First CEO after Eni’s privatisation. In his words, at that time, he finds a company strained by significant political interference that, in the 1970s and 1980s had “covered up” its wealth of expertise, associated with the energy world. With the stock market listing and the resulting rationalisation of business and activities, Eni resumes the road of success that had been distinguished it in the 1950s and 1960s. A timely turnaround is then carried out with the sale of hundreds of companies outside Eni’s core business, consisting of oil, gas, engineering and chemicals.