319)
Cash flows from financing activities:			
Change in current financial liabilities and other		1,351	957
Proceeds from non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)		4,523	2,007
Repayments of non-current financial liabilities (including current portion)		(5,290)	(5,842)
		240	67

Share capital proceeds/reimbursements (including subsidiaries)			
Dividends paid(*)		(1,326)	(1,093)
Changes in ownership interests in consolidated subsidiaries		(211)	
Cash flows from (used in) financing activities (c)		(713)	(3,904)
Cash flows from (used in) Discontinued operations/			
Non-current assets held for sale (d)		-	-
Aggregate cash flows (e=a+b+c+d)		1,498	(350)
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year (f)		5,282	5,484
Net foreign exchange differences on net cash and cash equivalents (g)		(110)	148
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of the year (h=e+f+g)		6,670	5,282
(*) of which related parties:			
Total purchases of intangible and tangible assets on an accrual basis		166	62
Dividends paid		192	164

Additional Cash Flow information

(millions of euros)	Year 2011	Year 2010
Income taxes (paid) received	(1,381)	(1,392)
Interest expense paid	(3,044)	(3,079)
Interest income received	1,332	1,176
Dividends received	2	3

Analysis of Net Cash and Cash Equivalents

(millions of euros)	Year 2011	Year 2010
Net cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents - from continuing operations	5,526	5,504
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from continuing operations	(244)	(101)
Cash and cash equivalents - from Discontinued operations/		
Non-current assets held for sale	-	81
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from Discontinued operations/		
Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
	5,282	5,484
Net cash and cash equivalents at end of the year:		
Cash and cash equivalents - from continuing operations	6,714	5,526
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from continuing operations	(44)	(244)
	-	-

Cash and cash equivalents - from Discontinued operations/ Non-current assets held for sale		
Bank overdrafts repayable on demand from Discontinued operations/ Non-current assets held for sale	-	-
	6,670	5,282

Note 1

Form, content and other general information

Form and content

Telecom Italia (the Parent) and its subsidiaries form the Telecom Italia Group or the Group . Telecom Italia is a joint-stock company (S.p.A.) organized under the laws of the Republic of Italy.

The registered offices of the Parent, Telecom Italia, are located in Milan, Italy at Piazza degli Affari 2.

The duration of the Telecom Italia S.p.A., as stated in the company s bylaws, extends to December 31, 2100.

The Telecom Italia Group operates mainly in Europe, the Mediterranean Basin and South America.

The Group is engaged principally in the communications sector and, particularly, the fixed and mobile national and international telecommunications sector, the television sector and the office products sector.

The Telecom Italia Group consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2011 have been prepared on a going concern basis (further details are presented in the Note Accounting Policies) and in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and approved by the European Union (designated as IFRS), as well as the laws and regulations in force in Italy (particularly the measures enacted implementing art. 9 of Legislative Decree 38 of February 28, 2005).

In 2011, the Group applied the accounting policies on a basis consistent with those of the previous years and did not elect the early adoption of any IFRS.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for available-for-sale financial assets, financial assets held for trading and derivative financial instruments which have been measured at fair value. The carrying amounts of hedged assets and liabilities have been adjusted to reflect the changes in fair value of the hedged risks (fair value hedge).

In accordance with IAS 1 (*Presentation of Financial Statements*), comparative information included in the consolidated financial statements, unless otherwise indicated, refers to the preceding year.

The Telecom Italia Group consolidated financial statements are expressed in euro (rounded to the nearest million, unless otherwise indicated).

Publication of the Telecom Italia Group consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2011 was approved by resolution of the board of directors meeting held on March 29, 2012.

Financial statement formats

The financial statement formats adopted are consistent with those indicated in IAS 1. In particular:

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the consolidated statement of financial position has been prepared by classifying assets and liabilities according to current and non-current criterion;

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the separate consolidated income statement has been prepared by classifying operating expenses by nature of expense as this form of presentation is considered more appropriate and representative of the specific business of the Group, conforms to internal reporting and is in line with the industrial sector of reference .

In addition to EBIT or Operating Profit (loss), the separate consolidated income statement includes the alternative performance measure of EBITDA or Operating profit (loss) before depreciation and amortization, Capital gains (losses) and Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets.

In particular, besides EBIT, EBITDA is used by Telecom Italia as the financial target in internal presentations (business plans) and in external presentations (to analysts and investors). It represents a useful unit of measurement for the evaluation of the operating performance of the Group (as a whole and at the Business Unit level). EBIT and EBITDA are calculated as follows:

Profit (loss) before tax from continuing operations

+	Finance expenses
-	Finance income
+/-	Other expenses (income) from investments
+/-	Share of losses (profits) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method

EBIT- Operating profit (loss)

+/-	Impairment losses (reversals) on non-current assets
+/-	Losses (gains) on disposals of non-current assets
+	Depreciation and amortization

EBITDA- Operating profit (loss) before depreciation and amortization, Capital gains (losses) and Impairment reversals (losses) on non-current assets

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the consolidated statement of comprehensive income includes the profit or loss for the year as shown in the separate consolidated income statement and all other non-owner changes in equity;

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the consolidated statement of cash flows has been prepared by presenting cash flows from operating activities according to the indirect method , as permitted by IAS 7 (Statement of Cash Flows).

Furthermore, as required by Consob Resolution 15519 of July 27, 2006, in the separate consolidated income statement, income and expenses relating to non-recurring transactions or events have been specifically identified and their relative impact has been shown separately at the main intermediate result levels. Non-recurring events and transactions have been identified mainly according to the nature of the transactions. Specifically, non-recurring income (expenses) include events or transactions which by their very nature do not occur continuously during the normal course of business operations, for instance: income/expenses arising from the sale of properties, business segments and investments

included under non-current assets, income/expenses stemming from corporate-related reorganizations, income/expenses arising from fines levied by regulatory agencies and impairment losses on goodwill.

Also in reference to the above Consob resolution, the amounts of the balances or transactions with related parties have been shown separately in the consolidated statements of financial position, the separate consolidated income statements and the consolidated statements of cash flows.

Segment reporting

An operating segment is a component of an entity:

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that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses (including revenues and expenses relating to transactions with other components of the same entity);

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whose operating results are regularly reviewed by the entity's chief operating decision maker (for Telecom Italia, the board of directors) in order to adopt decisions about resources to be allocated to the segment and to assess its performance; and

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for which discrete financial information is available.

In particular, the operating segments of the Telecom Italia Group are organized according to the relative geographical localization for the telecommunications business (Domestic, Brazil and Argentina) and according to the specific businesses for the other segments.

The term "operating segment" is considered synonymous with "Business Unit".

The operating segments of the Telecom Italia Group are as follows:

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Domestic: includes operations for voice and data services on fixed and mobile networks for final customers (retail) and other operators (wholesale), operations of the Telecom Italia Sparkle group (international wholesale) as well as

the relative support activities in Italy;

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Brazil: includes mobile (TIM Celular) and fixed (Intelig, TIM Fiber SP and TIM Fiber RJ) telecommunications operations in Brazil;

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Argentina: includes fixed (Telecom Argentina) and mobile (Telecom Personal in Argentina and Núcleo in Paraguay) telecommunications operations;

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Media: includes television network operations and management;

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Olivetti: includes activities for the manufacture of digital printing systems and office products and Information Technology services;

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Other operations: includes finance companies and other minor companies not strictly related to the core business of the Telecom Italia Group.

Scope of consolidation

The changes in the scope of consolidation at December 31, 2011 compared to December 31, 2010 are listed below.

Entry of companies in the scope of consolidation:

Company		Business Unit	Month
Advanced Caring Center S.r.l.	new company	Olivetti	November 2011
Tim Fiber RJ S.A.	new acquisition	Brazil	October 2011
Tim Fiber SP Ltda	new acquisition	Brazil	October 2011
Tierra Argentea S.A. (formerly Inversiones Milano)	new acquisition	Other operations	August 2011
4G Holding S.p.A.	new acquisition	Domestic	July 2011
4G Retail S.r.l.	new acquisition	Domestic	July 2011
Flagship Store Firenze 1 S.r.l.	new company	Domestic	April 2011
Flagship Store Verona 1 S.r.l.	new company	Domestic	April 2011
Flagship Store Sanremo 1 S.r.l.	new company	Domestic	January 2011

Exit of companies from the scope of consolidation:

Company		Business Unit	Month
ETI Euro Telecom International N.V.	liquidated	Other operations	December 2011
ICH International Communication Holding N.V.	liquidated	Other operations	December 2011
Loquendo S.p.A.	sold	Domestic	September 2011

Merger of subsidiaries:

Company	Business Unit	Month
Telecom Italia Sparkle Luxembourg S.A.	Merged in Telecom Domestic Italia Sparkle S.p.A	January 2011
TI United kingdom Ltd	Merged in Telecom Domestic Italia Sparkle S.p.A	January 2011

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A breakdown by number of the subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures of the Telecom Italia Group at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is as follows:

Companies:	Italy	12/31/2011	
		Abroad	Total
subsidiaries consolidated line-by-line	45	67	112
joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	1	-	1
associates accounted for using the equity method	15	-	15
Total companies	61	67	128

Companies:	Italy	12/31/2010	
		Abroad	Total
subsidiaries consolidated line-by-line	40	68	108
joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	1	-	1
associates accounted for using the equity method	15	2	17
Total companies	56	70	126

Further details are provided in the Note List of companies of the Telecom Italia Group .

Note 2

Accounting policies

Going concern

The consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2011 have been prepared on a going concern basis as there is the reasonable expectation that Telecom Italia will continue its operational activities in the foreseeable future (and in any event with a time horizon of at least twelve months).

In particular, consideration has been given to the following factors which management believes, at this time, are not such as to generate doubts as to the Group's ability to continue as a going concern:

the main risks and uncertainties (for the most part of an external nature) to which the Group and the various activities of the Telecom Italia Group are exposed:

- changes in the general macroeconomic condition in the Italian and South American markets;
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variations in business conditions;
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changes to laws and regulations (price and rate variations);
–
outcomes of disputes and litigations with regulatory authorities, competitors and other parties;
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financial risks (interest rate and/or exchange rate trends);
- the mix between risk capital and debt capital considered optimal as well as the policy for the remuneration of risk capital. This is described in the paragraph devoted to "Share capital information" under the Note "Equity";
- the policy for financial risk management (market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk). This is described in the Note "Financial risk management".

Accounting policies and principles of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of all subsidiaries from when control over such subsidiaries commences until the date that control ceases.

The closing date of the financial statements of all the subsidiaries coincides with that of the Parent, Telecom Italia.

Control exists when the Parent, Telecom Italia S.p.A., directly or indirectly, has the majority of voting rights or has the power to determine, also through contractual agreements, the financial and operating policies of an enterprise so as to obtain benefits from its activities.

In the preparation of the consolidated financial statements, the assets, the liabilities, the revenues and the expenses of the consolidated companies are consolidated on a line-by-line basis and non-controlling interests in the equity and in the profit (loss) for the year are disclosed separately under appropriate captions, respectively, in the consolidated statement of financial position, in the separate consolidated income statement and in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income.

Under IAS 27, the total comprehensive loss (including the profit or loss for the year) is attributed to the owners of the parent and to the non-controlling interests even if this results in the non-controlling interests having a deficit balance.

All intragroup balances and transactions and any gains and losses arising from intragroup transactions are eliminated on consolidation.

The carrying amount of the investment in each subsidiary is eliminated against the corresponding share of equity in each subsidiary, after adjustment, if any, to fair value at the acquisition date of control. At that date, goodwill is recorded as an intangible asset, as described below, whereas any gain from a bargain purchase (or negative goodwill) is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

Assets and liabilities of foreign consolidated subsidiaries expressed in currencies other than euro are translated using the exchange rates in effect at the reporting date (the current method); income and expenses are translated at the average exchange rates for the year. Exchange differences resulting from the application of this method are classified as equity until the full disposal of the investment or upon loss of control of the foreign subsidiary. Upon partial disposal, without loss of control, the proportionate share of the cumulative amount of exchange differences related to the disposed interest is recognized in non-controlling interests. The cash flows of foreign consolidated subsidiaries expressed in currencies other than euro included in the consolidated statement of cash flows are translated at the average exchange rates for the year.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising from the allocation of the purchase price of a foreign entity are recorded in the relevant foreign currency and are translated using the year-end exchange rate.

In the consolidated financial statements, investments in associates and joint ventures are accounted for using the equity method, as provided, respectively, by IAS 28 (*Investments in Associates*) and IAS 31 (*Interests in Joint Ventures*). Associates are enterprises in which the Group holds at least 20% of the voting rights or exercises a significant influence, but no control or joint control over the financial and operating policies.

In particular, under the equity method, the investment is initially recognized at cost and adjusted thereafter for the post-acquisition change in the investor's share of net assets of the investee. The profit or loss of the investor includes the investor's share of the profit or loss of the investee.

The consolidated financial statements include the Group's share of profits (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method from the date that significant influence or joint control commences until the date such circumstances cease. When the Group's share of losses of an associate or a joint venture, if any, exceeds the carrying amount of the investment on the Group's statement of financial position, the carrying amount of the investment is reduced to zero and the share of further losses is not recognized except to the extent that the Group has incurred legal or constructive obligations or made payments on behalf of the investee.

Gains and losses arising from transactions with associates or joint ventures are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in those entities.

Under IAS 27, changes in a parent's ownership interest in a subsidiary that do not result in a loss of control are accounted for as equity transactions. In such circumstances, the carrying amounts of the controlling and non-controlling interests are adjusted to reflect the changes in their relative interests in the subsidiary. Any difference between the amount by which the non-controlling interests are adjusted and the fair value of the consideration paid or received is recognized directly in equity and attributed to the owners of the Parent.

Intangible assets

Goodwill

Under IFRS 3 (*Business Combinations*), goodwill is recognized as of the acquisition date of control of a business and measured as the excess of (a) over (b) below:

a)

the aggregate of:

–

the consideration transferred (measured in accordance with IFRS 3; it is generally recognized on the basis of the acquisition date fair value);

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the amount of any non-controlling interest in the acquiree measured at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets;

–

in a business combination achieved in stages, the acquisition date fair value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree.

b)

the acquisition date fair value of the identifiable assets acquired net of the identifiable liabilities assumed measured at the acquisition date of control.

IFRS 3 requires, *inter alia*, the following:

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Incidental costs incurred in connection with a business combination are charged to the separate consolidated income statement;

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in a business combination achieved in stages, the acquirer must remeasure its previously held equity interest in the acquiree at its fair value at the acquisition date of control and recognize the resulting gain or loss, if any, in the separate consolidated income statement.

Goodwill is classified in the statement of financial position as an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life.

Goodwill initially recorded, is subsequently reduced only for impairment losses. Further details are provided in the accounting policy Impairment of tangible and intangible assets Goodwill , below. In case of loss of control of a subsidiary, the relative amount of goodwill is taken into account in calculating the gain or loss on disposal.

In the context of IFRS first-time adoption, the Group elected not to apply IFRS 3 (*Business Combinations*) retrospectively to those business combinations which had arisen before January 1, 2004. As a consequence, goodwill on acquisitions before the date of transition to IFRS was brought forward at the previous Italian GAAP amounts, and was tested for impairment at that date.

Other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life

Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are not amortized systematically. Instead, they undergo impairment testing at least annually.

Development costs

Costs incurred internally for the development of new products and services represent either intangible assets (mainly costs for software development) or tangible assets generated internally. Such costs are capitalized only when all the following conditions are satisfied: i) the cost attributable to the development phase of the asset can be measured reliably, ii) there is the intention, the availability of financial resources and the technical ability to complete the asset and make it available for use or sale and iii) it can be demonstrated that the asset will be able to generate future economic benefits.

Capitalized development costs comprise only expenditures that can be attributed directly to the development process of new products and services and are amortized systematically over the estimated product or service life so that the amortization method reflects the pattern in which the asset's future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the entity.

Other intangible assets with a finite useful life

Other purchased or internally-generated assets with a finite useful life are recognized as assets, in accordance with IAS 38 (*Intangible Assets*), where it is probable that the use of the asset will generate future economic benefits and where the cost of the asset can be measured reliably.

Such assets are recorded at purchase or production cost and amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives; the amortization rates are reviewed annually and revised if the current estimated useful life is different from that estimated previously. The effect of such changes is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement prospectively.

For a small portion of mobile and broadband offerings, the Group capitalizes directly attributable subscriber acquisition costs (represented by commissions for the sales network and subsidies for the purchase of handsets) when the following conditions are met:

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the capitalized costs can be measured reliably;

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there is a contract binding the customer for a specific period of time;

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it is probable that the amount of the capitalized costs will be recovered through the revenues generated by the services contractually provided, or, where the customer withdraws from the contract in advance, through the collection of the penalty.

Capitalized subscriber acquisition costs are amortized on a straight-line basis over the expected minimum period of the underlying contract (between 12 and 24 months).

In all other cases, subscriber acquisition costs are expensed when incurred.

Tangible assets

Property, plant and equipment owned

Property, plant and equipment owned is stated at acquisition or production cost. Subsequent expenditures are capitalized only if they increase the future economic benefits embodied in the related item of property, plant and equipment. All other expenditures are expensed as incurred.

Cost also includes the expected costs of dismantling the asset and restoring the site if a legal or constructive obligation exists. The corresponding liability is recognized when the obligation arises in the statement of financial position under provisions at its present value. These capitalized costs are depreciated and charged to the separate consolidated income statement over the useful life of the related tangible assets.

The recalculation of estimates for dismantling costs, discount rates and the dates in which such costs are expected to be incurred is reviewed annually, at each financial year-end. Changes in the above liability must be recognized as an increase or decrease of the cost of the relative asset; the amount deducted from the cost of the asset must not exceed its carrying amount. The excess, if any, should be recorded immediately in the separate consolidated income statement, conventionally, in the line item Depreciation.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment owned is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life of the assets.

The depreciation rates are reviewed annually and revised if the current estimated useful life is different from that estimated previously. The effect of such changes is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement prospectively.

Land, including land pertaining to buildings, is not depreciated.

Assets held under finance leases

Assets held under finance leases, in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to the Group, are initially recognized as assets of the Group at fair value or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments, including bargain purchase options. The corresponding liability due to the lessor is included in the statement of financial position under financial liabilities.

Lease payments are apportioned between interest (recognized in the separate consolidated income statement) and principal (recognized as a deduction from liabilities). This split is determined so as to produce a constant periodic rate of interest on the remaining balance of the liability.

Furthermore, gains realized on sale and leaseback transactions that are recorded under finance lease contracts are deferred over the lease term.

The depreciation policy for depreciable assets held under finance leases is consistent with that for depreciable assets that are owned. If there is no reasonable certainty over the acquisition of the ownership of the asset at the end of lease period, assets held under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives.

Leases where the lessor retains substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the assets are accounted for as operating leases. Operating lease rentals are charged to the separate consolidated income statement on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Capitalized borrowing costs

Footnotes

Under IAS 23 (*Borrowing Costs*), the Group capitalizes borrowing costs only if they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset, that is an asset that takes a substantial period of time (conventionally more than 12 months) to get ready for its intended use or sale.

Capitalized borrowing costs are recorded in the separate consolidated income statement and deducted directly from the finance expenses to which they refer.

Impairment of intangible and tangible assets

Goodwill

Goodwill is tested for impairment at least annually or more frequently whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that goodwill may be impaired, as set forth in IAS 36 (*Impairment of Assets*); however, when the conditions that gave rise to an impairment loss no longer exist, the original amount of goodwill is not reinstated.

The test is generally conducted at the end of every year so the date of testing is the year-end closing date of the financial statements. Goodwill acquired and allocated during the year is tested for impairment at the end of the year in which the acquisition and allocation took place.

To test for impairment, goodwill is allocated, at the date of acquisition, to each cash-generating unit or group of cash-generating units which is expected to benefit from the acquisition.

If the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) exceeds the recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement. The impairment loss is first recognized as a deduction of the carrying amount of goodwill allocated to the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) and then only applied to the other assets of the cash-generating unit in proportion to their carrying amount, up to the recoverable amount of the assets with a finite useful life. The recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) to which goodwill is allocated is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

In calculating the value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. The future cash flows are those arising from an explicit time horizon of three years as well as those extrapolated to estimate the terminal value. The long-term growth rate used to estimate the terminal value of the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) is assumed not to be higher than the average long-term growth rate of the segment, country or market in which the cash-generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) operates.

The value in use of cash-generating units which operate in a foreign currency is estimated in the local currency by discounting cash flows to present value on the basis of an appropriate rate for that currency. The present value obtained is translated to Euro at the spot rate on the date of the impairment test (in the case of the Telecom Italia Group, the date of the financial statements).

Future cash flows are estimated by referring to the current operating conditions of the cash generating unit (or group of cash-generating units) and, therefore, do not include either benefits originating from future restructuring for which the entity is not yet committed, or future investments for the improvement or optimization of the cash-generating unit.

For the purpose of calculating impairment, the carrying amount of the cash-generating unit is established based on the same criteria used to determine the recoverable amount of the cash generating unit, excluding surplus assets (that is, financial assets, deferred tax assets and net non-current assets held for sale) and includes the goodwill attributable to non-controlling interests.

After conducting the goodwill impairment test for the cash-generating unit (or groups of cash-generating units), a second level of impairment testing is carried out which includes the corporate assets which do not generate positive cash flows and which cannot be allocated by a reasonable and consistent criterion to the single units. At this second level, the total recoverable amount of all cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units) is compared to the carrying amount of all cash-generating units (or groups of cash-generating units), including also those cash-generating units to which no goodwill was allocated, and the corporate assets.

Intangible and tangible assets with a finite useful life

At every closing date, the Group assesses whether there are any indications of impairment of intangible and tangible assets with a finite useful life. Both internal and external sources of information are used for this purpose. Internal sources include obsolescence or physical damage, and significant changes in the use of the asset and the economic performance of the asset compared to estimated performance. External sources include the market value of the asset, changes in technology, markets or laws, increases in market interest rates and the cost of capital used to evaluate investments, and an excess of the carrying amount of the net assets of the Group over market capitalization.

When indicators of impairment exist, the carrying amount of the assets is reduced to the recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and its value in use. In calculating the value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to present value using a discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Impairment losses are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

When the conditions that gave rise to an impairment loss no longer exist, the carrying amount of the asset or cash-generating unit is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, up to the carrying amount that would have been recorded had no impairment loss been recognized. The reversal of an impairment loss is recognized as income in the separate consolidated income statement.

Financial instruments

Other investments

Other investments (other than those in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures) are classified as non-current or current assets if they will be kept in the Group's portfolio for a period of more or not more than 12 months, respectively.

Upon acquisition, investments are classified in the following categories:

- available-for-sale financial assets, as non-current or current assets;
- financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, as current assets held for trading.

Other investments classified as available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value; changes in the fair value of these investments are recognized in a specific equity reserve (Reserve for available-for-sale financial assets) until the financial asset is disposed of or impaired, at which time the equity reserve is reversed to the separate consolidated income statement.

Other unlisted investments classified as available-for-sale financial assets whose fair value cannot be measured reliably are measured at cost adjusted by any impairment losses which are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement, as required by IAS 39.

Impairment losses recognized on other investments classified as available-for-sale financial assets are not reversed.

Changes in the value of other investments classified as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognized directly in the separate consolidated income statement.

Securities other than investments

Securities other than investments classified as non-current assets are those held to maturity. The assets are recorded on the trade date and, on initial recognition, are stated at acquisition cost, including transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Amortized cost represents the initial cost of the financial instrument net of principal repayments received, adjusted (up or down) by the amortization of any differences between the initial amount and the maturity amount using the effective interest method, less any writedown for impairment or uncollectibility, if any.

Securities other than investments classified as current assets are those that, by decision of the directors, are intended to be kept in the Group's portfolio for a period of not more than 12 months, and are included in the following categories:

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held to maturity (originally more than 3 months but less than 12 months, or, with an original maturity of more than 12 months but the remaining maturity at the date of purchase is more than 3 months but less than 12 months) and measured at amortized cost;

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held for trading and measured at fair value through profit or loss;

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available-for-sale and measured at fair value with a contra-entry to an equity reserve.

Changes in the value of available-for-sale financial assets are recognized in an equity reserve (*Reserve for available-for-sale financial assets*) until the financial asset is disposed of or impaired, at which time the equity reserve is reversed to the separate consolidated income statement.

When the conditions that gave rise to impairment losses on securities other than investments held to maturity or classified as available-for-sale financial assets no longer exist, the impairment losses are reversed.

Receivables and loans

Receivables and loans classified as either non-current or current assets are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are recorded, according to their nature, at nominal value or amortized cost.

Cash equivalents are short-term and highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and their original maturity or the remaining maturity at the date of purchase does not exceed 3 months.

Impairment of financial assets

At every closing date, assessments are made as to whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or a group of financial assets may be impaired. If any such evidence exists, an impairment loss is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement for financial assets measured at cost or amortized cost; for available-for-sale financial assets reference should be made to the accounting policy reported previously.

Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities comprise financial debt, including advances received on the assignment of accounts receivable and other financial liabilities such as derivatives and finance lease obligations.

In accordance with IAS 39, they also include trade and other payables.

Financial liabilities other than derivatives are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost. Amortized cost represents the initial amount net of principal repayments made, adjusted (up or down) by the amortization of any differences between the initial amount and the maturity amount using the effective interest method.

