

LUXOTTICA GROUP SPA
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Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

May 21, 2012

COMMISSION FILE NO. 1 - 10421

LUXOTTICA GROUP S.p.A.

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Set forth below is the text of a press release issued on May 17, 2012

Luxottica to acquire the remaining Sun Planet retail locations

Milan, Italy, May 17, 2012 Luxottica Group S.p.A. (MTA: LUX; NYSE: LUX), a global leader in the design, manufacturing, distribution and sale of fashion, luxury and sports eyewear, today announced that it has entered into an agreement pursuant to which it will also acquire the approximately 120 Sun Planet stores in Spain and Portugal. Over time, the stores will be rebranded under the Sunglass Hut brand. In 2011, Luxottica acquired from the same seller the Sun Planet retail chain in Latin America, which was part of Multiópticas Internacional.

The transaction, which is expected to close during the third quarter of 2012, involves an enterprise value of approximately Euro 20 million.

The Sun Planet retail chain operates approximately 90 sunglass retail locations in Spain and approximately 30 in Portugal, mainly in select malls and tourist destinations. In 2011, net sales of the chain totalled approximately Euro 22 million.

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Luxottica Group is a leader in premium, luxury and sports eyewear with approximately 7,100 optical and sun retail stores in North America, Asia-Pacific, China, South Africa, Latin America and Europe, and a strong, well-balanced brand portfolio. House brands include Ray-Ban, the world's most famous sun eyewear brand, Oakley, Vogue, Persol, Oliver Peoples, Arnette and REVO, while licensed brands include Bvlgari, Burberry, Chanel, Coach, Dolce & Gabbana, Donna Karan, Polo Ralph Lauren, Prada, Tiffany and Versace. In addition to a global wholesale network involving 130 different countries, the Group manages leading retail chains in major markets, including LensCrafters, Pearle Vision and ILORI in North America, OPSM and Laubman & Pank in Asia-Pacific, LensCrafters in China, GMO in Latin America and Sunglass Hut worldwide. The Group's products are designed and manufactured at its six manufacturing plants in Italy, two wholly owned plants in the People's Republic of China, one plant in Brazil and one plant in the United States devoted to the production of sports eyewear. In 2011, Luxottica Group posted net sales of more than €6.2 billion. Additional information on the Group is available at www.luxottica.com.

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Certain statements in this press release may constitute "forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Such statements involve risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those which are anticipated. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the ability to manage the effect of the current uncertain international economic outlook, the ability to successfully acquire new businesses and integrate their operations, the ability to predict future economic conditions and changes in consumer preferences, the ability to successfully introduce and market new products, the ability to maintain an efficient distribution network, the ability to achieve and manage growth, the ability to negotiate and maintain favorable license arrangements, the

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availability of correction alternatives to prescription eyeglasses, fluctuations in exchange rates, changes in local conditions, the ability to protect intellectual property, the ability to maintain relations with those hosting our stores, computer system problems, inventory related risks, credit and insurance risks, changes to tax regimes as well as other, political, economic and technological factors and other risks and uncertainties described in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date hereof, and we do not assume any obligation to update them.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

LUXOTTICA GROUP S.p.A.

Date: May 21, 2012

By:

/s/ ENRICO CAVATORTA
ENRICO CAVATORTA
CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER