

### IMIA COUNTRY ANALYSIS 2013 - Italy

Country	Premium development	Claim development Underwriting profitability	Business outlook
<p><b>Italy 2013</b></p>	<p>After some years during which, although the economic recession phase, the premium volumes were stable or even increasing, in 2013 the Italian market has registered an important reduction of premium volume.</p> <p>All LoBs registered a reduction in premium volume but the most relevant impacts hit the LoBs CAR and EAR, as a direct effect of the rarefaction of the investments in new infrastructures and new buildings.</p>	<p>The substantial absence of NatCat impacts during 2013, after the earthquake occurred in 2012, produces an overall loss ratio reduction of 6.6 percentage points. To underline the worsening which hit the IDI (LR +9 percentage points) and in particular the EAR (LR +39 percentage points), in this last case probably also due to the high frequency of claims relating the photovoltaic fields.</p> <p>For a better evaluation of the figures it is to consider that an important part of the Italian market develops the data on the base of the accounting year.</p>	<p>At present the effects of economic crunch are still evident and it is anything but easy define a consistent forecast. Anyhow it is clear that the current year is not showing a modification of the trend and in addition there are not evidences of a change in the near future.</p>