Financial liabilities hedged by derivative instruments designed to manage exposure to changes in fair value of the liabilities (fair value hedge derivatives) are measured at fair value in accordance with the hedge accounting principles of IAS 39. Gains and losses arising from re-measurement at fair value, to the extent of the hedged component, are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement and are offset by the effective portion of the gain or loss arising from re-measurement at fair value of the hedging instrument.

Financial liabilities hedged by derivative instruments designed to manage exposure to variability in cash flows (cash flow hedge derivatives) are measured at amortized cost in accordance with the hedge accounting principles of IAS 39.

Derivatives

Derivatives are used by the Telecom Italia Group to manage its exposure to exchange rate and interest rate risks and to diversify the parameters of debt so that costs and volatility can be reduced to within pre-established operational limits.

In accordance with IAS 39, derivative financial instruments qualify for hedge accounting only when:

- a)
at the inception of the hedge, the hedging relationship is formally designated and documented;
- b)
the hedge is expected to be highly effective;
- c)
its effectiveness can be reliably measured;
- d)
the hedge is highly effective throughout the financial reporting periods for which it is designated.

All derivative financial instruments are measured at fair value in accordance with IAS 39.

When derivative financial instruments qualify for hedge accounting, the following accounting treatment applies:

- **Fair value hedge** Where a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of the exposure to changes in fair value of an asset or liability due to a particular risk, the gain or loss from re-measuring the hedging instrument at fair value is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement. The gain or loss on the hedged item attributable to the hedged risk adjusts the carrying amount of the hedged item and is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

- **Cash flow hedge** Where a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of the exposure to variability in cash flows of an asset or liability or a highly probable forecasted transaction, the effective portion of any gain or loss on the derivative financial instrument is recognized directly in a specific equity reserve (Reserve for cash flow hedges). The cumulative gain or loss is removed from equity and recognized in the separate consolidated income statement at the same time as the hedged transaction affects the separate consolidated income statement. The gain or loss associated with the ineffective portion of a hedge is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement immediately. If the hedged transaction is no longer probable, the cumulative gains or losses included in the equity reserve are immediately recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

If hedge accounting is not appropriate, gains or losses arising from the measurement of the fair value of derivative financial instruments are directly recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

Sales of receivables

The Telecom Italia Group carries out sales of receivables under factoring arrangements in accordance with Law 52/1991. These sales, in the majority of cases, are characterized by the transfer of substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the receivables to third parties, meeting IAS 39 requirements for derecognition. Specific

servicing contracts, through which the buyer institutions conferred a mandate to Telecom Italia S.p.A. for the collection and management of the receivables, leave the current Company/customer relationship unaffected.

Amounts due from customers on construction contracts

Amounts due from customers under construction contracts, regardless of the duration of the contracts, are recognized in accordance with the percentage of completion method and classified under current assets.

Losses on such contracts, if any, are recorded in full in the separate consolidated income statement when they become known.

Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of purchase and production cost and estimated realizable value; cost is determined on a weighted average basis. Provision is made for obsolete and slow-moving inventories based on their expected future use and estimated realizable value.

Non-current assets held for sale/Discontinued operations

Non-current assets or disposal groups whose carrying amount will mainly be recovered through sale, rather than through ongoing use, are classified as held for sale and shown separately from the other statement of financial position assets and liabilities. The corresponding amounts for the previous period are not reclassified.

An operating asset sold (Discontinued Operations) is a component of an entity that has been divested or classified as held for sale and:

- represents a major line of business or geographical area of operations;
- is part of a single coordinated plan to dispose of a separate major line of business or geographical area of operations;
or
- is a subsidiary acquired exclusively with a view to resale.

The results arising from Discontinued Operations whether disposed of or classified as held for sale are shown separately in the separate consolidated income statement, net of tax effects. The corresponding values for the previous periods, where present, are reclassified and reported separately in the separate consolidated income statement, net of tax effects, for comparative purposes.

Non-current assets or disposal groups classified as held for sale are first recognized in compliance with the appropriate IFRS applicable to the specific assets and liabilities and subsequently measured at the lower of the carrying amount and the fair value, less costs to sell.

Any subsequent impairment losses are recognized as a direct adjustment to the non-current assets or disposal groups classified as held for sale and expensed in the separate consolidated income statement.

An entity shall recognize a gain for any subsequent increase in fair value less costs to sell of an asset, but not in excess of the cumulative impairment loss that has been recognized.

Employee benefits

Provision for employee severance indemnity

Employee severance indemnity, mandatory for Italian companies pursuant to art. 2120 of the Italian Civil Code, is deferred compensation and is based on the employees' years of service and the compensation earned by the employee during the service period.

Under IAS 19 (*Employee Benefits*), the employee severance indemnity as calculated is considered a Defined benefit plan and the related liability recognized in the statement of financial position (Provision for employee severance indemnities) is determined by actuarial calculations. As allowed by IAS 19, the Telecom Italia Group has elected to recognize all actuarial gains and losses in the separate consolidated income statement as they arise.

The expenses relative to the increase in the present value of the severance indemnity liability, as the time for payment of the benefit approaches, are included in the separate consolidated income statement under Employee benefits expenses .

Starting from January 1, 2007, Italian Law provides that employees may choose the destination of their accruing employee severance indemnity either to supplementary pension funds or to the company. Companies that employ at least 50 employees are obliged to transfer the employee severance indemnity to the Treasury fund managed by INPS. Consequently, the Group's obligation to INPS and the contributions to supplementary pension funds take the form, under IAS 19, of Defined contribution plans whereas the amounts recorded in the provision for employee severance indemnities retain the nature of Defined benefit plans .

Equity compensation plans

The companies of the Group provide additional benefits to certain managers and employees of the Group through equity compensation plans (stock options, long-term incentive plans and broad-based employee share ownership plan). The above plans are recognized in accordance with IFRS 2 (*Share-Based Payment*).

In accordance with IFRS 2, such plans represent a component of the beneficiaries' compensation. Therefore, for the plans that provide for compensation in equity instruments, the cost is represented by the fair value of such instruments at the grant date, and is recognized in the separate consolidated income statement in Employee benefits expenses over the period between the grant date and vesting date with a contra-entry to an equity reserve denominated Other equity instruments . Changes in the fair value subsequent to the grant date do not affect the initial measurement. At the end of each year, adjustments are made to the estimate of the number of rights that will vest up to expiry. The impact of the

change in estimate is deducted from Other equity instruments with a contra-entry to Employee benefits expenses .

For the plans subject to vesting conditions, when such conditions are not met, the amount recognized in Other equity instruments must be reclassified to Other reserves .

For the portion of the plans that provide for the payment of compensation in cash, the amount is recognized in liabilities as a contra-entry to Employee benefits expenses ; at the end of each year such liability is measured at fair value.

Provisions

The Group records provisions for risks and charges when it has a present obligation, legal or constructive, to a third party, as a result of a past event, when it is probable that an outflow of Group resources will be required to satisfy the obligation and when the amount of the obligation can be estimated reliably.

If the effect of the time value is material, and the payment date of the obligations can be reasonably estimated, provisions to be accrued are the present value of the expected cash flows, taking into account the risks associated with the obligation. The increase in the provision due to the passage of time is recognized as Finance expenses .

Treasury shares

Treasury shares are recognized as a deduction from equity. In particular, the nominal amount of treasury shares is reported as a deduction from the share capital issued while the excess cost of acquisition over the nominal amount is presented as a deduction from Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including profit (loss) for the year .

Foreign currency transactions

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising from the settlement of monetary items or from their conversion at rates different from those at which they were initially recorded during the year or at the end of the prior year, are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement.

Revenues

Revenues include only the gross inflows of economic benefits received and receivable by the entity on its own account. Amounts collected on behalf of third parties such as sales taxes, goods and services taxes and value added taxes are not economic benefits which flow to the entity and do not result in increases in equity. Therefore, they are excluded from revenues.

Revenues are recognized to the extent that it is probable that economic benefits will flow to the Group and their amount can be measured reliably. Revenues are stated net of discounts, allowances, and returns.

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Revenues from services rendered

Revenues from services rendered are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement according to the stage of completion of the service and only when the outcome of the service rendered can be estimated reliably.

Traffic revenues from interconnection and roaming are reported gross of the amounts due to other TLC operators.

Revenues for delivering information or other content are recognized on the basis of the amount invoiced to the customer, when the service is rendered directly by the Group. In the event that the Group is acting as agent (for example non-geographic numbers) only the commission received from the content provider is recognized as revenue.

Revenues from the activation of telephone services (as well as the related costs) are deferred over the expected duration of the relationship with the customer (generally 8 years for retail customers and 3 years for wholesale customers). In particular, costs from the activation of telephone services are deferred taking also into account the

reasonable expectations of cash flows arising from these services.

Revenues from prepaid traffic are recorded on the basis of the minutes used at the contract price per minute. Deferred revenues for unused minutes are recorded in Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

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Revenues from sales and bundled offerings

Revenues from sales (telephone and other equipment) are recognized when the significant risks and rewards of ownership are transferred to the buyer.

For offerings which include the sale of mobile handsets and service contracts, the Telecom Italia Group recognizes revenues related to the sale of the handset when it is delivered to the final customer whereas traffic revenues are recorded on the basis of the minutes used; the related subscriber acquisition costs, including handset subsidies and sales commissions, are expensed as incurred. The revenues allocated to the handset sale are limited to the contract amount that is not contingent upon the rendering of telecommunication services, i.e. the residual of the amount paid by the customer exceeding the services value.

A small portion of the offerings in the mobile and broadband businesses are contracts with a minimum contractual period between 12 and 24 months which include an enforced termination penalty. For these contracts, the subscriber acquisition costs are capitalized under Intangible assets with a finite useful life if the conditions for capitalization as described in the related accounting policy are met.

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Revenues on construction contracts

Revenues on construction contracts are recognized based on the stage of completion (percentage of completion method).

Research costs and advertising expenses

Research costs and advertising expenses are charged directly to the separate consolidated income statement in the year in which they are incurred.

Finance income and expenses

Finance income and expenses are recognized on an accrual basis and include interest accrued on the related financial assets and liabilities using the effective interest rate method, the changes in fair value of derivatives and other financial instruments measured at fair value through profit or loss, gains and losses on foreign exchange and financial instruments (including derivatives).

Dividends

Dividends received from companies other than subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement in the year in which they become receivable following the resolution by the shareholders meeting for the distribution of dividends of the investee companies.

Dividends payable to third parties are reported as a change in equity in the year in which they are approved by the shareholders meeting.

Taxes

Income taxes include all taxes calculated on the basis of the taxable income of the companies of the Group.

Income taxes are recognized in the separate consolidated income statement, except to the extent that they relate to items directly charged or credited to equity, in which case the related tax is recognized in the relevant equity reserves. The Statement of comprehensive income indicates the amount of income taxes relating to each item included as Other components of the Statements of comprehensive income .

The income tax expense that could arise on the remittance of a subsidiary s retained earnings is only recognized where there is the actual intention to remit such earnings.

Deferred tax liabilities/assets are recognized using the Balance sheet liability method . They are calculated on all temporary differences that arise between the tax base of an asset or liability and the carrying amounts in the consolidated financial statements except for non tax-deductible goodwill and for those differences related to investments in subsidiaries which will not reverse in the foreseeable future. Deferred tax assets relating to unused tax loss carryforwards are recognized to the extent that it is probable that future taxable income will be available against which they can be utilized. Current and deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when the income taxes are levied by the same tax authority and there is a legally enforceable right of offset. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on enacted tax rates in the respective jurisdictions in which the Group operates that are expected to apply to taxable income in the years in which those temporary differences are expected to be recovered or settled.

Taxes, other than income taxes, are included in Other operating expenses .

Earnings per share

Basic earnings per ordinary share is calculated by dividing the Group s profit attributable to ordinary shares by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the year, excluding treasury shares. Similarly, basic earnings per savings share is calculated by dividing the Group s profit attributable to savings shares by the weighted average number of savings shares outstanding during the year. For diluted earnings per ordinary share, the weighted average number of shares outstanding is adjusted by all dilutive potential shares (for example, the exercise of rights on shares with dilutive effects). The Group profit is also adjusted to reflect the impact of these transactions net of the related tax effects.

Use of estimates

The preparation of consolidated financial statements and related disclosure in conformity with IFRS requires management to make estimates and assumptions based also on subjective judgments, past experience and hypotheses considered reasonable and realistic in relation to the information known at the time of the estimate. Such estimates have an effect on the reported amount of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements as well as the amount of revenues and costs during the year. Actual results could differ, even significantly, from those estimates owing to possible changes in the factors considered in the determination of such estimates. Estimates are reviewed periodically.

The most important accounting estimates which require a high degree of subjective assumptions and judgments are addressed below.

Financial statement line item/area	Accounting estimates
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Goodwill	The impairment test on goodwill is carried out by comparing the carrying amount of cash-generating units and their recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of a cash-generating unit is the higher of fair value, less costs to sell, and its value in use. This complex valuation process entails the use of methods such as the discounted cash flow method which uses assumptions to estimate cash flows. The recoverable amount depends significantly on the discount rate used in the discounted cash flow model as well as the expected future cash flows and the growth rate used for the extrapolation. The key assumptions used to determine the recoverable amount for the different cash generating units, including a sensitivity analysis, are detailed in the Note Goodwill .
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Business combinations	The recognition of business combinations requires that assets and liabilities of the acquiree be recorded at their fair value at the acquisition date of control, as well as the possible recognition of goodwill, through the use of a complex estimation process in determining such values.
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Bad debt provision	The recoverability of receivables is measured by considering the uncollectibility of receivables, their age and losses on receivables recognized in the past by type of similar receivables.
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Depreciation and amortization expense	Changes in the economic conditions of the markets, technology and competitive forces could significantly affect the estimated useful lives of tangible and intangible non-current assets and may lead to a difference in the timing and amount of depreciation and amortization expense.
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Provisions, contingent liabilities and employee benefits	As regards the provisions for restoration costs, the estimate of future costs to dismantle tangible assets and restore the site is a complex process that requires an assessment of the liability arising from such obligations which seldom are entirely defined by law, administrative regulations or contract clauses and which normally are to be complied with after an interval of several years.
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Provisions for legal, arbitration and fiscal disputes are the result of a complex estimation process based upon the probability of an unfavorable outcome.

Employee benefits, especially the provision for employee severance indemnities, are calculated using actuarial assumptions; changes in such assumptions could have a material impact on such liabilities.

Revenues

Revenue recognition is influenced by:

the expected duration of the relationship with the customer for revenues from telephone service activations (as well as the related costs);

the estimate of the amount of discounts, allowances and returns to be recorded as a direct deduction from revenues.

Income taxes

Income taxes (current and deferred) are calculated in each country in which the Group operates according to a prudent interpretation of the tax laws in effect. This process sometimes involves complex estimates to determine taxable income and deductible and taxable temporary differences between the carrying amounts and the taxable amounts. In particular, deferred tax assets are recognized to the extent that future taxable income will be available against which they can be utilized. The measurement of the recoverability of deferred tax assets, recognized based on both unused tax loss carryforwards to future years and deductible differences, takes into account the estimate of future taxable income and is based on conservative tax planning.

Derivative instruments and equity instruments

The fair value of derivative instruments and equity instruments is determined on the basis of either prices in regulated markets or quoted prices provided by financial counterparts, or using valuation models which also take into account subjective measurements such as, for example, cash flow estimates, expected volatility of prices, etc.

In the absence of a Standard or an Interpretation that specifically applies to a particular transaction, management carefully considers subjective valuation techniques and uses its judgment as to the accounting methods to adopt with a view to providing financial statements which faithfully represent the financial position, the results of operations and the cash flows of the Group, which reflect the economic substance of the transactions, are neutral, prepared on a prudent basis and complete in all material respects.

New Standards and Interpretations approved by the EU in force from January 1, 2011

As required by IAS 8 (*Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*), the following new principles and interpretations (amendments and improvements included), in force from January 1, 2011, govern situations that do not exist within the Group at the date of these consolidated financial statements, but may affect the accounting for future transactions or agreements:

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Amendments to IAS 32 (*Classification of Rights Issues*);

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Amendments to IAS 24 (*Related Party Disclosures*);

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Amendments to IFRIC 14 (*Prepayments of a Minimum Funding Requirement*);

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IFRIC 19 (*Extinguishing Financial Liabilities with Equity Instruments*);

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Improvements to IFRSs issued in 2010.

New Standards and Interpretations approved by the EU not yet in force

During 2011, certain amendments to IFRS 7 (*Disclosures Transfers of Financial Assets*) were approved by the European Union. These amendments must be adopted from January 1, 2012. It is expected that they will not have a significant effect on the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

Note 3

Business combinations

Acquisition of the 4G Holding group (4GH)

On July 27, 2011, Telecom Italia, after having received authorization from the Antitrust Authority, finalized the acquisition of a 71% interest in the company 4G Holding S.p.A., which in turn holds a 100% interest in 4G Retail S.r.l. The acquisition had a total impact on net financial debt of 27.4 million euros as a result of the outlay of about 8.6 million euros (including incidental expenses) and the consolidation of the financial debt of the acquired companies. The transaction was carried out through TLC Commercial Services S.r.l., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Parent.

The acquisition of the 4G Holding group, with its approximate 200 points-of-sale located in the most important shopping malls in Italy, will enable the Telecom Italia to reinforce its positioning in the retail distribution market specialized in the sale of telephony equipment and broaden its nationwide presence.

In view of the reciprocal commitments already undertaken by the Telecom Italia Group and the actual sole minority shareholder, Gir S.r.l., as regards the future transfer of the shares held by the latter, the accounting effects of the business combination have been calculated based on an economic interest of 100% in the 4GH group and, as set forth in IFRS 3, can be summarized as follows:

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the measurement of the interest acquired is equal to 16 million euros and is inclusive of the measurement of the future acquisition of the interest held by the minority shareholder;

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all the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed of the acquired group have been measured for their recognition at fair value. During the course of 2012 - and in any case within 12 months of the acquisition - the provisional amounts of the assets and liabilities recorded at the acquisition date could be adjusted with retroactive effect to take into account their acquisition-date fair value with the consequent recalculation of goodwill. Besides the amounts of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, goodwill was recognized for 16 million euros, calculated as illustrated in the following table:

(millions of euros)		Fair value amounts
Measurement of consideration	(a)	16
Value of assets acquired	(b)	67
Value of liabilities assumed	(c)	(67)
Goodwill	(a - b - c)	16

The most important acquisition-date amounts of the assets and liabilities of the 4GH group are summarized as follows:

4GH group acquisition-date amounts

(millions of euros)	Fair value	C a r r y i n g amounts
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amounts

Goodwill deriving from business combinations		16	-
Other non-current assets		22	29
Current assets		45	45
Total assets	(a)	83	74
Total non-current liabilities		12	5
Total current liabilities		55	55
Total liabilities	(b)	67	60
Net assets	(a-b)	16	14

Had the acquisition operation been finalized on January 1, 2011, higher revenues would have been recorded for about 30 million euros in the consolidated financial statements of the Telecom Italia Group without any significant effects on the net loss for the year.

Acquisition of Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ

On October 31, 2011, through the subsidiary Tim Celular S.A., telecommunications infrastructure operators in the states of São Paulo and Rio de Janeiro were acquired from Companhia Brasileira de Energia and the companies were renamed Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ. The acquisition had a total impact on net financial debt of 686 million euros as a result of the outlay of about 656 million euros (including transactions costs) and the consolidation of the financial debt of the acquired group.

As a result of the above operation, a 100% interest has been acquired in the company Tim Fiber SP and a 98.3% interest, subsequently increased to 99.1%, in the company Tim Fiber RJ. A tender offer was made to purchase the remaining 0.9% of the latter which was concluded at the end of February 2012 and brought the percentage interest to 99.7%. The accounting effects of the business combination have been calculated based on 100% ownership, as set forth in IFRS 3, and can be summarized as follows on a provisional basis:

- the measurement of the consideration for both companies is equal to 657 million euros and is inclusive of the non-controlling interest which is in the process of being acquired;

- all the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed of the acquired group have been measured for their recognition at fair value. During the course of 2012 - and in any case within 12 months of acquisition - the provisional amounts of the assets and liabilities recorded at the acquisition date could be adjusted with retroactive effect to take into account their acquisition-date fair value with the consequent recalculation of goodwill. Besides the amounts of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed, total goodwill was recognized for 556 million euros, calculated as illustrated in the following table:

(millions of euros)		Tim Fiber SP	Tim Fiber RJ	Total
		Fair value amount	Fair value amount	
Measurement of consideration	(a)	461	196	657
Value of net assets acquired	(b)	53	48	101
Goodwill	(a b)	408	148	556

The most important acquisition-date amounts of the assets and liabilities of the companies Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ are summarized as follows:

Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ acquisition-date amounts

(millions of euros)	Tim Fiber SP	Tim Fiber SP	Tim Fiber RJ	Tim Fiber RJ
	Fair value		Fair value	

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	amount	C a r r y i n g amount amounts	C a r r y i n g amounts
Goodwill arising from the			
business combinations	408		148
Other non-current assets	77	77	54
Current assets	23	23	16
Total assets	(a) 508	100	218
Total non-current liabilities	32	32	10
Total current liabilities	15	15	12
Total liabilities	(b) 47	47	22
Net assets	(a-b)461	53	196

Had the acquisition operation been finalized on January 1, 2011, higher revenues would have been recorded for about 60 million euros in the consolidated financial statements of the Telecom Italia Group without any significant effects on the net loss for the year.

Acquisition of control of Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A.

On October 13, 2010, once the necessary government authorizations were obtained, an agreement was formalized for the transfer of an 8% interest in Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A. (Sofora) the holding company which controls Telecom Argentina from the Werthein group to Telecom Italia International, as established in the agreements signed between the Telecom Italia Group and the Werthein group on August 5, 2010.

The accounting effects of the business combination, as set forth in IFRS 3, can be summarized as follows:

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the measurement of the interest acquired is equal to 130 million euros and corresponds to the fair value of the options relinquished by the Telecom Italia Group. Such measurement also includes the control premium;

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the interest held in the Sofora group before acquisition of control, previously accounted for using the equity method, was remeasured at fair value at the acquisition date of control and the value came to about 394 million euros. This remeasurement produced a positive impact on the 2010 separate consolidated of income statement of 266 million euros, net of the reversal in the separate consolidated income statement of the reserve for negative exchange differences;

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all the assets acquired and liabilities assumed were measured for their recognition at fair value. During the course of 2011 the provisional amounts of the assets and liabilities recorded at the acquisition date were adjusted with retroactive effect to take into account their acquisition-date fair value with the consequent recalculation of goodwill. Besides the amounts allocated to the assets acquired and the liabilities assumed, goodwill was recognized for 177 million euros, calculated as illustrated in the following table:

(millions euros)		Final		
		fair value amounts	Provisional amounts (Financial Statements 2010)	Change
Measurement of interest acquired		130	130	-
Fair Value of interest held in the Sofora group before acquisition of control		394	394	-
Amount of net assets allocated to the non-controlling interests		1,948	2,003	(55)
Total	(a)	2,472	2,527	(55)
Net assets acquired	(b)	2,295	2,361	(66)
Goodwill	(a b)	177	166	11

The most important acquisition-date amounts of the assets and liabilities of the Sofora group (Argentina) are summarized as follows:

Sofora group acquisition-date amounts

(millions of euros)	Final	Provisional	
	fair value amounts	amounts	Carrying amounts
	2011	(Financial Statements 2010)	
Goodwill	177	166	-
Other non-current assets	3,546	3,648	1,483
of which Other intangible assets	1,840	1,807	214
of which Tangible assets	1,688	1,823	1,251
Current assets	887	887	873
of which Cash and cash equivalents	392	392	392
Total assets	(a) 4,610	4,701	2,356
Total non-current liabilities	1,101	1,137	377
of which Deferred tax liabilities	771	807	44
of which Provisions	100	100	100
of which Non-current financial liabilities	183	183	183
Total current liabilities	1,037	1,037	1,035
of which Current financial liabilities	216	216	216
Total liabilities	(b) 2,138	2,174	1,412
Net assets	(a-b) 2,472	2,527	944
Share of Non-controlling interests	1,948	2,003	814
Share of the Telecom Italia Group	524	524	130

Non-controlling interests have been measured in proportion to the share of the non-controlling interests in the net identifiable assets of the acquired company.

The final allocation of the consideration paid led to lower depreciation and amortization charges of 5 million euros and higher income taxes of 2 million euros in the 2010 separate consolidated income statement.

In 2011, the Telecom Italia Group increased its investment in Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A. and in Nortel Inversora S.A. (the controlling holding company of the Telecom Argentina group, which, in turn, is controlled by Sofora Telecomunicaciones), for a total outlay of 211 million euros (incidental costs included).

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on January 24, 2011, the Telecom Italia Group, through its subsidiary Telecom Italia International N.V., purchased 2,351,752 Nortel American Depositary Shares (ADS), representing *Preferidas B* shares, from Fintech Investment Ltd for 65.8 million U.S. dollars (about 48 million euros). The ADSs in question represent 117,587.6 *Preferidas B* shares (without voting rights). This share package was later conferred to the Argentina subsidiary Tierra Argentea S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group;

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on March 9, 2011, Telecom Italia, through its subsidiary Telecom Italia International N.V., purchased, for a total amount of about 104 million euros, a 10% stake in Sofora Telecomunicaciones S.A. from the local partner Werthein and by so doing increased its investment holding in Sofora from 58% to 68% of the company's share capital;

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on October 27, 2011, Tierra Argentea S.A., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group, purchased 14.48 million Telecom Argentina Class B shares at the price of 20.50 Argentine pesos per share. In the following months of November and December, the company purchased another 1.1 million shares of the same class. The equivalent amount of the transactions was equal in total to 319 million Argentine pesos (about 56 million euros).

