

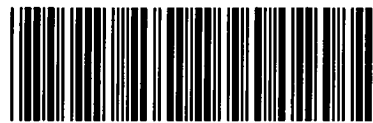
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ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

**ANNUAL REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2023**

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ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

COMPANY INFORMATION

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ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

STRATEGIC REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The directors present the strategic report for Asset Control Topco Limited and its subsidiaries (the "Alveo Group") for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Business overview and principal activities

Asset Control Topco Limited (the "Company") was incorporated on 21 August 2018 in England and Wales and the principal activity of the Company is that of a holding company. On 31 January 2023, the shares in the Company changed ownership following the acquisition of the Group by STG and the Company is now ultimately owned by STG Allegro Fund on behalf of its investors.

The principal activity of the Alveo Group is that of the provision of a cloud-based data management platform, managed services relating to the platform and associated professional services to financial institutions globally. The Group provides enterprise-wide business critical data management solutions in support of market risk and reference data operations for sell-side and buy-side organisations. In particular, the Group helps clients with ensuring data quality and the efficient acquisition, processing and distribution of market and reference data.

Fair review of the business

Overall results are in line with the directors' expectations. The loss before tax for the year ended 31 March 2023 was €11,269k, up from a loss of €5,414k for the year ended 31 March 2022. The increase in the loss is mainly caused by the transaction costs of €5,732k related to the change in ownership. The total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2023 was a loss of €12,539k which was an increase from the loss for the year ended 31 March 2022 of €4,495k. EBITDA for the year ended 31 March 2023 was €1,930k, down from €7,108k for the year ended 31 March 2022. Operationally, management was satisfied with the financial performance in the year to 31 March 2023 and the progress made as revenue for the year increased from €26,799k to €28,308k, while adjusted EBITDA, as defined in the review of the key performance indicators in the section below, increased from €7,663k to €8,370k. The directors monitor adjusted EBITDA as a more relevant KPI to track than Profit or Loss for the year as it's more closely aligned to business performance.

Total Assets as at 31 March 2023 were €54,850k, up from €54,113k at 31 March 2022 and Total Liabilities as at 31 March 2023 were €93,383k, up from €80,107k at 31 March 2022. Cash and cash equivalents have increased from €7,411k at 31 March 2022 to €11,680k at 31 March 2023, supported by good recoverability of debtors and a cash injection from the new owners following the change in ownership.

Financial risk management

The group has a short-term loan payable to its shareholder as at 31 March 2023 (year ended 31 March 2022: long term bank loans) and is exposed to interest rate, and liquidity risks in respect of these. Risk management of these risks is disclosed in note 25.

The Group operates within a number of international territories with approximately 42% of the Group's revenue not received in € (39% for the year ended 31 March 2022). As a result, the Group is exposed to foreign exchange risk, principally US\$ and £, and the Group's strategy is to mitigate the risk through natural hedging. In respect of the Euro exposure this is managed through the Euro denomination of the Group's term loans.

Market risk management

The risks faced by the Group are mainly due to volatile market conditions that may have an effect on the investment capabilities of the financial institutions the Group is doing business with, although regulatory requirements mean investment is often required. Reference is also made in note 25.

Development and performance

Management will continue to seek to drive the business forwards in terms of profitability, client service, market reach and use of technology.

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Strategy and Key performance indicators

The directors continue to look at key performance indicators ("KPIs") to actively manage performance and preserve liquidity. Adjusted EBITDA for the year ended 31 March 2023 was €8,370k compared to €7,663k for the year ended 31 March 2022 and the revenue for the respective periods was €28,308k and €26,799k. The adjusted EBITDA margin was 30% for the year 31 March 2023, up from 29% for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The Group strategy continues to be to grow revenue and adjusted EBITDA through subscription-based offerings providing reduced cost, resilient solutions to support customers' increasing requirements for high quality data in a scalable environment. To help drive growth in this area, the Group tracks the percentage of the Group revenue, which is recurring, and for the year ended 31 March 2023 this was 62% (up from 60% for the year to 31 March 2022). The growth in recurring revenue is 9% in the year ended 31 March 2023, down from 18% in the year ended 31 March 2022.

To achieve this the Group continues to invest in sales and marketing and product development, with further new products being released in the year, in particular Ops 360. The product development investment will be ongoing to deliver an enhanced product portfolio that is backwards compatible to service both new and existing customers. The Managed Service proposition launched in 2019 providing cloud-based business-as-usual data management continues to grow with new client wins being onboarded during the year ended 31 March 2023. Following the year-end, the Group launched its Data-as-a-Service proposition winning its first client and additionally launched a number of ESG solutions to address a growing market need.

Key Performance Indicators	12 Months to 31 March 2023	12 Months to 31 March 2022
Revenue	€28,308k	€26,799k
Recurring revenue percentage	62%	60%
ARR growth	9%	18%
Gross profit margin	63%	64%
EBITDA	€1,930k	€7,108k
Adjusted EBITDA	€8,370k	€7,663k
Adjusted EBITDA margin	30%	29%
Average number of employees	96	97

The Group defines EBITDA as earnings before, interest, taxation, depreciation and amortisation, and adjusted EBITDA for its management reporting as earnings before interest, taxation, depreciation, and amortisation and excludes transaction and restructuring costs and exchange differences. The Group defines ARR for management reporting as the total annual recurring revenue, including recurring expansion revenue less recurring revenue lost from churned customers and the Recurring Revenue Percentage as Total Recurring Revenue divided by Total Revenue, expressed as a percentage. The Group defines Free Cash Flow (FCF) as the cash generated after paying for its operating expenses and capital expenditures.

Governance

The Management Board (the "Board") represents both the Company and the Group. It considers the overall strategic direction, development and control of the Group, investment and divestment opportunities and any other matters of significance to the Group.

The Group management team (the "Exco") meets at regular intervals to monitor and review the strategic direction of the business, review trading performance and manage risks and opportunities. The Exco, which is chaired by the Chief Executive Officer, deals with all executive business of the Group not specifically reserved to the Board. It is charged with the implementation of business strategy and day to day operational matters. It comprises the executive managers together with the senior management team.

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STRATEGIC REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Research and development

The Managers consider the Group's ability to deliver products that are innovative and differentiated from its competition as critical to the Group's ongoing success. In this respect, continual investment in research and development is a critical component in the Group's business plan. The Group will continue to invest in research and development going forward to ensure the Group maintains its competitive advantage.

The development costs capitalised in the year ended 31 March 2023 were €1,654k (year ended 31 March 2022: €1,587k) and the research costs expensed were €2,511k (year ended 31 March 2022: €2,499k).

On behalf of the board



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S Robertson
Director

Date: 27/07/23

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The directors present their annual report and consolidated financial statements for the 12-month ended 31 March 2023.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Group are disclosed in the Strategic Report on page 2.

Directors

The directors who held office during the year to 31 March 2023 and up to the date of signature of the consolidated financial statements were as follows:

B Traquair (Chairman) (resigned 31-01-2023)
M Hepsworth
S Robertson
M Bala (appointed 31-01-2023)
S Henkenmeier (appointed 31-01-2023)
B Livingstone (appointed 27-02-2023)
I Manaktala (appointed 31-01-2023)

Results and dividends

The results for the year are set out on page 11. As there are no distributable reserves, the directors do not recommend payment of a dividend.

Going concern

The directors consider the use of the going concern basis of accounting is appropriate because there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt about the ability of the Group and Company to continue as a going concern.

The directors have reviewed their forecasts in assessing the Group's net liabilities position of €38,533k (31 March 2022: €25,994k). The net liabilities position is mainly caused by a short-term debt payable to the shareholder of the Company (Alliance Bidco Ltd). This debt is repayable on demand, however Alliance Bidco Ltd have confirmed that this debt will not be recalled during the 12 months following the approval of these financial statements. Nothing further has come to the directors' attention that would indicate the Group is unable to meet their liabilities as they fall due.

Auditor

In accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006, a resolution proposing that RSM UK Audit LLP be re-appointed will be put at a General Meeting.

Statement of disclosure to auditor

So far as each person who was a director at the date of approving this report is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware. Additionally, each director has taken all the necessary steps that they ought to have taken as a director in order to make themselves aware of all relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

Employee involvement

The Group encourages the involvement of its employees in its management through regular meetings to discuss the dissemination of information of particular concern to employees and for receiving their views on important matters of policy. In addition, the Group has an Employee Advisory Board which meets with senior executives on a quarterly basis to discuss global employment and engagement issues.

Disabled Persons

The Group is committed to employment policies, which follow best practice, based on equal opportunities for all employees, irrespective of sex, race, colour, disability or marital status. The Group gives full and fair consideration to applications of employment for disabled persons having regard to their particular aptitudes and abilities. Appropriate arrangements are made for the continued employment and training, career development and promotion of disabled persons employed by the Group. If members of staff become disabled the Group continues employment, either in the same or an alternate position, with appropriate retraining being given if necessary.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Strategic report

The group has chosen in accordance with Companies Act 2006, s. 414C to set out in the Group's strategic report information required by the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008, Sch. 7 to be contained in the Directors' Report.

