

Computers shut-down outside business hours

In order to further minimize our direct environmental impact, the bank in Romania implemented an important measure that will help to save the energy used for computers: **computers shut-down outside business hours.**

Because many users forget to shut down their computers before leaving, the office is wasting a lot of energy. By shutting down all the computers, except critical ones, we avoid this waste and also enforce all computers updates applied during start-up.



From **7th July 2008** all computers in the bank (except critical ones and remote laptops) are being automatically shut-down at 22:00, every evening. This way we avoid interrupting (computer) work of users that stay longer at the office.



Did you know...

...that one computer left on 24 hours a day contributes to 680 kg of CO₂ into the atmosphere? A tree absorbs between 1.5 – 6.8 kg of CO₂ each year. That means that 100-500 trees would be needed to offset the yearly emissions of one computer left on all the time.

This initiative continues the bank's commitment to reduce its direct environmental impact in Romania, through measures such as:

- **The recycling programme** was implemented in 2006 for paper, cardboard and PET. The results obtained until December 2008 were 52.28 tonnes paper, 6.49 tonnes PET and 6.69 tonnes cardboard recycled.
- **The usage of recycled paper** for internal operations.
- **The World Environment Day** included an internal awareness campaign regarding energy efficiency measures. An RBS mug was offered to every employee of the bank in order to reduce the plastic consumption: "YourWorld. Doing your bit for the environment".