The transactions did not alter or modify either the governance rights of the Telecom Argentina group established by agreement between the shareholders signed by the Telecom Italia Group and Wertheim, which is still in force, or the commitments undertaken by the Telecom Italia Group with the Argentine antitrust authorities.

Following these acquisitions, the economic interest of the Telecom Italia Group in Telecom Argentina went from 16.2% at December 31, 2010 to 22.7% at December 31, 2011.

Note 4
Goodwill

Goodwill shows the following breakdown and changes during 2010 and 2011:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Increase	Decrease	Impairments	Exchange differences	12/31/2010
Domestic	41,953		(6)			41,947
Core Domestic	41,532					41,532
International						
Wholesale	421		(6)			415
Brazil	1,429				181	1,610
Argentina	-	177			7	184
Media	228			(46)		182
Other Operations	5		(5)			-
Total	43,615	177	(11)	(46)	188	43,923

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Increase	Decrease	Impairments	Exchange differences	12/31/2011
Domestic	41,947	16	(10)	(7,307)		34,646
Core Domestic	41,532	16	(10)	(7,307)		34,231
International						
Wholesale	415					415
Brazil	1,610	556			(156)	2,010
Argentina	184				(8)	176
Media	182			(57)		125
Other Operations	-					-
Total	43,923	572	(10)	(7,364)	(164)	36,957

The decrease of 6,966 million euros in 2011 includes:

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the impairment charge in 2011 of 7,307 million euros on the goodwill of the Domestic Business Unit, due to the result of the impairment test conducted at June 30, 2011 (impairment loss of 3,182 million euros) and at December 31, 2011 (impairment loss of 4,125 million euros), using the same method adopted in previous impairment tests and particularly comparing the value in use of the Core Domestic Cash-Generating Unit (CGU) with its carrying amount at the same date;

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the goodwill impairment charge of 57 million euros in the Media Business Unit, due to the result of the impairment test at December 31, 2011;

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the increase of 16 million euros in the Domestic Business Unit, relating to the recognition of provisional goodwill following the acquisition of control and subsequent consolidation of the company 4G Holding S.p.A. The decrease of 10 million euros instead refers to the sale of the subsidiary Loquendo S.p.A. on September 30, 2011;

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the increase of 556 million euros in the Brazil Business Unit, relating to the recognition of provisional goodwill following the acquisition of control and the subsequent consolidation of Tim Fiber RJ and Tim Fiber SP.

As mentioned previously, within the following 12 months, the above business combinations could be adjusted, as set forth in IFRS 3. Further details are provided in the Note Business Combinations .

The gross carrying amounts of goodwill and the relative accumulated impairment losses from January 1, 2004 (date of allocation to the cash-generating units) to December 31, 2011 and 2010 can be summarized as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010		Net carrying amount	
	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated impairment losses	Gross carrying amount	Accumulated impairment losses		
Domestic	42,245	(7,599)	34,646	42,239	(292)	41,947
Core Domestic	41,830	(7,599)	34,231	41,824	(292)	41,532
International Wholesale	415	-	415	415	-	415
Brazil	2,017	(7)	2,010	1,617	(7)	1,610
Argentina	176	-	176	184	-	184
Media	228	(103)	125	228	(46)	182
Olivetti	6	(6)	-	6	(6)	-
Other Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	44,672	(7,715)	36,957	44,274	(351)	43,923

Goodwill, under IAS 36, is not amortized but is tested for impairment annually or more frequently if specific events or circumstances indicate that it may be impaired.

The impairment test is carried out on two levels. At a first level, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the individual cash-generating units (or groups of units) to which goodwill is allocated and at a second level the group is considered as a whole. The cash-generating units (or groups of units) to which goodwill was allocated are the following:

Segment	Cash-generating units (or groups of units)
Domestic	Core Domestic International Wholesale
Brazil	Tim Brasil group
Argentina	Sofora group
Media	Telecom Italia Media group

The value used to determine the recoverable amount of the cash-generating units (or groups of units) to which goodwill has been allocated is the value in use for the CGUs of the Domestic, Brazil and Argentina segments; for the Media segment, in the current year, the recoverable amount was determined for each CGU in the segment (MTV, TIMB network operator and TI Media S.p.A.) on the basis of the impairment test applied by the subsidiary, thus fully taking up the impairment losses that arose, in order to better reflect the higher granularity used by Telecom Italia Media in the impairment test carried out in its financial statements.

As for the four cash-generating units for which the recoverable amount has been estimated on the basis of the value in use, the basic assumptions to which the result is more sensitive are reported in the following table:

Core Domestic	International Wholesale	Brazil	Argentina
EBITDA margin (EBITDA/revenues) during the period of the plan	EBITDA margin (EBITDA/revenues) during the period of the plan	EBITDA margin (EBITDA/revenues) during the period of the plan	EBITDA margin (EBITDA/revenues) during the period of the plan
Growth of EBITDA during the period of the plan	Growth of EBITDA during the period of the plan	Growth of EBITDA during the period of the plan	Growth of EBITDA during the period of the plan
Capital expenditures rate (capex/revenues)	Capital expenditures rate (capex/revenues)	Capital expenditures rate (capex/revenues)	Capital expenditures rate (capex/revenues)
Cost of capital	Cost of capital	Cost of capital	Cost of capital
Long-term growth rate	Long-term growth rate	Long-term growth rate	Long-term growth rate

The value in use for all the CGUs (Core Domestic, International Wholesale, Brazil and Argentina) is based on the data in the three-year plan approved by the board of directors and communicated to the market.

The nominal growth rates used to estimate the terminal value are the following (the growth rates of Brazil and Argentina refer, respectively, to flows in Brazilian reais and Argentine pesos):

Core Domestic	International Wholesale	Brazil	Argentina
0%	0%	+3.13%	+9.33%

Such rates fall within the range of growth rates applied by the analysts who follow Telecom Italia stock (as can be seen in the reports published after the presentation of the Group's business plan 2012-2014 and up to March 1, 2012).

The cost of capital was estimated by considering the following:

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the criterion applied was the criterion for the estimate of CAPM - Capital Asset Pricing Model (the criterion used by the Group to estimate the value in use and referred to in Annex A of IAS 36);

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in the case of International Wholesale, a full equity financial structure was considered since it is representative of the normal financial structure of the business; for the remaining CGUs, a Group target financial structure was assumed in line with the average of the European telephone incumbents, including Telecom Italia itself;

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the Beta coefficient for the Core Domestic CGU and the International Wholesale CGU was arrived at by using the Beta coefficients of the European telephone incumbents, including Telecom Italia itself, adjusted to take into account the financial structure (Core Domestic CGU beta coefficient = 1.25; International Wholesale CGU = 0.74 (unlevered beta));

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the Beta coefficient for the Brazil CGU was calculated on the basis of the list price of the corresponding ADR compared to the relative stock market index (beta coefficient = 0.98);

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the Beta coefficient for the Argentina CGU was calculated on the basis of the list price of the corresponding ADR compared to the relative stock market index (beta coefficient = 1.06)

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for the principal operating segments of the Group, reference for comparison purposes was made to the weighted average cost of capital (wacc) identified by the analysts who follow Telecom Italia stock in their reports published after the presentation of the Group's business plan 2012-2014 and up to March 1, 2012.

Since there is a direct correlation between the cost of capital used by the analysts and the long-term growth rate (g) projected to estimate the terminal value, the comparison was also made on the capitalization rates (WACC-g). In particular, the capitalization rate (WACC-g) of the Core Domestic CGU was set equal to the median of the rate used by the analysts in the reports published after the presentation of the business plan 2012-2014 and up to March 1, 2012. Such rate expresses an implicit growth rate in the terminal value (g) equal to 0%. Since the growth rate in the terminal value is in relation to the level of capital expenditures (capex) necessary to sustain such growth, for purposes of the estimate of the earnings flow to be capitalized a level of capital expenditures (capex/revenues) was considered in line with the medium of the analysts (equal to 16.30%). With regard to the Brazil CGU, the growth rate was increased over that of last year (from 1.80% to 3.13% in local currency) to reflect the further improvement in business prospects. For purposes of the estimate of the terminal value, an investment rate (capex/revenues) was used equal to 13.32%.

With regard to the Argentina CGU, the nominal growth rate was set equal to 9.33%, a value below current inflation, and for purposes of the estimate of the terminal value an investment rate (capex/revenues) was used equal to 14.85%.

On the basis of these elements, the post-tax and pre-tax weighted average cost of capital and the relative capitalization rates (WACC - g) have been estimated for each cash-generating unit (the values of Brazil refer to flows in reais and those of Argentina to flows in pesos) as follows:

Brazil	Argentina
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	C o r e Domestic	eInternational Wholesale		%
	%	%		
WACC post-tax	8.90	9.36	11.87	22.60
WACC post-tax g	8.90	9.36	8.74	13.27
WACC pre-tax	12.91	13.77	16.07	29.14
WACC pre-tax g	12.91	13.77	12.94	19.81

It should be emphasized that the cost of capital of the Core Domestic CGU recorded a significant increase compared to December 31, 2010, principally piloted by the rise in long-term rates of the sovereign securities of Italy, from 7.90% to 8.90%.

The differences between the values in use and the carrying amounts at December 31, 2011 of the four CGUs before the impairment tests amount to:

(millions of euros)	C o r e Domestic	eInternational Wholesale	Brazil	Argentina
Difference between values in use and carrying amounts	-4,125	+5	+5,151	90

On preparation of the annual financial statements, the Telecom Italia Group repeated the impairment test that had been carried out in the first half of 2011 that led to the recognition in the half-year condensed consolidated financial statements at June 30, 2011 of an impairment loss of -3,182 million euros on the Core Domestic CGU; in light of the difference between the value in use and the carrying amount, indicated above, a further impairment loss was recognized for -4,125 million euros over and above the amount recorded in the first half of 2011.

For purposes of the sensitivity analysis, four principal variables were considered for the three CGUs whose value in use is in excess of the carrying amount: the pre-tax discount rate, the growth rate in the terminal value (g), the compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of EBITDA in the years 2012-2014 (CAGR 2012-2014) and capital expenditures in proportion to revenues (capex/revenues). The following tables report the values of the key variables used in estimating the value in use and the changes in such variables needed to render the recoverable amount of the respective CGUs equal to their carrying amount.

Value of key variables used in estimating the value in use

	C o r e Domestic	eInternational Wholesale	Brazil	Argentina
	%	%	%	%

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Pre -tax discount rate	12.91	13.77	16.07	29.14
Long-term growth rate (g)	0.0	0.0	3.13	9.33
Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of EBITDA 2012-2014	-0.66	-4.24	16.35	15.35
	from 16.30	from 6.85	from 13.32	from 14.85
Capital expenditures rate (Capex/Revenues)	to 18.68	to 8.39	to 15.91	to 20.17

Changes in key variables needed to render the recoverable amount equal to the carrying amount

	International Wholesale	Brazil %	Argentina %
Pre-tax discount rate	0.08	9.06	0.53
Long-term growth rate (g)	-0.10	-13.62	-0.73
Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of-0.80 EBITDA 2012-2014		-11.73	-0.62
Capital expenditures rate (Capex/Revenues)	0.05	7.70	0.41

A second level impairment test was then conducted to test for impairment at the level of the entire Group, in order to include the Central Functions and the financial cash-generating units of the Group without any goodwill allocation (Olivetti). The total recoverable amount of all the cash-generating units of the Group was compared to the carrying amount of the total operating capital referring to the same units/segments post-impairment losses at the first level. No impairment losses resulted at this further level of testing.

Note 5

Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets increased 664 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. Details on the composition and movements are as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Change in scope of Argentina BU	Additions	Amortization	Impairment (losses) / reversals	Disposals	Exchange differences	Other changes	12/31/2010
Industrial patents and intellectual property rights	2,509	-	1,135	(1,507)	-	(1)	71	422	2,629
Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights	2,999	843	29	(314)	-	(1)	134	10	3,700
of which Licenses with an indefinite useful life		462							462
Other intangible assets	240	997	325	(395)	(1)		47	(1)	1,212
Work in progress and advance payments	536		292		(5)	(1)	2	(429)	395
Total	6,284	1,840	1,781	(2,216)	(6)	(3)	254	2	7,936

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Additions	Amortization	Impairment (losses) / reversals	Disposals	Exchange differences	Capitalized borrowing costs	Other changes	12/31/2011
Industrial patents and intellectual property rights	2,629	1,252	(1,425)	-	(1)	(69)		189	2,575
Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights	3,700	60	(325)	9	(6)	(107)		5	3,336
of which Licenses with an indefinite useful life	462					(21)			441

Other intangible assets	1,212	331	(412)		(51)		17	1,097
Work in progress and advance payments	395	1,423			(3)	(2)	12	(233)
Total	7,936	3,066	(2,162)	9	(10)	(229)	12	(22)
								8,600

The increase of 1,285 million euros in the additions column compared to 2010 (1,781 million euros) is principally connected with the acquisition of user rights for the 800, 1800 and 2600 MHz frequencies to be used for broadband mobile communication services, for a total amount of 1,223 million euros. This follows the participation in the auction for assignment of the frequencies by the Ministry of Economic Development. The user rights, formally awarded on October 3, 2011, were assigned definitively in February 2012. Additions in 2011 also include 288 million euros of internally generated assets (287 million euros in 2010). Further details are provided in the Note Internally generated assets .

Other changes in 2011 include, among others, the effects of the change in the scope of consolidation due to the acquisition of the 4GH group for 15 million euros and the acquisition of Tim Fiber SP and Tim Fiber RJ in Brazil for 5 million euros.

Industrial patents and intellectual property rights at December 31, 2011 consist mainly of applications software purchased outright and user license rights acquired for an indefinite period of time, amortized over a period between 3 and 5 years. They mainly refer to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (1,602 million euros) and to Brazil Business Unit (873 million euros).

Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights at December 31, 2011 mainly refer to:

- unamortized cost of telephone licenses (1,433 million euros for Telecom Italia S.p.A., 703 million euros for the Brazil Business Unit and 462 million euros for the Argentina Business Unit);
- Indefeasible Rights of Use-IRU (227 million euros) referring mainly to the Telecom Italia Sparkle group companies (International Wholesale), amortized over the period of the individual contracts;
- TV frequencies of the Media Business Unit (116 million euros). The user rights to the frequencies used for digital terrestrial transmission are amortized over 20 years;
- unamortized cost of the trademarks of the Argentina Business Unit (329 million euros), amortized over 20 years.

The net carrying amount of telephone licenses totaling 2,598 million euros refers to the following:

Type of license	The net carrying amount at 12/31/2011 (millions of euros)	Amortization period in years	Amortization charge for 2011 (millions of euros)
Telecom Italia S.p.A.:			
UMTS	1,343	18	134
UMTS 2100 MHz	74	12	7
Wireless Local Loop	6	15	1
WiMax	10	15	1
Tim Brasil group:			
GSM and 3G (UMTS)	677	8-15	103
TDMA	26	14	24
Sofora group - Telecom Argentina:			
PCS of Nucleo S.A.	21	12	2
PCS of Telecom Personal S.A.	441	Indefinite useful life	-

Other intangible assets with a finite useful life at December 31, 2011 basically include:

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788 million euros of customer relationships relating to the Argentina Business Unit, measured upon acquisition of control; these are amortized over a period which varies between 5 and 12 years, according to the type of clientele and service:

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246 million euros of capitalized subscriber acquisition costs referring to some sales campaigns of Telecom Italia S.p.A. (151 million euros) and the Argentina Business Unit (95 million euros). The subscriber acquisition costs are amortized over the underlying minimum contract period (between 12 or 24 months) and eliminated from the books after completion of the amortization process.

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26 million euros of entry fees and charges as goodwill in connection with the Telecom Italia S.p.A. stores project amortized on a straight-line basis over a period of three years.

Work in progress and advance payments include the above user rights for the 800, 1800 and 2600 MHz mobile frequencies and capitalized borrowing costs for 12 million euros since they are directly chargeable to the acquisition and because the time period necessary to ready the asset for use is more than 12 months. The interest rate used for the capitalization of the borrowing costs is between 5.3% and 6%. Such costs are deducted directly from Other finance expenses .

Amortization and impairment losses are recorded in the income statement as components of the operating result.

Gross carrying amount, accumulated impairment losses and accumulated amortization at December 31, 2011 and 2010 can be summarized as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011			
	G r o s s c a r r y i n g a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d a m o r t i z a t i o n	N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
Industrial patents and intellectual property rights	13,405	(7)	(10,823)	2,575
Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights	5,623	(250)	(2,478)	2,895
Other intangible assets	1,742		(645)	1,097
Work in progress and advance payments	1,602	(10)	-	1,592
Total Intangible assets with a finite useful life	22,372	(267)	(13,946)	8,159
Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life	441	-	-	441
Total Other intangible assets	22,813	(267)	(13,946)	8,600

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010			
	G r o s s c a r r y i n g a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d a m o r t i z a t i o n	N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
Industrial patents and intellectual property rights	13,985	(7)	(11,349)	2,629
Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights	5,757	(251)	(2,268)	3,238
Other intangible assets	1,668		(456)	1,212
Work in progress and advance payments	405	(10)		395
Total Intangible assets with a finite useful life	21,815	(268)	(14,073)	7,474
Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life	462	-	-	462
Total Other intangible assets	22,277	(268)	(14,073)	7,936

Impairment losses on Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights basically refer to the Indefeasible Rights of Use (IRU) of the transmission capacity and cables for international connections acquired by the Lan Med group (the former Latin American Nautilus group).

Such impairments, principally relating to the years prior to 2004, were reversed in part in 2011 following improved prospects, particularly in the South American market. The amount of accumulated impairments shows a change from 251 million euros at December 31, 2010 to 250 million euros at December 31, 2011 due to the combined effect of the translation of the U.S. dollar financial statements to euro (8 million euros) countered by the cited impairment reversal of 9 million euros.

Note 6

Tangible assets (owned and under finance leases)

Property, plant and equipment owned

Property, plant and equipment owned decreased 384 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. Details on the composition and movements are as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Change in scope of Argentina BU	Additions	Depreciation	Impairment (losses) / reversals	Disposals	Exchange differences	Other changes	12/31/2010
Land	125	113					5		243
Buildings (civil and industrial)	495	336	4	(57)		(4)	20	50	844
Plant and equipment	11,586	867	1,847	(2,794)	(3)	(10)	259	267	12,019
Manufacturing and distribution equipment	31	-	8	(13)				2	28
Ships	26	-		(4)		(20)		(2)	-
Other	621	206	205	(343)		(16)	36	78	787
Construction in progress and advance payments	833	166	679		(4)	(1)	50	(406)	1,317
Total	13,717	1,688	2,743	(3,211)	(7)	(51)	370	(11)	15,238

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Additions	Depreciation	Impairment (losses) / reversals	Disposals	Exchange differences	Other changes	12/31/2011
Land	243	4		-	(7)	(5)	-	235
Buildings (civil and industrial)	844	9	(73)	-	(2)	(19)	36	795
Plant and equipment	12,019	2,097	(2,795)	1	(25)	(213)	979	12,063
Manufacturing and distribution equipment	28	5	(15)	-	-	-	14	32
Other	787	236	(333)	-	(8)	(30)	72	724
Construction in progress and advance payments	1,317	634	-	(4)	(3)	(40)	(899)	1,005
Total	15,238	2,985	(3,216)	(3)	(45)	(307)	202	14,854

Land comprises both built-up land and available land and is not subject to depreciation. The balance at December 31, 2011 mainly refers to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (119 million euros) and the Argentina Business Unit (109 million euros).

Buildings (civil and industrial) almost exclusively includes buildings for industrial use hosting telephone exchanges or for office use and light constructions. The balance at the end of 2011 is largely in reference to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (396 million euros) and the companies belonging to the Argentina Business Unit (326 million euros).

Plant and equipment includes the aggregate of all those structures used for operating telephone voice/data traffic. The balance at December 31, 2011 is principally attributable to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (8,442 million euros), the companies in the Brazil Business Unit (2,236 million euros) and the companies in the Argentina Business Unit (973 million euros).

Manufacturing and distribution equipment consists of instruments and equipment used for the running and maintenance of plant and equipment; the amount is more or less unchanged compared to the end of the prior year and is primarily carried by Telecom Italia S.p.A.

Other is mostly made up of hardware for the functioning of the Data Center and for work stations, furniture and fixtures and, to a minimal extent, transport vehicles and office machines.

Construction in progress and advance payments refer to the internal and external costs incurred for the acquisition and internal production of tangible assets, which are not yet in use.

Additions in 2011 increased by 242 million euros compared to the prior year, and include 281 million euros of internally generated assets (260 million euros in 2010). Further details are provided in the Note Internally generated assets .

Other changes in 2011 are represented by 125 million euros following the entry of the Brazilian companies Tim Fiber RJ and Tim Fiber SP and also the Italian group 4GH in the scope of consolidation after their acquisition. The changes also include the reclassification from buildings under finance leases to owned buildings for a building that was purchased at the end of the finance lease by Telecom Italia S.p.A. for 12 million euros.

Depreciation, impairment losses and reversals have been recorded in the income statement as components of the operating result.

Depreciation for the years 2011 and 2010 is calculated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets according to the following minimum and maximum rates:

Buildings (civil and industrial)	3.33%
Plant and equipment	3% - 50%
Manufacturing and distribution equipment	20%
Other	11% - 33%

The Telecom Italia Sparkle group concluded, taking into consideration a study conducted by an expert, to extend the useful life of submarine cables from the previous 15 years to the current 20 years. This resulted in a benefit in terms of lower depreciation charges of about 15 million euros. Such benefit will amount to 15 million euros and 14 million euros respectively in 2012 and 2013.

Gross carrying amount, accumulated impairment losses and accumulated depreciation at December 31, 2011 and 2010 can be summarized as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011			N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
	G r o s s a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d d e p r e c i a t i o n	
Land	235			235
Buildings (civil and industrial)	2,099	(5)	(1,299)	795
Plant and equipment	63,868	(56)	(51,749)	12,063
Manufacturing and distribution equipment	248	(1)	(215)	32
Other	4,183	(4)	(3,455)	724
Construction in progress and advance payments	1,006	(1)		1,005
Total	71,639	(67)	(56,718)	14,854

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010			N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
	G r o s s a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d d e p r e c i a t i o n	
Land	243			243
Buildings (civil and industrial)	1,789	(4)	(941)	844
Plant and equipment	62,595	(55)	(50,521)	12,019
Manufacturing and distribution equipment	300	(1)	(271)	28
Other	4,156	(2)	(3,367)	787
Construction in progress and advance payments	1,318	(1)		1,317
Total	70,401	(63)	(55,100)	15,238

Assets held under finance leases

Assets held under finance leases show a reduction of 83 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. Details on the composition and movements are as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Additions	Depreciation	Other	12/31/2010
				changes	
Buildings (civil and industrial)	1,246	19	(109)	(32)	1,124
Other	7	10	(6)		11
Construction in progress and advance payments	43	30		(31)	42
Total	1,296	59	(115)	(63)	1,177

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Additions	Depreciation	Other	12/31/2011
				changes	
Buildings (civil and industrial)	1,124	23	(110)	5	1,042
Other	11	11	(6)		16
Construction in progress and advance payments	42	10		(16)	36
Total	1,177	44	(116)	(11)	1,094

Buildings (civil and industrial) includes those under long rent contracts and related building adaptations. They refer almost entirely to Telecom Italia S.p.A..

Other basically comprises the capitalization of finance leases of Data Center hardware.

Other changes refer to the previously mentioned reclassification from buildings under finance leases to owned buildings for a building that was purchased at the end of the finance lease in 2011 for 12 million euros.

Depreciation and impairment losses are recorded in the income statement as components of the operating result.

Gross carrying amount, accumulated impairment losses and accumulated depreciation at December 31, 2011 and 2010 can be summarized as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011			
	G r o s s c a r r y i n g a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d d e p r e c i a t i o n	N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
Buildings (civil and industrial)	2,042	(27)	(973)	1,042
Other	90		(74)	16
Construction in progress and advance payments	36			36
Total	2,168	(27)	(1,047)	1,094

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010			
	G r o s s c a r r y i n g a m o u n t	A c c u m u l a t e d i m p a i r m e n t l o s s e s	A c c u m u l a t e d d e p r e c i a t i o n	N e t c a r r y i n g a m o u n t
Buildings (civil and industrial)	2,039	(27)	(888)	1,124
Aircraft	30		(30)	-
Other	79		(68)	11
Construction in progress and advance payments	42			42
Total	2,190	(27)	(986)	1,177

At December 31, 2011 and 2010, lease payments due in future years and their present value are as:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	M i n i m u m l e a s e p a y m e n t s	P r e s e n t v a l u e o f m i n i m u m l e a s e p a y m e n t s	M i n i m u m l e a s e p a y m e n t s	P r e s e n t v a l u e o f m i n i m u m l e a s e p a y m e n t s
Within 1 year	238	222	250	243
From 2 to 5 years	859	609	759	587
Beyond 5 years	1,049	450	1,099	573
Total	2,146	1,281	2,108	1,403

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Future net minimum lease payments	2,146	2,108
Interest portion	(865)	(705)
Present value of lease payments	1,281	1,403

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Finance lease liabilities	1,549	1,674
Financial receivables for lease contracts	(268)	(271)
Total net finance lease liabilities	1,281	1,403

At December 31, 2011, the inflation adjustment to lease payments was about 28 million euros (about 25 million euros at December 31, 2010) and refers almost entirely to Telecom Italia S.p.A..

