

Gecina further strengthens its leading position on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR)

Gecina is the first real estate company in Europe to be ISO 50001 certified



AFNOR has just confirmed its ISO 50001 certification of the energy management system rolled out by Gecina, which is the first real estate company in Europe to achieve this recognition for the quality of its organization and methods in relation to energy performance issues.

Gecina has put in place an ambitious energy policy, aiming to reduce its office portfolio's energy consumption by 40%. To achieve this result and improve the control and analysis of its buildings' performance levels, Gecina has rolled out an energy management system. Among other features, this approach is reflected in the implementation of tools for monitoring consumption and the creation of a dedicated Energy Management unit focused on these issues.

This management system includes all the processes, from defining the energy policy to analyzing changes in performance levels and selecting and implementing action plans. Renewed every three years, this certification is based on a continuous improvement principle and requires various actions that have already been taken by Gecina (regular monitoring of energy consumption levels, document archiving, engagement with all energy stakeholders, definition and traceability of action plans).

For Philippe Depoux, Gecina's Chief Executive Officer: "Improving our portfolio's energy performance is crucial for a real estate group like Gecina, which has France's largest office portfolio, representing nearly one million square meters. We have set ourselves ambitious goals, over and above the regulatory requirements involved. This ISO 50001 certification confirms the relevance of our approach and the quality of our organization; it is a real source of pride for our teams to see our energy policy recognized in this way on the eve of the COP21 event".

Gecina is a leader for transparency concerning its carbon footprint



The NGO Carbon Disclosure Project (CDP) recently awarded Gecina its top score of 100 for the transparency of its CSR policy, recognizing the accuracy and quality of its environmental reporting. The Group has achieved the maximum score of 100 for "transparency" and has been included in the CDP Climate Disclosure Leadership index for the second year running.

For Bernard Michel, Gecina's Chairman: "On the eve of COP21, achieving the maximum score for transparency on issues relating to greenhouse gas emissions is a real source of satisfaction for a real estate group like Gecina, which has established CSR at the heart of its strategy to help build sustainable cities".

To take up a position on climate issues and continue building on its performance levels, in line with the work underway since 2008, Gecina is preparing its "climate roadmap", engaging all its business lines and representatives from its external stakeholders, defining its transition to carbon neutrality.



Gecina is maintaining its level of excellence in terms of sustainability performance

Gecina has confirmed its leading position on CSR issues in 2015, maintaining or improving most of its sustainability ratings, as shown by the numerous awards received in the last few months. These results are in line with an overall approach for analyzing and measuring the Group's environmental, social and governance (ESG) performance. Today, Gecina is recognized in all the main rankings, in France and internationally, for the quality of its CSR policy, its transparency and its results.



Gecina has retained its Green Star status, achieved since 2013 with the Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark (GRESB), and is ranked number two in its category.



Like last year, Gecina has received two Gold Awards from the European Public Real Estate Association (EPRA) for its application of financial and sustainability Best Practices Recommendations.



Once again this year, Gecina has been included in the DJSI World index and the more selective DJSI Europe index. With a score of 77%, the Group is one of the top six European companies in the real estate industry and has achieved the best scores for environmental reporting, resource conservation and resource efficiency, as well as social reporting.



The Group has also been chosen to be part of the FTSE4GOOD ethical index, improving on its absolute score compared with 2014.



Gecina is still a member of the NYSE Euronext Vigeo Eurozone 120 and NYSE Euronext Vigeo Europe 120 indices.



Gecina has been part of the STOXX® Global ESG Leaders indices since 2011 and has been included again for 2015.



The improvement in Gecina's overall performance on environmental and social criteria has also been recognized by the agency Oekom, which has revised its assessment for 2015. Gecina is now rated C+, giving it PRIME status and ranking it as one of the top three real estate firms out of the 222 analyzed.



Gecina has been ranked as the Gaïa Index SRI leader, for the second year running, in the "services" sector, confirming its absolute performance compared with 2014.

Gecina, a leading real estate group

Gecina owns, manages and develops property holdings worth 10.6 billion euros at June 30, 2015, with 90% located in the Paris Region. The Group is building its business around France's leading office portfolio and a diversification division with residential assets, student residences and healthcare facilities. Gecina has put sustainable innovation at the heart of its strategy to create value, anticipate its customers' expectations and invest while respecting the environment, thanks to the dedication and expertise of its staff.

Gecina is a French real estate investment trust (SIIC) listed on Euronext Paris, and is part of the SBF 120, Euronext 100, FTSE4Good, DJSI Europe and World, Stoxx Global ESG Leaders and Vigeo indices. In line with its commitments to the community, Gecina has created a company foundation, which is focused on protecting the environment and supporting all forms of disability.

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