On behalf of the board



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S Robertson
Director

Date: 27/07/23
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ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The directors are responsible for preparing the Strategic Report, the Directors' Report, and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the directors to prepare group and company financial statements for each financial year. The directors have elected under company law to prepare group financial statements in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards and have elected under company law to prepare the company financial statements in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards, and applicable law.

The group and company financial statements are required by law and UK-adopted International Accounting Standards to present fairly the financial position of the Group and the Company and the financial performance of the Group. The Companies Act 2006 provides in relation to such financial statements that references in the relevant part of that Act to financial statements giving a true and fair view are references to their achieving a fair presentation.

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 Group and the Company and of the profit or loss of the Group for that period.

In preparing each of the Group and Company financial statements, the directors are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether they have been prepared in accordance UK-adopted International Accounting Standards;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the group and the company will continue in business.

The directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Group's and the Company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the group and 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 Group and the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Asset Control Topco Limited (the 'parent company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 March 2023 which comprise the consolidated statement of comprehensive income, consolidated and company statements of financial position, consolidated and company statements of changes in equity, consolidated statement of cash flows and notes to the financial statements, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and UK-adopted International Accounting Standards and, as regards the parent company financial statements, as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and of the parent company's affairs as at 31 March 2023 and of the group's loss for the year then ended;
- the group financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards;
- the parent company financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards and as applied in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006; and
- the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. 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 are independent of the group and parent company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the group's or the parent company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the strategic report and the directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the strategic report and the directors' report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the group and the parent company and their environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the strategic report or the directors' report.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent company, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the parent company 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.

Responsibilities of directors

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, 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 group's and the parent 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 group or the parent company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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 (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and 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 these financial statements.

The extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. The objectives of our audit are to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding compliance with laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, to perform audit procedures to help identify instances of non-compliance with other laws and regulations that may have a material effect on the financial statements, and to respond appropriately to identified or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations identified during the audit.

In relation to fraud, the objectives of our audit are to identify and assess the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements due to fraud, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence regarding the assessed risks of material misstatement due to fraud through designing and implementing appropriate responses and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit.

However, it is the primary responsibility of management, with the oversight of those charged with governance, to ensure that the entity's operations are conducted in accordance with the provisions of laws and regulations and for the prevention and detection of fraud.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

In identifying and assessing risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud, the group audit engagement team:

- obtained an understanding of the nature of the industry and sector, including the legal and regulatory frameworks that the group and parent company operates in and how the group and parent company are complying with the legal and regulatory frameworks;
- inquired of management, and those charged with governance, about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities, including any known actual, suspected, or alleged instances of fraud;
- discussed matters about non-compliance with laws and regulations and how fraud might occur including assessment of how and where the financial statements may be susceptible to fraud.

As a result of these procedures we consider the most significant laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements are International Financial Reporting Standards, the Companies Act 2006 and tax compliance regulations. We performed audit procedures to detect non-compliances which may have a material impact on the financial statements which included reviewing financial statement disclosures, inspecting correspondence with local tax authorities, and evaluating advice received from external tax advisors.

The group audit engagement team identified the risk of management override of controls, revenue recognition and capitalisation of development costs as the areas where the financial statements were most susceptible to material misstatement due to fraud. Audit procedures performed included but were not limited to testing manual journal entries and other adjustments and evaluating the business rationale in relation to significant, unusual transactions and transactions entered into outside the normal course of business, challenging the appropriateness of recognition of revenue in line with the recognition criteria of IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers and challenging judgements and estimates applied in the capitalisation of development costs.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities> This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

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.

Joanna Sowden

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Joanna Sowden (Senior Statutory Auditor)
For and on behalf of RSM UK Audit LLP, Statutory Auditor
25 Farringdon Street
London
EC4A 4AB
United Kingdom

Date: 27 July 2023

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

		Year to 31 March 2023	Year to 31 March 2022
	Notes	€'000	€'000
Revenue	4	28,308	26,799
Employee benefit expense and contractor costs	6	(17,903)	(16,800)
Depreciation and amortisation	5	(6,604)	(6,014)
Other operating expenses	5	<u>(2,743)</u>	<u>(2,891)</u>
Operating profit		1,058	1,094
Transaction costs	5	(5,732)	-
Finance income	9	1,252	-
Finance costs	9	<u>(7,847)</u>	<u>(6,508)</u>
Loss before tax		(11,269)	(5,414)
Income tax (charge)/credit	10	<u>(1,000)</u>	<u>590</u>
Loss for the year		(12,269)	(4,824)
Other comprehensive income net of taxation			
Foreign exchange (loss)/gains		<u>(270)</u>	<u>329</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>(12,539)</u>	<u>(4,495)</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.


ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED (Company Registration No. 11529549)**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

		31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
	Notes		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Goodwill	12	13,268	13,268
Other intangible assets	14	23,143	27,180
Capitalized commissions	14	525	484
Property, plant, and equipment	15	139	210
Right-of-use assets	16	1,187	1,643
Total Non-Current Assets		38,262	42,785
CURRENT ASSETS			
Trade and other receivables	17	3,811	2,992
Contract assets	18	1,097	925
Cash and cash equivalents	19	11,680	7,411
Total Current Assets		16,588	11,328
TOTAL ASSETS		54,850	54,113
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share capital	28	100	100
Share premium reserve	29	5	5
Retained earnings	29	(38,901)	(26,632)
Currency translation reserve	29	263	533
TOTAL EQUITY		(38,533)	(25,994)
LIABILITIES			
Non-Current Liabilities			
Borrowings	20	-	54,921
Deferred tax liabilities	27	4,253	4,169
Lease liabilities	21	805	1,291
		5,058	60,381
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	22	4,535	3,550
Contract liabilities	23	9,886	9,367
Lease liabilities	21	588	583
Current tax payable		365	478
Provisions	30	-	1,126
Borrowings	20	72,951	4,622
		88,325	19,726
TOTAL LIABILITIES		93,383	80,107
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		54,850	54,113

Equity is attributable entirely to the owners of the parent.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The consolidated financial statements on pages 11 to 48 were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on ^{27/07/23} and are signed on their behalf.


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S Robertson
Director

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED (Company Registration No. 11529549)**COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2023**

		31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
	Notes		
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Investments	13	<u>82</u>	<u>82</u>
Total Non-Current Assets		<u>82</u>	<u>82</u>
CURRENT ASSETS			
Trade and other receivables	17	<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>
Total Current Assets		<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>120</u>	<u>118</u>
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share capital	28	100	100
Share premium reserve	29	5	5
Retained earnings	29	<u>(6,560)</u>	<u>(840)</u>
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>(6,455)</u>	<u>(735)</u>
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	22	<u>6,575</u>	<u>853</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>6,575</u>	<u>853</u>
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		<u>120</u>	<u>118</u>

As permitted by s408 Companies Act 2006, the company has not presented its own statement of comprehensive income and related notes as it prepares group accounts. The company's loss and total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2023 was €5,720k (year ended 31 March 2022: €193k).



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S Robertson
Director

Date: 27/07/23
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ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	Share capital €'000	Share premium reserve €'000	Retained earnings €'000	Currency translation reserve €'000	TOTAL EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT €'000
Opening Balance as at 1 April 2021		98	-	(21,808)	204	(21,506)
Loss for the year ended 31 March 2022		-	-	(4,824)	-	(4,824)
Other comprehensive income net of taxation:						
Currency translation differences		-	-	-	329	329
Total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2022		-	-	(4,824)	329	(4,495)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Issue of shares	28/29	2	5	-	-	7
Balance as at 31 March 2022		100	5	(26,632)	533	(25,994)
Loss for the year ended 31 March 2023		-	-	(12,269)	-	(12,269)
Other comprehensive income net of taxation:						
Currency translation differences		-	-	-	(270)	(270)
Total comprehensive Income for the year ended 31 March 2023		-	-	(12,269)	(270)	(12,539)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners:						
Issue of shares	28/29	-	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 31 March 2023		100	5	(38,901)	263	(38,533)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

**COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

	Notes	Share capital €'000	Share premium reserve €'000	Retained earnings €'000	TOTAL EQUITY ATTRIBUTABLE TO OWNERS OF THE PARENT €'000
Opening Balance as at 1 April 2021		99	-	(445)	(346)
Total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2022		-	-	(193)	(193)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners: Issue of shares	28/29	2	5	-	7
Balance as at 31 March 2022		<u>100</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>(840)</u>	<u>(735)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year ended 31 March 2023		-	-	(5,720)	(5,720)
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners: Issue of shares	28/29	-	-	-	-
Balance as at 31 March 2023		<u>100</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>(6,560)</u>	<u>(6,455)</u>

ASSET CONTROL TOPCO LIMITED

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	€'000	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Cash flows from operating activities				
Cash generated from operations	32	8,175	7,481	
Income taxes paid		<u>(2,123)</u>	<u>(691)</u>	
Net inflow from operating activities			6,052	6,790
Investing activities				
Purchase of property, plant, and equipment		(48)	(120)	
Purchase of intangible assets		(1,933)	(2,201)	
Transaction costs		(5,732)	-	
Finance income		<u>9</u>	<u>-</u>	
Net cash used in investing activities			(7,704)	(2,321)
Financing activities				
Proceeds from issue of shares		-	7	
Finance costs		(10,306)	(2,418)	
Leasehold payments		(679)	(497)	
Proceeds of loans from parent company		71,811	-	
Repayment of loans		<u>(54,996)</u>	<u>-</u>	
Net cash from/(used in) financing activities			5,830	(2,908)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			<u>4,178</u>	<u>1,561</u>
Cash and cash equivalents				
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the period			7,411	5,759
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents			4,178	1,561
Effect of foreign exchange rates			<u>91</u>	<u>91</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the period			<u>11,680</u>	<u>7,411</u>
Comprising				
Cash at bank and in hand			<u>11,680</u>	<u>7,411</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these consolidated financial statements.