Note 7

Investments accounted for using the equity method

Investments accounted for using the equity method decreased 38 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and include:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Investments accounted for using the equity method:		
Associates	46	84
Joint ventures	1	1
	47	85

Investments in associates accounted for using the equity method are detailed as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Investments	Disposals and reimbursements of capital	Valuation s u s i n g a n d o t h e r e q u i t y c h a n g e s method	Reclassifications	12/31/2010
EtecSA (Cuba)	289			100	(389)	-
Italtel Group	-	35		3		38
Tiglio I	37			(14)		23
Tiglio II	1					1
Other	24	1	(2)		(1)	22
Total	351	36	(2)	89	(390)	84

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Investments	Disposals and reimbursements of capital	Valuation s u s i n g a n d o t h e r e q u i t y c h a n g e s method	Reclassifications	12/31/2011
Italtel Group	38			(38)		-
Tiglio I	23			(1)		22
Tiglio II	1			-		1
Other	22			-	1	23
Total	84		-	-(39)	1	46

The measurement of investments accounted for using the equity method includes the share of profits (losses) for the year and the exchange differences on translating foreign operations. With regard to the writedown in full of the entire investment in the Italtel Group in which a 34.68% interest is held, the overall macroeconomic picture on the one hand

and the specific prospects of future evolution of the company's business on the other have led to believe that the recovery of the entire amount of the associate is not probable.

Aggregate data for 2011 and 2010 relating to the principal associates, prepared in accordance with IFRS, based on the Telecom Italia Group's share, are reported below. The share of profits (losses) for the year refers, for consolidation groups, to the shares of the parent and Non-controlling interests.

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Total assets	418	463
Total liabilities	354	375
Revenues	130	251
Profits (losses) for the year	(18)	(21)

Investments in joint ventures include the 50% investment in Consorzio Tema Mobility.

Aggregate data for 2011 and 2010, prepared in accordance with IFRS, based on the Telecom Italia Group's share, are reported below.

Data of the joint ventures:

(millions of euros)	2011		2010	
	Consorzio Tema Mobility	Telecom Italia Group share 50%	Consorzio Tema Mobility	Telecom Italia Group share 50%
Non-current assets	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0
Current assets	1.4	0.7	1.3	0.7
Total assets	1.4	0.7	1.4	0.7
Non-current liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.5	0.3
Current liabilities	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.0
Total liabilities	0.5	0.3	0.6	0.3
Revenues	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.0

The list of companies accounted for using the equity method is presented in the Note List of companies of the Telecom Italia Group .

Note 8

Other investments

Other investments refer to the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009	Investments	Disposals and reimbursements of capital	Measurement at fair value	Reclassifications and other changes	12/31/2010
Assicurazioni						
Generali	3					3
Dahlia TV	5	3			(8)	-
Fin.Priv.	18			(4)		14
Sia SSB	11					11
Other	16				(1)	15
Total	53	3	-	(4)	(9)	43

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Investments	Disposals and reimbursements of capital	Measurement at fair value	Reclassifications and other changes	12/31/2011
Assicurazioni						
Generali	3			(1)		2
Fin.Priv.	14			(4)		10
Sia	11					11
Other	15			-		15
Total	43	-	-	(5)	-	38

In accordance with IAS 39, other investments represent Available-for-sale financial assets.

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note [Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments](#) .

Note 9

Financial assets (non-current and current)

Financial assets (non-current and current) are composed as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Non-current financial assets		
Securities, financial receivables and other non-current financial assets:		
Securities other than investments	12	13
Financial receivables for lease contracts	153	199
Hedging derivatives relating to hedged items classified as non-current assets/liabilities of a financial nature	2,701	1,524
Receivables from employees	41	45
Non-hedging derivatives	27	7
Other financial receivables	15	75
Total non-current financial assets (a)	2,949	1,863
Current financial assets		
Securities other than investments		
Held for trading	1	-
Held-to-maturity	-	-
Available-for-sale	1,006	1,316
	1,007	1,316
Financial receivables and other current financial assets		
Receivables from employees	9	16
Financial receivables for lease contracts	115	72
Hedging derivatives relating to hedged items classified as current assets/liabilities of a financial nature	244	335
Non-hedging derivatives	24	4
Other short-term financial receivables	70	11
	462	438
Cash and cash equivalents	6,714	5,526
Total current financial assets (b)	8,183	7,280
Total non-current and current financial assets (a+b)	11,132	9,143

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note [Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments](#) .

Financial receivables for lease contracts refer to:

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Teleleasing lease contracts negotiated directly with customers and of which Telecom Italia is the guarantor;

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portion of rental contracts, with the rendering of accessory services under the full rent formula.

"Hedging derivatives relating to hedged items classified as non-current assets/liabilities of a financial nature refer to the mark-to-mark component, while those classified as current assets/liabilities of a financial nature mainly consist of accrued income on derivative contracts.

Further details are provided in the Note Derivatives .

Securities other than investments (current assets) refer to listed securities, classified as available- for-sale due beyond three months. They include 864 million euros of Italian treasury bonds purchased by Telecom Italia S.p.A. and 142 million euros of bonds with different maturities, but all with an active market, that is, readily convertible into cash. Such securities, which in accordance with Consob Communication DEM/11070007 of August 5, 2011 represent investments in sovereign debt securities, have been purchased in accordance with the Guideline policy for liquidity investments using financial instruments adopted by the Telecom Italia Group in July 2009.

Cash and cash equivalents increased 1,188 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. The composition is as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Liquid assets with banks, financial institutions and post offices	5,173	4,264
Checks, cash and other receivables and deposits for cash flexibility 2		3
Securities other than investments (due within 3 months)	1,539	1,259
Total	6,714	5,526

The different technical forms used for the investment of liquidity as of December 31, 2011 can be analyzed as follows:

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maturities: all deposits have a maximum maturity date of three months;

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counterpart risks: deposits have been made with leading high-credit-quality banks and financial institutions with a rating of at least A- with regard to Europe and with leading local counterparts relating to investments in South America;

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country risk: deposits have been made mainly in major European financial markets.

Securities other than investments (due within 3 months) include 220 million euros (215 million euros at December 31, 2010) of Euro Commercial Papers, with an A- rating of the issuer by S&P's, and 1,312 million euros (1,028 million euros at December 31, 2010) of Brazilian bank certificates of deposit (*Certificado de Depósito Bancário*), from leading local banking and financial institutions.

Note 10

Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets

Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets increased 194 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. They include:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011 <i>of which</i>		12/31/2010 <i>of which</i>	
	<i>Financial</i>		<i>Financial</i>	
	<i>Instruments</i>		<i>Instruments</i>	
	<i>IAS 39</i>		<i>IAS 39</i>	
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets:				
Miscellaneous receivables	528	349	417	249
Medium/long-term prepaid expenses	600		517	
Total	1,128	349	934	249

Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets amount to 1,128 million euros (934 million euros at December 31, 2010). Miscellaneous receivables mainly relate to the Brazil

Business Unit (438 million euros) and include judicial deposits of 250 million euros. Medium/long-term prepaid expenses total 600 million euros (517 million euros at December 31, 2010) and relate to the deferral of costs in connection with the activation of new contracts.

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note [Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments](#) .

Note 11
Income taxes

Current income tax receivables

Current income tax receivables amount to 155 million euros (132 million euros at December 31, 2010) and mainly include short-term receivables of the Brazil Business Unit companies (147 million euros).

Deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities

The net balance is composed as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Deferred tax assets	1,637	1,863
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,056)	(991)
Total	581	872

Since the presentation of deferred tax assets and liabilities in the financial statements takes account of offsets to the extent that such offsets are legally enforceable, the composition of the gross amounts is presented below:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Deferred tax assets	1,788	1,977
Deferred tax liabilities	(1,207)	(1,105)
Total	581	872

Upon presentation of the tax return for the year 2008, the Parent, Telecom Italia, took advantage of the possibility of realigning the differences between the IAS financial statements associated with transactions that fall under the derivation regime and the tax amounts at January 1, 2009, pursuant to Legislative Decree 185 of November 29, 2008; this realignment - which involves the reabsorption of the relative net deductible temporary differences in equal amounts over five years from 2009 to 2013 - will result in an absorption of net deferred tax assets of approximately 60 million euros per year. At December 31, 2011, the related unused tax credit is 129 million euros (193 million euros at December 31, 2010).

The temporary differences which make up this line item at December 31, 2011 and 2010 as well as the movements during 2011, are the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Recognized in profit or loss	Recognized in equity	Change in scope of consolidation and other changes	12/31/2011
Deferred tax assets:					
Tax loss carryforwards	659	(67)	-	(47)	545
Derivatives	297	-	105	(2)	400
Provision for bad debts	264	17	-	1	282
Provisions for risks and charges	240	(5)	-	(4)	231
Provisions for pension fund integration Law 58/92	39	(20)	-	-	19
Capital grants	13	(5)	-	-	8
Taxed depreciation and amortization	147	(6)	-	(3)	138
Unused tax credit (realignment, Leg. Decree 185/08)	193	(64)	-	-	129
Other deferred tax assets	125	(83)	-	(6)	36
Total	1,977	(233)	105	(61)	1,788
Deferred tax liabilities:					
Derivatives	(152)	(13)	(192)	-	(357)
Business combinations - for step-up of net assets in excess of tax basis	(800)	61	-	34	(705)
Deferred gains	(4)	2	-	-	(2)
Accelerated depreciation	(28)	(6)	-	-	(34)
Discounting of provision for employee severance indemnities	(29)	(3)	-	-	(32)
Other deferred tax liabilities	(92)	14	-	1	(77)
Total	(1,105)	55	(192)	35	(1,207)
Total net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	872	(178)	(87)	(26)	581

The expirations of Deferred tax assets and Deferred tax liabilities at December 31, 2011 are as follows:

(millions of euros)	Within 1 year	Beyond 1 year	Total at 12/31/2011
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Deferred tax assets	537	1,251	1,788
Deferred tax liabilities	(49)	(1,158)	(1,207)
Total Net deferred tax assets (liabilities)	488	93	581

At December 31, 2011, the Group has unused tax loss carryforwards of 4,567 million euros mainly referring to the Brazil Business Unit, the Lan Med group and the companies Telecom Italia Finance and Telecom Italia International, with the following expiration dates:

Year of expiration	(millions of euros)
2012	-
2013	-
2014	3
2015	15
2016	3
Expiration after 2016	126
Without expiration	4,420
Total unused tax loss carryforwards	4,567

Tax loss carryforwards considered in the calculation of deferred tax assets amount to 1,691 million euros at December 31, 2011 (2,025 million euros at December 31, 2010) and mainly refer to the Brazil Business Unit, to the Lan Med group and to the company Telecom Italia International.

Instead, deferred tax assets of 881 million euros (1,197 million euros at December 31, 2010) have not been recognized on 2,876 million euros of tax loss carryforwards since, at this time, their recoverability is not considered probable.

At December 31, 2011, deferred taxes have not been recognized on tax-suspended reserves and undistributed earnings of subsidiaries, in that their distribution or utilization is not foreseen for purposes other than the absorption of losses.

Current income tax payables

Current income tax payables amount to 399 million euros (279 million euros at December 31, 2010). They are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Income tax payables:		
non-current	63	44
current	336	235
Total	399	279

Specifically, the non-current portion of 63 million euros refers principally to the Brazil Business Unit (49 million euros) and the Brazilian company TI Latam Participações e Gestão Administrativa Ltd (12 million euros). The entire amount of the latter and a part of that referring to the Brazil Business Unit comes from taking part in the Brazilian Federal authority's tax amnesty program *Programa de Recuperação Fiscal (REFIS)*.

The current portion of 336 million euros mainly regards the Brazil Business Unit (152 million euros), the Argentina Business Unit (109 million euros) and also the IRES payable on the Telecom Italia Group's income tax consolidation (60 million euros).

Income tax expense

Income taxes amount to 1,643 million euros and increased 1,093 million euros compared to 2010 (550 million euros).

Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Current taxes for the year	1,563	1,347
Difference in prior years estimates	(98)	(89)
Total current taxes	1,465	1,258

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Deferred taxes		178	(708)
Total taxes on continuing operations	(a)	1,643	550
Total taxes on Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(b)	-	-
Total income tax expense for the year	(a+b)	1,643	550

Income taxes in 2010 included a benefit of more than 600 million euros which came from the recognition of deferred tax assets by the Brazil Business Unit in connection with the tax loss carryforwards recorded in prior years which became recoverable on the basis of the prospects of profits by the companies in the Business Unit.

In addition to this effect, the increase in taxes is attributable to the higher taxable base of the Parent, Telecom Italia, of the Brazil Business Unit and also the consolidation of the Argentina Business Unit for the full year 2011.

The reconciliation between the theoretical tax expense, using the IRES tax rate in force in Italy (27.5%), and the effective tax rate for the years ended December 31, 2011 and 2010 is the following:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Profit (loss) before tax		
From continuing operations	(2,624)	4,132
From Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(13)	(7)
Total profit (loss) before tax	(2,637)	4,125
Income taxes on theoretical income (loss)	(725)	1,134
Income tax effect on increases (decreases) in variations:		
Tax losses of the year not considered recoverable	15	18
Tax losses not considered recoverable in prior years and recoverable in future years	(40)	(627)
Non-deductible costs	29	36
Non-deductible goodwill impairment charge, Domestic BU/Media BU	2,025	-
Non-taxable Sofora revaluation	-	(73)
Other net differences	3	(294)
Effective income tax recognized in income statement, excluding IRAP	1,307	194
IRAP	336	356
Total effective income tax recognized in income statement	1,643	550

The impact of Regional Income Tax (IRAP) is not taken into consideration in order to avoid any distorting effect, since such tax only applies to Italian companies and is calculated on a tax base other than pre-tax profit.

Note 12
Inventories

Inventories increased 60 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. The composition is as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Raw materials and supplies	3	3
Work in progress and semifinished products	5	3
Finished goods	439	381
Total	447	387

Inventories particularly refer to Telecom Italia S.p.A. for 125 million euros (112 million euros at December 31, 2010), the companies in the Brazil Business Unit for 113 million euros (103 million euros at December 31, 2010) and the companies in the Argentina Business Unit for 96 million euros (88 million euros at December 31, 2010). They mainly consist of equipment, handsets and relative fixed and mobile telecommunications accessories.

Another 79 million euros (69 million euros at December 31, 2010) of inventories is carried by the Olivetti Business Unit for office products, specialized printers and gaming terminals.

In 2011, inventories were written down for 12 million euros (5 million euros in 2010) mainly for the adjustment to estimated realizable value of fixed and mobile equipment and handsets for marketing.

No inventories are pledged as collateral.

Note 13

Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets

Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets decreased 20 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011 <i>of which</i>		12/31/2010 <i>of which</i>	
	<i>Financial Instruments IAS 39</i>		<i>Financial Instruments IAS 39</i>	
Amounts due on construction contracts	49		36	
Trade receivables:				
Receivables from customers	4,576	4,576	4,536	4,536
Receivables from other telecommunications operators	1,725	1,725	1,870	1,870
	6,301	6,301	6,406	6,406
Miscellaneous receivables and other current assets:				
Other receivables	977	331	873	280
Trade and miscellaneous prepaid expenses	443		475	
	1,420	331	1,348	280
Total	7,770	6,632	7,790	6,686

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note [Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments](#) .

The ageing of financial instruments included in Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 is as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	overdue:					
		T o t a l	T o t a l	10 - 90	91 - 180	181 - 365	M o r e
	current	overdue	days	days	days	t h a n	3 6 5
						days	
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets	6,632	4,663	1,969	852	207	226	684

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	overdue:					
		T o t a l	T o t a l	10 - 90	91 - 180	181 - 365	M o r e
	current	overdue	days	days	days	t h a n	3 6 5
						days	

days

Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets	6,686	4,598	2,088	980	200	178	730
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Overdue receivables at December 31, 2011 account for a lower percentage of total receivables compared to the end of the prior year. Receivables overdue less than 90 days or more than one year in particular are lower. The increase in overdue amounts from 181 to 365 days can basically be ascribed to Telecom Italia S.p.A. and the companies in the Brazil Business Unit.

Trade receivables amount to 6,301 million euros (6,406 million euros at December 31, 2010) and are net of the provision for bad debts of 845 million euros (876 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Trade receivables specifically refer to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (4,004 million euros), the Brazil Business Unit (1,363 million euros) and the Sofora group - Telecom Argentina (370 million euros).

Trade receivables include 88 million euros (29 million euros at December 31, 2010) of medium/long-term trade receivables from customers, principally in respect of Indefeasible Rights of Use IRU.

Movements in the provision for bad debts are as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
At January 1		876989
Provision charges to the income statement	375	339
Utilization and decreases	(393)	(509)
Change in the Sofora group area (Argentina)	-	29
Exchange differences and other changes	(13)	28
At December 31	845	876

The provision for bad debts refers to writedowns of individual receivables for 358 million euros (420 million euros at December 31, 2010) and overall writedowns for 487 million euros (456 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Provision charges for bad debts are recorded for specific credit positions that present an element of individual risk. On credit positions that do not present such characteristics, provision charges are recorded by customer segment according to the average uncollectibility estimated on the basis of statistics.

Other receivables amount to 977 million euros (873 million euros at December 31, 2010) and are net of a provision for bad debts of 132 million euros (84 million euros at December 31, 2010). Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Advances to suppliers	36	46
Receivables from employees	25	27
Tax receivables	425	346
Sundry receivables	491	454
Total	977	873

Tax receivables mainly include 358 million euros relating to the Brazil Business Unit largely for local indirect taxes and 38 million euros to Telecom Italia S.p.A. for credits resulting from tax returns, other taxes and also VAT receivable on the purchase of cars and related accessories for which refunds were requested under Legislative Decree 258/2006, converted with amendments by Law 278/2006.

Sundry receivables mainly include:

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receivables from factoring companies for 146 million euros, of which 62 million euros is from Mediofactoring (a company in the Intesa Sanpaolo group) and 84 million euros from other factoring companies;

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receivable for the Italian Universal Service (53 million euros);

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receivables from the Italian State and the European Union (23 million euros) for grants regarding research and training projects;

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receivables from OLOs (120 million euros);

Trade and miscellaneous prepaid expenses mainly pertain to building leases, rentals and maintenance payments as well as the deferral of costs referring to the activation of new contracts. Trade prepaid expenses particularly include 350 million euros of the Parent, Telecom Italia, (mainly the deferral of costs connected with the activation of new contracts for 228 million euros, building leases for 65 million euros, rent and maintenance payments for 25 million euros and insurance premiums for 9 million euros).

Note 14
Equity

Equity includes:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent	22,791	28,819
Equity attributable to Non-controlling interests	3,904	3,736
Total	26,695	32,555

The composition of Equity attributable to owners of the Parent is the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Share capital of the Parent (net of treasury shares held by the Group)	10,604	10,600
Paid-in capital	1,704	1,697
Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including the profit (loss) for the year:	10,483	16,522
Reserve for available-for-sale financial assets	(4)	(7)
Reserve for cash flow hedges	(74)	(284)
Reserve for exchange differences on translating foreign operations	1,089	1,401
Other gains (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method	(1)	(1)
Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including profit (loss) for the year	9,473	15,413
Total	22,791	28,819

Movements in Share capital during 2011 are presented in the following tables:

Reconciliation between the number of shares outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2011

(number of shares at par value of 0.55 euros)	at 12/31/2010	Shares issued at 12/31/2011 for plans intended for employees	% of share capital	
Ordinary shares issued	(a) 13,407,963,078	8,876,296	13,416,839,374	69.01%
less: treasury shares	(b) (162,216,387)	-	(162,216,387)	
Ordinary shares outstanding	(c) 13,245,746,691	8,876,296	13,254,622,987	
Savings shares issued and outstanding	(d) 6,026,120,661	-	6,026,120,661	30.99%
	(a+d) 19,434,083,739	8,876,296	19,442,960,035	100.00%

Total Telecom Italia S.p.A.
shares issued

Total Telecom Italia S.p.A.
shares outstanding

(c+d) 19,271,867,3528,876,296 19,280,743,648

Reconciliation between the value of shares outstanding at December 31, 2010 and 2011

(millions of euros)		Share capital at 12/31/2010	Change in share capital as a result of plans intended for employees	Share capital at 12/31/2011
Ordinary shares issued	(a)	7,375	4	7,379
less: treasury shares	(b)	(89)	-	(89)
Ordinary shares outstanding	(c)	7,286	4	7,290
Savings shares issued and outstanding	(d)	3,314	-	3,314
Total Telecom Italia S.p.A. shares capital issued	(a+d)	10,689	4	10,693
Total Telecom Italia S.p.A. shares capital outstanding	(c+d)	10,600	4	10,604

Share capital increased 4 million euros due to the effect of the issue of bonus shares for the Broad-based Employee Share Ownership Plan 2010-2014, approved by the Telecom Italia S.p.A. shareholders meeting held on April 29, 2010.

Further details are presented in the following paragraphs and in the Note Equity compensation plans.

The total amount of ordinary treasury shares at December 31, 2011 is 508 million euros and recorded as follows: the part relating to par value (89 million euros) is recognized as a deduction from share capital issued and the remaining part as a deduction from Other reserves.

Share capital information

The Telecom Italia S.p.A. ordinary and savings shares are also listed on the NYSE in the form of American Depositary Shares, each ADS corresponding to 10 shares of ordinary or savings shares, respectively, represented by American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) issued by JPMorgan Chase Bank.

In the shareholder resolutions passed to increase share capital against cash payments, the pre-emptive right can be excluded to the extent of a maximum of ten percent of the pre-existing share capital, on condition that the issue price corresponds to the market price of the shares and that this is confirmed in a specific report issued by the firm charged with the audit.

The Group sources itself with the capital necessary to fund its requirements for business development and operations; the sources of funds are found in a balanced mix of risk capital, permanently invested by the shareholders, and debt capital, to guarantee a balanced financial structure and minimize the total cost of capital, with a resulting advantage to all the stakeholders.

Debt capital is structured according to different maturities and currencies to ensure an adequate diversification of the sources of financing and an efficient access to external sources of financing (taking advantage of the best opportunities offered in the euro, U.S. dollar and Pound sterling financial markets to minimize costs), taking care to reduce the refinancing risk.

The remuneration of risk capital is proposed by the board of directors to the shareholders' meeting, which meets to approve the annual financial statements, based upon market trends and business performance, once all the other obligations are met, including debt servicing. Therefore, in order to guarantee an adequate remuneration of capital, safeguard company continuity and business development, the Group constantly monitors the change in debt levels in relation to equity, the level of net debt and the operating margin of industrial operations.

Rights of savings shares

The rights of the Telecom Italia S.p.A. savings shares are indicated below:

- the profit shown in the duly approved financial statements, less the amount appropriated to the legal reserve, must be distributed to the holders of savings shares in an amount up to 5% of the par value of the share;
- after assigning preferred dividends to the savings shares, the distribution of which is approved by the shareholders meeting, the remaining profit shall be assigned to all the shares so that the savings shares have the right to dividends that are higher, than the dividends to which the ordinary shares are entitled, by 2% of the par value of the share;
- if in any one year dividends of below 5% of the par value of the share are paid to the savings shares, the difference is carried over and added to the preferred dividends for the next two successive years;
- in the case of the distribution of reserves, the savings shares have the same rights as ordinary shares. Moreover, the shareholders meeting called to approve the separate financial statements for the year can, when there is no profit or insufficient profit reported in those financial statements to satisfy the rights of the savings shares, resolve to satisfy the dividend right and/or the additional right by distributing available reserves;
- the reduction of share capital as a result of losses does not entail a reduction of the par value of savings shares except for the amount of the loss which exceeds the overall par value of the other shares;
- upon the wind-up of Telecom Italia S.p.A., the savings shares have a pre-emptive right in the reimbursement of capital for the entire par value;
- in the event of the cessation of trading in the Company's ordinary or savings shares, the holder of savings shares may ask Telecom Italia S.p.A. to convert its shares into ordinary shares, according to the manner resolved by the special session of the shareholders meeting called for that purpose within two months of being excluded from trading.

Paid-in capital totals 1,704 million euros, increasing 7 million euros compared to December 31, 2010, following the capital increase to service the Broad-based Employee Share Ownership Plan 2010-2014, approved by the Telecom Italia S.p.A. shareholders meeting held on April 29, 2010.

Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including profit (loss) for the year comprise:

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The Reserve for available-for-sale financial assets shows a negative balance of 4 million euros at December 31, 2011, increasing 3 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. It includes unrealized losses relating to the investment in Assicurazioni Generali (-2 million euros) and the investment in Fin.Priv. (-6 million euros) by the Parent, Telecom Italia, as well as the unrealized losses on the securities portfolio of Telecom Italia Finance (-15 million euros) and the positive fair value adjustment of other available-for-sale financial assets held by the Parent, Telecom Italia (19 million euros). This reserve is expressed net of deferred tax liabilities of 7 million euros (at December 31, 2010, it was expressed net of deferred tax liabilities of 3 million euros).

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The Reserve for cash flow hedges shows a negative balance of 74 million euros at December 31, 2011, increasing 210 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. This reserve is expressed net of deferred tax assets of 22 million euros (at December 31, 2010, it was expressed net of deferred tax assets of 106 million euros). In particular, this reserve includes the effective portion of gains or losses on the fair value adjustments of derivatives designated as cash flow hedges of the exposure to volatility in the cash flows of assets or liabilities recognized in the financial statements.

