



**PRESS RELEASE**

**HOLDING SANITA' E SERVIZI (CIR GROUP) BECOMES KOS**

*Milan, December 18 2009* - **Holding Sanità e Servizi**, the company of the **CIR group** active in residential care, has changed its name to **KOS** ([www.kosgroup.it](http://www.kosgroup.it)). The name KOS, which is inspired by the Greek island where Hippocrates was born, was approved by the **Shareholders' meeting** which marked the seventh year of business of the company.

The new name was chosen because it is shorter, simpler and able to further enhance the distinctiveness of a company which in just a few years has changed from being a start-up to being an integrated healthcare group, leader at national level in the management of residences for the non self-sufficient elderly and rehabilitation hospitals.

The **KOS group**, which today manages a total of **5,059 beds**, plus another **368** under construction, is active in **three sectors**:

- **the management of residences for the elderly**, with **38 care homes** under management (3,832 beds operational and 328 under construction);
- **the management of rehabilitation hospitals and centres**, with **6 rehabilitation facilities** (in Lombardy, Emilia Romagna, Trentino and Marche), **8 psychiatric rehabilitation communities** (in Liguria, Piedmont and Lombardy) and **13 day hospitals**, for a total of 1,107 beds in operation plus a further 40 under construction;
- **the management of a hospital and of high-tech services** in hospitals, with **7 diagnostic imaging units**.

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