The company held no cash or cash equivalents at any point during the year, and there were no cash movements during the period to report. As such, no company statement of cash flows has been presented.

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1 General Information

The company is a private company limited by shares and registered and incorporated in England and Wales. The Group is ultimately controlled by the owners of STG Allegro Fund, following the change in ownership from Sovereign Capital IV LP at 31 January 2023.

The principal activity of the Group is that of the provision of financial data management software, managed services relating to the software and associated professional services to financial institutions globally. The Group provides enterprise-wide data management solutions in support of market risk and reference data operations for sell side and buy side organisations. In particular, the Group helps clients with ensuring data quality and the efficient acquisition, processing and distribution of market and reference data.

The Company has its registered office and the principal place of business at 32 Cornhill, London, EC3V 3SG, United Kingdom.

2 Summary of significant accounting policies

Basis of preparation

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards. The financial statements of the Company have also been prepared in accordance with UK-adopted International Accounting Standards.

As permitted by s408 Companies Act 2006, the company has not presented its own statement of comprehensive income and related notes as it prepares group accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. Historical cost is generally based on the fair value of the consideration given in exchange of assets.

Details of the Company's subsidiaries as at 31 March 2023 that form part of these consolidated financial statements are presented in note 13.

The Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income presents expenses using the classification by nature rather than by function. The Directors believe this method provides more useful information to readers of these consolidated financial statements as it better reflects the way operations are run from a business perspective.

Transactions with owners of the Group in their capacity as owners are recognised in the consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity.

Items included in the financial statements of each of the Group's subsidiaries are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates ('the functional currency'). The financial statements are presented in Euros, which is the functional currency of the Company. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest €'000 unless specified otherwise. The exchange rate at the reporting date is £1: €1.13554.

Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate those of Asset Control Topco Limited and all its subsidiaries. Where necessary, adjustments are made to the financial statements of subsidiaries to bring the accounting policies used into line with those used by other members of the Group.

Subsidiaries are all entities over which the Group has control. The Group controls an entity when the Group is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power over the entity. Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the Group. They are deconsolidated from the date that control ceases.

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Basis of consolidation (continued)

The Group applies the acquisition method to account for business combinations where control is obtained. The consideration transferred for the acquisition of a subsidiary is the fair values of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred to the former owners of the acquiree, and the equity interests issued by the Group. The consideration transferred includes the fair value of any asset or liability resulting from a contingent consideration arrangement. Identifiable assets acquired and liabilities and contingent liabilities assumed in a business combination are measured initially at their fair values at the acquisition date.

The Group recognises any non-controlling interest in the acquiree at the non-controlling interest's proportionate share of the recognised amounts of acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred.

The excess of the cost of a business combination over the fair value of the identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities acquired is recognised as goodwill.

If the business combination is achieved in stages, the acquisition date carrying value of the acquirer's previously held equity interest in the acquiree is re-measured to fair value at the acquisition date; any gains or losses arising from such re-measurement are recognised in profit or loss.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the Group is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Subsequent changes to the fair value of the contingent consideration that is deemed to be an asset or liability is recognised in accordance with IAS 39 either in profit or loss or as a change to other comprehensive income. Contingent consideration that is classified as equity is not re-measured, and its subsequent settlement is accounted for within equity.

Intercompany transactions, balances, and unrealised gains on transactions between Group companies are eliminated. Unrealised losses are also eliminated unless the transaction provides evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

Going Concern

The Group has net liabilities at the reporting date of €38,533k. The directors have prepared forecasts which show that the Group will comply with its financial covenants, as well as operating well within its available facilities based on prudent forecasts of new bookings and continued cost management. However, economic conditions may create some uncertainty in the forecast period particularly over the level of demand for the Group's products and accordingly the directors have also considered actions that are within the Group's control that could mitigate any under-performance.

After considering the forecasts, the available mitigating actions, and making appropriate enquiries, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the company has adequate resources to continue to operate and meet liabilities and expenses as they fall due for at least one year from the date of approval of these financial statements. The Company is 100% shareholder of the group companies that perform the cash generating activities of the Group. Additionally, the majority of the liabilities are due to its direct and single shareholder Alliance Bidco Ltd. (United Kingdom). Alliance Bidco has confirmed it will not demand repayment of the loans within 12 months following the approval of the financial statements.

For these reasons, the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Application of new and amended standards, amendments and interpretations not applied

The Group has adopted all standards that require mandatory adoption in accordance with International Accounting Standards in conformity with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 from the Company's reporting date.

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Application of new and amended standards, amendments and interpretations not applied (continued)

At the date of authorisation of these Financial Statements there were standards and amendments which were in issue but not yet effective and which have not been applied.

The principal ones were:

- Amendments to IAS 1: Presentation of Financial Statements: Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current and Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current – Deferral of Effect Date (effective 1 January 2023)
- Amendments to IAS 1 'Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (effective 1 January 2023)
- Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2 'Disclosure of Accounting Policies' (effective 1 January 2023)
- Amendments to IAS 12 'Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction' (effective 1 January 2023)
- Amendments to IAS 8 'Definition of Accounting Estimates' (effective 1 January 2023)
- Amendments to IFRS 16 'Lease liability in a sale and leaseback' (effective 1 January 2024)
- Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7 'Supplier Finance Arrangements' (effective 1 January 2024)

The Directors do not expect the adoption of these standards and amendments to have a material impact on the Financial statements.

Revenue recognition

The Group licenses software products along with annual maintenance programs, which provide for technical support and updates to software products. The Group also offers professional services that include consulting, implementation management, integration management and training.

The Group recognises revenue in accordance with IFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers". For each contract with a customer, the Group: identifies the contract with the customer; identifies the performance obligation in that contract; determines the transaction price which takes into account estimates of variable consideration and the time value of money; allocates the transaction price to the separate performance obligations on the basis of the relative stand-alone selling price of each distinct good or service to be delivered; and recognises revenue when or as each performance obligation is satisfied in a manner that depicts the transfer to the customer of the goods or services promised.

Application of this guidance will depend on the facts and circumstances present in a contract with a customer and will require the exercise of judgement.

The summary below shows the main revenue recognition differences for each performance obligation under IFRS 15:

Licence revenues (term) - At the point of transfer (delivery) of the licence to a customer, the customer has control and benefit of the software for the term of the contract. It therefore is appropriate under IFRS 15 to recognise revenue at the point of sale and acceptance by the customer. There is no obligation to provide updates which are provided under maintenance contracts.

Subscription Licences - The licence provides the customer with access to the software, not the right to use it in perpetuity. The performance obligations associated with the access to software typically include hosting of software, hosting of client data and software maintenance (including updates and upgrades). These performance obligations are not distinct – the obligations are highly interdependent.

The customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the contract as the Company provides the services. As these services are provided over the term of the contract, revenue is recognised over the life of the contract.

Maintenance and Support Contracts - The customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the contract as the Company provides the services. As these services are provided over the term of the contract, revenue is recognised over the life of the contract.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Revenue recognition (continued)

Professional services - Relates to services provided under separate 'statements of work' for updating and implementing products into a customer's IT environment. The customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits of the contract as the Company provides the services. As these services are provided over the term of the contract, revenue is recognised over the period the service is delivered.

The Group recognises revenue for the delivered elements and recognises a contract liability for the undelivered elements until the remaining obligations have been satisfied. The Group recognises elements for which performance obligations have been met and payment has yet to be received as a contract asset. Contract assets remain until obligations have been satisfied, which generally does not extend beyond 12 months. The Group recognises contract liabilities for consideration received in respect of unsatisfied performance obligations.

The Group pays commissions on execution of licence sales and includes these commissions as expenses in the statement of comprehensive income.

Commissions accrued for recurring revenue contracts are capitalized and amortized during the term of the related recurring revenue contract.

Refund liabilities

Refund liabilities would be recognised where the company receives consideration from a customer and expects to refund some, or all, of that consideration to the customer. A refund liability is measured at the amount of consideration received or receivable for which the company does not expect to be entitled and is updated at the end of each reporting period for changes in circumstances. The nature of the revenue, being software sales, maintenance contracts and professional services, results in minimal if any requests for refunds and historical analysis supports this.

Goodwill

Goodwill arises on the acquisition of a business. Goodwill is not amortised. Instead, goodwill is tested annually for impairment, or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired and is carried at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Impairment losses on goodwill are taken to profit or loss and are not subsequently reversed. For the impairment of goodwill, see page 31.

