FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Performance

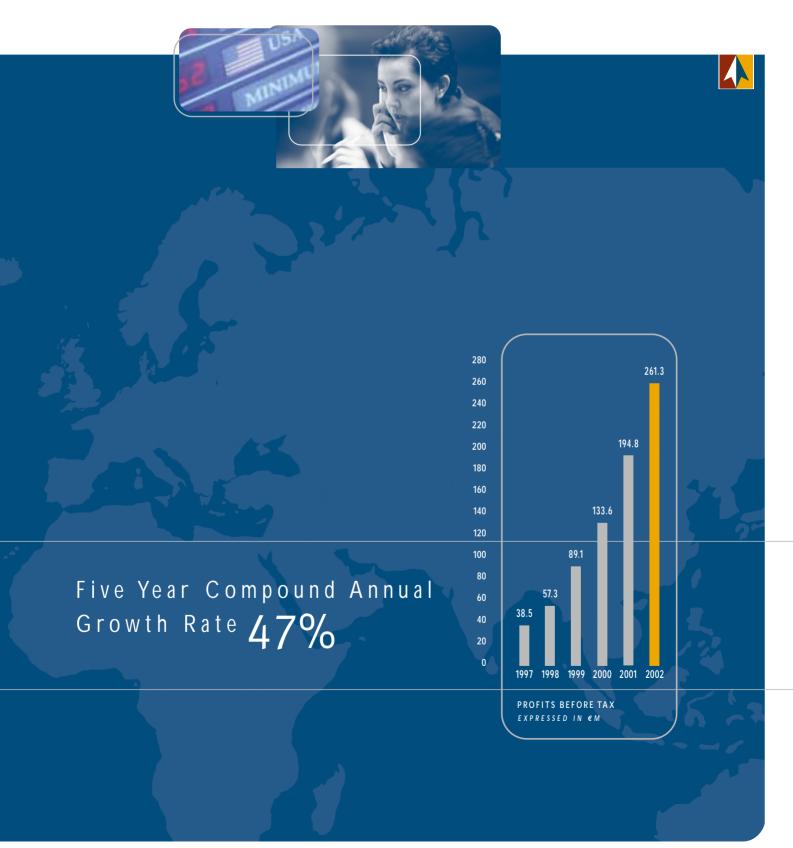
2002 has been another outstanding yearour 17th of consecutive record profits.

Focus

We continue to follow a proven strategy - providing bespoke banking services to well defined target markets.

Growth

We are confident that our competitive advantage will continue to deliver superior returns to shareholders in the future.





| FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS | 2002 €m | 2001 €m (restated) |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Profit before Taxation | 261.3 | 194.8 |
| Profit after Taxation | 202.8 | 151.1 |
| Basic Earnings per Share | 58.14c | 43.18c |
| Dividend per Share | 12.53c | 10.44c |
| Total Assets | 19,417.8 | 15,776.0 |
| Deposits | 16,852.7 | 13,843.5 |
| Advances to Customers | 13,356.5 | 10,952.0 |
| Total Capital Resources | 2,020.8 | 1,574.9 |

