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of Lisbon. After his death the first generation of his sons changed the legal name to Banco Espírito Santo, S.A., a joint-stock company. Since then, and during six decades, the three sons controlled the banking activities, as a unique Portuguese banking dynasty. The history will be published next year, on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the founding father, who was born in 1850, on 13th May.



JOSÉ MARIA DO ESPÍRITO SANTO E SILVA

(1850-1915)

SEB

The SEB historical records

Skandinaviska Enskilda Banken from 1972 and onwards, is now under the management of Föreningen Stockholms Företagsminnen (<http://www.foretagsminnen.se>).

Företagsminnen is one of Sweden's largest institutions for the historical records of private enterprises. The historical records of Nordbanken, Sparbanken and Handelsbanken are managed by Företagsminnen.

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BANCA D'ITALIA

On 30 March 1998 the tasks performed by the Historical Office of the General Services Department of the Bank were transferred to the Historical Research Office, in order to achieve synergy between and the storage of archives and documents

An archive containing the Bank's photographic and audio-visual source material has recently been established within the "Historical Archives Sector" of the Historical Research Office. To this end, a collection is currently being added to the substantial volume of material held in the Bank's various Departments, including photographs, films, video footage, sound and voice recording, etc.

The Archive currently contains about 6,000 photos (prints and negative) and numerous video cassettes. This basic material has already been supplemented with the first purchases from outside sources of particularly important photographs recording significant events in the history of the Bank and its management. Work has also begun on the restoration of some films and plates that were in especially bad condition and suitable containers have been acquired to preserve the different types of material stored.

The IT procedures relating to the storage of and access to the photographs held in the Historical Archives Sector should be completed shortly.