Other Intangible assets

Intangible assets acquired as part of a business combination include maintenance contracts, trade names and developed technology. Intangible assets acquired in a business combination are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date. Intangible assets acquired separately includes developed technology and are initially recognised at cost.

Other intangible assets all have a finite useful life and are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment losses. The gains or losses recognised in profit or loss arising from the derecognition of intangible assets are measured as the difference between net disposal proceeds and the carrying amount of the intangible asset. The method and useful lives of finite life intangible assets are reviewed annually. Changes in the expected pattern of consumption or useful life are accounted for prospectively by changing the amortisation method or period.

Amortisation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost to their residual values over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Maintenance contracts	10 years
Trade names	5 years
Developed technology	5 years

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Research and development

Research costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Development costs are capitalised when it is probable that the project will be a success considering its commercial and technical feasibility; the company is able to use or sell the asset; the company has sufficient resources and intent to complete the development; and its costs can be measured reliably. Capitalised development costs are amortised on a straight-line basis over the period of their expected benefit, being their finite life of 5 years.

Property, plant, and equipment

Property, plant, and equipment are non-current assets used in the operating activities of the Group with a useful life of over one year. An item of property, plant and equipment is initially recognised at its acquisition cost which consists of the purchase price and other expenditures directly related to the acquisition that are necessary for bringing the asset to its operating condition and location.

An item of property, plant and equipment is subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses. Depreciation is calculated using the straight-line method to allocate their cost over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Leasehold improvements	Lease term
Computers, network and software	20% to 33% per year
Furniture and equipment	20% to 25% per year

The estimated useful lives, residual values and depreciation method are reviewed at each year end, with the effect of any changes in estimate accounted for on a prospective basis.

Subsequent expenditure incurred for an item of property, plant and equipment is recognised as a non-current asset when it is probable that the Group will derive future economic benefits from it and its cost can be measured reliably.

Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred and an estimate of the costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Where the Group expects to obtain ownership of the lease asset at the end of the lease term, the depreciation is over its estimated useful life. Right-of-use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any re-measurement of lease liabilities.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets, like property, plant and equipment and intangible assets other than goodwill are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. Goodwill impairment reviews are undertaken annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate a potential impairment. Whenever the carrying amount of an asset exceeds its recoverable amount, an impairment loss is recognised.

The recoverable amount is the higher of value in use and the fair value less costs of disposal. The fair value less costs of disposal is the amount obtainable from the sale of an asset in an arm's length transaction, whilst value in use is the present value of estimated future cash flows expected to arise from the continuing use of an asset and from its disposal at the end of its useful life. The discount rate used for value-in-use calculations is a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to that asset. The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognised in profit or loss.

Reversal of impairment losses recognised in prior years (other than goodwill) is recorded in the statement of comprehensive income when there is an indication that the impairment losses recognised for the asset no longer exist or have decreased.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the Group becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the financial instrument.

Trade and other receivables:

Trade receivables are amounts due from customers for products provided and services performed 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.

Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

Trade and other receivables are recorded initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost less any allowance for expected credit losses. Due to the short-term nature of these types of receivables, any interest is immaterial. Generally, this results in the items being carried at nominal value.

The Group applies the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses by considering the lifetime expected credit losses at initial recognition. The Group aggregates its receivables by credit risk class in determining life-time credit losses.

Other receivables are recognised at amortised cost, less any allowance for expected credit losses.

Cash and cash equivalents:

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash in hand, demand deposits held on call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to a known amount of cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Financial liabilities at amortised costs:

Financial liabilities at amortised cost include trade and other payables and borrowings. Trade and other payables and borrowings are initially recognised at fair value equalling the amount required to be paid. Subsequently, trade and other payables and borrowings are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Trade and other payables:

Trade and other payables are obligations to pay for products and 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.

Borrowings:

Borrowings are initially recognised at fair value. Borrowings are subsequently stated at amortised cost, which is the amount received plus or minus any premium or discount, less transaction costs. Any difference between the proceeds (net of transaction costs) and the redemption value is recognised as interest in the statement of comprehensive income over the period of the borrowings using the effective interest method.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Group has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period.

Lease liabilities

The lease liabilities are initially measured at the present value of the lease payments during the lease term discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, or the incremental borrowing rate if the interest rate implicit in the lease cannot be readily determined. The weighted average lessee's incremental borrowing rate applied to the lease liabilities for the years ended 31 March 2022 and 2023 was 5.0%. The lease term is the non-cancellable period of the lease plus extension periods that the Group is reasonably certain to exercise and termination periods that the Group is reasonably certain not to exercise.

Leases are cancellable when each party has the right to terminate the lease without permission of the other party to incurring more than an insignificant penalty. The lease term includes any rent-free periods.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Subsequent measurement of the lease liabilities

The lease liability is subsequently increased for a constant period rate of interest on the remaining balance of the lease liability and reduced for lease payments.

Interest on the lease liabilities is recognised in profit or loss, unless interest is directly attributable to qualifying assets.

Contract liabilities

Contract liabilities represent the Group's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer and are recognised when a customer pays consideration, or when the Group recognises a receivable to reflect its unconditional right to consideration (whichever is earlier) before the Group has transferred the goods or services to the customer.

Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The legally enforceable right must not be contingent on future events and must be enforceable in the normal course of business and in the event of default, insolvency or bankruptcy of the Company or the counterparty.

Impairment of financial assets

The group uses the 'expected credit loss' (ECL) model under IFRS 9. The 'expected credit loss' model applies to financial assets measured at amortised cost and contract assets.

The Group measures loss allowances at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs. Loss allowances for trade receivables and contract assets are always measured at an amount equal to lifetime ECLs.

When determining whether the credit risk of a financial asset has increased significantly since initial recognition and when estimating ECLs, the Group consider reasonable and supportable information that is relevant and available without undue cost or effort. This includes both quantitative and qualitative information and analysis, based on the Group's historical experience and informed credit assessment and including forward-looking information.

ECLs are a probability-weighted estimate of credit losses. Credit losses are measured as the present value of all cash shortfalls (i.e., the difference between the cash flows due to the entity in accordance with the contract and the cash flows that the Group expects to receive).

ECLs are discounted at the effective interest rate of the financial asset. Loss allowances for financial assets measured at amortised cost are deducted from the gross carrying amount of the assets.

Employee benefits and pension obligations

The costs of short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and social security are recognised as a liability and an expense. The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received. Termination benefits are recognised immediately as an expense when the company is demonstrably committed to terminate the employment of an employee or to provide termination benefits.

The Group has a defined contribution pension plan. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Group pays contributions to publicly or privately administered pension insurance plans on a mandatory, contractual, or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid. The contributions are recognised as employee benefit expenses when they are due. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in the future payments is available.

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NOTES TO THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Finance income and expenses

Finance income and expenses are recognised using the effective interest method. When a loan or receivable is impaired, the Company reduces the carrying amount to its recoverable amount, being the estimated future cash flow discounted at the original effective interest rate of the instrument and continues unwinding the discount as interest income. Interest income on impaired loans and receivables is recognised using the original effective interest rate.

Corporate income tax

The income tax expense or benefit for the period is the tax payable on that period's taxable income based on the applicable income tax rate for each jurisdiction, adjusted by the changes in deferred tax assets and liabilities attributable to temporary differences, unused tax losses and the adjustment recognised for prior periods, where applicable.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are recognised for temporary differences at the tax rates expected to be applied when the assets are recovered or liabilities are settled, based on those tax rates that are enacted or substantively enacted, except for when:

- (a) the deferred income tax asset or liability arises from the initial recognition of goodwill or an asset or liability in a transaction that is not a business combination and that, at the time of the transaction, affects neither the accounting nor taxable profits; or
- (b) the taxable temporary difference is associated with interests in subsidiaries, associates or joint ventures, and the timing of the reversal can be controlled, and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets are recognised for deductible temporary differences and unused tax losses only if it is probable that future taxable amounts will be available to utilise those temporary differences and losses.

The carrying amount of recognised and unrecognised deferred tax assets are reviewed at each reporting date. Deferred tax assets recognised are reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that future taxable profits will be available for the carrying amount to be recovered. Previously unrecognised deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that there are future taxable profits available to recover the asset.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset only where there is a legally enforceable right to offset current tax assets against current tax liabilities and deferred tax assets against deferred tax liabilities; and they relate to the same taxable authority on either the same taxable entity or different taxable entities which intend to settle simultaneously.

Foreign currency

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. At the end of each reporting period, monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing at that date. Non-monetary items carried at fair value that are denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates prevailing when the fair value was determined. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are not retranslated.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Foreign exchange gains and losses that relate to borrowings and cash and cash equivalents are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within finance income or cost. All other foreign exchange gains and losses are presented in the statement of comprehensive income within the category to which they relate.

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2 Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

Group companies

The results and financial position of all the Group entities (none of which has the currency of a hyper-inflationary economy) that have a functional currency different from the presentation currency are translated into the presentation currency as follows:

- (a) assets and liabilities for each balance sheet presented are translated at the closing rate at the date of that balance sheet;
- (b) income and expenses in the statement of comprehensive income are translated at average exchange rates (unless this average is not a reasonable approximation of the cumulative effect of the rates prevailing on the transaction dates, in which case income and expenses are translated at the rate on the dates of the transactions); and
- (c) all resulting exchange differences are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are treated as assets and liabilities of the foreign entity and translated at the closing rate. Exchange differences arising are recognised in other comprehensive income.

Provisions

A provision is recognised when the Group has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Any reimbursement that the Group is virtually certain to collect from a third party with respect to the obligation is recognised as a separate asset. However, this asset may not exceed the amount of the related provision.

No liability is recognised if an outflow of economic resources as a result of present obligations is not probable. Such situations are disclosed as contingent liabilities unless the outflow of resources is remote.

Shareholders' equity

Shareholders' equity represents the funding by the shareholders.

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3 Significant judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of financial statements requires management to use judgment in applying the group's accounting policies and estimates and assumptions about the future. Estimates and other judgments are continuously evaluated and are based on management's experience and other factors, including expectations about future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The key assumptions concerning the future, and other key sources of estimation uncertainty at the balance sheet date, that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year, are discussed below.

Revenue recognition

Management have made the judgement that maintenance and professional service revenue is distinct from the promise to deliver a term licence because a) maintenance does not significantly change the functionality of the licences sold in the period; and b) customers are able to reconfigure the inputs without the support of the Group, despite often opting to do so when purchasing the licence. The implementation service provided does not customise the software being licensed.

Impairment of non-current assets

The Group determines whether other intangible assets require impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. This requires an estimation of the recoverable amount of the relevant cash-generating unit (CGU). Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purpose of impairment testing, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows, known as cash-generating units.

Impairment testing is an area involving management judgement, requiring assessment as to whether the carrying value of assets can be supported by the net present value of future cash flows derived from such assets using cash flow projections which have been discounted at an appropriate rate. In calculating the net present value of the future cash flows, certain assumptions are required to be made in respect of highly uncertain matters.

Estimated impairment of goodwill

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 2. The recoverable amount of CGUs have been determined based on an enterprise value calculated using an EBITDA multiple method.

Capitalisation of development costs

The Group capitalises costs for product development projects. Initial capitalisation of costs is based on management's judgement that technological and economic feasibility is confirmed, usually when a product development project has reached a defined milestone according to an established project management model. In determining the amounts to be capitalised, management makes assumptions regarding the expected future cash generation of the project and the expected period of benefits.

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4 Revenue

For management reporting purposes, the Group has three major reportable revenue streams. An analysis of the Group's turnover is as follows:

	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Revenue by segment		
Licence revenue	7,521	6,937
Maintenance revenue	11,824	11,010
Professional services revenue	8,963	8,852
	<u>28,308</u>	<u>26,799</u>
Revenue by geographical market		
United Kingdom	9,559	9,161
Other EU countries	6,667	7,019
Non-EU countries	12,082	10,619
	<u>28,308</u>	<u>26,799</u>

The Group recognises revenue for the delivered elements and recognises a contract liability for the undelivered elements until the remaining obligations have been satisfied. The Group recognises elements for which performance obligations have been met and payment has yet to be received as a contract asset. Contract assets remain until obligations have been satisfied, which generally does not extend beyond 12 months. The Group recognises contract liabilities for consideration received in respect of unsatisfied performance obligations.

5 Loss before taxation

	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Loss before tax is stated after charging		
Depreciation and amortisation		
Amortisation of intangible assets	5,691	5,217
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	557	542
Amortisation of capitalised commissions	238	130
Depreciation of property, plant, and equipment	118	125
	<u>6,604</u>	<u>6,014</u>
Other expenses		
Housing expenses	227	227
Marketing expenses	202	312
Travel and accommodation expenses	167	83
Technical expenses	1,214	1,148
Office expenses	215	179
Audit, legal and administrative expenses	718	942
	<u>2,743</u>	<u>2,891</u>

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5 Loss before taxation (continued)

	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Loss before tax is stated after charging		

Transaction costs

Transaction costs	5,732	-
	<u>5,732</u>	<u>-</u>

The transaction costs represent the sell-side amounts paid to the previous owners of the Group, Sovereign Capital IV LP, and to advisors that assisted with the sale of the shares in the Company to Alliance Bidco Ltd on 31 January 2023. Following the sale, the Group is now ultimately owned by STG Allegro Fund.

6 Employees and contractor costs

The average number of persons employed by the Group calculated on a full-time equivalent basis for the year was:

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 Number	Group Year to 31 March 2022 Number
Operations	39	39
Services	46	45
General Administrative	11	13
	<u>96</u>	<u>97</u>

The aggregate remuneration of the employees is as follows:

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Wages and salaries	10,466	9,623
Social security contributions	1,748	1,584
Pension costs – defined contribution plans	562	551
Total employee related costs	<u>12,776</u>	<u>11,758</u>
Recruitment costs	152	306
Contractor costs	4,975	4,736
	<u>17,903</u>	<u>16,800</u>

There were no employees in the Company. All Directors' remuneration for the Group was borne by the subsidiaries.

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7 Directors' remuneration

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Directors' emoluments	891	689
Pension contributions to defined contribution schemes	10	8
	<u>901</u>	<u>697</u>

Attributable to the highest paid director:

Directors' emoluments	<u>504</u>	<u>417</u>
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The number of directors to whom retirement benefits are accruing is 1.

8 Auditors' remuneration

Fees payable to RSM UK and its associates in respect of both audit and non-audit services are as follows:

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Statutory audit of the parent financial statements	72	69
Statutory audit of the subsidiary financial statements	40	40
	<u>112</u>	<u>109</u>

9 Finance income and costs

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Finance costs		
Interest expense on borrowings payable	6,524	5,442
Amortisation of loan arrangement fees	1,241	350
Interest leasehold liabilities	82	122
Exchange differences	-	594
	<u>7,847</u>	<u>6,508</u>
Finance income		
Interest income	9	-
Exchange differences	1,243	-
	<u>1,252</u>	<u>-</u>

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10 Income tax

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Current tax		
UK corporation tax on loss for the year	(304)	260
Foreign tax on profits for the year	1,470	254
Foreign tax on profits for the period prior to 1 January 2020	(250)	(705)
Total current tax	916	(191)
Deferred tax		
Origination and reversal of timing differences – assets	-	-
Origination and reversal of timing differences – liabilities	(937)	(838)
Effect of changes in tax rates	1,021	439
Total deferred tax	84	(399)
Total tax charge/(credit) for the year	1,000	(590)

The total tax charge/(credit) for the year included in the statement of comprehensive income can be reconciled to the loss before tax multiplied by the standard rate of tax as follows:

	Group Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Group Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Loss before taxation for the year	(11,269)	(5,414)
Expected tax charge based on the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 19%:	(2,141)	(1,029)
Tax effects of:		
Disallowable amounts	2,957	1,671
Elimination of amortisation on consolidation	-	(188)
Tax effect of different tax rates in other overseas jurisdictions	350	60
Origination and reversal of timing differences – liabilities	(937)	(838)
Effect of changes in tax rates	1,021	439
Foreign tax on profits for the period prior to 1 January 2020	(250)	(705)
Income tax charge/(credit) for the period	1,000	(590)

Factors that may affect future tax charges

The Finance Act 2021 includes legislation that increases the main rate of UK corporation tax to 25% from 01 April 2023.

Please see note 30 that details the foreign tax on profits for the period prior to 1 January 2020.

11 Dividends paid on equity shares

As there are no distributable reserves, the directors do not recommend payment of a dividend.

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12 Goodwill

On 10 September 2018, Asset Control Topco Limited acquired a 100% interest in Asset Control Lux Holdings S.à.r.l. and its subsidiary undertakings from Marlin Equity III, the previous shareholders of that Group.

	Group €'000
Gross	
Amount brought forward	13,268
At 31 March 2022	<u>13,268</u>
Accumulated impairment	
At 31 March 2022	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2022	<u>13,268</u>
Gross	
Amount brought forward	13,268
At 31 March 2023	<u>13,268</u>
Accumulated impairment	
At 31 March 2023	<u>-</u>
Carrying amount	
At 31 March 2023	<u>13,268</u>

Goodwill arising on consolidation represents the excess of the fair value of the consideration transferred over the fair value of the Group's share of the net assets of the acquired subsidiary at the date of acquisition. As the Group comprises of only one cash generating unit, goodwill is allocated to the business as a whole.

The Group tests annually whether goodwill has suffered any impairment, in accordance with the accounting policy stated in note 2. Management reviews the business performance based on type of business. No impairment charge arose during the years ended 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022.

The recoverable amount of the Group's cash-generating unit is determined based on an EBITDA multiple method.

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13 Subsidiaries

The entities listed below are subsidiaries of the Company or the Group. The Group percentage of equity capital and voting rights is 100% for all subsidiaries listed below. All shares held are classified as "Ordinary". The results for all of the subsidiaries have been consolidated within these financial statements. The subsidiaries marked with an * are direct subsidiaries, the other subsidiaries are indirectly owned. The subsidiaries marked with an # are holding companies, the other subsidiaries perform the following activities: "Provision of data management software solutions".

