

# *Environmental accountability*

## **The Group's environmental policy**

The activities performed within the Lottomatica Group mainly consist of the activities of a services company and as such do not generate significant direct environmental impacts, as with most industrial production activities. However, the Company acknowledges that, independently of the activities that it performs, it is imperative that environmental issues are taken seriously and that the Company assume specific commitments and goals in relation to its stakeholders, that it adopts an efficient and reliable monitoring system to identify its environmental impacts, to track trends that occur in this respect over the years, and to monitor the effectiveness of the actions that it takes.

In the period from 2008 to 2010, the Group's efforts with respect to the environment involved the definition of a more robust and reliable data collection process, in particular for Italian branches. As of 2009, the quality of the measurement of environmental impacts and reports on this issue, with respect to Italian operations, was good.

During 2010, the Company made further improvements to environmental programs that had been established in previous years, in line with the Group's environmental policy. This report is part of these developments, involving the implementation of systematic monitoring of environmental impacts at Italian facilities and the extension of these programmes to the main facilities located in the United States. Although these are future commitments, made in relation to all locations worldwide, the

programmes that have been started do not yet cover all facilities, given the structure and complexity of the Group, which has operations on five continents.

Furthermore it is important to state that both in Italy and in the United States have been implemented to obtain important environmental certifications during 2011 (EN 16001:2009 in Italy and ISO 14001:2004 in the United States), demonstrating a structured approach, which has been adopted in the conviction that by carrying out commitments to protect the environment, the Group is improving its capacity to produce competitive and profitable goods and services.

The Group has implemented energy-saving measures beyond those required by law, and is committed to improve its environmental management system; it is also taking steps to minimise the generation of waste and pollution.

## **Environmental initiatives in Italy**

The main impacts that Lottomatica's activities have on the environment result from the use of paper as a raw material, the consumption of various types of fuel and energy such as natural gas, oil and electrical energy, and the transportation of people and merchandise. The Company also consumes water resources and produces waste and greenhouse gas emissions.

These impacts arise from office activities and the operation of the Company's branches, activities associated with the management