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Facebook Italia is based in Milan and is associated with Facebook Inc. in the United States and Facebook [Ireland](#).

"Facebook pays taxes in Italy as part of its activity in the country and takes its obligations in terms of Italian tax law very seriously," the company said in a statement.

Facebook Italia said it had "cooperated fully".

The Italian-registered company, according to its official document, has social capital of 10,000 euros (\$13,000) and 11 employees and therefore pays very low taxes, Italian media reported.

[Facebook](#) Italia had gross revenues of 2.0 million euros in 2011, which counted as "services" for promotion on the Italian market.

A probe by Italian tax police against [Google](#) Italy last month found that the company failed to declare income of 240 million euros (\$310 million) and pay value added tax of 96 million euros.

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