

IG FINANCE plc

Annual Report and Financial Statements
31 December 2019

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Directors' report

The directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2019.

Principal activities

The Company's principal activity is that of providing finance to other group companies.

The Guarantor's principal activities, as exercised by the holding company and its subsidiaries, and which are substantially unchanged since last year, are mainly the manufacture of electronic packaging products, electrical fittings and other injection moulded products for third parties.

Review of the Business

During the year under review, the Company registered a profit for the year of €1,546 (2018: €622).

Income derived from interest charged on loans to related parties amounted to €226,493 (2018: €225,987), whereas the accumulated interest payable on the bond issued in 2017 amounted to €203,500 (2018: €203,533).

The directors expect that the activities of the Company will remain consistent for the foreseeable future in line with the projected inflows and outflows.

Guarantor's Performance for the year ended 2019 and outlook for 2020

Impresa Group is the Guarantor of the bond issued by the Company in 2017. The Group's turnover for the year increased by 15.9% from €8.3M during the year ending 31 December 2018 to €9.6M during the year ending 31 December 2019. Cost of sales increased by 14.4%, from €7.0M to €8.0M.

The directors believe that the Group is continuing to enjoy the substantial cost savings achieved during 2018 as a result of the investment in new machinery that runs with higher energy efficiency, higher productivity and improved yields. This is the policy that the Group has adopted and on which the plans for the new factory site have been based.

As detailed in the Directors' Report for the year ended 31st December 2018, one of the subsidiaries within the Group, Elepac had entered into an agreement with Malta Enterprise to construct a new purposely built factory which would release the Group's inherent limitations which exist at the current Bulebel site.

As reported in last year's Directors' Report, Malta Enterprise approved the Group's investment of €7,458K resulting in the following:

1. An Emphyteusis agreement for land measuring circa 9,000m² in Hal Far for the purpose of constructing a new factory;
2. A one-time grant against the release of the Bulebel lease held by Elepac amounting to €2,508,400; and;
3. Tax credits amounting to €1,491,600 being 20% of the total investment.

The new factory is well under way and the construction should be completed by the end of June 2020. The electrical and mechanical works should eventually be completed by the end of January 2021 and it is envisaged that the Group will be operating from the new premises by the end of April 2021. Naturally with the continuously evolving situation with COVID-19, these timelines may vary.

Directors' report - continued

Guarantor's Performance for the year ended 2019 and outlook for 2020 - continued

In order to adequately assess the performance of the Group, any other income not generated from core business activities during 2018 should be eliminated. In fact, as explained in the Director's Report for 2018, the adjusted EBITDA for 2018 amounted to €1,164K. The EBITDA in 2019 was in fact €1,320K, a year on year growth in core business result of 13.4%. The Group believes that the benefits from the investment and operational cost measures are continuing to improve the Company's core business performance.

The Company makes reference to the continuously developing situation relating to COVID-19 in Malta and in other countries around the world in Note 16 of these Financial Statements.

The Group is monitoring the situation on an on-going basis to ensure that action is taken with priority to the wellbeing of its employees and customers in mind. To this extent, the Group has abided by, and will continue to abide by, all the directives issued by the competent authorities.

Directors confirm that the Group is also taking measures, within its control, to mitigate the adverse impact on its business, both operationally and financially.

The Company will keep its bondholders and stakeholders informed by means of company announcements when the effects of COVID-19 are clearer.

Financial Risk Management

The Company's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks, including credit and liquidity risk. Refer to Note 2 to these Financial Statements.

Results and dividends

The statement of comprehensive income are set out on page 18. The directors do not recommend a payment of a dividend.

Directors

The directors of the Company who held office during the year were:

Mr. Paul Mercieca (Chairman and Non-Executive Director)
Mr. Joseph Borg (Co-Chief Executive Officer)
Mr. Anton Borg (Co-Chief Executive Officer)
Mr. Mark Joseph Borg (Executive Director)
Mr. Julian Edward Borg (Executive Director)
Ms. Kristina Christie (Executive Director)
Eng. Joseph Restall (Non-Executive Director)
Mr. Nicholas Borg (Non-Executive Director) – appointed 2 March 2017 and resigned 1 January 2020
Mr. Matthew Borg (Non-Executive Director) – appointed 1 January 2020

The Company's Articles of Association do not require any director to retire.

Directors' report - continued

Statement of directors' responsibilities for the financial statements

The directors are required by the Maltese Companies Act, 1995 to prepare financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the group and the parent company as at the end of each reporting period and of the profit or loss for that period.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for:

- ensuring that the financial statements have been drawn up in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU;
- selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies;
- making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances;
- ensuring that the financial statements are prepared on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group and the parent company will continue in business as a going concern.

The directors are also responsible for designing, implementing and maintaining internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and that comply with the Maltese Companies Act, 1995. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the group and the parent company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the Annual Report on the website in view of their responsibility for the controls over, and the security of the website. Access to information published on the Group's website is available in other countries and jurisdictions, where legislation governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from requirements or practice in Malta.

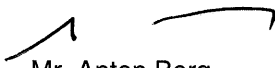
The directors confirm that, to the best of their knowledge:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at 31 December 2019, and of the financial performance and the cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU; and
- the Annual Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Company, together with a description of the principal risks and uncertainties that the Company and the Guarantor face.


Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers have indicated their willingness to continue in office and a resolution for their re-appointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

On behalf of the board


Mr. Anton Borg
Director

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Mr. Joseph Borg
Director

29 April 2020

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance

Preliminary

The Company supports the Rules and also the stipulations of the said rules in relation to dealing restrictions.

The Issuer adopts a Code of Principles of Good Corporate Governance (the “Code”), guided by the Prospectus Rules issued by the Malta Stock Exchange with the exceptions mentioned below, and is confident that by being guided by this Code this shall result in positive effects accruing to it. The Issuer adopts measures in line with the Code of Principles with a view to ensure that the all transitions are carried out at arm’s length.

The Board of Directors sets the strategy and direction of the Issuer and retains direct responsibility for appraising and monitoring the Issuer’s financial statements and annual report. The activities of the Board are exercised in a manner designed to ensure that it can effectively supervise the operations of the Issuer so as to protect the interests of bondholders, amongst other stakeholders. The Board is also responsible for making relevant public announcements and for the Issuer’s compliance with its continuing obligations in terms of the rules of Prospectus.

As required by the Act, the Issuer’s financial statements are to be subject to annual audit by the Issuer’s external auditors. Moreover, the non-executive directors will have direct access to the external auditors of the Issuer who attend at Board meetings at which the Company’s financial statements are approved. In ensuring compliance with other statutory requirements and with continuing admission obligations, the Board is advised directly, as appropriate, by its appointed broker, legal advisor and the external auditors. Directors are entitled to seek independent professional advice at any time on any aspect of their duties and responsibilities, at the Issuer’s expense.

The Company acts as a finance company to the Impresa Group and as such has minimal operations emanating from this task. Its primary function is the lending and monitoring of the proceeds of bonds issued to the public to its parent company. The Company has no employees but is managed by the directors and the company secretary.

The Guarantor

The Guarantor (Impresa Limited) is a private company and, accordingly, is not bound by the provisions of the Code set out in the Prospectus Rules of the Malta Stock Exchange. While the Guarantor is not required to adopt the provisions of the Code, the Audit Committee which is set up at the level of the Guarantor has been specifically tasked with keeping a watching brief over the financial performance of the Issuer, the Guarantor and other Group subsidiaries.

Principle 1: The Board

The board of directors is responsible for the Company’s affairs, in particular in giving direction to the Company and being actively involved in overseeing the systems of controlling and financial reporting. The board has discussed the code and all directors are aware of their responsibilities as such.

The board of directors meets regularly to discuss policy decisions and to discuss the operations of the parent company, Impresa Ltd. The board is made up of eight directors, two of which are completely independent from the Company or any related companies. Regular Board meetings are held in order to provide all relevant information to each Board member and to ensure that each director is adequately informed of all key items specifically relating to operations and general day to day management.

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance - continued

Principle 2: The Company's Chairman and Chief Executive

The Company has adopted to clear separation of roles between the role of the Chairman and the Chief Executive of the Company. The Chief Executive role is further split between the two senior Executive Directors and explained within Principle 3 of this Statement of Compliance.

The Chairman has the role to allow directors to play a full and constructive role in the affairs of the Company. In this regard, the Chairman leads the board and sets its agenda while ensuring that the board receives precise, timely and objective information through the Company Secretary. The Chairman also ensures effective communication with shareholders and actively encourages engagement by all board members for discussion of complex and contentious issues.

Principle 3: Composition of the Board

The Company has ensured to appoint to its Board of Directors members with a variety of skills, knowledge and expertise required for all business processes, mainly focussing on technical and financial aspects of the Group's Core Operations. The Board of Directors is made up of eight members as follows:

Independent, Non-executive Directors

Mr. Paul Mercieca (Chairman)
Eng. Joseph Restall (Non-Executive Director)

Executive Directors

Mr. Joseph Borg (Co-Chief Executive Officer)
Mr. Anton Borg (Co-Chief Executive Officer)
Mr. Mark Joseph Borg (Executive Director)
Mr. Julian Edward Borg (Executive Director)
Ms. Kristina Christie (Executive Director)

Non-executive Director

Mr. Nicholas Borg (Non-Executive Director) – resigned on 1 January 2020
Mr. Matthew Borg (Non-Executive Director) – appointed on 1 January 2020

Secretary to the Board

Mr. Philip Mifsud

Principle 4: Responsibilities of the Board

During the board meetings held, the agenda set forth has consistently been drawn up to ensure the following are adequately discussed and reported on:

- (i) Clear definition of the Company's strategy, through assessing management performance and business policies;
- (ii) Continuously assess and monitor the Company's present and future operations, opportunities, threats and risks both internally and in the external environment;
- (iii) Review of policies and procedures in place to ensure that the Company and its employees maintain the highest standards of corporate conduct;
- (iv) Regular information sessions to ensure that directors are made aware of their duties and responsibilities;
- (v) Discussions on business risk and KPIs benchmarked against the Company's historic performance and budgeted performance;

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance - continued

Principle 4: Responsibilities of the Board - continued

- (vi) Management constantly monitor performance and report to its satisfaction fully and accurately on the key performance indicators; and
- (vii) Ensuring that the financial statements of the Company and the annual audit thereof are complete within the stipulated time periods.

Principle 5: Board Meetings

The board ensures regular review and overall evaluation of corporate strategy, major operational and financial plans, risk policy, performance objectives, and implementation and corporate performance. During 2019 the Board met regularly and have planned a number of meetings for 2020. The board has targeted and set meetings to be held bi-monthly, however executive directors are entrusted to keep independent non-executive directors informed on matters arising even between such planned meetings.

Internal Control System

The Company's internal control system is designed to ensure, as much as possible, transparency, independence and segregation of duties. The process is also designed to ensure reliable financial reporting, effective and efficient operations and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

Whilst the board of directors is responsible for an effective internal control system, it relies on its effectiveness on the Group's financial controller and the audit committee. The Group's management is responsible for the identification and evaluation of key risks applicable to their respective areas of business. Through these channels, the directors have reasonable assurance that risk factors are managed properly and that material misstatements in the financial statements are not likely to occur.

Risk Management

The objective of the risk management function of the Company is to minimise the cost of risk and to maximise return on assets.

In order to manage the above mentioned risks, the financial controller during audit committee meetings and prior to presenting any quarterly figures, explains any issues in reporting and factors which may currently or in future provide difficulties in reaching such reporting targets. These periodic reports comment on areas likely to have elements of risk, highlighting any weaknesses or possible threats.

The audit committee makes recommendations, as necessary, to the Board.

Dealings by Directors and Senior Officers in the Company's Bonds

Conscious of its responsibility for monitoring dealings by directors and senior officers in the Company's bonds, the board approved a code of conduct for the transactions by directors and senior officers in compliance with the Prospectus rules. The Insiders List which includes names of directors and senior officials together with all close relations who have to comply with the code has been filed with the listing authority at the Malta Financial Services Authority.

The board will continue to monitor the code in future years and will decide on an annual basis if the position cited above will apply.

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance - continued

Board Committees

The Group (specifically Impresa Limited) established an audit committee. The terms of reference of the audit committee have been formally set out in a separate charter. The audit committee is composed of two non-executive directors and one executive director. The following directors sit on the committee:

Members

Chairman - Mr. Paul Mercieca (Non-Executive Director)

Member - Eng. Joseph Restall (Non-Executive Director)

Member - Mr. Julian Edward Borg (Executive Director)

Secretary to the Board

Mr. Philip Mifsud

The committee's primary objective is to assist the board in fulfilling the oversight responsibilities over the financial reporting processes, financial policies and internal control structure. The audit committee reports directly to the board of directors and has continued to meet over 2019 regularly to ensure that all reporting requirements are met accordingly.

The company secretary, is responsible to the board for ensuring that board procedures are complied with and to aid the chairman to ensure that all members receive precise, timely and objective information.

Principle 6: Information and Professional Development

Executive directors and management are committed to ensure that the board is adequately informed of all events and allows time during such meetings for high level discussions in order to allow all directors to put forward their ideas and perspectives. This allows management to ascertain themselves that a decision is taken knowledgeably and diligently.

Specifically when discussing more technical topics, the board ensures that directors, especially NEDs, have access to independent professional advice at Company's expense where they judge it necessary to discharge their responsibilities as directors.

Principle 7: Evaluation of the board's performance

Under the present circumstance, the board does not consider it necessary to appoint a committee to carry out a performance evaluation of its role, as the board's performance is always under the scrutiny of the shareholders.

Principle 8: Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Due to the nature of the Company's restricted operational functions, the Board does not consider it necessary to set up a nomination committee. However the board believes that the members hold a variety of skills, knowledge and expertise required for all business processes.

With respect to the remuneration committee, the Board does not consider it necessary to set up such a committee. The directors received in aggregate €21,000 for services rendered during 2019. This remuneration has been approved by the directors. The board has resolved to disclose these fees in aggregate rather than as separate figures for each director as recommended by the code.

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance - continued

Principle 9: Relations with Shareholders and the Market

The Company is committed to maintain an informed market. Communication with bondholders has to date been handled by way of the Annual Report and Financial statements. The Company also communicates with bondholders via company announcements made through the Malta Stock Exchange as well as regularly updating as may be required on the Issuers website.