Country	Name	Registered office
United Kingdom	Asset Control Midco Limited * #	32 Cornhill, London EC3V 3SG
United Kingdom	Asset Control Holdco Limited #	32 Cornhill, London EC3V 3SG
United Kingdom	Asset Control Bidco Limited #	32 Cornhill, London EC3V 3SG
The Netherlands	Asset Control Holdings B.V. #	Trambaan 1-K, 8441 BH Heerenveen
The Netherlands	Asset Control International B.V.	Trambaan 1-K, 8441 BH Heerenveen
United Kingdom	Asset Control Technology Limited	32 Cornhill, London EC3V 3SG
Singapore	Asset Control Singapore Private Limited	77 Robinson Road, #13-00 Robinson 77, Singapore 068896
Ireland	Asset Control Ireland Limited	25-28 North Wall Quay, Dublin 1 D01 H104
Ireland	Asset Control Ireland II Limited	25-28 North Wall Quay, Dublin 1 D01 H104
United States	Asset Control Systems Inc.	1350 Broadway, Suite 1530 New York, NY10018
Canada	Asset Control Pacific Corporation	600-1741 Lower Water Street, Halifax NS B3J 2X2

Subsidiaries exempt from audit

The following subsidiaries have taken the exemption from audit as permitted under s479A of the Companies Act:

Asset Control Midco Limited
Asset Control Holdco Limited
Asset Control Bidco Limited
Asset Control Technology Limited

The following subsidiaries have taken the exemption from audit as permitted under law in the respective jurisdictions:

Asset Control Systems Inc.
Asset Control Pacific Corporation

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13 Subsidiaries (continued)

Financial fixed assets – Company €'000

Cost and net book value at 31 March 2021, 31 March 2022 and 31 March 2023 82

14 Other Intangible assets

Group	Maintenance contracts €'000	Trade names €'000	Developed Technology €'000	Total €'000
Cost				
Amounts brought forward	29,100	100	14,428	43,628
Additions – Internally generated	-	-	1,587	1,587
At 31 March 2022	<u>29,100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>16,015</u>	<u>45,215</u>
Amortisation and impairment				
Amounts brought forward	7,275	50	5,493	12,818
Amortisation	<u>2,910</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>2,287</u>	<u>5,217</u>
At 31 March 2022	<u>10,185</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>7,780</u>	<u>18,035</u>
Carrying amount				
31 March 2022	<u>18,915</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>8,235</u>	<u>27,180</u>
Cost				
Amounts brought forward	29,100	100	16,015	45,215
Additions – Internally generated	-	-	1,654	1,654
At 31 March 2023	<u>29,100</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>17,669</u>	<u>46,869</u>
Amortisation and impairment				
Amounts brought forward	10,185	70	7,780	18,035
Amortisation	<u>2,910</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>2,761</u>	<u>5,691</u>
At 31 March 2023	<u>13,095</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>10,541</u>	<u>23,726</u>
Carrying amount				
31 March 2023	<u>16,005</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7,128</u>	<u>23,143</u>

Maintenance contracts include contracts with customers forecast at the date of acquisition with an assumed annual retention rate. The remaining useful life is 5 years and 6 months.

Trade names include Asset Control and AC Plus. The average remaining useful life is 6 months.

Developed technology includes patented software technology that was acquired in September 2018. The average remaining useful life is 6 months. In addition, the Developed Technology includes capitalized costs for developed technology since September 2018. The average remaining useful life is 4 years and 5 months.

There are no contractual commitments to acquire intangible assets.

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14 Other Intangible assets (continued)

Development costs capitalised during the year to 31 March 2022 amounted to €1,654k (year to 31 March 2021: €1,587k). Amortization of this amount will start after 31 March 2023.

The research costs expensed during the year to 31 March 2023 amounted to €2,511k (year to 31 March 2022: €2,499k).

Group	IFRS15 Commissions €'000
Cost	
Amounts brought forward	-
Additions	614
At 31 March 2022	<u>614</u>
Depreciation and impairment	
Amounts brought forward	-
Depreciation charge	130
At 31 March 2022	<u>130</u>
Carrying amount	
31 March 2022	<u>484</u>
Cost	
Amounts brought forward	614
Additions	279
At 31 March 2023	<u>893</u>
Depreciation and impairment	
Amounts brought forward	130
Depreciation charge	238
At 31 March 2023	<u>368</u>
Carrying amount	
31 March 2023	<u>525</u>

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15 Property, plant, and equipment

Group	Leasehold improvements €'000	Computers, network, and software €'000	Furniture and equipment €'000	Total €'000
Cost				
Amounts brought forward	93	306	34	433
Additions	3	116	1	120
Currency adjustment	2	4	-	6
At 31 March 2022	<u>98</u>	<u>426</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>559</u>
Depreciation and impairment				
Amounts brought forward	64	138	20	222
Depreciation charge	11	105	9	125
Currency adjustment	1	1	-	2
At 31 March 2022	<u>76</u>	<u>244</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>349</u>
Carrying amount				
31 March 2022	<u>22</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>210</u>
Cost				
Amounts brought forward	98	426	35	559
Additions	3	43	2	48
Currency adjustment	(1)	(7)	(1)	(9)
At 31 March 2023	<u>100</u>	<u>462</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>598</u>
Depreciation and impairment				
Amounts brought forward	76	244	29	349
Depreciation charge	9	104	5	118
Currency adjustment	(1)	(6)	(1)	(8)
At 31 March 2023	<u>84</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>459</u>
Carrying amount				
31 March 2023	<u>16</u>	<u>120</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>139</u>

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16 Right-of-use assets

Group	IFRS 16 Right-of-use assets €'000
Cost	
Amounts brought forward	1,954
Additions	694
Currency adjustment	142
At 31 March 2022	<u>2,790</u>
Depreciation and impairment	
Amounts brought forward	605
Depreciation charge	542
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,147</u>
Carrying amount	
31 March 2022	<u>1,643</u>
Cost	
Amounts brought forward	2,790
Additions	114
Disposals	(278)
Currency adjustment	(8)
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,620</u>
Depreciation and impairment	
Amounts brought forward	1,147
Depreciation charge	557
Disposals	(278)
Currency adjustment	7
At 31 March 2023	<u>1,433</u>
Carrying amount	
31 March 2023	<u>1,187</u>

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17 Trade and other receivables

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Gross trade receivables	2,636	1,737
Allowance for credit losses	-	-
Net trade receivables	<u>2,636</u>	<u>1,737</u>
Other receivables	659	721
Prepayments	516	534
Total	<u>3,811</u>	<u>2,992</u>
	Company 31 March 2023 €'000	Company 31 March 2022 €'000
Prepayments	38	36
Total	<u>38</u>	<u>36</u>

Trade and other receivables are carried at amortised cost. The fair value of the receivables approximates the book value.

The ageing analysis of net trade receivables is as follows:

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Up to 3 months	2,495	1,637
3 to 6 months	141	100
	<u>2,636</u>	<u>1,737</u>

18 Contract assets – current

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Contract assets	<u>1,097</u>	<u>925</u>
Reconciliation of movements in the year:		
Opening balance	925	689
Accrued income	2,695	4,299
Invoiced amounts	(2,542)	(4,115)
Currency impact	19	52
Closing balance	<u>1,097</u>	<u>925</u>

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19 Cash and cash equivalents

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Bank balances	11,680	7,411
Per Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cash Flows	11,680	7,411

Cash at bank and in hand is freely disposable to the Group.

20 Borrowings

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Current borrowings		
Loan notes payable to Sovereign	-	4,622
Loan payable to Alliance Bidco	71,811	-
Interest payable to Alliance Bidco	1,140	-
	<u>72,951</u>	<u>4,622</u>
Non-current borrowings		
Loan notes payable to Sovereign	-	23,398
Loan payable to Alcentra	-	29,550
Loan notes payable to Management personnel	-	1,973
	<u>-</u>	<u>54,921</u>
Total borrowings		
Loan notes payable to Sovereign	-	28,020
Loan payable to Alcentra	-	29,550
Loan notes payable to Management personnel	-	1,973
Loan payable to Alliance Bidco	71,811	-
Interest payable to Alliance Bidco	1,140	-
	<u>72,951</u>	<u>59,543</u>

The following table details the remaining contractual maturities for the group borrowings. The table has been prepared based on the undiscounted cash flows of the borrowings based on the earliest date the group can be required to pay.

	Repayment obligation at 31 March 2022 €'000	Repayment obligation < 1 year €'000	Remaining term 2 – 5 years €'000	Remaining term > 5 years €'000
Loan notes payable to Sovereign	43,146	7,531	35,615	-
Loan payable to Alcentra	37,350	2,100	35,250	-
Loan notes payable to Management	2,643	-	2,643	-
	<u>83,139</u>	<u>9,631</u>	<u>73,508</u>	<u>-</u>

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20 Borrowings (continued)

	Repayment obligation at 31 March 2023 €'000	Repayment obligation < 1 year €'000	Remaining term 2 – 5 years €'000	Remaining term > 5 years €'000
Loan payable to Alliance Bidco	72,951	72,951	-	-
	<u>72,951</u>	<u>72,951</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

The borrowings of the Group are secured by substantially all the assets of the Group via fixed and floating charges. There are negative pledges in respect of these charges. Borrowings are held at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The directors consider that the fair value of the loans are substantially equal to that of their carrying amounts.