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The Reserve for exchange differences on translating foreign operations shows a positive balance of 1,089 million euros at December 31, 2011, decreasing 312 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. This mainly refers to exchange differences in euros on the translation of the financial statements of the companies in the Brazil Business Unit and in the Argentina Business Unit.

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Other gains (losses) of associates and joint ventures accounted for using the equity method show a negative balance of 1 million euros at December 31, 2011, unchanged compared to December 31, 2010.

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Other reserves and retained earnings (accumulated losses), including profit (loss) for the year amount to 9,473 million euros, decreasing 5,940 million euros compared to December 31, 2010. The change is mainly due to the sum of the following:

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dividends of 1,184 million euros (1,029 million euros in 2010);

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loss for the year attributable to owners of the Parent of 4,726 million euros (profit for the year of 3,121 million euros in 2010);

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negative effect arising from the increase in the economic interest in the companies of the Argentina Business Unit for -57 million euros.

Equity attributable to Non-controlling interests amounts to 3,904 million euros, increasing 168 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and is principally represented by the sum of:

dividends of 118 million euros;

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profit for the year attributable to Non-controlling interests of 446 million euros (454 million euros in 2010);

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negative change in the Reserve for exchange differences on translating foreign operations of 226 million euros;

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negative effect arising from the increase in the economic interest in the companies of the Argentina Business Unit of 153 million euros;

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positive effect of capital operations by companies in the Brazil Business Unit of 221 million euros.

The line item consists principally of the equity attributable to the Non-controlling interests referring mainly to the companies in the Brazil Business Unit, the Argentina Business Unit and the Media Business Unit.

Future potential changes in share capital

Details of Future potential changes in share capital are presented in the Note Earnings per share .

Authorizations for the issue of convertible bonds and the buyback of treasury shares

During 2011, the board of directors of Telecom Italia S.p.A. did not exercise the right to issue bonds convertible into ordinary shares, nor were there changes in the number of treasury shares held by the Telecom Italia Group.

As concerns the authorization for the buyback of treasury shares, the ordinary shareholders meeting of Telecom Italia S.p.A. held on April 12, 2011, resolved on the following:

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to authorize, for a period of 18 months, starting from the date of the shareholders resolution, the buyback, on one or more occasions and at any time, of Telecom Italia S.p.A. savings shares, within the quantitative limits established by law and, in any case, within a maximum expenditure limit of 800,000,000 euros;

the purchase price must be in accordance with regulatory requirements or recognized market practices between a minimum and a maximum of the weighted average stock market prices of the savings shares recorded by Borsa Italiana S.p.A. in the last ten days of trading prior to the date of the buyback or of fixing the price, respectively decreased or increased by 20%;

the buyback of treasury shares should nevertheless be within the limits of the available reserves shown in the most recent financial statements approved at the time of carrying out the transaction. The purchases should be carried out on regulated markets, in the manner set out by Borsa Italiana S.p.A., in accordance with art. 132 of Legislative Decree 58 of February 24, 1998 and art. 144 bis, paragraph 1, letter b) and c) of Consob Regulation 11971/99;

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to authorize, for the same period of 18 months, starting from the date of this shareholders' resolution, the disposal in whole or in part, on one or more occasions and at any time, of Telecom Italia S.p.A. savings shares in the Company's portfolio, with the right to proceed, in case of disposal, to subsequent buyback transactions up to the expiration date of the shareholders' authorization, keeping in mind the limits established by law also with regard to the number of treasury shares that the Company can hold at any one time and also providing for compliance with the expenditure limit and the other conditions as established above by these resolutions;

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the disposals may be carried out according to the manner permitted by the current law or regulation in force, at the discretion of the board of directors;

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to mandate the board of directors to take the necessary steps for account postings to be made following treasury share buyback and disposal transactions, in accordance with the provisions of the law and the accounting principles applicable at the time;

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to mandate the chairman of the board of directors and the chief executive officer, jointly and severally and through agents, to execute the transactions that are the subject of this resolution.

Note 15

Financial liabilities (non-current and current)

Non-current and current financial liabilities (gross financial debt) are composed as follows:

(millions of euros)		12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Financial payables (medium/long-term):			
Bonds		24,478	24,589
Amounts due to banks		6,687	5,501
Other financial payables		837	503
		32,002	30,593
Finance lease liabilities (medium/long-term)		1,304	1,442
Other financial liabilities (medium/long-term):			
Hedging derivatives relating to hedged items classified as non-current assets/liabilities of a financial nature		2,513	2,238
Non-hedging derivatives		40	74
Other liabilities		1	1
		2,554	2,313
Total Non-current financial liabilities	(a)	35,860	34,348
Financial payables (short-term):			
Bonds		3,895	4,989
Amounts due to banks		1,192	873
Other financial payables		527	517
		5,614	6,379
Finance lease liabilities (short-term)		245	232
Other financial liabilities (short-term):			
Hedging derivatives relating to hedged items classified as current assets/liabilities of a financial nature		196	269
Non-hedging derivatives		36	2
Other liabilities		-	-
		232	271
Total Current financial liabilities	(b)	6,091	6,882
Financial liabilities directly associated with Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale	(c)	-	-
Total Financial liabilities (Gross financial debt)	(a+b+c)	41,951	41,230

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments .

Gross financial debt according to the original currency of the transaction is as follows:

	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	(millions of foreign currency)	(millions of euros)	(millions of foreign currency)	(millions of euros)
USD	12,386	9,572	14,196	10,624
GBP	2,532	3,032	2,531	2,940
BRL	2,624	1,081	2,682	1,205
JPY	20,809	208	20,834	192
ARS	740	133	973	183
PYG	140,043	24	186,914	31
EURO		27,901		26,055
		41,951		41,230

The analysis of gross financial debt by effective interest rate bracket excluding the effect of derivative hedging instruments, if any, is the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Up to 2.5%	6,517	6,520
From 2.5% to 5%	4,973	4,240
From 5% to 7.5%	20,310	20,306
From 7.5% to 10%	4,921	5,064
Over 10%	839	1,002
Accruals/deferrals, MTM and derivatives	4,391	4,098
	41,951	41,230

Instead, as a result of the use of derivative hedging instruments, gross financial debt by nominal interest rate bracket is the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Up to 2.5%	10,259	11,714
From 2.5% to 5%	5,722	6,236
From 5% to 7.5%	18,502	15,969
From 7.5% to 10%	2,018	1,995
Over 10%	1,059	1,218
Accruals/deferrals, MTM and derivatives	4,391	4,098
	41,951	41,230

The maturities of financial liabilities according to the expected nominal repayment amount, as defined by contract, are the following:

Details of the maturities of Financial liabilities at nominal repayment amount:

(millions of euros)	maturing by 12/31/ of the year:					A f t e r 2016	Total
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		
Bonds	3,131	3,449	2,912	1,801	2,250	13,432	26,975
Loans and other financial liabilities	789	1,606	3,008	1,029	548	1,696	8,676
Finance lease liabilities	230	115	176	151	135	727	1,534
Total	4,150	5,170	6,096	2,981	2,933	15,855	37,185
Current financial liabilities	870	-	-	-	-	-	870
Total	5,020	5,170	6,096	2,981	2,933	15,855	38,055

The main components of financial liabilities are commented below.

Bonds are composed as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Non-current portion	24,478	24,589
Current portion	3,895	4,989
Total carrying amount	28,373	29,578
Fair value adjustment and measurement at amortized cost	(1,398)	(1,249)
Total nominal repayment amount	26,975	28,329

The nominal repayment amount totals 26,975 million euros, decreasing 1,354 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 (28,329 million euros) following repayments/new issues that took place in 2011.

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The following table lists the bonds issued by companies of the Telecom Italia Group, by issuing company, expressed at the nominal repayment amount, net of bond repurchases, and also at market value:

Currency	Amount (millions)	Nominal repayment amount (millions of euros)	Coupon	Issue date	Maturity date	Issue price (%)	Market price at 12/31/11 (%)	Market value at 12/31/11 (millions of euros)
Bonds issued by Telecom Italia S.p.A.								
Euro	1,222.5	1,222.5	6.250%	2/1/02	2/1/12	98.952	100.277	1,226
			3 month Euribor +					
Euro	1,000	1,000	0.53%	12/6/05	12/6/12	100	96.459	965
Euro	645	645	6.750%	3/19/09	3/21/13	99.574	102.316	660
			3 month Euribor +					
Euro	500	500	0.63%	7/19/07	7/19/13	100	93.872	469
Euro	500	500	7.875%	1/22/09	1/22/14	99.728	104.671	523
Euro	673	673	4.750%	5/19/06	5/19/14	99.156	98.943	666
			3 month Euribor +					
Euro	120	120	0.66%	11/23/04	11/23/15	100	81.342	98
GBP	500	598.6	5.625%	6/29/05	12/29/15	99.878	95.708	573
Euro	1,000	1,000	5.125%	1/25/11	1/25/16	99.686	95.661	957
Euro	850	850	8.250%	3/19/09	3/21/16	99.740	105.072	893
			3 month Euribor +					
Euro	400	400	0.79%	6/7/07	6/7/16	100	80.167	321
			(*)					
Euro	1,000	1,000	7.000%	10/20/11	1/20/17	100.185	100.073	1,001
GBP	750	897.9	7.375%	5/26/09	12/15/17	99.608	99.675	895
Euro	750	750	4.750%	5/25/11	5/25/18	99.889	87.340	655
Euro	1,250	1,250	5.375%	1/29/04	1/29/19	99.070	88.809	1,110
GBP	850	1,017.6	6.375%	6/24/04	6/24/19	98.850	91.565	932
			6 month Euribor					
Euro	265.8	265.8	(base 365)	1/1/02	1/1/22	100	100	266
Euro	1,250	1,250	5.250%	2/10/10	2/10/22	99.295	82.560	1,032
GBP	400	478.9	5.875%	5/19/06	5/19/23	99.622	82.013	393
Euro	670	670	5.250%	3/17/05	3/17/55	99.667	66.693	447
Subtotal		15,089						14,082
Bonds issued by Telecom Italia Finance S.A. and guaranteed by Telecom Italia S.p.A.								
			3 month Euribor +					
Euro	107.7	107.7	1.30%	3/12/10	3/14/12	100	99.992	108
			(*)					
Euro	801.2	801.2	7.250%	4/24/02	4/24/12	101.651	101.190	811
Euro	758.7	758.7	6.875%	1/24/03	1/24/13	99.332	103.045	782
JPY	20,000	199.6	3.550%	4/22/02	5/14/32	99.250	101.092	202
Euro	1,015	1,015	7.750%	1/24/03	1/24/33		89.036	904

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						(*)		
						109.646		
Subtotal		2,882						2,807
Bonds issued by Telecom Italia Capital S.A. and guaranteed by Telecom Italia S.p.A.								
USD	2,000	1,545.7	5.250%	10/29/03	11/15/13	99.742	96.286	1,488
USD	1,000	772.9	6.175%	6/18/09	6/18/14	100	96.970	749
USD	1,250	966.1	4.950%	10/6/04	9/30/14	99.651	93.498	903
USD	1,400	1,082.0	5.250%	9/28/05	10/1/15	99.370	92.418	1,000
USD	1,000	772.9	6.999%	6/4/08	6/4/18	100	94.630	731
USD	1,000	772.9	7.175%	6/18/09	6/18/19	100	94.995	734
USD	1,000	772.9	6.375%	10/29/03	11/15/33	99.558	77.333	598
USD	1,000	772.9	6.000%	10/6/04	9/30/34	99.081	75.573	584
USD	1,000	772.9	7.200%	7/18/06	7/18/36	99.440	84.323	652
USD	1,000	772.9	7.721%	6/4/08	6/4/38	100	88.603	685
Subtotal		9,004						8,124
Total		26,975						25,013

(*)

Weighted average issue price for bonds issued with more than one tranche.

The regulations and/or Offering Circulars relating to the bonds described above are available on the corporate website telecomitalia.com.

The following table lists the changes in bonds during 2011:

New issues

(millions of original currency)	currency	amount	issue date
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 7% maturing 1/20/2017 (*)	Euro	1,000	10/20/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 750 million euros 4.75% maturing 5/25/2018	Euro	750	5/25/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,000 million euros 5.125% maturing 1/25/2016	Euro	1,000	1/25/2011

(*)

On October 20, 2011, bonds were issued for 750 million euros; subsequently, on November 3, 2011, the issue was reopened and increased for another 250 million euros.

Repayments

(millions of original currency)	currency	amount	repayment date
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. Floating Rate Notes 850 million U.S. dollars, 3 month USD LIBOR +0.61%	USD	850	7/18/2011
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. 750 million U.S. dollars 6.2%	USD	750	7/18/2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 1,791 million euros ⁽¹⁾ 7.50%	Euro	1,791	4/20/2011
Telecom Italia Capital S.A. Floating Rate Notes 400 million U.S. dollars, 3 month USD LIBOR +0.48%	USD	400	2/1/2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 750 million euros 4.5%	Euro	750	1/28/2011

(1)

Net of repayments by the company for 209 million euros during the years 2009-2011.

Buybacks

(millions of original currency)	currency	amount	buyback period
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 1,791 million euros 7.50% maturing April 2011(*)	Euro	93	January March 2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 801 million euros 7.25% maturing April 2012	Euro	199	January September 2011
Telecom Italia Finance S.A. 759 million euros 6.875% maturing January 2013	Euro	91	November December 2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 1,222.5 million euros 6.25% maturing February 2012	Euro	27.5	December 2011
Telecom Italia S.p.A. 645 million euros 6.75% maturing March 2013	Euro	5	December 2011

(*)

During the years 2009 and 2010, bonds had already been bought back for 116 million euros. Therefore the total amount bought back is 209 million euros.

Medium/long-term amounts due to banks total 6,687 million euros (5,501 million euros at December 31, 2010), increasing 1,186 million euros partly as a result of 750 million euros drawn down from the revolving credit facility to partially cover the cash requirements for the acquisition of the LTE frequencies.

Short-term amounts due to banks total 1,192 million euros, increasing 319 million euros (873 million euros at December 31, 2010). Short-term amounts due to banks include 670 million euros for the current portion of medium/long-term amount due to banks.

Medium/long-term other financial payables amount to 837 million euros (503 million euros at December 31, 2010). They include 375 million euros of debt owed by Telecom Italia S.p.A. on the purchase of the user rights for the 800 MHz and 2600 MHz frequencies due in October 2016, 201 million euros by Telecom Italia Finance S.A. on the loan for 20,000 million Japanese yen due in 2029 and 249 million euros on the debt certificates regulated by German law denominated *Schuldschein* issued by Telecom Italia Finance S.A., maturing 2013.

Short-term other financial payables amount to 527 million euros (517 million euros at December 31, 2010) and include 178 million euros of the current portion of medium/long-term other financial payables, of which 88 million euros refers to the amount owed by Telecom Italia S.p.A. on the purchase of the user rights for the 800 MHz and 2600 MHz frequencies and 76 million euros relating to

Nortel Inversora S.A. Preferred Serie A Shares (these are preferred shares regulated by Argentine law, without voting rights except for specific cases stated in the relative issue conditions, repayable at pre-determined maturities according a pre-established repayment plan. The shares are remunerated and have the right, among other things, to a base annual cumulative yield, regardless of the results for the year reported by Nortel Inversora S.A. and are therefore considered liabilities of a financial nature pursuant to IFRS adopted by the Telecom Italia Group).

Medium/long-term finance lease liabilities total 1,304 million euros (1,442 million euros at December 31, 2010) and mainly refer to building sale and leaseback transactions recorded in accordance with IAS 17. Short-term finance lease liabilities amount to 245 million euros (232 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Hedging derivatives relating to items classified as non-current liabilities of a financial nature amount to 2,513 million euros (2,238 million euros at December 31, 2010). Hedging derivatives relating to items classified as current liabilities of a financial nature total 196 million euros (269 million euros at December 31, 2010). Further details are provided in the Note Derivatives .

Non-hedging derivatives relating to items classified as non-current liabilities of a financial nature amount to 40 million euros (74 million euros at December 31, 2010). Non-hedging derivatives relating to items classified as current liabilities of a financial nature amount to 36 million euros (2 million euros at December 31, 2010). These refer to the measurement of derivatives which, although put into place for hedging purposes, do not possess the formal requisites to be considered as such under IFRS. Further details are provided in the Note Derivatives .

Covenants , Negative pledges and other contract clauses in effect at December 31, 2011

The bonds issued by the Telecom Italia Group do not contain financial covenants (e.g. ratios such a Debt/EBITDA, EBITDA/Interest etc.) or clauses that would force the early redemption of the bonds in relation to events other than the insolvency of the Telecom Italia Group. Furthermore, the repayment of the bonds and the payment of interest are not covered by specific guarantees nor are there commitments provided relative to the assumption of future guarantees, except for the full and unconditional guarantees provided by Telecom Italia S.p.A. for the bonds issued by Telecom Italia Finance S.A. and Telecom Italia Capital S.A.

None of the bonds issued by the Telecom Italia Group carry any other interest rate structures or structural complexities.

Since these bonds have been placed principally with institutional investors in major world capital markets (Euromarket and the U.S.A.), the terms which regulate the bonds are in line with market practice for similar transactions effected on these same markets; consequently, for example, there are commitments not to use the company s assets as collateral for loans ("negative pledges").

With reference to loans received by Telecom Italia S.p.A. from the European Investment Bank (EIB), an amount of 1,053 million euros (out of a total of 2,960 million euros at December 31, 2011) is not secured by bank guarantees but there are covenants which cover the following:

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in the event the company becomes the target of a merger, demerger or contribution of a business segment outside the Group, or sells, disposes or transfers assets or business segments (except in certain cases, expressly provided for), it shall immediately inform the EIB which shall have the right to ask for guarantees to be provided or changes to be

made to the loan contract;

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in the event the company commits to uphold in other loan contracts, among other things, financial parameters, cross default clauses, commitments restricting the sale of goods or restrictions which are not present or are more stringent or more favorable than those granted to the EIB, then the EIB will have the right to request whenever it deems that this might have negative consequences on the financial capability of Telecom Italia S.p.A. the providing of guarantees or the modification of the loan contract in order to envisage an equivalent provision in favor of the EIB. The provision in question (Clause for Inclusion) contemplated only on the loan extended on August 5, 2011 for an amount of 100 million euros does not apply to subsidized loans until the remaining total amount of principal is above 500 million euros;

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for all loans not secured by collateral, if the Company's credit rating of unsubordinated and unsecured medium/long-term debt is lower than BBB for Standard & Poor's, Baa2 for Moody's and BBB for Fitch Ratings, the company shall immediately inform the EIB which shall have the right to ask for suitable guarantees to be provided, indicating a date for setting up these guarantees. After that date and if Telecom Italia S.p.A. fails to provide the guarantees, the EIB shall have the right to demand immediate repayment of the amount disbursed. The current ratings (BBB and Baa2) did not require new guarantees or repayments of loans.

The syndicated bank lines of Telecom Italia S.p.A. do not contain financial covenants (e.g. ratios such as Debt/EBITDA, EBITDA/Interest, etc.) which would oblige the Company to automatically repay the outstanding loan if the covenants are not observed. Mechanisms are provided for adjusting the cost of funding in relation to Telecom Italia's credit rating, with a spread added to the Euribor of between a minimum of 0.0875% and a maximum of 0.2625% for the line expiring in 2014 and a minimum of 0.90% and a maximum of 2.50% for the line expiring in 2013.

The two syndicated bank lines contain the usual other types of covenants, including the commitment not to use the company's assets as collateral for loans (*negative pledges*), the commitment not to change the business purpose or sell the assets of the company unless specific conditions exist (e.g. the sale takes place at fair market value). Covenants with basically the same content are also found in the export credit loan agreement.

In a series of agreements in which Telecom Italia is a party, communication must be provided in case of a change in control.

Such obligation, required by national legislation in matters governing qualifying rights, is firstly contained in the general authorization rights granted to Telecom Italia for the operation and the provision of the electronic communication network and for the offer of electronic communication services, besides the concession/general authorization rights granted to the subsidiary TI Media for the network operator and content supplier activities. A similar obligation is governed on the basis of the local legislation and content in the concession/license rights of the telecommunications services in favor of the foreign subsidiaries of the Group.

Telecom Italia is also a party to agreements in which the phenomenon of a change in control involves a change in or the termination of the relationship. Some, however, not regarding financing relationships, are subject to restrictions on confidentiality, such that the disclosure of the presence of the clause would cause severe detriment to the Company,

which consequently takes advantage of the right not to proceed to make any disclosure on the issue, pursuant to art. 123-bis of the TUF, paragraph 1, letter h), second part. In other cases, the significance of the agreement is excluded. In other cases, the significance of the agreement is excluded.

There remain the following types of agreements, all regarding financing relationships:

- Multi-currency revolving credit facility (8,000,000,000 euros). The agreement was signed between Telecom Italia and a syndicate of banks on August 1, 2005 and subsequently modified. In the event of a change in control, Telecom Italia shall inform the agent within five business days and the agent, on behalf of the lending banks, shall negotiate, in good faith, how to continue the relationship. None of the parties shall be obliged to continue such negotiations beyond the term of 30 days, at the end of which, in the absence of an agreement, the credit facility shall cease to be effective and Telecom Italia shall be held to repay any sum disbursed (currently equal to 2,000,000,000 euros) to the same. Conventionally, no change of control is held to exist in the event control, pursuant to art. 2359 of the Italian Civil Code, is acquired (i) by shareholders who at the date of signing the agreement held, directly or indirectly, more than 13% of the voting rights in the shareholders meeting, or (ii) by the investors (Telefónica S.A., Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A., Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. and Mediobanca S.p.A.) which had signed a shareholders agreement on April 28, 2007 regarding the Telecom Italia shares, or (iii) by a combination of parties belonging to the two categories;

- Revolving credit facility (1,250,000,000 euros). The agreement was signed between Telecom Italia and a syndicate of banks on February 12, 2010 and contemplates a discipline similar to that contained in the August 1, 2005 credit facility agreement, even though it was updated to take into account the October 28, 2009 modifications to the April 28, 2007 shareholders agreement. Therefore, no change of control is held to exist in the event control, pursuant to art. 2359 of the Italian Civil Code, is acquired, directly or indirectly (through subsidiaries) by the investors Telefónica S.A., Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A., Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. and Mediobanca S.p.A., with the provisions described above remaining unchanged. The amount disbursed is currently 250,000,000 euros;

- Revolving credit facility (200,000,000 euros). The agreement was signed between Telecom Italia and Unicredit S.p.A. on December 20, 2010 and contemplates a discipline basically identical to that of the February 12, 2010 credit facility. The amount disbursed is currently 200,000,000 euros;

- Bonds. The regulations covering the bonds issued under the EMTN Programme by both Olivetti and Telecom Italia and bonds denominated in U.S. dollars typically provide that, in the event of mergers or transfer of all or substantially all of the assets of the issuing company or of the guarantor, the incorporating or transferee company shall assume all of the obligations of the merged or transferor company. Non-fulfillment of the obligation, for which a solution is not found, is an event of default;

- Contracts with the European Investment Bank (EIB). The total nominal amount is 2.95 billion euros. The contracts signed by Telecom Italia with the EIB, for an amount of 2.65 billion euros, carry the obligation of promptly informing the bank about changes regarding the bylaws or the allocation of share capital among the shareholders which can bring about a change in control. Failure to communicate this information to the bank shall result in the termination of the contract. The contract shall also be terminated when a shareholder, which, at the date of signing the contract does not hold at least 2% of the share capital, comes to hold more than 50% of the voting rights in the ordinary shareholders

meeting or, in any case, a number of shares such that it represents more than 50% of the share capital. Whenever, in the bank's reasonable opinion, this fact could cause a detriment to the bank or could compromise the execution of the loan project, the bank has the right to ask Telecom Italia to provide guarantees or modify the contract or find an alternative solution. Should Telecom Italia not comply with the requests of EIB, the bank has the right to terminate the contract. Specifically:

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the loan contract signed by Telecom Italia with EIB on August 5, 2011, for an amount of 100 million euros, and the three contracts covered, respectively, by bank guarantees and guarantees provided by Sace S.p.A. signed on September 26, 2011, for a total amount of 200 million euros, carry the obligation, for Telecom Italia, of promptly informing the bank about changes regarding the bylaws or its shareholders. Failure to communicate this information to the bank shall result in the termination of the contract. With regard to the four contracts in question, a change of control is generated if a subject or group of subjects acting in concert acquires control of Telecom Italia, or of the entity that, directly or indirectly, controls Telecom Italia. No change of control is held to exist in the event control is acquired, directly or indirectly (i) by any shareholder which at the date of the contract holds, directly or indirectly, at least 13% of the voting rights in the shareholders' meeting, or (ii) by the investors Telefónica S.A., Assicurazioni Generali S.p.A., Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. or Mediobanca S.p.A. or their subsidiaries. Under the assumption that there is a change in control, the bank has the right to ask for the early repayment of the loan;

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furthermore, the contracts covered by guarantees, signed on September 26, 2011, for a total amount of 200 million euros, envisage the clause for inclusion according to which in the event Telecom Italia commits to uphold in other loan contracts, among other things, financial parameters which are not present or are more stringent or more favorable than those granted to the EIB, then the EIB will have the right to request whenever it deems that this might have negative consequences on the financial ability of Telecom Italia S.p.A. the providing of guarantees or the modification of the loan contract in order to envisage an equivalent provision in favor of the EIB. The provision in question does not apply to subsidized loans until the remaining total amount of principal is above 500 million euros.