The Company also holds an Annual General Meeting with its shareholders whereby a number of resolutions are looked into, mainly referring to:

- (i) The consideration for approval of the audited financial statements both of the Company as a standalone company and of the Group of which the Company forms part of;
- (ii) Consideration of the reappointment of the Company's auditors, and the consideration to authorise the Board of Directors to determine their remuneration;
- (iii) The consideration to reappoint the directors up to the next Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association

Principle 10: Institutional Shareholders

The Company has no institutional shareholders.

Principle 11: Conflicts of Interests

The directors always act in the interest of the Company and its shareholders. If any director has a conflict of interest he is not allowed to vote on the matter or may even request not to be present during specific discussions.

Principle 12: Corporate Social Responsibility

The directors are committed to behave ethically and contribute to economic development whilst improving the quality of life of the Company's workforce, their families and society in general. Initiatives have been put in place which are aimed at investing in human capital, health and safety, employee training and environmental awareness. Given the strong family business core of the Company, the directors believe that such values should be echoed throughout the whole of the business organisation.

Non-Compliance with the Code

Principle 3: Composition of the Board

The Company does not have a majority of non-executive directors nor does it have a majority of independent directors appointed to its Board of Directors. Given the size and circumstances of the Company's business, this is not deemed necessary. The Company would like to note that it does however adhere to the requirements as dictated in the Prospects Rules.

Principle 4: The Responsibilities of the Board

The non-executive directors have not signed a written statement stating that they will maintain independence in all circumstances, they will not seek or accept any unreasonable advantages that could be considered as compromising their independence, or/and that they will clearly express their opposition to any Board decision that may harm the Company. The Company and its independent directors feel that this is the responsibility and duty they have and have taken on when accepting such a role.

Corporate Governance – Statement of Compliance - continued

Principle 6: Information and Professional Development

Given the size and circumstances of the Company's business, this is not deemed necessary.

The Company has discussed succession in depth and has plans to formalise these plans, however at a later stage. No time frame has been given as to when this will be effected.

Principle 7: Evaluation of the board's performance

Given the size and circumstances of the Company's business, the Company does not deem it necessary to carry out a board evaluation. The board feels that its performance is reflected in the Company's annual performance itself, the reaching of investment targets and the potential for growth which is evaluated regularly.


Principle 8: Nomination and Remuneration Committee

Given the size and circumstances of the Company's business, the Company does not deem it necessary to appoint a Nomination and Remuneration Committee as decisions on these matters are more adequately taken by the board of directors and at shareholder level.


Principle 9: Relations with Shareholders and the Market

The Company does not have procedures in place stipulated in the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association as a mechanism to resolve conflict between minority and controlling shareholders.

Approved by the board of directors on 29 April 2020 and signed on its behalf by:



Mr. Anton Borg
Director



Mr. Joseph Borg
Director



Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Our opinion

In our opinion:

- IG Finance plc's financial statements give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 31 December 2019, and of the company's financial performance and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRSs') as adopted by the EU; and
- The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386).

What we have audited

IG Finance plc's financial statements, set out on pages 17 to 31, comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2019;
- the statement of comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended;
- the statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We are independent of the company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) together with the ethical requirements of the Accountancy Profession (Code of Ethics for Warrant Holders) Directive issued in terms of the Accountancy Profession Act (Cap. 281) that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Malta. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these Codes.

Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to Note 16 that refers to the uncertainties associated with COVID-19. This matter is considered to be of fundamental importance to the users' understanding of the financial statements due to its nature and significance. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

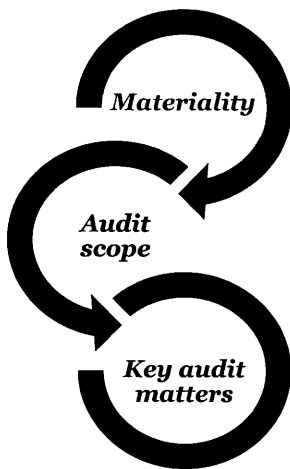


Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Our audit approach

Overview



Overall materiality: €38,100, which represents approximately 1% of total assets

Recoverability of loans issued to fellow subsidiaries

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements. In particular, we considered where the directors made subjective judgements; for example, in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including among other matters consideration of whether there was evidence of bias that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

We tailored the scope of our audit in order to perform sufficient work to enable us to provide an opinion on the financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the company, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which the company operates.

Materiality

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. An audit is designed to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. Misstatements may arise due to fraud or error. They are considered material if individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined certain quantitative thresholds for materiality, including the overall materiality for the financial statements as a whole as set out in the table below. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and in aggregate on the financial statements as a whole.



Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Overall materiality	€38,100
How we determined it	Approximately 1% of total assets
Rationale for the materiality benchmark applied	We chose total assets as the benchmark since the company is non-operating, being only an issuer of corporate bonds which were in turn loaned to fellow subsidiaries. These loans constitute in principal the total assets of the company. We chose 1%, which is within the range of quantitative materiality thresholds that we consider acceptable.

We agreed with the Audit Committee that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above €1,900 as well as misstatements below that amount that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters.

Key audit matter	How our audit addressed the Key audit matter
<p><i>Recoverability of loans issued to fellow subsidiaries</i></p> <p>Loans to fellow subsidiaries represent funds advanced to fellow subsidiaries, JAB Investments Limited, Elepac Limited, and Eurosupplies Limited, which loans have been granted at agreed rates of 6.1%. Loan balances due to the company as at 31 December 2019 amounted to €3.61 million (2018: €3.61 million).</p> <p>As explained in accounting policy note 1.4.3 the recoverability of the loans is assessed at the end of each financial year.</p> <p>The loans are the principal asset of the company, which is why we have given additional attention to this area.</p>	<p>We have agreed the terms surrounding the loans to supporting loan agreements.</p> <p>We have assessed the financial soundness of Impresa Limited, which is the guarantor of the company's bonds. In doing this, we referred to the latest audited financial statements, management accounts, COVID-19 assessment, cash flow projections and forecasts made available to us.</p> <p>On the basis of evidence and explanations obtained, we concur with management's view with respect to the recoverability of these loans.</p>



Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Directors' report (but does not include the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon).

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information, including the directors' report.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

With respect to the directors' report, we also considered whether the directors' report includes the disclosures required by Article 177 of the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386).

Based on the work we have performed, in our opinion:

- The information given in the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- The directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386).

In addition, in light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we are required to report if we have identified material misstatements in the directors' report and other information that we obtained prior to the date of this auditor's report. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the directors and those charged with governance for the financial statements

The directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with IFRSs as adopted by the EU and the requirements of the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386), and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.



Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with ISAs, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern. In particular, it is difficult to evaluate all of the potential implications that COVID-19 will have on the company's trade, customers and suppliers, and the disruption to its business and the overall economy.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.



Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.

Report on other legal and regulatory requirements

Report on the statement of compliance with the Principles of Good Corporate Governance

The Prospects Rules issued by the Malta Stock Exchange require the directors to prepare and include in their Annual Report a Statement of Compliance providing an explanation of the extent to which they have adopted the Code of Principles of Good Corporate Governance and the effective measures that they have taken to ensure compliance throughout the accounting period with those Principles.

The Prospects Rules also require the auditor to include a report on the Statement of Compliance prepared by the directors.

We read the Statement of Compliance and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements included in the Annual Report. Our responsibilities do not extend to considering whether this statement is consistent with any other information included in the Annual Report.

We are not required to, and we do not, consider whether the Board's statements on internal control included in the Statement of Compliance cover all risks and controls, or form an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's corporate governance procedures or its risk and control procedures.

In our opinion, the Statement of Compliance set out on pages 4 to 9 has been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Prospects Rules issued by the Malta Stock Exchange.



Independent auditor's report - continued

To the Shareholders of IG Finance plc

Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

We also have responsibilities under the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386) to report to you if, in our opinion:

- Adequate accounting records have not been kept, or that returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us.
- The financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.
- We have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We have nothing to report to you in respect of these responsibilities.

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David Valenzia
Partner

29 April 2020


Statement of financial position

	Notes	As at 31 December	
		2019 €	2018 €
ASSETS			
Non-current assets			
Loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries	4	3,606,265	3,606,265
Total non-current assets		3,606,265	3,606,265
Current assets			
Other receivables	5	219,265	205,723
Cash and cash equivalents	6	5	66
Total current assets		219,270	205,789
Total assets		3,825,535	3,812,054
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	7	47,000	47,000
Retained earnings		3,156	1,610
Total equity		50,156	48,610
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	8	3,631,331	3,621,967
Total non-current liabilities		3,631,331	3,621,967
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	9	144,048	141,477
Total current liabilities		144,048	141,477
Total liabilities		3,775,379	3,763,444
Total equity and liabilities		3,825,535	3,812,054

The notes on pages 21 to 31 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 17 to 31 were authorised for issue by the Board on 29 April 2020 and were signed on its behalf by:


Mr Anton Borg
Director


Mr Joseph Borg
Director

Statement of comprehensive income

	Notes	Year ended 31 December	
		2019 €	2018 €
Finance income	10	226,493	225,987
Finance costs	11	(203,500)	(203,533)
Net interest income		22,993	22,454
Administrative expenses	12	(12,083)	(12,468)
Amortisation of bond issue costs		(9,364)	(9,364)
Profit for the year – total comprehensive income		1,546	622
Earnings per share (cents)	13	0.03	0.01

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Statement of changes in equity

