32.6 Amortisation, depreciation, provisions and impairment losses

This item of €126.6 million shows an increase of €28.5 million on the balance for the corresponding period of the previous year. It may be analysed as follows:

	1st half 2016	1st half 2015	Variation
(€'000)			
Impairment losses	4,206	(6,382)	10,588
Provisions (Utilisations)	(1,116)	3,492	(4,608)
Total provisions and impairment losses, net of the utilisations	3,090	(2,890)	5,980
Amortisation of intangible assets	774	186	588
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	108,001	91,912	16,089
Amortisation of rights to infrastructure under concession	666	752	(86)
Amortisation of contract acquisition costs	14,084	8,174	5,910
Total amortisation and depreciation	123,525	101,024	22,501
Total	126,615	98,134	28,481

Provisions and impairment losses increased by €6.0 million in the period.

Specifically, impairment losses recognised in the related allowance mainly refer to the Kazakhstani branch, recognised to adjust the carrying amount of receivables from Todini Costruzioni Generali S.p.A. as per the agreement for the sale of the Todini branches.

"Provisions (Utilisations)" includes the release of accruals made in previous years following the updated risk forecasts for the consortium active in the Dominican Republic as well as accruals made by the subsidiary Imprepar for three pending disputes.