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Export Credit Agreement (residual nominal amount of 37,573,952 euros). The contract was signed in 2004 by Telecom Italia and Société Générale and provides for the repayment of the loan in 2013. It is provided that, in the event of a change in control and subsequent failure to reach an agreement with the lender bank, Telecom Italia shall reimburse the outstanding loan on the first date on which payment of interest shall be due.

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Senior Secured Syndicated Facility (residual nominal amount of 312,464,000 of Argentine pesos, equal to about 56 million euros). The contract was signed in October 2011 between BBVA Banco Francés and Tierra Argentea S.A (a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group) and provides for the repayment of the loan in 2016. The loan is guaranteed by two pledges of (i) 15,374,858 Telecom Argentina shares and (ii) 2,351,752 American Depositary Shares (ADS) representing 117,588 Nortel Inversora S.A. Class B preferred shares. The covenants established by contract, in the form of negative covenants or financial covenants, are consistent with those of syndicated loans and with local practice; there is also a change of control clause which requires the full early repayment of the loan should the Telecom Italia Group hold less than a 100% interest in Tierra Argentea S.A. or loss control of the other Argentine subsidiaries.

Finally, in the documentation of the loans granted to certain companies of the Tim Brasil group, the companies must generally respect certain financial ratios (e.g. capitalization ratios, ratios for servicing debt and debt ratios) as well as the usual other covenants, under pain of a request for the early repayment of the loan.

Finally, as of December 31, 2011, no covenant, negative pledge clause or other clause relating to the above-described debt position, has in any way been breached or violated.

Revolving Credit Facility

The following table shows the composition and the drawdown of the committed credit lines available at December 31, 2011:

(billion euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	Agreed	Drawn down	Agreed	Drawn down
Revolving Credit Facility expiring February 2013	1.25	0.25	1.25	--
Revolving Credit Facility expiring August 2014	8.0	2.0	8.0	1.5
Revolving Credit Facility expiring June 2012 (renewable to December 2013)	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.12
Total	9.45	2.45	9.45	1.62

Telecom Italia's rating

During the course of 2011, the three rating agencies - Standard & Poor's, Moody's and Fitch Ratings - changed their outlook on Telecom Italia:

	Rating	Outlook
STANDARD & POOR'S	BBB	Negative
MOODY'S	Baa2	Negative
FITCH RATINGS	BBB	Negative

Note 16

Net financial debt

As required by Consob Communication DEM/6064293 of July 28, 2006, the following table presents the net financial debt at December 31, 2011 and December 31, 2010 calculated in accordance with the criteria indicated in the Recommendation of CESR (*Committee of European Securities Regulators*) of February 10, 2005 *Recommendations for the Uniform Implementation of the European Commission Regulation on Disclosures* and also introduced by Consob itself.

For the purpose of determining such figure, the amount of financial liabilities has been adjusted by the effect of the relative hedging derivatives recorded in assets and the receivables arising from financial subleasing.

This table also shows the reconciliation of net financial debt determined according to the criteria indicated by CESR and net financial debt calculated according to the criteria of the Telecom Italia Group and presented in the Annual Report.

(millions of euros)		12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Non-current financial liabilities		35,860	34,348
Current financial liabilities		6,091	6,882
Financial liabilities relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale		-	-
Total Gross financial debt	(a)	41,951	41,230
Non-current financial assets (°)			
Non-current financial receivables for lease contract		(153)	(199)
Non-current hedging derivatives		(2,701)	(1,524)
	(b)	(2,854)	(1,723)
Current financial assets			
Securities other than investments		(1,007)	(1,316)
Financial receivables and other current financial assets		(462)	(438)
Cash and cash equivalents		(6,714)	(5,526)
Financial assets relating to Discontinued operations/Non-current assets held for sale		-	-
	(c)	(8,183)	(7,280)
Net financial debt as per Consob communication DEM/6064293/2006	(d=a+b+c)	30,914	32,227
Non-current financial assets (°)			
Securities other than investments		(12)	(13)
Other financial receivables and other financial assets		(83)	(127)
	(e)	(95)	(140)
Net financial debt(*)	(f=d+e)	30,819	32,087
Reversal of fair value measurement of derivatives and related financial assets/liabilities	(g)	(405)	(619)
Adjusted net financial debt	(f+g)	30,414	31,468

(°)

At December 31, 2011 and at December 31, 2010, "Non-current financial assets" (b+e) amount to 2,949 million euros and 1,863 million euros, respectively.

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As regards the effects of related party transactions on net financial debt, reference should be made to the specific table included in the Note "Related party transactions".

Note 17

Financial risk management

Financial risk management objectives and policies of the Telecom Italia Group

The Telecom Italia Group is exposed to the following financial risks in the ordinary course of its business operations:

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market risk: stemming from changes in interest rates and exchange rates in connection with financial assets that have been originated and financial liabilities that have been assumed;

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credit risk: representing the risk of the non-fulfillment of the obligations undertaken by the counterpart with regard to the liquidity investments of the Group;

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liquidity risk: connected with the need to meet short-term financial commitments.

These financial risks are managed by:

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the definition, at a central level, of guidelines for directing operations;

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the activity of an internal committee which monitors the level of exposure to market risks consistently with prefixed general objectives;

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the identification of the most suitable financial instruments, including derivatives, to reach prefixed objectives;

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the monitoring of the results achieved;

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the exclusion of the use of financial instruments for speculative purposes.

The policies for the management and the sensitivity analyses of the above financial risks by the Telecom Italia Group are described below.

Identification of risks and analysis

The Telecom Italia Group is exposed to market risks as a result of changes in interest rates and exchange rates in the markets in which it operates or has bond issues, principally Europe, the United States, Great Britain and Latin America.

The financial risk management policies of the Telecom Italia Group are directed towards diversifying market risks, hedging exchange rate risk in full and minimizing interest rate exposure by an appropriate diversification of the portfolio, which is also achieved by using carefully selected derivative financial instruments.

The Group defines an optimum composition for the fixed-rate and variable-rate debt structure and uses derivative financial instruments to achieve that prefixed composition. In consideration of the Group's operating activities, the optimum combination of medium/long-term non-current financial liabilities has been established, on the basis of the nominal amount, in the range 65% - 75% for the fixed-rate component and 25% - 35% for the variable-rate component.

In managing market risk, the Group adopted a Guideline policy for debt management using derivative instruments and mainly uses the following:

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Interest Rate Swaps (IRS): used to modify the profile of the original exposure to interest rate risks on loans and bonds, whether fixed or variable;

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Cross Currency and Interest Rate Swaps (CCIRS) and Currency Forwards: used to convert loans and bonds issued in currencies other than euro principally in U.S. dollars and British pounds to the functional currencies of the operating companies.

Derivative financial instruments are designated as fair value hedges for the management of exchange rate risks on instruments denominated in currencies other than euro and for the management of the interest rate risk on fixed-rate loans. Derivative financial instruments are designated as cash flow hedges when the objective is to pre-fix the exchange rate of future transactions and the interest rate.

All derivative financial instruments are put into place with high-credit-quality banking and financial counterparts with a high credit rating.

The exposure to the various market risks can be measured by sensitivity analyses, as set forth in IFRS 7. This analysis illustrates the effects produced by a given and assumed change in the levels of the relevant variables in the various reference markets (exchange rates, interest rates and prices) on finance income and expenses and, at times, directly on equity. The sensitivity analysis was performed based on the suppositions and assumptions indicated below:

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The sensitivity analyses were performed by applying reasonably possible variations in the relevant risk variables to the amounts in the financial statements at December 31, 2011, assuming that such amounts are representative of the entire year.

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The changes in value of fixed-rate financial instruments, other than derivatives, produced by changes in the reference interest rates, generate an impact on profit only when, in accordance with IAS 39, they are accounted for at their fair value. All fixed-rate instruments which are accounted for at amortized cost are not subject to interest rate risk as defined by IFRS7.

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In the case of fair value hedge relationships, fair value changes of the underlying hedged item and of the derivative instrument, due to changes in the reference interest rates, compensate each other almost entirely in the income statement for the year. Therefore, these financial instruments are not exposed to interest rate risk.

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The changes in value of designated financial instruments in a cash flow hedge relationship, produced by changes in interest rates, generate an impact on the debt level and on equity; accordingly they are included in this analysis.

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The changes in value, produced by changes in the reference interest rates, of variable-rate financial instruments, other than derivatives, which are not part of a cash flow hedge relationship, generate an impact on the finance income and expenses for the year; accordingly they are included in this analysis.

Exchange rate risk Sensitivity analysis

At December 31, 2011 (as at December 31, 2010), the exchange risk of the Group's loans denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the consolidated financial statements was hedged in full. For this reason, a sensitivity analysis has not been performed on the exchange risk.

Interest rate risk Sensitivity analysis

The change in interest rates on the variable component of payables and liquidity may lead to higher or lower finance income and expenses, while the changes in the level of the expected interest rate affect the fair value measurement of the Group's derivatives. In particular:

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with regard to derivatives that convert the liabilities contracted by the Group to fixed rates (cash flow hedging), in

keeping with international accounting standards that regulate hedge accounting, the fair value (mark-to-market) measurement of such instruments is set aside in a specific undistributable Equity reserve. The combined change of the numerous market variables to which the mark-to-market calculation is subject between the transaction inception date and the measurement date renders any assumption about the trend of the variables of little significance. As the contract expiration date approaches, the accounting effects described will gradually be absorbed until they cease to exist;

if at December 31, 2011 the interest rates in the various markets in which the Telecom Italia Group operates had been 100 basis points higher/lower compared to that actually realized, then higher/lower finance expenses, before the tax effect, would have been recognized in the income statement for 42 million euros (75 million euros in 2010).

Allocation of the financial structure between fixed rate and variable rate

As for the allocation of the financial structure between the fixed-rate component and the variable-rate component, for both financial assets and liabilities, reference should be made to the following tables. They show the nominal repayment/investment amount (insofar as that amount expresses the effective interest rate exposure of the Group) and, as far as financial assets are concerned, the intrinsic nature (financial characteristics and duration) of the transactions under consideration rather than just the stated contractual terms alone. Bearing that in mind, a transaction whose characteristics (short or very short time frame and frequent renewal) are such that the interest rate is periodically reset on the basis of market parameters, even though the contract does not call for re-fixing the interest rate (such as in the case of bank deposits, Euro Commercial Paper and receivables on sales of securities), has been considered in the category of variable rate.

Total Financial liabilities (at the nominal repayment amount)

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011			12/31/2010		
	Fixed rate	Variable rate	Total	Fixed rate	Variable rate	Total
Bonds	20,156	6,819	26,975	17,632	10,697	28,329
Loans and other financial liabilities	5,789	4,421	10,210	6,166	3,015	9,181
Total non-current financial liabilities (including the current portion of medium/long-term financial liabilities)	25,945	11,240	37,185	23,798	13,712	37,510
Total current financial liabilities(*)	57	813	870	31	694	725
Total	26,002	12,053	38,055	23,829	14,406	38,235

(*)

At December 31, 2011, variable-rate current liabilities include 276 million euros of payables to other lenders for installments paid in advance which are conventionally classified in this line item even though they are not correlated to a definite rate parameter (313 million euros at December 31, 2010).

Total Financial assets (at the nominal investment amount)

12/31/2011	12/31/2010
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(millions of euros)	Fixed rate	Variable rate	Total	Fixed rate	Variable rate	Total
Cash and cash equivalents	-	5,167	5,167	-	4,264	4,264
Euro Commercial Papers	-	219	219	-	214	214
Securities	125	2,233	2,358	103	2,262	2,365
Other receivables	777	215	992	584	133	717
Total	902	7,834	8,736	687	6,873	7,560

With regard to variable-rate financial instruments, the contracts provide for revisions of the relative parameters to take place within the subsequent 12 months.

Effective interest rate

As to the effective interest rate, for the categories where that parameter can be determined, such parameter refers to the original transaction net of the effect of any derivative hedging instruments.

The disclosure, since it is provided by class of financial asset and liability, was determined, for purposes of calculating the weighted average, using the carrying amount adjusted by accruals, prepayments, deferrals and changes in fair value: this is therefore the amortized cost, net of accruals and any changes in fair value as a consequence of hedge accounting.

Total Financial liabilities

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	A d j u s t e d c a r r y i n g amount	e f f e c t i v e i n t e r e s t r a t e (%)	A d j u s t e d c a r r y i n g amount	e f f e c t i v e i n t e r e s t r a t e (%)
Bonds	26,874	6.00	28,131	5.88
Loans and other financial liabilities	10,686	4.12	9,001	4.35
Total	37,560	5.46	37,132	5.51

Total Financial assets

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011		12/31/2010	
	A d j u s t e d c a r r y i n g amount	e f f e c t i v e i n t e r e s t r a t e (%)	A d j u s t e d c a r r y i n g amount	e f f e c t i v e i n t e r e s t r a t e (%)
Cash & cash equivalents	5,167	2.52	4,264	1.19
Euro Commercial Papers	219	1.51	214	1.07
Securities	2,358	7.29	2,365	6.32
Other receivables	389	5.22	403	5.02
Total	8,133	4.01	7,246	3.07

As for financial assets, the weighted average effective interest rate is not essentially influenced by the existence of derivatives.

With reference to the concept of market risk, in the broad sense, the Group has interest coupon step-ups and step-downs for certain bonds that change in relation to changes in ratings. Such mechanisms, however, do not affect interest rate exposure, as previously described above, or the determination of the current effective interest rate. Further information is provided in the Note Financial liabilities (non-current and current) .

As for market risk management using derivatives, reference should be made to the Note Derivatives .

Credit risk

Credit risk represents the Telecom Italia Group's exposure to possible losses arising from the failure of commercial or financial counterparts to fulfill their assumed obligations. Such risk stems principally from economic and financial factors, or from the possibility that a default situation of a counterpart could arise or from factors more strictly technical, commercial or administrative.

The Telecom Italia Group's maximum theoretical exposure to credit risk is represented by the carrying amount of the financial assets and trade receivables recorded in the financial statements.

Provision charges for bad debts are recorded on specific credit positions that present an element of individual risk. On credit positions that do not present such characteristics, provision charges are recorded by customer segment according to the average uncollectibility estimated on the basis of statistics. Further details are provided in the Note Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets .

For the credit risk relating to the asset components which contribute to the determination of Net financial debt, it should be noted that the management of the Group's liquidity is guided by conservative criteria and is principally based on the following:

- money market management: the investment of temporary excess cash resources during the year which are expected to turn around within the subsequent 12-month period;
- bond portfolio management: the investment of a permanent level of liquidity and the investment of that part of liquidity which is expected to turn around for cash requirement purposes after a 12-month period, as well as the improvement in the average yield.

In order to limit the risk of the non-fulfillment of the obligations undertaken by the counterpart, deposits of the European companies are made with leading high-credit-quality banking and financial institutions. Investments by the companies in South America are made with leading local counterparts. Moreover, deposits are made generally for periods of less than three months. With regard to other temporary investments of liquidity, there are investments in Euro Commercial Paper (the issuers all have an A- rating by S&P's and headquarters in Europe) and bonds featuring a limited level of risk. All investments have been made in accordance with the Guideline policy for liquidity investments using financial instruments adopted by the Telecom Italia Group in July 2009.

In order to minimize credit risk, the Group also pursues a diversification policy for its investments of liquidity and allocation of its credit positions among different banking counterparts. Consequently, there are no significant positions with any one single counterpart.

Liquidity risk

The Group pursues the objective of achieving an adequate level of financial flexibility which is expressed by maintaining a current treasury margin to cover the refinancing requirements at least for the next 12 months with irrevocable bank lines and liquidity.

Current financial assets at December 31, 2011, together with unused committed bank lines, ensure complete coverage of debt repayment obligations for the next 24 months.

13% of gross financial debt at December 31, 2011 (nominal repayment amount) will become due in the next 12 months.

The following tables report the contractual cash flows, not discounted to present value, relative to gross financial debt at nominal repayment amounts and the interest flows, determined using the conditions and the interest and exchange rates in place at December 31, 2011. The portions of principal and interest of the hedged liabilities includes both the disbursements and the receipts of the relative hedging derivatives.

Financial liabilities Maturities of contractually expected disbursements

maturing by 12/31/ of the year:

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(millions of euros)		2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	A f t e r 2016	Total
Bonds	Principal	3,131	3,449	2,912	1,801	2,250	13,432	26,975
	Interest	1,526	1,418	1,210	1,067	969	8,326	14,516
Loans and other financial liabilities	Principal	789	1,606	3,008	1,029	548	1,696	8,676
	Interest	284	207	109	41	32	(439)	234
Finance lease liabilities	Principal	230	115	176	151	135	727	1,534
	Interest	99	92	84	76	67	179	597
Non-current financial liabilities (*)	Principal	4,150	5,170	6,096	2,981	2,933	15,855	37,185
	Interest	1,909	1,717	1,403	1,184	1,068	8,066	15,347
Current financial liabilities	Principal	870	-	-	-	-	-	870
	Interest	10	-	-	-	-	-	10
Total Financial liabilities	Principal	5,020	5,170	6,096	2,981	2,933	15,855	38,055
	Interest	1,919	1,717	1,403	1,184	1,068	8,066	15,357

(*)

These include hedging and non-hedging derivatives.

Derivatives on financial liabilities Contractually expected interest flows

(millions of euros)	maturing by 12/31 of the year:					A f t e r 2016	rTotal
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016		
Disbursements	934	902	713	591	494	4,559	8,193
Receipts	(957)	(942)	(773)	(668)	(545)	(5,226)	(9,111)
Hedging derivatives net (receipts)							
disbursements	(23)	(40)	(60)	(77)	(51)	(667)	(918)
Disbursements	-	11	8	5	2	72	98
Receipts	(2)	(3)	(13)	-	-	(2)	(20)
Non-Hedging derivatives net (receipts)							
disbursements	(2)	8	(5)	5	2	70	78
Total net receipts	(25)	(32)	(65)	(72)	(49)	(597)	(840)
Market value of derivatives							

In order to determine the fair value of derivatives, the Telecom Italia Group uses various valuation models.

The mark-to-market calculation is determined by discounting to present value the interest and notional future contractual flows using market interest rates and exchange rates.

The notional amount of IRS does not represent the amount exchanged between the parties and therefore does not constitute a measurement of credit risk exposure which, instead, is limited to the amount of the differential between the interest rates paid/received.

The market value of CCIRs, instead, also depends on the differential between the reference exchange rate at the date of signing the contract and the exchange rate at the date of measurement, since CCIRs imply the exchange of the reference interest and principal, in the respective currencies of denomination.

Note 18
Derivatives

Derivative financial instruments are used by the Telecom Italia Group to hedge its exposure to foreign exchange rate risk and the change in commodity prices and the management of interest rate risk and also to diversify the parameters of debt so that costs and volatility can be reduced to within predetermined operational limits.

Derivative financial instruments at December 31, 2011 are principally used to manage debt positions. They include interest rate swaps (IRS) and interest rate options (IRO) to reduce interest rate exposure on fixed-rate and variable-rate bank loans and bonds, as well as cross currency and interest rate swaps (CCIRS), currency forwards to convert the loans secured in different foreign currencies to the functional currencies of the various companies of the Group.

IRS and IRO transactions, respectively, provide for or may entail, at specified maturity dates, the exchange of flows of interest, calculated on the notional amount, at the agreed fixed or variable rates.

The same also applies to CCIRS transactions which, in addition to the settlement of periodic interest flows, may provide for the exchange of principal, in the respective currencies of denomination, at maturity and possibly spot.

The following tables present the derivative financial instruments of the Telecom Italia Group at December 31, 2011 and at December 31, 2010, by type:

Type	Hedged risk	Notional amount at 12/31/2011	Notional amount at 12/31/2010	Spot* at 12/31/2011	Spot* at 12/31/2010
(millions of euros)				Mark-to-market (Clean Price)	Mark-to-market (Clean Price)
Interest rate swaps	Interest rate risk	3,100	5,320	9	44
Cross Currency and Interest Rate Swaps	Interest rate risk and currency exchange rate risk	3,257	5,648	193	(67)
Total Fair Value Hedge Derivatives		6,357	10,968	202	(23)
Interest rate swaps	Interest rate risk	3,370	3,370	(307)	(332)
Cross Currency and Interest Rate Swaps	Interest rate risk and currency exchange rate risk	10,402	10,402	56	(617)
Commodity Swap and Options	Commodity risk (energy)	-	10	-	2
Forward and FX Options	Currency exchange rate risk	1	3	-	-
Total Cash Flow Hedge Derivatives		13,773	13,785	(251)	(947)
Total Non-Hedge Accounting Derivatives		730	630	(22)	(59)

Total Telecom Italia Group				
Derivatives	20,860	25,383	(71)	(1,029)

* Spot Mark-to-market above represents the market measurement of the derivative net of the accrued portion of the flow in progress.

The hedge of cash flows by derivatives designated as cash flow hedges was considered highly effective and at December 31, 2011 led to:

- recognition in equity of unrealized income for 293 million euros;
- reversal from equity to the income statement of net gains from exchange rate adjustments for 333 million euros.

Furthermore, at December 31, 2011, the total loss of the hedging instruments that is still recognized in equity amounts to 14 million euros as a result of the effect of transactions early terminated over the years. The negative impact reversed to the income statement during 2011 is 6 million euros.

The transactions hedged by cash flow hedges will generate cash flows and will produce economic effects in the income statement in the periods indicated in the following table:

Currency of denomination	Notional amount in currency denomination (millions)	Start of period	End of period	Rate applied	Interest period
USD	2,000	Jan-12	Nov-13	5.25%	Semiannually
Euro	120	Jan-12	Nov-15	3 month Euribor + 0.66%	Quarterly
GBP	500	Jan-12	Dec-15	5.625%	Annually
GBP	850	Jan-12	Jun-19	6.375%	Annually
GBP	400	Jan-12	May-23	5.875%	Annually
USD	186	Jan-12	Oct-29	5.45%	Semiannually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Nov-33	6.375%	Semiannually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	July-36	7.20%	Semiannually
Euro	500	Jan-12	July-13	3 month Euribor + 0.63%	Quarterly
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Jun-18	6.999%	Semiannually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Jun-38	7.721%	Semiannually
Euro	400	Jan-12	Jun-16	3 month Euribor + 0.79%	Quarterly
Euro	1,500	Jan-12	Aug-14	1 month Euribor + 0.1575%	Monthly
Euro	350	Jan-12	Mar-14	6 month EIB + 0.29%	Semiannually
Euro	400	Jan-12	Sep-13	3 month EIB + 0.15%	Quarterly
Euro	100	Jan-12	Dec-13	6 month Euribor - 0.023%	Semiannually
GBP	750	Jan-12	Dec-17	3.72755%	Annually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Jun-14	6.175%	Semiannually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Jun-19	7.175%	Semiannually
USD	1,000	Jan-12	Sep-34	6%	Semiannually

The method selected to test the effectiveness retrospectively and, whenever the principal terms do not fully coincide, prospectively, for cash flow hedge derivatives, is the Volatility Risk Reduction (VRR) Test. This test assesses the ratio between the portfolio risk (where the portfolio means the derivative and the item hedged) and the risk of the hedged item taken separately. In short, the portfolio risk must be significantly less than the risk of the item hedged.

The ineffective portion recognized in the income statement from designated cash flow hedge derivatives during 2011 is equal to 11 million euros.

Note 19

Supplementary disclosures on financial instruments

Measurement at fair value

The majority of non-current financial liabilities of the Telecom Italia Group are composed of bonds, the fair value of which can be easily determined by reference to financial instruments which, in terms of size and diffusion among investors, are commonly traded on the relative markets (please refer to the Note Financial Liabilities - non-current and current). However, as concerns other types of financing, the following assumptions have been made in order to determine fair value:

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for variable-rate loans: the nominal repayment amount has been assumed;

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for fixed-rate loans: fair value has been assumed as the present value of future cash flows using market interest rates prevailing at December 31, 2011.

Lastly, for the majority of financial assets, their carrying amount constitutes a reasonable approximation of their fair value since these are short-term investments that are readily convertible into cash.

The measurement at fair value of the financial instruments of the Group is classified according to the three levels set out in IFRS 7. The fair value hierarchy introduces three levels of input:

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Level 1: quoted prices in active market;

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Level 2: prices calculated using observable market inputs;

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Level 3: prices calculated using inputs that are not based on observable market data.

The following tables set out, for assets and liabilities at December 31, 2011 and 2010 and in accordance with the categories established by IAS 39, the supplementary disclosure on financial instruments required by IFRS 7 and the schedules of gains and losses.

Key for IAS 39 categories

Acronym

Loans and Receivables		LaR
Financial assets Held-to-Maturity		HtM
Financial assets Available-for-Sale		AfS
Financial Assets/Liabilities Held for Trading	FAHfT/ FLHfT	
Financial Liabilities at Amortized Cost		FLAC
Hedge Derivatives		HD
Not applicable		n.a.

