

### 28.3 Net exchange rate gains (losses)

Net exchange rate losses amounted to €35.2 million, higher by €77.0 million on the previous year.

The change reflects the non-recurring charge of about €97 million resulting from the adoption by the Group of the new official SICAD 2 exchange rate to translate its net financial assets denominated in the Venezuelan currency (called Bolivar Fuerte or VEF), effective as of June 30, 2014. This situation, described in detail in the Section 'Foreign

currency translation of the assets and liabilities related to Venezuela' in these explanatory notes, was necessary in light of the continuing financial/ currency crisis being experienced in the country, for the purpose of achieving a more reliable estimate of the value that these net financial assets will be realized and also in consideration of the regulatory characteristics of the local currency market, which puts significant restrictions on the movement of Venezuelan currency.

(Amounts in thousands of euros)	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>Change</b>
Realized exchange rate gains (losses)	23,608	80,591	(56,983)
Unrealized exchange rate gains (losses)	(57,476)	(39,345)	(18,131)
Currency hedging gains (losses)	(1,360)	515	(1,875)
<b>Total</b>	<b>(35,228)</b>	<b>41,761</b>	<b>(76,989)</b>