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SOCIETE GENERALE SECURITIES SERVICES IN ITALY AWARDED DEPOSITARY BANK OF THE YEAR WITHIN THE PENSIONI & WELFARE ITALIA AWARDS 2016

Societe Generale Securities Services Italy (SGSS S.p.A.) was awarded, for the second year in a row, as best depositary bank of the year during the **Pensioni & Welfare Italia Awards 2016** ceremony.

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SGSS offers its Asset Managers and Asset Owners clients, Financial Institutions and Brokers a complete range of securities services among which the custodian and the settlement ones, trustee, fund administration, middle office, risk & performance, liquidity management and transfer agent.

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