Sovereign loan notes

The Group entered into a loan agreement with Sovereign Capital IV LP and members of that LP on 10 September 2018 for a principal amount of £20,557,720 that was received net of arrangement fees of £1,424,224. The loan was not due for repayment until completion in March 2026. Nominal interest at 12.00% per annum was due on this balance and was payable quarterly in arrears. The effective quarterly rate of interest was 3.64%. The Sovereign loan notes have been fully repaid on 31 January 2023.

Alcentra loan

The Group entered into a loan agreement with Alcentra on 10 September 2018 for a principal amount of €30.0 million that was received net of arrangement fees of €900,000. The loan was not due for repayment until completion in September 2025. Nominal interest at 7.00% per annum was due on this balance and was payable quarterly in arrears. The effective rate of interest was 7.7%. The Alcentra loan has been fully repaid on 31 January 2023.

Management loan notes

The Group entered into a loan agreement with members of Management on 10 September 2018 for a principal amount of €1,332,247. The loan was due for repayment at the end of its term in September 2025. Nominal interest at 12.00% per annum was due on this balance and is payable at the end of the loan term.

In the 16-month period ended 31 December 2019, the Group entered in an additional loan agreement with members of management for a principal amount of €18,600, under the same conditions as stated above.

In the 12-month period ended 31 March 2022, the Group entered in an additional loan agreement with members of management for a principal amount of €44,700, under the same conditions as stated above.

The Management loan notes have been fully repaid on 31 January 2023.

Loan payable to Alliance Bidco

The Group entered into loan agreements with Alliance Bidco following the change in ownership effective 31 January 2023. This loan was used to repay the outstanding balances as at 31 January 2023 of the Sovereign loan notes, the Alcentra loan and the Management loan notes. The loan is repayable on demand. The nominal interest is 7.00% plus 3-month Euribor per annum due on the balance and is payable at the end each quarter.

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21 Lease liabilities

The following table sets out the reconciliation of the liabilities from 1 April 2021 to the amount disclosed at 31 March 2023:

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Opening balance	1,874	1,422
Additions	114	694
Lease payment	(679)	(497)
Interest	82	122
FX impact	2	133
Closing balance	<u>1,393</u>	<u>1,874</u>

The lease liabilities can be broken down as follows:

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Liabilities less than 12 months	588	583
Liabilities due between 1 and 5 years	882	1,446
Liabilities due later than 5 years	-	-
Total future lease payments	<u>1,470</u>	<u>2,029</u>
Total future interest payments	<u>(77)</u>	<u>(155)</u>
Total lease liabilities	<u>1,393</u>	<u>1,874</u>

22 Trade and other payables

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Trade payables	227	300
Accruals and other payables	2,405	2,516
Taxes and social security charges	<u>1,903</u>	<u>734</u>
	<u>4,535</u>	<u>3,550</u>
Presented as:		
Current	<u>4,535</u>	<u>3,550</u>

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22 Trade and other payables (continued)

	Company 31 March 2023 €'000	Company 31 March 2022 €'000
Amounts due to group companies	3,184	800
Accruals	3,391	53
	<u>6,575</u>	<u>853</u>
Presented as:		
Current	<u>6,575</u>	<u>853</u>

All current liabilities fall due in less than one year. The amounts due to group companies are repayable on demand and are interest free. Trade and other payables are classified as financial liabilities held at amortised cost. The fair value of the payables approximates to the book value.

23 Contract liabilities – current

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Contract obligations – licences	2,643	2,234
Contract obligations - maintenance	7,212	7,011
Contract obligations - professional services	31	122
	<u>9,886</u>	<u>9,367</u>
Reconciliation of movements in the period:		
Opening balance	9,367	8,058
Payments received in advance	26,085	23,686
Transferred to revenue	(25,613)	(22,500)
Foreign exchange adjustments	47	123
Closing balance	<u>9,886</u>	<u>9,367</u>

The aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied at the end of the reporting period was €9,886k as at 31 March 2023 (at 31 March 2022 - €9,367k) and is expected to be recognised as revenue in future periods as follows:

Within 6 months	6,861	6,535
6 to 12 months	3,025	2,832
	<u>9,886</u>	<u>9,367</u>

24 Financial instruments

The carrying amount of financial assets and financial liabilities recorded by category is as follows:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Financial assets		
Measured at amortised cost:	Group	Group
Trade and other receivables	3,295	2,458
Contract assets	1,097	925
Cash and cash equivalents	11,680	7,411
	<u>16,072</u>	<u>10,794</u>

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24 Financial instruments (continued)

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Financial Liabilities		
Measured at amortised cost:		
Borrowings	Group 72,951	Group 59,543
Trade and other payables	2,632	2,816
	<u>75,583</u>	<u>62,359</u>
	Company <u>6,575</u>	Company <u>853</u>

None of the financial assets or financial liabilities were measured at fair value at 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022.

The carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, trade and other receivables, trade and other payables, short-term borrowings and contract assets and liabilities approximated their fair values due to the short-term maturities of these assets and liabilities.

The fair values of other long-term borrowings are not materially different from the carrying amounts.

25 Financial risk management

The Group's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks. Management identifies and evaluates the financial risks based on principles for overall risk management. The Group's overall risk management program seeks to minimize potential adverse effects on the Company's financial performance. Management is of the opinion that the Group's exposure to financial risks is limited. The Group is exposed to the following financial risks:

(a) Market risk

i. Foreign exchange risk

The Group operates on a global scale. The currency risk for the Company arises because significant revenue is invoiced in US\$ and significant costs are incurred in US\$ and £. Management continues to monitor the effect of currency risk and will consider currency hedging if necessary.

ii. Price risk

Price risk can partly be mitigated by negotiating lower prices with suppliers. The pricing in long-term maintenance contracts is often subject to an annual indexation.

iii. Interest rate risk and cash flow risk

The Group incurs interest rate risk on interest-bearing current liabilities.

The Group incurs risk on fixed-interest loans with respect to the fair value due to changes in the market rate of interest. No financial derivatives for interest rate risk are contracted.

If interest rates had been 100 basis points higher or lower, with all other variables held constant, the Group's loss for the period would increase or decrease by €721k based on the 12-month period.

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25 Financial risk management (continued)

(a) Market risk (continued)

The carrying amounts of the Group's trade and other receivables and contract assets are denominated in the following currencies:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Euro	2,433	2,039
British pound	145	243
US Dollar	1,814	1,101
	<u>4,392</u>	<u>3,383</u>

(b) Credit risk

The Group does not believe it has any significant concentrations of credit risk. Sales are made to customers that meet the Company's credit rating. Services are provided subject to a payment term of in most cases 30 days after invoice. A different payment period may apply to specific clients. Receivables are considered to be in default when the principal or any interest is more than 180 days past due, based on an assessment of past payment practices and the likelihood of such overdue amounts being recovered.

As all sales are made to customers that meet the Group's credit rating, all financial instruments are considered to have low credit and default risk upon initial recognition in consideration that the Group's customers comprise mostly of blue-chip institutions. The Group has not historically experienced any bad debts. The Group does not provide for credit losses on the basis that historically there have been no issues in recovering debt receivables, and due to the nature of the Group's customers, there is no future expectation of any impaired receivables. Receivables are written off by the Group when there is no reasonable expectation of recovery and the receivables past due are not covered by security or a guarantee.

There has been no significant increase in any of the Group's receivables since initial recognition.

No further analysis, other than the below, has been provided on the quality of these debts as they are not believed to pose a material threat to the Group's future results.

The Group's principal financial assets are bank balances and cash, trade receivables, contract assets, and other receivables.

The Group has no significant credit risk with exposure spread over a blue-chip customer base many of whom have ongoing maintenance and support agreements.

The credit risk on liquid funds is limited because the counterparties are banks with high credit ratings assigned by international credit rating agencies. The Group assesses the credit ratings of these counterparties on a frequent basis to ensure any potential credit risk is mitigated.

The maximum credit risk to which the Group is exposed is:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Cash and cash equivalents	11,680	7,411
Trade and other receivables	3,295	2,458
Contract assets	1,097	925
	<u>16,072</u>	<u>10,794</u>

As explained in note 19, cash and cash equivalents represent bank balances. The Group does not hold collateral for any of its receivables.

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25 Financial risk management (continued)

(b) Credit risk (continued)

None of the trade receivables are impaired as at 31 March 2023 and 31 March 2022.

	Current and <30 days €'000	Overdue 31-60 days €'000	Overdue 61-90 days €'000	Overdue >90 days €'000
Trade receivables				
At 31 March 2022	<u>1,301</u>	<u>229</u>	<u>107</u>	<u>100</u>
Trade receivables				
At 31 March 2023	<u>2,410</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>142</u>

(c) Liquidity risk

The Group trades internationally and has created natural currency hedges where possible to ensure foreign currency exchange risk is minimised. Working capital is principally driven by customer payments which as referenced above present minimal risk.

In order to maintain liquidity to ensure sufficient funds are available for ongoing operations and future developments, the Group uses a mixture of long term and short-term debt finance.

The table below analyses the Group's non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the balance sheet date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts disclosed in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows.

	Borrowings €'000	Trade and other payables €'000	Total €'000
Less than 3 months	525	2,816	3,341
3 months to 1 year	9,106	-	9,106
1 – 5 years	73,508	-	73,508
Over 5 years	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2022	<u>83,139</u>	<u>2,816</u>	<u>85,955</u>

	Borrowings €'000	Trade and other payables €'000	Total €'000
Less than 3 months	-	2,632	2,632
3 months to 1 year	72,951	-	72,951
1 – 5 years	-	-	-
Over 5 years	-	-	-
Balance at 31 March 2023	<u>72,951</u>	<u>2,632</u>	<u>75,583</u>

Borrowings are interest bearing at the applicable rates as disclosed in note 20. All other liabilities are non-interest bearing.

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26 Capital management

The Group's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders and benefits for other stakeholders and to maintain an optimal capital structure to reduce the cost of capital.

In order to maintain or adjust the capital structure, the Group may adjust the amount of dividends paid to shareholders, return capital to shareholders, raise new contributions, or sell assets to reduce debt.

The Group monitors liquidity and metrics including leverage, being the ratio of debt to EBITDA, cash flow available for debt service and fixed charge cover, being the ratio of commitments such as interest and tax to EBITDA. Total capital is as follows:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Total borrowings	72,951	59,543
Less: cash and cash equivalents (note 19)	(11,680)	(7,411)
Net debt	61,271	52,132
Total equity	(38,533)	(25,994)
Total capital	<u>22,738</u>	<u>26,138</u>

27 Deferred tax

The major deferred tax liabilities and assets recognised by the group are:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Timing differences – fair value of intangible assets on business combinations	<u>4,253</u>	<u>4,169</u>

The provision for deferred income tax liabilities arises from taxable differences between the valuation of intangible assets for financial reporting purposes and for tax purposes. The deferred tax liabilities are calculated against the future nominal corporate income tax rate of 25%.

The analysis of deferred tax liabilities is as follows:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Expected to be recovered within 12 months	919	937
Expected to be recovered in more than 12 months	3,334	3,232
	<u>4,253</u>	<u>4,169</u>

The movements of deferred tax liabilities on continuing operations recognised in the period in respect of each type of temporary difference are as follows:

	31 March 2023 €'000	31 March 2022 €'000
Opening balance	4,169	4,568
Charge/(credit) to profit or loss for the year	84	(399)
Closing balance	<u>4,253</u>	<u>4,169</u>

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27 Deferred tax (continued)

Deferred tax on the undistributed earnings of subsidiaries has not been provided for, since the Group is able to control the timing of the distribution and it is probable that they will not be distributed in the foreseeable future.

28 Equity capital

	31 March 2023 €	31 March 2022 €
Authorised:		
7,837,923 Ordinary A shares of 1 cent each	78,379	78,379
105,159 Ordinary B shares of 1 cent each	1,052	1,052
450,874 / 472,838 Ordinary C shares of 1 cent each	4,509	4,509
1,572,728 / 1,484,080 Ordinary D shares of 1 cent each	15,727	15,727
1 Deferred share of 0.01 GBP each	-	-
	<u>99,667</u>	<u>99,667</u>

	31 March 2023 €	31 March 2022 €
Allotted, issued, and fully paid up:		
7,837,923 Ordinary A shares of 1 cent each	78,379	78,379
105,159 Ordinary B shares of 1 cent each	1,052	1,052
450,874 / 472,838 Ordinary C shares of 1 cent each	4,509	4,509
1,572,728 / 1,419,680 Ordinary D shares of 1 cent each	15,727	15,727
1 Deferred share of 0.01 GBP each	-	-
	<u>99,667</u>	<u>99,667</u>

	Ordinary A shares €0.01 No.	Ordinary B shares €0.01 No.	Ordinary C shares €0.01 No.	Ordinary D shares €0.01 No.	Deferred shares £0.01 No.	Total No.
Issued on incorporation	-	-	-	-	1	1
Issued to the parent entity	6,225,879	-	-	-	-	6,225,879
Issued to members of the parent	1,612,044	-	-	-	-	1,612,044
Issued to the chairman	-	105,159	-	150,000	-	255,159
Issued to Group management	-	-	450,874	1,422,728	-	1,873,602
At 31 March 2023	<u>7,837,923</u>	<u>105,159</u>	<u>450,874</u>	<u>1,572,728</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9,966,685</u>

All shares are non-redeemable and have attached to them full dividend and capital distribution rights. All Ordinary shares rank equally and carry one vote at general meetings. Deferred shares have no rights to attend, speak or vote at general meetings.

29 Reserves

Share premium reserve

Cumulative contributions by owners in excess of share capital.

Retained earnings

Cumulative profit and loss net of distributions to owners.

Currency translation reserve

Foreign exchange gains and losses on the retranslation of the results and net assets of the Company's foreign subsidiaries.

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30 Provisions

The provision in these financial statements was for historic tax liabilities relating to overseas subsidiaries. During the period since 31 March 2021, final settlement has been reached with regard to a number of the outstanding items at a value less than the amounts accrued. Now the discussions have been finalized and a final settlement has been reached with no additional tax amounts due, the remaining accrual of €250k has been released.

	Group 31 March 2023 €'000	Group 31 March 2022 €'000
Opening balance	1,126	1,900
Additions	-	-
Utilised	(876)	(69)
Released	(250)	(705)
Closing balance	-	1,126
Paid after balance sheet date	-	(876)
Remaining provision	-	250

31 Financial commitments, guarantees and contingent liabilities

In accordance with section 479C of the Companies Act 2006, the company has provided a guarantee over the liabilities of the following subsidiaries:

Asset Control Midco Limited
Asset Control Holdco Limited
Asset Control Bidco Limited
Asset Control Technology Limited

32 Cash generated from Group operations

	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Loss for the year before tax	(11,269)	(5,414)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of property, plant, and equipment	118	125
Amortisation of right-of-use assets	557	542
Amortisation of capitalised commissions	238	130
Amortisation of other intangible assets	5,691	5,217
Finance costs	7,765	6,386
Interest expenses lease liabilities	82	122
Transaction costs	5,732	-
Finance income	(1,252)	-
Movements in working capital:		
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(991)	(841)
Increase in payables	1,504	1,214
Cash generated from operations	8,175	7,481

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33 Related party transactions

All legal entities that can be controlled, jointly controlled, or significantly influenced are considered to be a related party. Also, entities which can control the Company are considered a related party. In addition, statutory directors and close relatives are regarded as related parties.

Intercompany transactions, profits, and balances between fellow wholly owned group companies have not been disclosed.

Sovereign loan notes (see note 20)

In the year ended 31 March 2023 an amount of €3,169k (year ended 31 March 2022 - €2,854k) has been accrued as interest charges and an amount of €31,114k (year ended 31 March 2022 - nil) has been paid to the loan note holders (principal and accrued interest). As part of the change in ownership at 31 January 2023, the Sovereign loan notes have been fully repaid, which repayment has been funded by Alliance Bidco Ltd., the direct and single shareholder of the Group.

Management loan notes (see note 20)

In the year ended 31 March 2023 an amount of €139k (year ended 31 March 2022 - €170k) has been accrued as interest charges and added to the principal amount. An amount of €2,112k (year ended 31 March 2022 - nil) has been paid to the loan note holders (principal and accrued interest). As part of the change in ownership at 31 January 2023, the Management loan notes have been fully repaid, which repayment has been funded by Alliance Bidco Ltd., the direct and single shareholder of the Group.

Loan due to Alliance Bidco

As part of the change in ultimate ownership, Alliance Bidco Ltd has provided loans to the Group to enable the repayment of the Sovereign loan notes, the management loan notes and the Alcentra loan.

Key management compensation

Key management includes directors (executive and non-executive), having authority and responsibility for planning, directing, and controlling the activities of the entity.

The remuneration of key management personnel of the Group is as follows:

	Year to 31 March 2023 €'000	Year to 31 March 2022 €'000
Salaries and short-term employee benefits	2,524	2,262
Post employee benefits	65	62
Employers' national insurance contributions	262	233
	<u>2,851</u>	<u>2,557</u>

Reference is also made to note 20 to the management loans that have been included in Borrowings.

Transaction-related fees

€2m was paid to Sovereign Capital IV LP, the previous owners of the group, during the year as a consequence of the sale to STG Allegro Fund.

34 Parent company

Effective 31 January 2023, the Group is ultimately controlled by STG Allegro Fund (until 31 January 2023: Sovereign Capital IV LP). No one person has ultimate control of STG Allegro Fund or Sovereign Capital IV LP. The immediate parent of the Company is Alliance Bidco Ltd. The largest group for which group accounts will be prepared is headed by Alliance Topco Ltd.