Carrying amount for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2011

(millions of euros)	IAS 39 Categories	note	Carrying amount in financial statements at 12/31/2011	Amortized Cost	Cost	Fair value recognized in financial statements according to IAS 17 equity statement	Fair value recognized in financial statements according to IAS 17 equity statement	Fair value recognized in financial statements according to IAS 17 equity statement	
ASSETS									
Non-current assets									
Other investments	AfS	8)	38		26	12			
Securities, financial receivables and other non-current financial assets									
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	9)	56	56					
<i>of which securities</i>	AfS	9)	12			12			
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9)	2,701			2,181	520		
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	9)	27				27		
<i>of which financial receivables for lease contracts</i>	n.a.		153						153
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets(*)									
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	10)	349	339	10				
		(a)	3,336	395	36	2,205	547		153
Current assets									
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets(*)									
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	13)	6,632	6,632					
Securities									
<i>of which available-for-sale financial assets</i>	AfS	9)	1,006			1,006			
<i>of which held for trading</i>	FAHfT	9)	1				1		
Financial receivables and other current financial assets									
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	9)	79	79					
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9)	244			153	91		
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	9)	24				24		
<i>of which financial receivables for lease contracts</i>	n.a.		115						115
Cash and cash equivalents	LaR	9)	6,714	6,714					
		(b)	14,815	13,425		1,159	116		115
Total		(a+b)	18,151	13,820	36	3,364	663		268
LIABILITIES									
Non-current liabilities									
<i>of which liabilities at amortized cost(**)</i>	FLAC/HD	15)	32,003	32,003					

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<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	15)	2,513		2,332	181	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	15)	40			40	
<i>of which financial lease liabilities</i>	n.a.	15)	1,304				1,304
		(c)	35,860	32,003	2,332	221	1,304
Current liabilities							
<i>of which liabilities at amortized cost (**)</i>	FLAC/HD	15)	5,614	5,614			
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	15)	196		166	30	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	15)	36			36	
<i>of which financial lease liabilities</i>	n.a.	15)	245				245
Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities(*)							
<i>of which liabilities at amortized cost</i>	FLAC	23)	7,388	7,388			
		(d)	13,479	13,002	166	66	245
Total		(c+d)	49,339	45,005	2,498	287	1,549

(*)

Part of assets or liabilities falling under application of IFRS 7.

(**)

They also include those at adjusted amortized cost that qualify for hedge accounting.

Comparison between carrying amount and fair value for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2011

(millions of euros)	IAS 39 Categories	Carrying amount in financial statements at 12/31/2011	Amortized cost	Cost	Fair value recognized according to IAS 39	Fair value recognized according to IAS 17	Fair Value at 12/31/2011	
ASSETS								
Loans and receivables	LaR	13,830	13,820	10			13,830	
Available-for-sale financial assets	AfS	1,056		26	1,030		1,056	
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss held for trading	FAHfT	52				52	52	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	51				51	51	
Hedging derivatives	HD	2,945			2,334	611	2,945	
Assets measured according to IAS 17	n.a.	268					268	
Total		18,151	13,820	36	3,364	663	268	
LIABILITIES								
Financial liabilities at amortized cost(*)	FLAC/HD	45,005	45,005					
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss held for trading	FLHfT	76				76	76	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	76				76	76	
Hedging derivatives	HD	2,709			2,498	211	2,709	
Assets measured according to IAS 17	n.a.	1,549					1,549	
Total		49,339	45,005		2,498	287	1,549	

(*)

They also include those at adjusted amortized cost that qualify for hedge accounting.

Fair value hierarchy level for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2011

(millions of euros)	I A S 3 9note	Carrying	Hierarchy Levels		
	Categories	amounts in	L e v e l	L e v e l	L e v e l
		financial	(*)	2(*)	3(*)
		statements			
		a t			
		12/31/2011			
ASSETS					
Non-current assets					
Other investments	AfS	8)	38	2	10
Securities, financial receivables and other non-current financial assets					
of which securities	AfS	9)	12	12	
of which hedging derivatives	HD	9)	2,701		2,701
of which non-hedging derivatives	FAHfT	9)	27		27
	(a)		2,778	14	2,738
Current assets					
Securities					
of which available-for-sale	AfS	9)	1,006	1,006	
of which held for trading	FAHfT	9)	1		1
Financial receivables and other current financial assets					
of which hedging derivatives	HD	9)	244		244
of which non-hedging derivatives	FAHfT	9)	24		24
	(b)		1,275	1,006	269
Total	(a+b)		4,053	1,020	3,007
LIABILITIES					
Non-current liabilities					
of which hedging derivatives	HD	15)	2,513		2,513
of which non-hedging derivatives	FLHfT	15)	40		40
	(c)		2,553		2,553
Current liabilities					
of which hedging derivatives	HD	15)	196		196
of which non-hedging derivatives	FLHfT	15)	36		36
	(d)		232		232
Total	(c+d)		2,785		2,785

(*)

Level 1: quoted prices in active markets.

Level 2: prices calculated using observable market inputs.

Level 3: prices calculated using inputs that are not based on observable market data.

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Carrying amount for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2010

(millions of euros)	IAS 39 Note Categories		Carrying amounts in financial statements at cost 12/31/2010	Amortized Cost	Fair value	Amounts recognized in financial statements according to IAS 39	Fair value	Amounts recognized in financial statements according to IAS 17
ASSETS								
Non-current assets								
Other investments	AfS	8)	43		26	17		
Securities, financial receivables and other non-current financial assets								
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	9)	120	120				
<i>of which securities</i>	AfS	9)	13			13		
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9)	1,524			1,071	453	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	9)	7				7	
<i>of which financial receivables for lease contracts</i>	n.a.	9)	199					199
Miscellaneous receivables and other non-current assets (*)								
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	10)	249	214	35			
		(a)	2,155	334	61	1,101	460	199
Current assets								
Trade and miscellaneous receivables and other current assets (*)								
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	13)	6,686	6,686				
Securities								
<i>of which available-for-sale financial assets</i>	AfS	9)	1,316			1,316		
<i>of which held for trading</i>	FAHfT	9)						
Financial receivables and other current financial assets								
<i>of which loans and receivables</i>	LaR	9)	27	27				
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	9)	4				4	
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9)	335			106	229	
<i>of which financial receivables for lease contracts</i>	n.a.	9)	72					72
Cash and cash equivalents	LaR	9)	5,526	5,526				
		(b)	13,966	12,239		1,422	233	72
Total		(a+b)	16,121	12,573	61	2,523	693	271
LIABILITIES								

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Non-current liabilities

*of which liabilities at
amortized cost(**)*

FLAC/HD	15)	30,594	30,594			
of which hedging derivatives	HD	2,238		1,950	288	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	74			74	
<i>of which financial lease liabilities</i>	n.a.	1,442				1,442
	(c)	34,348	30,594	1,950	362	1,442

Current liabilities

*of which liabilities at
amortized cost(**)*

FLAC/HD	15)	6,379	6,379			
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	2			2	
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	269		122	147	
<i>of which financial lease liabilities</i>	n.a.	232				232

Trade and miscellaneous
payables and other current
liabilities (*)

*of which liabilities at
amortized cost*

FLAC	23)	7,497	7,497			
		14,379	13,876	122	149	232
Total		48,727	44,470	2,072	511	1,674

(*)

Part of assets or liabilities falling under application of IFRS 7.

(**)

They also include those at adjusted amortized cost that qualify for hedge accounting.

Comparison between carrying amount and fair value for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2010

(millions of euros)	I A S 3 9 C a r r y i n g Categories amounts in financial statements at 12/31/2010	1 2,608	1 2,573	3 35	A m o u n t s F a i r Value recognized in financial statements according to IAS 39 Fair value in financial statements taken to n e t h e equity i n c o m e s t a t e m e n t	A m o u n t s F a i r Value recognized in financial statements according to IAS 17	1 12,608
ASSETS							
Loans and receivables	LaR	12,608	12,573	35			12,608
Available-for-sale financial assets	AfS	1,372		26	1,346		1,372
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss held for trading	FAHfT	11				11	11
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	11				11	11
Hedging derivatives	HD	1,859			1,177	682	1,859
Assets measured according to IAS 17	n.a.	271					271
Total		16,121	12,573	61	2,523	693	16,121
LIABILITIES							
Financial liabilities at amortized cost (*)	FLAC/HD	44,470	44,470				44,494
Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss held for trading	FLHfT	76				76	76
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	76				76	76
Hedging derivatives	HD	2,507			2,072	435	2,507
Liabilities measured according to IAS 17	n.a.	1,674					1,674
Total		48,727	44,470		2,072	511	49,160

(*)

They also include those at adjusted amortized cost that qualify for hedge accounting.

Fair value hierarchy level for each class of financial asset/liability at 12/31/2010

(millions of euros)	I A S 3 9note Categories	Carrying amounts in financial statements at 12/31/2010	Level 1(*)	Level 2(*)	Level 3(*)
ASSETS					
Non-current assets					
Other investments	AfS	8) 43	3	14	
Securities, financial receivables and other non-current financial assets					
<i>of which securities</i>	AfS	9) 13	13		
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9) 1,524		1,524	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	9) 7		7	
	(a)	1,587	16	1,545	
Current assets					
Securities					
<i>of which available-for-sale financial assets</i>	AfS	9) 1,316	1,316		
Financial receivables and other current financial assets					
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FAHfT	9) 4		4	
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	9) 335		335	
	(b)	1,655	1,316	339	
Total	(a+b)	3,242	1,332	1,884	
LIABILITIES					
Non-current liabilities					
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	15) 2,238		2,238	
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	15) 74		74	
	(c)	2,312		2,312	
Current liabilities					
<i>of which non-hedging derivatives</i>	FLHfT	15) 2		2	
<i>of which hedging derivatives</i>	HD	15) 269		269	
	(d)	271		271	
Total	(c+d)	2,583		2,583	

(*)

Level 1: quoted prices in active markets.

Level 2: prices calculated using observable market inputs.

Level 3: prices calculated using inputs that are not based on observable market data.

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Gains and losses by IAS 39 category - Year 2011

(millions of euros)	I A S 3 9 N e to f w h i c h Categories gains/(losses)interest 2011(1)	
Loans and receivables	LaR	(419) 195
Available-for-sale financial assets	AfS	45
Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss held for trading	F A H f T / FLHfT	52
Financial liabilities at amortized cost	FLAC	(1,847) (1,813)
Total		(2,169) (1,618)

(1)

Of which, 3 million euros relates to fees and expenses not included in the effective interest rate calculation on financial assets/liabilities other than those at fair value through profit or loss held-for-trading.

Gains and losses by IAS 39 category - Year 2010

(millions of euros)	I A S 3 9 N e to f w h i c h Categories gains/(losses)interest 2010(1)	
Loans and receivables	LaR	(376) 114
Available-for-sale financial assets	AfS	60
Financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit and loss held for trading	F A H f T / FLHfT	(49)
Financial liabilities at amortized cost	FLAC	(1,994) (1,936)
Total		(2,359) (1,822)

(1)

Of which, 3 million euros relates to fees and expenses not included in the effective interest rate calculation on financial assets/liabilities other than those at fair value through profit or loss held-for-trading.

Note 20

Employee benefits

Employee benefits decreased 281 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2009		Change in the Provision		Decrease 12/31/2010	
	(a)	(b)	scope of consolidation	Argentina BU	charges/	present value
Provision for employee severance indemnities	1,051		40	(105)		986
Provision for pension plans	25	27	8	(1)		59
Provision for termination benefit incentives	146		228	(99)		275
Total other provisions for employee benefits	171	27	236	(100)		334
Total	1,222	27	276	(205)		1,320
of which:						
non-current portion		1,075				1,129
current portion (*)		147				191

(*)

The current portion refers only to Other provisions for employee benefits.

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010		Provision		Decrease E x c h a n g e 12/31/2011	
	(a)	(b)	charges/	present value	differences and reclassifications	
Provision for employee severance indemnities	986	(75)	(82)	-		829
Provision for pension plans	59	(3)	(1)	(34)		21
Provision for termination benefit incentives	275	19	(105)	-		189
Total other provisions for employee benefits	334	16	(106)	(34)		210
Total	1,320	(59)	(188)	(34)		1,039
of which:						
non-current portion		1,129				850
current portion (*)		191				189

(*)

The current portion refers only to Other provisions for employee benefits.

Provision for employee severance indemnities refers only to the Italian companies of the Group and decreased in total by 157 million euros; the reduction of 82 million euros refers to indemnities paid to employees who terminated employment or for advances. The negative change of 75 million euros in the Provision charges/present value column is the sum of the following:

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+42 million euros for provision charges for interest accruing during the year;

-

-117 million euros for the total effect on employee severance indemnities deriving from: higher discount rate taken as the return on 10-year government securities, change in inflation rate considered as well as the new law on pensions, Law 214 of December 22, 2011, which extends the estimated period in which a person works.

According to national law, the amount to which each employee is entitled depends on the period of service and must be paid when the employee leaves the company. The amount of severance indemnity due upon termination of employment is calculated on the basis of the period of employment and the taxable compensation of each employee. This liability is adjusted annually based on the official cost-of-living index and legally-prescribed interest earned. The liability is not associated with any vesting condition or period or any funding obligation; hence, there are no assets servicing the provision.

Under the regulations introduced by Legislative Decree 252/2005 and Law 296/2006 (the State Budget Law 2007), for companies with at least 50 employees, the severance indemnities accruing from 2007 are assigned, as elected by the employees, to either the INPS Treasury Fund or to supplementary pension funds and take the form of a Defined contribution plan .

However, for all companies, the revaluations of the amounts in the provision for employee severance indemnities existing at the election date, and also the amounts accrued and not assigned to supplementary pension plans for companies with less than 50 employees, are retained in the provision for employee severance indemnities. In accordance with IAS 19, this provision has been recognized as a Defined benefit plan .

Under IAS 19, employee severance indemnities have been recalculated with actuarial techniques using the Projected Unit Credit Method as follows:

- the future possible benefits which could be paid to each employee registered in the program in the event of retirement, death, disability, resignation etc. have been projected on the basis of a series of financial assumptions (cost-of-living increases, interest rate, increase in compensation etc.). The estimate of future benefits includes any increases for additional service seniority as well as the estimated increase in the compensation level at the measurement date only for employees of companies with less than 50 employees during the year 2006;
- the average present value of future benefits has been calculated, at the measurement date, on the basis of the annual interest rate adopted and the probability that each benefit has to be effectively paid;
- the liability of each interested company has been calculated as the average present value of future benefits that will be generated by the existing provision at the measurement date, without considering any future accruals (for companies with at least 50 employees during the year 2006) or identifying the amount of the average present value of future benefits which refer to the past service already matured by the employee in the company at the measurement date (for the others).

The following assumptions have been made:

FINANCIAL ASSUMPTIONS	Executives	Non- executives
Inflation rate	2.0% per annum	2.0% per annum
Discount rate	5.1% per annum	5.1% per annum
Increase in compensation:		
equal to or less than 40 years of age	1.0% per annum	1.0% per annum
over 40 but equal to or less than 55 years of age	0.5% per annum	0.5% per annum
over 55 years of age	0.0% per annum	0.0% per annum
DEMOGRAPHIC ASSUMPTIONS	Executives	Non- executives

Probability of death	Mortality tables RG48 published by Ragioneria Generale dello Stato	Mortality tables RG48 published by Ragioneria Generale dello Stato
Probability of disability	INPS tables divided by age and sex	INPS tables divided by age and sex
Probability of resignation (in relation to the company):		
up to 40 years of age	From 3.0% to 5.0%	From 1.5% to 4.0%
	per annum	per annum
over 40 up to 50 years of age	From 1.5% to 4.0%	From 0.5% to 2.5%
	per annum	per annum
over 50 years of age	None	None
Probability of retirement	Reaching the minimum requisites established by the Obligatory General Insurance updated on the basis of Law 214 of December 22, 2011	
Probability of receiving at the beginning of the year an advance from the provision for severance indemnities accrued equal to 70%	3.0%	3.0%
	per annum	per annum

The adoption of the above assumptions resulted in a liability for employee severance indemnities at December 31, 2011 of 829 million euros (986 million euros at the end of 2010).

The effect on the income statement, included in Employee benefits expenses, is as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Current service cost (*)		
Finance expenses (**)	42	44
Net actuarial (gains) losses recognized during the year	(117)	(4)
Total expenses (income)	(75)	40
Effective return on plan assets	there are no assets servicing the plan	

(*)

Following the social security reform, the portions intended for the INPS Treasury Fund or for the supplementary pension funds have been recorded under Employee benefits expense in Social security expenses and not as Employee severance indemnities expenses. The latter account will still be used only for the severance indemnity expenses of companies with less than 50 employees (equal to 0.4 million euros in 2011 compared to 0.5 million euros in 2010).

(**)

Finance expenses include the portion relating to the company Loquendo for nine months of the year.

The change in expenses compared to the prior year is attributable mainly to the revision of the discount rate and the inflation rate used in the actuarial appraisal, to the new pension reform and to the reduction in employees.

Provisions for pension plans principally refer to pension plans operating in foreign companies of the Group.

Provisions for termination benefit incentives decreased in total by 86 million euros, mainly due to the utilization during the year of the provision for mobility under Law 223/91 by the Parent, Telecom Italia, Telecom Italia Sparkle, SSC, Olivetti and Olivetti I-Jet. The utilization was compensated in part by the reversal of the present value calculation of the 2010 provision and the addition to the provision of a further 12 million euros, of which 9 million euros refers to Telecom Italia S.p.A. and 3 million euros to the company SSC. There are also provision charges by other Group companies operating in foreign countries for about 7 million euros.

Note 21
Provisions

Provisions decreased 21 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2010	Increase	Taken to income	Used directly	Exchange differences and other changes	12/31/2011
Provision for taxation and tax risks	163	28	-	(31)	(11)	149
Provision for restoration costs	459	15	-	(10)	(9)	455
Provision for legal disputes	333	167	(1)	(167)	7	339
Provision for commercial risks	63	9	(2)	(6)	(1)	63
Provision for risks and charges on investments and corporate-related transactions	115	15	(2)	(8)	(4)	116
Other provisions	138	3	(1)	(8)	(4)	128
Total	1,271	237	(6)	(230)	(22)	1,250
of which:						
non-current portion	860					831
current portion	411					419

Provision for taxation and tax risks shows a net reduction of 14 million and mainly include the provision charge of 10 million euros posted by Telecom Italia S.p.A. for taxes, interest and fines relating to the risk of the recovery of VAT deducted on supply transactions for the lease and/or sale of assets, which are the subject of criminal proceedings before the Monza Public Prosecutor's Office (described in greater detail in the Note Contingent liabilities, other information, commitments and guarantees).

Provision for restoration costs refers to the provision for the estimated cost to dismantle tangible assets and restore the sites used by Telecom Italia S.p.A., the companies of the Brazil Business Unit and the companies of the Argentina Business Unit. The amount is more or less in line with that at the end of the prior year.

Provision for legal disputes includes the provision for litigation with employees, social security entities and third parties and shows a balance mainly reflecting that at December 31, 2010. The provision charges in 2011 have been recorded for the most part by the companies in the Brazil Business Unit (62 million euros), the companies in the

Argentina Business Unit (55 million euros) and Telecom Italia S.p.A. (47 million euros).

Other provisions largely comprise the provision set aside in prior years for the Telecom Italia Sparkle case in the amount of 86 million euros and the provision for the liberalization of frequencies and proceedings of a regulatory nature with AGCom and the Antitrust Authority.

Note 22

Miscellaneous payables and other non-current liabilities

Miscellaneous payables and other non-current liabilities increased 70 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Payables to social security agencies	46	67
Capital grants	36	55
Deferred income	858	863
Income tax payables (*)	63	44
Other payables and liabilities	153	57
Total	1,156	1,086

(*) Analyzed in the Note "Income taxes".

Payables to social security agencies refer to the residual amount payable to INPS for estimated employee benefit obligations owed under Law 58/1992. Details are as follows:

(millions of euros)	12/31/2011	12/31/2010
Non-current payables:		
Due from 2 to 5 years after the end of the reporting period	28	46
Due beyond 5 years after the end of the reporting period	18	21
	46	67
Current payables	23	76
Total	69	143

Deferred income includes 462 million euros (513 million euros at December 31, 2010) for the deferral of revenues from the activation of Telecom Italia S.p.A. telephone service and 301 million euros (257 million euros at December 31, 2010) for the deferral of revenues from the sale of transmission capacity, referring to future years.

Note 23

Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities

Trade and miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities increased 30 million euros compared to December 31, 2010 and are composed of the following:

(millions of euros)		12/31/2011	<i>of which</i>	12/31/2010	<i>of which</i>
			<i>Financial</i>		<i>Financial</i>
			<i>Instruments</i>		<i>Instruments</i>
			IAS 39		IAS 39
Payables on construction work	(a)	31		23	
Trade payables:					
Payables to suppliers		4,929	4,929	4,943	4,943
Payables to other telecommunication operators		1,335	1,335	1,341	1,341
Tax payables	(b)	6,264	6,264	6,284	6,284
Miscellaneous payables and other current liabilities:	(c)	773		685	
Payables for employee compensation		520	520	537	537
Payables to social security agencies		230		273	
Trade and miscellaneous deferred income		909		871	
Advances received		19		27	
Customer-related items		1,081	316	1,179	360
Payables for TLC operating fee		70		48	
Dividends approved, but not yet paid to shareholders		60	60	93	93
Other current liabilities		419	228	333	223
Employee benefits (except for employee severance indemnities) for the current portion expected to be settled within 1 year		189		190	
Provisions for risks and charges for the current portion expected to be settled within 1 year		419		411	
Total	(d) (a+b+c+d)	3,916 10,984	1,124 7,388	3,962 10,954	1,213 7,497

Further details on Financial Instruments are provided in the Note [Supplementary disclosure on financial instruments](#) .

Trade payables (all due within 1 year) amounting to 6,264 million euros (6,284 million euros at December 31, 2010) mainly refer to Telecom Italia S.p.A. (3,383 million euros), the companies in the Brazil Business Unit (1,508 million euros) and the Argentina Business Unit (649 million euros).

Tax payables particularly refer to the VAT payable of Telecom Italia S.p.A. (219 million euros), the government concession tax of Telecom Italia S.p.A. (90 million euros), other tax payables of the Brazil Business Unit (264 million

euros) and the Argentina Business Unit (84 million euros).

Note 24

Contingent liabilities, other information, commitments and guarantees

The most significant arbitration cases and legal or fiscal disputes in which the Telecom Italia Group is involved at December 31, 2011 are described below.

The Telecom Italia Group has posted liabilities totalling 189 million euros for those disputes described below where the risk of losing the case has been considered at least probable.

a) Significant disputes and pending legal action

Telecom Italia Sparkle Relations with I-Globe, Planetarium, Acumen, Accrue Telemedia and Diadem: investigation by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Rome

The immediate trial of the defendants currently subject to precautionary measures (among whom the former chief executive and two former employees of Telecom Italia Sparkle) continues. The alleged offences are transnational conspiracy, tax evasion in league with others, transnational money laundering, reinvestment of unlawful revenues and false registration of ownership of assets. The offences of transnational conspiracy, transnational money laundering and reinvestment of unlawful revenues also constitute predicate offences of the administrative liability of the organisation, pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 231/2001.

In relation to this trial, Telecom Italia Sparkle filed an application to be a civil party in the proceedings against all the defendants which the Court ruled inadmissible at the hearing of December 18, 2010, since it considered such an action incompatible with the company's position as a subject of investigation pursuant to Legislative decree no. 231/2001.

The investigation of Telecom Italia Sparkle is still ongoing and hence all the documents relating to the proceedings have not yet been disclosed. It therefore follows that, given the complexity of the investigations and the incomplete information currently available, no definitive prediction of the outcome of the case can be formulated, notwithstanding and without prejudice to the defences that Telecom Italia Sparkle will pursue to the fullest extent permitted by law to demonstrate its non-involvement in the matters at issue.

Regarding the effects of a conviction under legislative decree no. 231/2001, in addition to the administrative fines and any interdiction, the profits of the crime would be confiscated, and in the current formulation of the charge by the public prosecutors and without prejudice to the defence considerations that will be developed in relation to this, would total approximately 72 million euros (a sum already guaranteed by bond and already set aside in the 2009 consolidated financial statements). Hence, based on the information available, the company expects no further material effects other than those for which provision has already been made and/or already seized (10 million euros are still under seizure for guarantees related to the proceedings).

So far as fiscal risk is concerned, the Agenzia delle Entrate has not, so far, issued notices of assessment in relation to the claim of the Guardia di Finanza relating to direct taxation (as far as indirect taxes are concerned, in July 2010 Telecom Italia Sparkle paid a proportion of the fines -25% of the sum imposed- of the whole of the VAT considered to be non-deductible, plus interest, to a total of 418 million euros). In this respect, Telecom Italia Sparkle supported by the opinion of established professionals believes that even if this were to happen, the risk of losing such case is merely possible, not probable. As a result, no provision to cover the tax risk for direct taxation has been made.

National tax disputes

As already illustrated in the annual financial Report 2010, the Milan Agenzia delle Entrate, in relation to a number of property transactions performed in 2005 and 2006 (so-called Magnum Project):

- in October 2010 notified a formal notice of assessment to the subsidiary Olivetti Multiservices S.p.A. (OMS), which contested the non-legitimate deduction of VAT in the tax years 2005 and 2006 totalling approximately 198 million euros, after recalculation of the so-called pro-rata of non-deductibility ;

- in December 2010 the Milan Agenzia delle Entrate respectively served Telecom Italia and OMS, as jointly obliged parties, two notices of demand relating to property transfers made in December 2005 to the Raissa and Spazio Industriale funds, for which the companies in question were accused of non-payment of stamp duty and mortgage tax, requesting payment of approximately 61 million euros in tax, interest and fines.

