

University of Essex Enterprises Limited

Annual report and financial statements
for the year ended 31 July 2013

Registered number 02533347

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University of Essex Enterprises Limited

Company information

Directors

Dr J Pittis
Mr O B Morris
Mr M Albano

Company Secretary

R Oliver (resigned 7 July 2013)

Company Number

02533347

Registered office

University of Essex
Wivenhoe Park
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Essex
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Auditor

Deloitte LLP
Chartered Accountant
St Albans
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Directors' report

The directors present their annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2013

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company in the year under review was consultancy on behalf of the University

Going concern

In the past the company generated substantial income from patents. However the main patent expired in December 2008 at which point both the income and its related payments ceased. Notwithstanding this, the directors believe that they can continue to finance further expenditure on the registration of new patents from other sources of income, principally, the consultancy income. The directors intend to increase the level of consultancy activity in future years. The University, as the company's parent entity and ultimate controlling party, has issued a letter of financial support to ensure that the company will be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due. There are no bank loans and there is sufficient cash and current assets to cover short-term liabilities as they fall due.

Results and dividends

The operating profit for the year amounted to £3,991 (2012 Profit of £22,234) and a gift aid payment of £4,496 (2012 £22,726) will be made to the University. The directors have not recommended a dividend in either the current or prior year.

Directors

The directors who served the company during the year were as follows

Dr J Pittis
Mr O B Morris
Mr M Albano

Small Company's Exemption

The Company is not required to produce an enhanced business review as it is exempt from the requirement under s415 A of the Companies Act 2006.

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Directors' report

Provision of Information to Auditor

Each of the persons who is a Director at the date of approval of this report confirms that

- so far as the Directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditor is unaware, and
- the Directors have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as Directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditor is aware of that information

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006

Auditor

Under section 487(2) of the Companies Act 2006, Deloitte LLP will be deemed to have been reappointed as auditor 28 days after these financial statements were sent to members or 28 days after the latest date prescribed for filing the accounts with the registrar, whichever is earlier

A resolution to appoint KPMG as auditors for the following financial year will be proposed at the forthcoming Board Meeting

Approved by the Board and signed on its behalf by



M Albano
Director

12 Dec 2013

Registered office
Wivenhoe Park
Colchester
Essex
CO4 3SQ

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Statement of directors' responsibilities

The directors are responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law the directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the directors are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent, and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Independent auditor's report to the members of University of Essex Enterprises Limited

We have audited the financial statements of University of Essex Enterprises Limited for the year ended 31 July 2013 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet and the related notes 1 to 12. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditor

As explained more fully in the Directors' Responsibilities Statement, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors, and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the annual report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 July 2013 and of its results for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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.

Independent auditor's report to the members of University of Essex Enterprises Limited (Continued)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns, or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made, or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or
- the directors were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the directors' report



Matthew Hall FCA (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of Deloitte LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditor
St Albans, United Kingdom

13 December 2013

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Profit and loss account Year ended 31 July 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Turnover	2	144,424	202,822
Cost of sales		(102,613)	(101,611)
Gross profit		<u>41,811</u>	<u>101,211</u>
Administrative expenses		(37,820)	(78,977)
Operating profit		<u>3,991</u>	<u>22,234</u>
Interest receivable	5	505	492
Payment under Gift Aid to parent undertaking		(4,496)	(22,726)
Result on ordinary activities before taxation	3	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Result for the financial year	10	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

All of the activities of the company are classed as continuing

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above, accordingly no statement of total gains and losses has been prepared

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Balance Sheet 31 July 2013

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Current assets			
Debtors	6	43,409	78,503
Cash at bank		189,700	129,964
		<u>233,109</u>	<u>208,467</u>
Creditors, amounts falling due within one year	7	(206,906)	(182,264)
Net current assets		<u>26,203</u>	<u>26,203</u>
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	9	2	2
Profit and loss account	10	26,201	26,201
Shareholders' funds	11	<u>26,203</u>	<u>26,203</u>

The financial statements of University of Essex Enterprises Limited, registered number 02533347, were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 December 2013

Signed on behalf of the Board of Directors

M Albano
Director


12 December 2013

J Pittis
Director


12 December 2013

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Notes to the accounts Year ended 31 July 2013

1. Accounting policies

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom law and accounting standards. The particular accounting policies adopted in both the current and prior year are described below.

Basis of preparation and going concern

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

The University, as the company's parent entity and ultimate controlling party, has issued a letter of financial support to ensure that the company will be able to meet its liabilities as they fall due. There are no bank loans and there is sufficient cash and current assets to cover short-term liabilities as they fall due. Accordingly, the directors have adopted the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and accounts.

Cash flow statement

The directors have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (Revised 1996) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the company is wholly owned and its parent undertaking publishes a consolidated cash flow statement.

Turnover

Turnover represents amounts derived from the provision of goods and services which fall within the company's ordinary activities after deduction of trade discounts and Value Added Tax. Turnover is recognised when the services are provided.

Patent expenditure

Expenditure on patents is written off in the profit and loss account as incurred.

Taxation

Current tax, including UK corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events that result in an obligation to pay more tax in the future or a right to pay less tax in the future have occurred at the balance sheet date. Timing differences are differences between the taxable profits and its results as stated in the financial statements that arise from the inclusion of gains and losses in tax assessments in periods different from those in which they are recognised in the financial statements.

A net deferred tax asset is regarded as recoverable and therefore recognised only to the extent that, on the basis of all available evidence, it can be regarded as more likely than not that there will be suitable taxable profits from which the future reversal of underlying timing differences can be deducted.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted by the balance sheet date.

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Notes to the accounts Year ended 31 July 2013

2 Turnover

The turnover and loss before tax are attributable to the principal activity of the company. All turnover arose from UK operations.

3 Result on ordinary activities before taxation

	2013 £	2012 £
Result on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging:		
Auditor's remuneration – fees payable to the company's auditor for audit of the company's annual accounts	1,560	1,510

4. Information regarding directors and employees

No salaries or wages have been paid to the directors, during the current or prior year. The company has no employees.

5 Interest receivable

	2013 £	2012 £
Bank interest receivable	505	492

6. Debtors

	2013 £	2012 £
Trade debtors	43,409	78,503

7. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2013 £	2012 £
Trade Creditors	-	4,877
Accruals	190,136	138,063
VAT Liability	12,274	16,598
Amounts owed to group undertakings	4,496	22,726
	<u>206,906</u>	<u>182,264</u>

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8. Related party transactions

The company has taken advantage of the exemption conferred by FRS 8 from disclosing related party transactions on the basis that the consolidated financial statements in which the company is included are publicly available from the Registered Office

9. Share capital

	2013 £	2012 £
Authorised share capital:		
50,000 ordinary shares of £1 each	50,000	50,000
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Called up, allotted and fully paid		
2 ordinary shares of £1 each	2	2
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10. Profit & loss account

	2013 £	2012 £
Balance brought forward	26,201	26,201
Result for the financial year	-	-
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Balance carried forward	26,201	26,201
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11 Reconciliation of movements in shareholders' funds

	2013 £	2012 £
Opening shareholders' funds	26,203	26,203
Result for the financial year	-	-
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Closing shareholders' funds	26,203	26,203
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12 Ultimate parent company

In the opinion of the directors, the company's ultimate parent entity and ultimate controlling party is the University of Essex, a higher education institution in the United Kingdom. The parent undertaking of the largest and smallest group, which includes the company and for which group accounts are prepared, is the University of Essex. Copies of the group financial statements are available from the Director of Finance, University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex CO4 3SQ.