	Share capital €	Retained earnings €	Total equity €
Balance as at 1 January 2018	47,000	988	47,988
Comprehensive income			
Profit for the year			
- total comprehensive income	-	622	622
Total comprehensive income	-	622	622
Balance at 31 December 2018	47,000	1,610	48,610
Balance as at 1 January 2019	47,000	1,610	48,610
Comprehensive income			
Profit for the year			
- total comprehensive income	-	1,546	1,546
Total comprehensive income	-	1,546	1,546
Balance at 31 December 2019	47,000	3,156	50,156

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Statement of cash flows

	Notes	Year ended 31 December	
		2019 €	2018 €
Cash used in operating activities			
Cash used in operations	14	(23,012)	(460,744)
Interest paid		(203,500)	(212,454)
Interest received		226,451	219,600
Net cash used in operating activities		(61)	(453,598)
Net movement in cash and cash equivalents		(61)	(453,598)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		66	453,664
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	6	5	66

The notes on pages 21 to 31 are an integral part of these financial statements.

Notes to the financial statements

1. Summary of significant accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

1.1 Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) as adopted by the EU and with the requirements of the Maltese Companies Act (Cap. 386). They have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRSs as adopted by the EU requires the use of certain accounting estimates. It also requires directors to exercise their judgment in the process of applying the Company's accounting policies (see note 3 – Critical accounting estimates and judgments).

Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards effective in 2019

In 2019, the Company adopted new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards that are mandatory for the Company's accounting period beginning on 1 January 2019. The adoption of these revisions to the requirements of IFRSs as adopted by the EU did not result in substantial changes to the Company's accounting policies impacting the Company's financial performance and position.

Standards, interpretations and amendments to published standards that are not yet effective

Certain new standards, amendments and interpretations to existing standards have been published by the date of authorisation for issue of these financial statements that are mandatory for the Company's accounting periods beginning after 1 January 2020. The Company has not early adopted these revisions to the requirements of IFRSs as adopted by the EU and the Company's directors are of the opinion that there are no requirements that will have a possible significant impact on the Company's financial statements in the period of initial application.

The Company makes reference to the continuously developing situation relating to COVID-19 in Malta and in other countries around the world in Note 16 of these Financial Statements.

1.2 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

Items included in these financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The euro is the Company's functional and presentation currency.

1.3 Impairment of non-financial assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life, are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

1. Summary of significant accounting policies - continued

1.3 Impairment of non-financial assets - continued

For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash-generating units). Non-financial assets, other than goodwill, that suffered an impairment are reviewed for possible reversal of the impairment at the end of each reporting period.

1.4 Financial assets

1.4.1 Classification

The Company classifies its financial assets as financial assets measured at amortised cost. The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. The Company classifies its financial assets as at amortised cost only if both the following criteria are met:

- The asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cash flows, and
- The contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

1.4.2 Recognition and measurement

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

At initial recognition, the Company measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL), transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset.

1.4.3 Impairment

The Company assesses on a forward-looking basis the expected credit losses associated with its debt instruments carried at amortised cost. The impairment methodology applied depends on whether there has been a significant increase in credit risk.

The Company's main financial assets that are subject to IFRS 9's expected credit loss model comprise loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries, other receivables and cash and cash equivalents.

The identified expected credit loss for loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries, other receivables and cash and cash equivalents was immaterial.

1.5 Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables comprise amounts due from customers in the ordinary course of business. If collection is expected in one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer), they are classified as current assets. If not they are presented as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less provision for impairment (Note 1.4.3). Details about the Company's impairment policies and the calculation of loss allowance are provided in Note 1.4.

1. Summary of significant accounting policies - continued

1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are carried in the statement of financial position at face value. In the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of financial position.

Details about the Company's impairment policies and the calculation of loss allowance are provided in Note 1.4.

1.7 Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new shares are shown in equity as a deduction, net of tax, from the proceeds.

1.8 Financial liabilities

The Company recognises a financial liability in its statement of financial position when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. The Company's financial liabilities are classified as financial liabilities which are not at fair value through profit or loss (classified as 'Other liabilities'). These financial liabilities are recognised initially at fair value, being the fair value of consideration received, net of transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or the issue of the financial liability. These liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost. The Company derecognises a financial liability from its statement of financial position when the obligation specified in the contract or arrangement is discharged, is cancelled or expires.

1.9 Borrowings

Borrowings are recognised initially at fair value of proceeds received, net of transaction costs incurred. Borrowings are subsequently carried at amortised cost; any difference between proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised in profit or loss over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Issue costs incurred in connection with the issue of the bonds include underwriting, legal and professional fees, stockbrokers' commission and advertising costs.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Company has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the end of the reporting period.

1.10 Trade and other payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers. Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less (or in the normal operating cycle of the business if longer). If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities.

Trade and other payables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1. Summary of significant accounting policies - continued

1.11 Current and deferred tax

The tax expense for the period comprises current and deferred tax. Tax is recognised in the profit or loss for the year, except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity. In this case, the tax is also recognised directly in equity.

Deferred tax is recognised, using the liability method, on temporary differences arising between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts in the financial statements. However, the deferred tax is not accounted for if it arises from initial recognition of an asset or liability in a transaction other than a business combination that at the time of the transaction affects neither accounting nor taxable profit or loss. Deferred tax is determined using tax rates (and laws) that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the end of the reporting period and are expected to apply when the related deferred tax asset is realised or the deferred tax liability is settled.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profit will be available against which the temporary differences can be utilised.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when the deferred income taxes assets and liabilities relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority on either the taxable entity or different taxable entities where there is an intention to settle the balances on a net basis.

1.12 Finance income and costs

Finance income and costs are recognised in profit or loss for all interest-bearing instruments on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method. Finance income and costs are recognised as they accrue, unless collectability is in doubt.

1.13 Earnings per share

The Company presents basic earnings per share (EPS) data for its ordinary shares. Basic EPS is calculated by dividing the profit or loss attributable to ordinary shareholders of the Company by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.

2. Financial risk management

2.1 Financial risk factors

The Company constitutes a financing special purpose vehicle whose bonds are guaranteed by Impresa Limited (parent company). The Company's principal risk exposures relate to credit risk and liquidity risk. The Company is not exposed to relate to currency risk and the directors deem interest rate risk exposure to be nominal due to matching of its interest costs on borrowings with finance income from its trade and other receivables referred to above.

The board of directors provides principles for overall risk management, as well as policies covering risks referred to above and specific areas such as investment of excess liquidity.

2. Financial risk management - continued

2.1 Financial risk factors - continued

(a) Credit risk

The Company measures credit risk and expected credit losses using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management consider both historical analysis and forward-looking information in determining any expected credit loss.

The company's exposure to credit risk is limited to the carrying amount of financial assets recognised at the reporting date, as summarised below. The Company's exposures to credit risk as at the end of the reporting periods are analysed as follows:

	2019	2018
	€	€
Financial assets measured at amortised cost		
Loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries (Note 4)	3,606,265	3,606,265
Other receivables (Note 5)	217,293	203,756
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 6)	5	66
	3,823,563	3,810,087

The Company monitors the performance of its receivables on a regular basis to identify incurred collection losses, which are inherent in the Company's receivables, taking into account historical experience.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period in respect of the financial assets mentioned above is equivalent to their carrying amount as disclosed in the respective notes to the financial statements. The Company does not hold any collateral as security in this respect.

At 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018, cash and short-term deposits are held with counterparties with a credit rating of BB or higher and are due to be settled within 1 week. Amounts due from fellow subsidiaries are considered to have low credit risk due to balance sheet position and financing available. Management consider the probability of default to be close to zero as the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Company.

(b) Liquidity risk

The Company is exposed to liquidity risk arising primarily from its ability to satisfy liability commitments depending on cash inflows receivable in turn from fellow subsidiary.

Management monitors liquidity risk by means of cash flow forecasts on the basis of expected cash flows over a twelve month period to ensure that no additional financing facilities are expected to be required over the coming year.

The following table analyses the Company's financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the statement of financial position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months equal their carrying balances, as the impact of discounting is not significant.

2. Financial risk management - continued

2.1 Financial risk factors - continued

(b) Liquidity risk - continued

	Carrying amount €	Contractual cash flows €	Within one year €	One to five years €	Over five years €
31 December 2019					
Trade and other payables	144,048	144,048	144,048	-	-
Borrowings	3,631,331	5,328,000	203,500	814,000	4,310,500
Total	3,775,379	5,472,048	347,548	814,000	4,310,500
31 December 2018					
Trade and other payables	141,477	141,477	141,477	-	-
Borrowings	3,621,967	5,531,500	203,500	814,000	4,514,000
Total	3,763,444	5,672,977	344,977	814,000	4,514,000

2.2 Capital risk management

The Company's bonds are guaranteed by Impresa Limited (parent company). Related finance costs are guaranteed by a fellow subsidiary. The capital management of the Company therefore consists of a process of regularly monitoring the financial position of the Guarantor.

The Company's objectives when managing capital are:

- to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders;
- to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital; and
- to comply with requirements of the Prospectus issued in relation to the bonds.

2.3 Fair values of financial instruments

At 31 December 2019 and 2018 the carrying amounts of receivables and payables are assumed to approximate their fair values.

3. Critical accounting estimates and judgments

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

In the opinion of the directors, the accounting estimates and judgments made in the course of preparing these financial statements are not difficult, subjective or complex to a degree which would warrant their description as critical in terms of the requirements of IAS 1.

4. Loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries

	2019 €	2018 €
Carrying amount	3,606,265	3,606,265

The loans are unsecured, subject to interest at 6.1% and repayable after more than twelve months. The identified expected credit loss under IFRS 9 is immaterial.

5. Other receivables

	2019 €	2018 €
Current		
Amounts owed by fellow subsidiaries	64,064	50,567
Interest receivable from fellow subsidiaries	153,229	153,189
Prepayments	1,972	1,967
	219,265	205,703

Amounts owed by fellow subsidiaries are unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand. Interest receivable is an accrued interest on loans receivable from fellow subsidiaries and payable on an annual basis.

6. Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the statement of cash flows, the cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:

	2019 €	2018 €
Cash at bank and in hand	5	66

7. Share capital

	2019 €	2018 €
Authorised		
50,000 ordinary shares of €1 each	50,000	50,000
Issued and fully paid		
47,000 ordinary shares of €1 each	47,000	47,000

8. Borrowings

	2019 €	2018 €
Non-current		
3,700,000 5.5% bonds 2024 - 2027	3,631,331	3,621,967

The bonds are measured at the amount of the net proceeds adjusted for the amortisation of the difference between the net proceeds and the redemption value of such bonds.

	2019 €	2018 €
Face value		
3,700,000 5.5% bonds 2024 - 2027	3,700,000	3,700,000
Issue costs	93,640	93,640
Accumulated amortisation	(24,971)	(15,607)
Closing net book amount	68,669	78,033
Amortised cost at 31 December	3,631,331	3,621,967

The interest rate exposure of the borrowings of the Company is as follows:

	2019 €	2018 €
Total borrowings:		
At fixed rates	3,631,331	3,621,967

9. Trade and other payables

	2019 €	2018 €
Current		
Capital and other payables	2,659	510
Amounts owed to fellow subsidiaries	6,169	7,919
Interest payable	127,117	127,117
Accruals and deferred income	8,103	5,931
	144,048	141,477

The Company's exposure to liquidity risk related to trade and other payables is disclosed in Note 2.

10. Finance income

	2019 €	2018 €
Interest income	226,493	225,987

11. Finance costs

	2019 €	2018 €
Interest payable to bondholders	203,500	203,533

12. Expenses by nature

	2019 €	2018 €
Administration and other charges	7,782	3,985
Professional fees	4,301	8,483
Total administrative expenses	12,083	12,468

Auditor's fees

Fees charged by the auditor for services rendered during the year relate to the following:

	2019 €	2018 €
Annual statutory audit	6,000	5,700
Tax advisory and compliance services	570	550
	6,570	6,250

13. Earnings per share

Earnings per share is based on the profit for the year attributable to the ordinary shareholders of the Company divided by the weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue during the year.

	2019 €	2018 €
Net profit attributable to equity holders of the Company	1,546	622
Weighted average number of ordinary shares in issue (Note 7)	47,000	47,000
Earnings per share (cents)	0.03	0.01

14. Cash used in operations

	2019 €	2018 €
Profit before tax	1,546	622
Adjustment for:		
Amortisation of bond issue costs	9,364	9,364
Changes in working capital:		
Receivables	(239,993)	(682,210)
Payables	206,071	211,480
Cash used in operations	(23,012)	(460,744)

15. Related party transactions

The companies forming part of the Impresa Limited group are considered by the directors to be related parties as these companies are ultimately owned by the Borg family.

The following transactions were also carried out with related parties:

	2019 €	2018 €
Revenue – fellow subsidiaries		
Interest income on loans	226,493	225,987

Year end balances owed by related parties are disclosed in Notes 4, 5 and 9 to these financial statements.

16. Non-adjusting post balance sheet events

Impresa Group, being the guarantor of the bond, is monitoring the continuously developing situation relating COVID-19 on an on-going basis to ensure that action is taken with priority to the wellbeing of its employees and customers in mind.

It is natural to assume that COVID-19 will unavoidably have a negative impact on the Group's performance for 2020. However, it is too early to quantify the adverse impact at this stage. The Group is significantly dependent on contracting business from a concentrated group of customers and does not have a full insight into the impact of COVID-19 on their respective businesses over the next 12 months.

Management confirms that the Group is also taking measures, within its control, to mitigate the adverse impact on its business, both operationally and financially. The Directors have reviewed cashflows, including banking facilities already available as at the date of signing these financial statements, and put measures in place to sustain the business of the Group and meet its liquidity requirements as necessary over the next 12 months.

Based on the above, the Directors consider it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

17. Statutory information

IG Finance plc is a public limited liability Company and is incorporated in Malta.

The parent Company of IG Finance plc is Impresa Limited, a company registered in Malta, with its registered address at BLB018, Bulebel Industrial Estate, Zejtun.

18. Comparative information

Certain comparative figures disclosed in the main components of these financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the current year's disclosure format. These reclassifications have not had an effect on the entity's profit, total net income and net assets.