- in March 2011 it served both Telecom Italia S.p.A and OMS, two notices of demand relating to property transfers made in March 2006 to the Raissa and Spazio Industriale funds, for which the companies in question were accused of non-payment of stamp duty and mortgage tax, consequently requesting payment of approximately 10 million euros in tax and interest.

As far as the notices of demand for stamp duty and mortgage tax are concerned, since these notices are definitive, the companies propose to appeal to the Milan Provincial Tax Commission, requesting cancellation of the notices as well as suspension of the collection proceedings currently underway. The companies have also filed an application for an internal review and suspension with the competent offices of the Agenzia delle Entrate.

Last February 2012, the Milan Agenzia delle Entrate filed a brief with the Milan Tax Commission in which it notified its in toto cancellation of all the notices of demand, declaring the consequent cessation of matters to dispute.

As regards the formal notice relating to VAT however, the Agenzia delle Entrate contested that OMS had applied an unwarranted deduction of VAT on the purchase of properties assigned to the Raissa and Spazio Industriale Funds. On this matter the Company considers, supported by the opinion of established professionals, that it operated in full compliance with tax laws and that the claims made by the Agenzia should therefore be considered to be unfounded in law, the risk associated with such claims was therefore deemed possible.

International tax disputes

On March 22, 2011 Tim Celular was served notice of a tax assessment issued by the Federal Tax Authorities of Brazil for a total sum of 1,265 million Reais (approximately 550 million euros), including fines and interest, as a result of the completion of a tax investigation of financial years 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 for the companies Tim Nordeste Telecomunicações S.A. and Tim Nordeste S.A (previously called Maxitel), companies which have been progressively incorporated into Tim Celular with the aim of rationalising the corporate structure in Brazil.

The assessment notice includes various adjustments; the main claims may be summarised as follows:

- non-recognition of the fiscal effects of the merger of Tim Nordeste Telecomunicações S.A. and Maxitel S.A

non-recognition of the fiscal deductibility of the write-down of goodwill relating to the purchase of Tele Nordeste Celular Participações S.A. (TNC). The adjustments included in the assessment notice were challenged by Tim Celular, before the administrative court, with the submission of an initial defence on April 20, 2011.

The Management, as confirmed by fitting legal opinions, believes it is unlikely that the company could suffer any negative consequences in relation to these matters.

Again with regard to Tim Participações' subsidiary Brazilian companies, other cases of tax disputes are present including for significant amounts but with a risk of losing deemed improbable (for the aforementioned companies), on the basis of the legal opinions issued to the companies.

The most relevant cases relate to the fiscal deductibility of the write-down of goodwill, indirect taxation and contributions to the local regulatory authority (ANATEL). Of the main disputes concerning indirect taxation, several disputes regarding lowering the tax base on the basis of discounts granted to customers may be noted; the regulatory authority however alleges that the company did not pay sufficient contributions to the FUST/FUNTEL funds.

Investigation by the Public Prosecutor's Office of Monza

Criminal proceedings are currently pending before the Public Prosecutor's Office of Monza as part of the preliminary investigation of a number of subjects, among whom some employees of the Company, relative to supply under lease and/or sale of assets transactions which would constitute various offences committed against Telecom Italia, among others.

On December 16, 2011 Telecom Italia, the injured party in the aforesaid criminal proceedings, filed a civil complaint against persons unknown with the Public Prosecutor's Office of Monza.

However, in relation to the transactions cited, Telecom Italia deemed assessment of the risk of recovery of the deducted VAT, as well as interest and fines, setting aside approximately 10 million euros for risk provision.

Application for indictment of Telecom Italia S.p.A. for an administrative offence pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 231/2001.

In December 2008 Telecom Italia received notification of the application for its committal for trial for the administrative offence specified in articles 21 and 25, subsections 2 and 4, of legislative decree no. 231/2001 in relation to affairs involving several former employees and former collaborators of the Company charged among other things with offences involving corruption of public officials, with the object of acquiring information from confidential files. In May 2010 Telecom Italia was definitively no longer a defendant in the criminal trial, the Judge having approved the motion for settlement of the proceedings presented by the Company (plea bargaining).

The trial phase of the proceedings, currently underway, started in September 2010 before Section One of the Milan Court of Assizes. During the first sessions, Telecom Italia filed its application to be a civil party in the proceedings against all the defendants committed for trial, for all the offences they are accused of, including the crimes of corruption and criminal conspiracy. The Company's application to be a civil party in the proceedings was granted by the Court on January 26, 2011. Telecom Italia is also the party with civil liability in relation to 11 persons charged with criminal conspiracy, corruption and hacking committed against a total of 32 civil parties. Telecom Italia Latam and Telecom Italia Audit and Compliance Services remain civil parties in the trial for damages deriving from crimes other than unlawful appropriation.

In relation to the details of the requests for the Company to pay and/or indemnify third parties, it should be noted that, given the current state of play and on the basis of the elements available that can be used for estimates, it is deemed possible that the Company could lose such proceedings. As regards one case only, on the basis of the available information and the state of the legal proceedings, a negative outcome is considered probable. As a result a specific provision of a relatively minor amount, which fully covers the risk has been made.

It should be noted that for some disputes, described below, on the basis of the information available at the closing date of the financial statements and with particular reference to the complexity of the proceedings, to their progress, and to elements of uncertainty of a technical - trial nature, it was not possible to make a reliable estimate of the size and/or times of any payments. Moreover, in the case in which the diffusion of information relative to the dispute could seriously jeopardise the position of Telecom Italia or its subsidiaries, only the general nature of the dispute is described.

Antitrust Case A426

On May 13, 2010, following a complaint lodged by Fastweb, the Italian Antitrust Authority (AGCM) started an investigation into an alleged abuse of dominant position by Telecom Italia. According to Fastweb, Telecom Italia acted so as to exclude its competitors in the public tenders held in 2010 by Consip and Enel for the award of contracts for fixed telephony services and IP connectivity. In particular, according to the complainant, Telecom Italia did not provide its competitors with some pieces of information of a technical-economic nature that were allegedly essential for the submission of competitive bids, and provided its retail divisions with network services at more favourable conditions than those applied to all other operators.

Fastweb had previously filed a similar complaint to AGCom which wholly dismissed the case in a note issued on May 26, 2010.

While reiterating that it had always acted in full compliance with the applicable regulations, Telecom Italia filed a proposal of undertakings in order to remove all the concerns set forth in the AGCM decision to open the investigation. Considering that said proposal was not manifestly meritless, AGCM published it on its website on July 29, 2011, inviting comments from interested third parties.

Telecom Italia subsequently presented amendments to the proposal of undertakings, which the interested third parties made comments on. Telecom Italia submitted its responses to the comments from interested third parties on both proposals.

Since the procedure to evaluate the undertakings is still underway, it is not possible to opine about the outcome of the proceedings.

Antitrust Case A428

On June 23, 2010, prompted by complaints filed by Wind and Fastweb, AGCM started an investigation into two alleged abuses of dominant position by Telecom Italia. Firstly, according to Wind, Telecom Italia allegedly hindered or delayed the activation of services, by means of unjustified and spurious refusals (so-called K.O.) Moreover, according to both complainants, Telecom Italia allegedly offered its access services to final customers at economic and technical conditions that could allegedly not be matched by competitors purchasing wholesale access services from Telecom Italia itself, only in those geographic areas of the Country where disaggregated access services to the local network are available, and hence where other operators can compete more fiercely.

In any case, with reference to one of the offers complained of (relating to an invitation to tender issued by the Florence municipal authority), on February 1, 2011, AGCom closed its investigation on the economic terms of Telecom Italia's offer with regard to traffic services, after verifying that it could be matched by its competitors.

While reiterating that it had always acted in full compliance with the applicable regulations, Telecom Italia filed a proposal of undertakings in order to remove all the concerns set forth in the AGCM decision to open the investigation. Considering that said proposal was not manifestly meritless, AGCM published it on its website on August 5, 2011, inviting comments from interested third parties.

On March 26, 2012, AGCM rejected Telecom Italia's proposal of undertakings; the investigation set to be concluded on September 30, 2012 therefore continues. At present, it is not possible to opine about the outcome of the proceedings.

Dispute relative to "Adjustments on concession charges" for the years 1994-1998

Some disputes filed in the past by Telecom Italia and Tim are still pending. These relate to the Ministry of Communications' request for payment of the balance of the amounts paid in concession charges for the years 1994-1998.

FASTWEB

As already described in the Interim Report on Operations at 30 September 2011, the disputes pending before the Court of Milan named "Impresa Semplice" and "Winback", have been settled between the parties.

The arbitration started by Fastweb in January 2011 by virtue of which the competitor requested compensation for presumed damages totalling 146 million euros incurred following alleged non-compliance with the provisions contained in the contract for the supply of the unbundling of the local loop (LLU) service is, on the contrary, ongoing. In particular, Fastweb complained that, in the period from July 2008 to June 2010, Telecom Italia had refused, unlawfully, to execute approximately 30,000 requests to migrate customers to the Fastweb network. Telecom Italia filed an appearance, submitting a counterclaim.

VODAFONE

In July 2006 Vodafone brought a case for compensation for damages (initially quantified as approximately 525 million euros, and subsequently adjusted to 759 million euros) before the Milan Appeal Court. The case involves a presumed abuse of its dominant position by Telecom Italia, which allegedly exploited its position in the fixed telephony markets to strengthen its position in the closely connected mobile communication services market, which tended to exclude and hence damage its competitor.

Telecom Italia filed an appearance, fully contesting the claims of the other party.

In a judgement on November 2, 2011, the Appeal Court declared that it was not competent in this matter and referred the case to the Civil Court. The terms for the resumption of the Vodafone case before the Milan Court are pending.

H3G

The following disputes with H3G are still outstanding:

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a case brought by H3G for compensation for damages of 122 million euros alleging presumed discriminatory behaviour and unfair competition by Telecom Italia against H3G in relation to fixed-mobile termination tariffs in the period 2008/2010. Telecom Italia has filed an appearance contesting the other party's claims and submitting, alternatively, a counterclaim for 465 million euros;

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a case brought by Telecom Italia for compensation of 230 million euros for damages related to the termination charges applied to it by H3G that were higher than those applied to other operators in the period between September 2005 and February 2008;

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a case brought by H3G for compensation for presumed damages consequent to alleged discriminatory behaviour by Telecom Italia in the market for calls from its mobile network to H3G network customers. In particular, according to the complainant, Telecom Italia is accused of applying to its own sales divisions fees lower than those applied to H3G from April 2008. The damages claimed have been quantified as approximately 120 million euros. Telecom Italia has filed an appearance contesting the claims and submitting a counterclaim for 260 million euros;

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an appeal by Telecom Italia before the Rome Appeal Court against the arbitration awards on the subject of mobile-mobile termination tariffs for the period between September 2005 and December 2007, which ordered Telecom Italia to pay the sum of approximately 87 million euros (of which approximately 58 million euros already declared enforceable);

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a case started by H3G claiming compensation for presumed damages consequent to alleged violation of the mobile customer portability procedures. The damages claimed have been quantified as approximately 60 million euros. Telecom Italia has filed an appearance contesting the claims and submitting a counterclaim for 20 million euros;

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an injunction sought by Telecom Italia to recover approximately 21 million euros for additional costs already paid to H3G for the period from July 2010 to February 2011, after the repricing of the termination tariffs on the H3G mobile network (resolution 667/08/Cons).

Federazione Anti Pirateria Audiovisiva (FAPAV)

In June 2010, the antipiracy group Federazione Anti Pirateria Audiovisiva (FAPAV) issued proceedings against Telecom Italia in the Rome Court for compensation of the presumed damages (quantified at 320 million euros) resulting from its non-prevention of the illicit downloading of films by customers of the Company accessing certain websites. According to the claimant, Telecom Italia did not adopt the necessary technical and administrative measures to prevent the illegal use of its network. Fapav also asked that the Company provide the Judicial Authorities with information identifying the customers involved in the alleged unlawful activities.

These proceedings follow a precautionary procedure at the end of which the Rome Court excluded both the liability of Telecom Italia in relation to the information carried, and the obligation to suspend the internet access service of which Telecom Italia is merely a supplier. The Court limited itself to ordering the Company to supply all the information in the Company's possession on the alleged unlawful activity, apart from information identifying the subjects involved.

Telecom Italia, which has already complied with the order, entered an appearance in this case, asking that the claims of the other party be rejected in their entirety. The Italian association of authors and publishers, SIAE, joined these proceedings to support FAPAV's argument.

WIND

In a writ issued in January 2012 Wind issued proceedings against Telecom Italia for compensation of alleged damages (quantified in 90 million euros) deriving from alleged unfair competition caused by the refusal to activate service requests in the period July 2009 - October 2010; the plaintiff's main statement alleges that such strategy of unfair competition was enacted by Telecom Italia both through alleged technical boycotting of service activation requests, and through offers and discounts tailored to customers interested in Wind's offers. Such conduct, with which Telecom Italia is charged, has already been the subject of grievance by Wind and Fastweb before the Anti-trust authority, which initiated proceedings A428. Telecom Italia is filing an appearance contesting the claims of the other party.

EUTELIA and VOICEPLUS

In June 2009, Eutelia and Voiceplus asked that alleged acts of abuse by Telecom Italia of its dominant position in the premium services market (based on the public offer of services provided through so-called Non Geographic Numbers) be investigated. The complainants quantified their damages at a total of approximately 730 million euros.

The case follows a precautionary procedure in which the Milan Appeal Court prohibited certain behaviours relating to the management of the Company's financial relations with Eutelia and Voiceplus concerning the Non Geographic Numbers for which Telecom Italia managed the revenues from the end customers, on behalf of such OLOs and in the light of regulatory requirements. Telecom Italia filed an appearance, asking that the demand for compensation be rejected in its entirety.

TELEUNIT

With a writ issued in October 2009 before the Milan Appeal Court, Teleunit asked for alleged acts of abuse by Telecom Italia of its dominant position in the premium services market to be investigated. The complainant quantified its damages at a total of approximately 362 million euros. Telecom Italia filed an appearance, contesting the claims of the other party.

POSTE

There are some pending actions brought Ing. C. Olivetti & C. S.p.A. (now Telecom Italia) against Poste, the Italian postal service, concerning non-payment by Poste of services rendered under a series of contracts to supply IT goods and services. The judgements issued in the lower court established an outcome that was partially favourable to the ex-Olivetti, and have been appealed against by Poste in individual rehearings.

In this respect, while a judgement of the Rome Appeal Court confirmed one of the outstanding payables to Telecom Italia, another judgement by the same Court declared void one of the disputed contracts. After this judgement, Poste issued a writ for the return of approximately 58 million euros, opposed by Telecom Italia, given that the judgement of the Court of Cassation considering amendment of the above judgement is still pending.

In its opposition and appeal for suspension of execution, Telecom Italia argued that it had not been ordered to pay specific restitution at that time, and hence there was no valid right to execute the judgement. Accepting this argument, the Rome Court suspended execution.

Gruppo Elitel Telecom S.p.A.

A dispute was recently started by Fallimento Elinet S.p.A. against its former administrators, auditors and auditing companies as well as against Telecom Italia, in relation to which claims were formulated regarding the alleged performance by Telecom Italia, of management and co-ordination activities of the Elitel Group (alternative operator present on the market, in which the Company has never had any type of interest), allegedly also enacted by playing the card of trade receivables management. The receiverships of Elitel s.r.l. and of Elitel Telecom S.p.A. (at the time the parent company of the Elitel Group) were also party to these proceedings. The economic claims advanced by the three receiverships amount to a total of 282 million euros. Telecom Italia is filing an appearance, fully contesting the statements of the other party.

Greece -DELAN

During 2009, the company Carothers Ltd., acting as successor of Delan Cellular Services SA (Delan), started judicial proceedings for the compensation of damages, both precautionary and on the merits, against Wind Hellas (the new corporate name of TIM Hellas, the Greek subsidiary sold by the Telecom Italia Group in 2005) before the Greek courts.

Wind Hellas in turn summoned Telecom Italia International to appear, as guarantor, allegedly on the basis of the indemnification obligations contained in the stock purchase agreement for the sale of the Greek subsidiary. The hearing for the pleading of both the case started by Carothers Ltd. against Wind Hellas and the case started by Wind Hellas against Telecom Italia International on the basis of the alleged indemnity obligations contained in the aforementioned stock purchase agreement was held on June 1, 2011. The outcome of the hearing is still unknown.

During 2010 Wind Hellas also summoned Telecom Italia International to appear as a third party in further judicial proceedings started in 2006 by Wind Hellas against what was at the time Delan (now Carothers), to challenge the validity of the arbitration clause contained in the agreement between such two parties, as well as to verify the absence of liability for the damages of Wind Hellas.

Germany – AOL arbitration

In October 2011 Telecom Italia, TIDE and AOL signed a settlement agreement for the termination, free of any payment by the Group, of arbitration proceedings brought by AOL LLC and AOL Europe Sarl for reimbursement of damages exceeding 2 million euros and regarding the AOL's broadband activities in Germany. In December 2011 the Arbitration Panel declared the termination of the proceedings.

Germany Telefónica arbitration

On February 23, 2012, Telecom Italia and Telecom Italia Deutschland Holding GmbH (TIDE) entered into a settlement with Telefónica Germany, aimed at preventing a potential litigation related to compensation claims proposed by Telefónica in connection with the share purchase agreement for the sale of the holding in HanseNet, signed by the Group in 2009, as well as resolving the arbitration started in 2011 by Telefónica against Telecom Italia and TIDE. On the basis of such agreement, a capital amount of approximately 40 million euros formerly deposited in escrow was withdrawn by Telecom Italia, while approximately 4.5 million euros were paid to Telefónica and approximately 16 million euros are kept in escrow to cover certain potential future liabilities. In such framework Telefónica has withdrawn the aforementioned request for arbitration.

b) Other information

Dispute concerning the concession charge for 1998

Telecom Italia has issued proceedings against the Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri (the office of the Prime Minister) before the Rome Court for compensation of the damage caused by the Italian State through appeal judgement no.7506/09 by the Consiglio di Stato (Council of State) that, in the view of the Company, violates the principles of current European community law.

The main claim which the proceedings are founded on is based on community jurisprudence that recognises the right to assert the responsibility of the State in relation to violation of rights recognised in community law and injured by a judgement that has become definitive, in respect of which no other remedy may be applied. The aforementioned judgement of the Council of State definitively denied the right of Telecom Italia to restitution of the concession charge for 1998 (totalling 386 million euros for Telecom Italia and 143 million euros for Tim, plus interest), already rejected by the Lazio regional administrative court despite the favourable and binding opinion of the European Court of Justice on 23 February 2008 concerning the conflict between EC Directive 97/13 on general authorisations and individual licences in the telecommunications services industry, and the national regulations that had deferred, for 1998, the obligation to pay the fee payable by telecommunications concession holders, despite the intervening deregulation process. The Company then proposed an alternative compensation claim, within the sphere of the same proceedings, for tort pursuant to art. 2043 of the Italian Civil Code. The compensation claimed has been quantified as approximately 529 million euros, plus legal interest and revaluation. The Avvocatura di Stato filed an appearance and submitted a counterclaim for the same sum. The case, as regards the main claim, is subject to eligibility analysis by the Court, which declared the inadmissibility of Telecom Italia's main claim (case for damages for manifest breach of community law pursuant to law 117/88). The Court's decision was however amended by the Court of Appeal of Rome (after appeal by the Company) which declared Telecom Italia's claim admissible. Consequently the proceedings will continue on both claims made by Telecom Italia.

The case brought by Telecom Italia to the Consiglio di Stato on January 15, 2011 for revocation of the judgement that is the object of the proceedings is also still pending.

Mobile Telephony: investigation of Dealers

During 2011 the activities to verify and regularise the prepaid SIM cards which had been activated in 2005-2008 and not correctly associated with a customer identity document continued. The activities performed led to a reduction of approximately 65% of the "non-compliant" sim-cards compared to the start of the year.

A new regularization process which involves post-sales blocking of all the remaining cards was introduced in July and continued until December 2011. Thanks to this solution, the cards subject to post-sales blocking can no longer perform commercial operations such as top-ups, participation in offers, contractual profile changes, etc. except after regularisation. As a result of the actions taken, by the end of 2011 only 248 thousand sim-cards are still to be regularised, (when regularisation activities commenced, approximately 5.5 million sim-cards were not correctly associated with an identity document and, at the beginning of 2011, approximately 723 thousand cards were still to be regularised).

At December 31, 2011, the investigations of the Milan Public Prosecutor into SIM cards with incorrect user registrations, previously examined in the Greenfield Project – the results of which were illustrated in the Annex to the 2010 Corporate Governance and Share Ownership report – and of the phenomenon also pointed out in the Greenfield Project reported by Deloitte Financial Advisory Services on irregular postponement of the natural expiry date (13 months after the last top-up or other chargeable post-sales action) of approximately 2.5 million prepaid SIM cards, continued.

In addition and in relation to a different affair, on March 21, 2012 Telecom Italia was served notice of the conclusion of the preliminary enquiries pursuant to art. 415 bis of the code of criminal procedure, from which it emerged that the Company is currently subject to investigation by the Milan Public Prosecutor pursuant to Legislative Decree 231/2001 for the offences of receiving stolen goods (art. 648 of the penal code) and fraud of which fourteen employees of the

so-called "canale etnico" of Telecom Italia are charged, jointly with several dealers (to a total of 99 individuals subject to investigation for having made fake registrations of about 109,000 sim-cards).

Within the sphere of the proceedings in question, the Company as the injured party damaged by such conduct, had brought an action and subsequent addition in the years 2008 and 2009 providing for the prompt suspension of the employees involved.

As the injured party Telecom Italia will be bringing a civil action .

Other Liabilities Connected With Sales Of Assets And Investments

Under the contracts for the sale of assets and companies, the Telecom Italia Group has guaranteed compensation generally commensurate to a percentage of purchase price to buyers for liabilities deriving mainly from legal, tax, social security and labor-related issues.

In connection with these contingent liabilities, totaling about 1,100 million euros, only for those cases in which an outflow of resources is considered probable, an amount of 111 million euros has been accrued in the provision for risks.

Moreover, the Telecom Italia Group is committed to provide further compensation for certain specific contractual provisions under agreements for the sale of assets and companies, for which the contingent liabilities cannot at present be determined.

c) Commitments and guarantees

Guarantees for 19 million euros, net of back-to-back guarantees received, by Telecom Italia on behalf of associates (6 million euros) and other third parties for medium/long-term financial transactions.

Guarantees were provided by third parties to Group companies, amounting to 4,310 million euros, to guarantee financing received (2,262 million euros) and performance under outstanding contracts (2,048 million euros).

Among the guarantees provided by third parties for Telecom Italia S.p.A. s obligations are two guarantees in favor of the Ministry of Economic Development for the auction to assign the user rights for the 800, 1800 and 2600MHz frequencies. The guarantees amount, respectively, to 38 million euros (for the commitment undertaken by the Company to build equipment networks according to eco-sustainability characteristics) and 456 million euros (for the request to pay back the total amount owed over a period of 5 years).

Details of the main guarantees received for EIB financing at December 31, 2011 are as follows:

Issuer

(millions of euros)	Amount ⁽¹⁾
BBVA - Banco Bilbao Vizcaya Argentaria	604
Intesa SanPaolo	471
Sumitomo	109
Bank of Tokyo - Mitsubishi UFJ	254
Banco Santander	139

Barclays Bank	75
CARIGE	92
Natixis	84
SACE	105
Citibank	28

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Relative to loans issued by EIB for Tim Rete Mobile, Telecom Italia Breitband Infrastruktur Deutschland, Telecom Italia Media Digital Network and Telecom Italia Banda Larga Mezzogiorno Projects.

There are also surety bonds on the 3G service in Brazil for 122 million euros.

d) Assets pledged to guarantee financial liabilities

The contracts for low-rate loans granted by the Brazilian development bank BNDES (Banco Nacional de Desenvolvimento Econômico e Social) to Tim Celular for a total equivalent amount of 800 million euros are covered by specific covenants. In the event of non-compliance with the covenant obligations, BNDES will have a right to the receipts which transit on the bank accounts of the company.

The loan granted by BBVA Banco Francés to Tierra Argentea S.A. (a wholly-owned Argentine subsidiary of the Telecom Italia Group) is secured by two pledges, respectively, of 15,374,858 Telecom Argentina S.A. shares and 2,351,752 American Depositary Shares (ADS) representing 117,588 Nortel Inversora S.A. Class B preferred shares. The covenants on the loan are described in the Note Financial liabilities (non-current and current) .

Note 25
Revenues

Revenues increased 2,386 million euros compared to 2010. The composition is as follows:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Equipment sales	2,189	1,608
Services	27,755	25,953
Revenues on construction contracts	13	10
Total	29,957	27,571

Revenues from telecommunications services are presented gross of amounts due to other TLC operators, equal to 3,664 million euros (3,740 million euros in 2010, -2.0%), included in the costs of service.

For a breakdown of revenues by operating segment/geographical area, reference should be made to the Note Segment Reporting .

Note 26
Other income

Other income increased 44 million euros compared to 2010 and is composed of the following:

(millions of euros)	2011	2010
Compensation for late payment of telephone services	71	72
Recovery of costs for employees, purchases and services rendered	36	47
Capital and operating grants	24	38
Damage compensation, penalties and sundry recoveries	36	18
Other income	132	80
Total	299	255

Note 27

Acquisition of goods and services

Acquisition of goods and services increased 1,476 million euros compared to 2010. The composition is as follows: