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AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

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AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

INFORMATION

Designated Members	Stuart Graham Edward Allchin Jonathan Firkins
Members	Alexander Gerrard (appointed 29/11/12) Andreas Vollmer Andrew Crean Andrew Ritchie Barry O'Connell (appointed 17/07/12) Britta Schmidt Corinne Cunningham Farquhar Murray Geoffrey Elliott Giovanni Carriere Giulia Raffo (resigned 15/02/13) Jacob Kruse Jacques-Henri Gaulard (resigned 25/05/12) Jason Robins Kimberley Shapiro Lord Myners Manus Costello Matthew West Michael McNeil (appointed 29/11/12) Peter Gosztonyi Richard Smalley Stefan Stalmann (appointed 29/11/12) Autonomous Research Investment Ltd Autonomous Research Ltd
LLP registered number	OC343985
Registered office	Floor 2 11 Ironmonger Lane London EC2V 8JN
Independent auditors	Moore Stephens LLP 150 Aldersgate Street London EC1A 4AB
Bankers	HSBC PLC City Commercial Centre 60 Queen Victoria Street London EC4N 4TR
Solicitors	Maclay Murray & Spens LLP One London Wall London EC2Y 5AB

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

The Members present their report and the audited financial statements of Autonomous Research LLP (the Partnership) for the year ended 31 March 2013

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY AND REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The principal activity of the Partnership is to provide independent research to professional and institutional investors as well as providing an agency trading function to execute client orders. A credit trading desk, executing securities on a riskless principal basis, was successfully established during the financial year. Autonomous Research US LP, which operated as a US branch under the UK partnership's FINRA broker dealer license, opened in early December 2012.

The development of the partnership's business is reflected in the attached profit and loss account. The Designated Members consider the result for the year to be satisfactory and anticipate continued strong growth.

Autonomous Research LLP is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

RESULTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS

During the year the Partnership achieved an operating profit of £14,275,914 (2012 £12,837,235). The Partnership's balance sheet as detailed on page 8 and 9 shows a satisfactory position. Members' total interests as at 31 March 2013 amounted to £6,269,424 (2012 £9,495,038).

POLICY FOR MEMBERS' DRAWINGS, PROFIT ALLOCATION, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND REPAYMENT OF MEMBERS' CAPITAL

Policies for Members' drawings, profit allocation, subscriptions and repayment of Members' capital are governed by the Partnership Agreement dated 23 July 2009 and subsequently amended on 20 December 2010, 26 September 2011, 17 July 2012 and 29 November 2012.

DONATIONS

During the year the company made charitable donations of £242,500 (2012 £227,500) to Autonomous Research Charitable Trust. The Trust's core aim is to help disadvantaged people get a step up in life.


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**MEMBERS' REPORT (continued)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

AUDITORS

In accordance with section 445(3) of the Companies Act 2006 (as applied to Limited Liability Partnerships by regulations of the Limited Liability Partnerships Regulations 2008), Moore Stephens LLP was appointed as auditors to the Partnership on 27 May 2009. A resolution to reappoint Moore Stephens LLP as auditors will be put to the Members at a Members' meeting.

This report was approved by the Members on 28/05/13 and signed on their behalf by



S Graham
Designated Member

Date 28/05/13



E Allchin
Designated Member

Date 28/05/13

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

The Members are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations

Company law, as applied to LLPs, requires the Members to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Members have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under company law, as applied to LLPs, the Members 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 Partnership and of the profit or loss of the Partnership for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Members are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently,
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent,
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements,
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Partnership will continue in business.

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

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

We have audited the financial statements of Autonomous Research LLP for the year ended 31 March 2013, set out on pages 7 to 19. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the Partnership's members in accordance with the Companies Act 2006, as applied by Part 12 of The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Partnership's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' 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 Partnership and the Partnership's members for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS AND AUDITORS

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

SCOPE OF THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

OPINION ON FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

In our opinion the financial statements

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Partnership's affairs as at 31 March 2013 and of its profit for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, as applied to limited liability partnerships by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

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

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


Lorraine Bay (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of
Moore Stephens LLP, statutory auditor

150 Aldersgate Street
London
EC1A 4AB

Date 30 May 2013

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
TURNOVER	2	21,386,063	17,864,732
Administrative expenses		<u>(7,110,149)</u>	<u>(5,027,497)</u>
OPERATING PROFIT	4	14,275,914	12,837,235
Interest receivable and similar income		<u>13,074</u>	<u>9,031</u>
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR BEFORE MEMBERS' REMUNERATION AND PROFIT SHARES		14,288,988	12,846,266
Members' remuneration charged as an expense	13	<u>(3,395,198)</u>	<u>(3,019,689)</u>
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR AVAILABLE FOR DISCRETIONARY DIVISION AMONG MEMBERS	13	<u>10,893,790</u>	<u>9,826,577</u>

All amounts relate to continuing operations

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2013 or 2012 other than those included in the profit and loss account

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP
REGISTERED NUMBER: OC343985

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2013

	Note	£	2013 £	£	2012 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	7		1,507		17,006
Tangible assets	8		<u>322,357</u>		<u>171,020</u>
			323,864		188,026
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	9	6,112,830		2,915,332	
Cash at bank		<u>8,029,859</u>		<u>7,153,960</u>	
		14,142,689		10,069,292	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	10	<u>(4,134,506)</u>		<u>(762,280)</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>10,008,183</u>		<u>9,307,012</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			10,332,047		9,495,038
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	11		<u>(1,429,788)</u>		<u>-</u>
NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO MEMBERS			<u>8,902,259</u>		<u>9,495,038</u>

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**BALANCE SHEET (continued)
AS AT 31 MARCH 2013**

	Note	£	2013 £	£	2012 £
REPRESENTED BY:					
Loans and other debts due to Members within one year					
Other amounts			-		956,190
Equity					
Members' capital classified as equity under FRS25		2,495,799		1,397,835	
Members' other interests - Other reserves classified as equity under FRS 25		<u>6,406,460</u>		<u>7,141,013</u>	
			<u>8,902,259</u>		<u>8,538,848</u>
			<u>8,902,259</u>		<u>9,495,038</u>
TOTAL MEMBERS' INTERESTS					
Amounts due from Members (included in debtors)			(2,632,835)		-
Loans and other debts due to Members			-		956,190
Members' other interests			<u>8,902,259</u>		<u>8,538,848</u>
	13		<u>6,269,424</u>		<u>9,495,038</u>

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Members and were signed on their behalf by



S Graham
Designated Member

Date 28/05/13



E Allchin
Designated Member

Date 28/05/13

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

	Note	2013 £	2012 £
Net cash flow from operating activities	14	17,210,208	13,333,883
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	15	13,074	9,031
Capital expenditure and financial investment	15	(262,571)	(93,712)
Net cash flow from transactions with Members and former Members	15	(17,514,600)	(12,006,495)
CASH (OUTFLOW)/INFLOW BEFORE FINANCING		(553,889)	1,242,707
Financing	15	1,429,788	-
INCREASE IN CASH IN THE YEAR		<u>875,899</u>	<u>1,242,707</u>

**RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT/FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

	2013 £	2012 £
Increase in cash in the year	875,899	1,242,707
Cash inflow from increase in debt and lease financing	<u>(1,429,788)</u>	-
MOVEMENT IN NET DEBT/FUNDS IN THE YEAR	(553,889)	1,242,707
Net funds at 1 April 2012	<u>7,153,960</u>	<u>5,911,253</u>
NET FUNDS AT 31 MARCH 2013	16 <u>6,600,071</u>	<u>7,153,960</u>

The notes on pages 11 to 19 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards and in accordance with the Limited Liability Partnerships Act 2000, the Limited Liability Partnerships Regulations 2008 and the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships' (LLP SORP) issued in March 2010. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets are recorded at cost and amortised. Amortisation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the cost of the asset, less its estimated residual value, over the expected useful economic life of the asset. The following amortisation rates have been applied:

Intangible assets	–	3 years
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1.3 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are recorded at cost and depreciated. Depreciation is calculated on a straight line basis so as to write off the cost of the asset, less its estimated residual value, over the expected useful economic life of the asset. The following depreciation rates have been applied:

Leasehold Improvements	-	5 years
Fixtures and fittings	-	3 years
Office equipment	-	3 years

1.4 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.5 Foreign currencies

Monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Transactions in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Exchange differences are taken to the profit and loss account.

1.6 Taxation

No taxation is reflected in the accounts as tax is borne by the individual Members in a personal capacity on their attributable profit shares and not the Partnership.

1.7 Members' capital

Members' capital is classified as equity in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 25 (Financial Instruments: Presentation and Disclosure) and the LLP SORP. Repayment of Members' capital is governed by the Partnership Agreement dated 23 July 2009 and subsequently amended on 20 December 2010, 26 September 2011, 17 July 2012 and 29 November 2012.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

2. TURNOVER

Turnover, stated net of value added tax, represents commission receivable for services to professional and institutional investors. 47% (2012: 59%) of turnover relates to revenues received under Commission Sharing Arrangements, which are recognised on an accruals basis when confirmed by the earlier of the payer or the executing broker. 37% (2012: 41%) of turnover is direct equities trading commission, which is recognised on the confirmation of each trade with the client, being the trade / contract date. 13% (2012: 0%) of turnover is direct credit trading commission, which again is recognised on the confirmation of each trade with the client, being the trade / contract date. The remaining 3% (2012: 0%) of turnover relates to expense recharges from Autonomous Research US LP.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Administrative expenses include salaries, services fees, professional fees, audit and accountancy and foreign exchange gains and losses.

4. OPERATING PROFIT

	2013 £	2012 £
Auditors' remuneration	-	-
• Audit services - current year audit	20,000	15,000
• Other services - taxation	1,000	950
Depreciation – owned assets	111,234	105,052
Amortisation – owned assets	15,499	20,543
Net foreign exchange losses	33,281	104,662
Operating lease rentals - buildings and service charge	179,182	114,411
Bloomberg and other data charges	<u>957,670</u>	<u>565,548</u>

5. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2013 £	2012 £
Wages and salaries	1,179,190	1,017,757
Social security costs	152,280	129,571
	<u>1,331,470</u>	<u>1,147,328</u>

The average monthly number of persons employed during the year was as follows:

	2013 No.	2012 No.
Research	4	4
Sales - trading	1	1
Middle / back office	7	7
	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

6. INFORMATION IN RELATION TO MEMBERS

	2013 Number	2012 Number
The average number of Members during the year was	<u>27</u>	<u>22</u>

7. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Intangible assets £
Cost	
At 1 April 2012 and 31 March 2013	<u>61,630</u>
Amortisation	
At 1 April 2012	<u>44,624</u>
Charge for the year	<u>15,499</u>
At 31 March 2013	<u>60,123</u>
Net book value	
At 31 March 2013	<u><u>1,507</u></u>
At 31 March 2012	<u><u>17,006</u></u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013

8. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold improvements £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost				
At 1 April 2012	105,253	78,595	204,671	388,519
Additions	96,548	63,510	102,513	262,571
Disposals	-	-	(7,664)	(7,664)
At 31 March 2013	<u>201,801</u>	<u>142,105</u>	<u>299,520</u>	<u>643,426</u>
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2012	51,103	56,345	110,051	217,499
Charge for the year	43,188	8,431	59,615	111,234
On disposals	-	-	(7,664)	(7,664)
At 31 March 2013	<u>94,291</u>	<u>64,776</u>	<u>162,002</u>	<u>321,069</u>
Net book value				
At 31 March 2013	<u>107,510</u>	<u>77,329</u>	<u>137,518</u>	<u>322,357</u>
At 31 March 2012	<u>54,150</u>	<u>22,250</u>	<u>94,620</u>	<u>171,020</u>

9. DEBTORS

	2013 £	2012 £
Trade debtors	1,701,547	1,501,033
Other debtors	603,494	321,370
Prepayments and accrued income	1,174,954	1,092,929
Amounts due from Members	2,632,835	-
	<u>6,112,830</u>	<u>2,915,332</u>

Included within other debtors is a rent deposit of £91,242 and a collateral deposit of £140,000 (2012 £140,000) with BNP Paribas Securities Services Ltd and £65,872 (2012 £62,574) with BNP Paribas Securities Corp and £250,000 (2012 Nil) with Pershing Securities Limited

The Partnership has a mortgage charge registered at Companies House in favour of MBK Real Estate Europe Limited. It is secured against all monies due or to become due from the Partnership.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

**10. CREDITORS:
Amounts falling due within one year**

	2013	2012
	£	£
Trade creditors	348,223	116,289
Social security and other taxes	27,521	23,200
Other creditors	2,992,426	-
Accruals and deferred income	766,336	622,791
	<u>4,134,506</u>	<u>762,280</u>

**11. CREDITORS:
Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	2013	2012
	£	£
Bank loans	<u>1,429,788</u>	-

Bank loans refer to a loan facility with HSBC Bank plc. The total facility, which has only partly been drawn down, is for £3,400,000 over a term of four years. The loan is interest bearing, at a rate of 3.30% over the Sterling Base Rate. The loan is secured against the assets of 3 individual members.

12. LOANS AND OTHER DEBTS DUE TO MEMBERS

	2013	2012
	£	£
Amounts due to Members	<u>-</u>	<u>956,190</u>

Loans and other debts due to Members rank equally with debts due to ordinary creditors in the event of a winding up.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2013**

13. RECONCILIATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

	Members' capital (classified as equity) £	Other reserves £	Total Members' other interests £	Loans and other debts due to/from Members £	Total 2013 £	Total 2012 £
Amounts due to Members b/fwd				956,190		
Amounts due from Members b/fwd				-		
Members' interests balance at 1 April 2012	1,397,835	7,141,013	8,538,848	956,190	9,495,038	8,653,242
Members' remuneration charged as an expense, including employment and retirement benefit costs	-	-	-	3,395,198	3,395,198	3,019,689
Profit for the year available for discretionary division among Members	-	10,893,790	10,893,790	-	10,893,790	9,826,577
Members' interests after profit for the year	1,397,835	18,034,803	19,432,638	4,351,388	23,784,026	21,499,508
Allocated profit for period	-	(11,628,343)	(11,628,343)	11,628,343	-	-
Movement on amounts due from/to Members	-	-	-	(5,636,792)	(5,636,792)	(66,709)
Amounts withdrawn by Members	-	-	-	(11,861,507)	(11,861,507)	(11,628,343)
Repayment of debt	-	-	-	(17,989)	(17,989)	(311,443)
Capital amounts introduced by Members	1,107,969	-	1,107,969	(1,096,278)	11,691	2,025
Capital amounts repaid to Members	(10,005)	-	(10,005)	-	(10,005)	-
Members' interests at 31 March 2013	2,495,799	6,406,460	8,902,259	(2,632,835)	6,269,424	9,495,038
Amounts due to Members				-		
Amounts due from Members				(2,632,835)		
				<u>(2,632,835)</u>		

In the event of winding up, the creditors of the Partnership will be paid before Members' distributions or the repayment of Members' capital

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

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The average number of Members during the year was 27 (2012 21)

The amount of profit was attributed amongst the Members in accordance with the Partnership Agreement dated 23 July 2009 and subsequently amended on 20 December 2010 and 26 September 2011

During the current year the highest paid member was Autonomous Research Ltd which was paid £2,450,789 (2012 £1,622,127)

14. NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2013	2012
	£	£
Operating profit	14,275,914	12,837,235
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets and amortisation of intangible fixed assets	126,731	125,595
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(564,663)	279,988
Increase in creditors	3,372,226	91,065
Net cash inflow from operating activities	<u>17,210,208</u>	<u>13,333,883</u>

15 ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	2013	2012
	£	£
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		
Interest received	<u>13,074</u>	<u>9,031</u>

	2013	2012
	£	£
Capital expenditure and financial investment		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	<u>(262,571)</u>	<u>(93,712)</u>

	2013	2012
	£	£
Transactions with Members and former Members		
Payments to Members	(11,871,987)	(11,628,343)
Contributions by Members	11,691	-
Repayment of capital to Members	(10,005)	-
Contribution of loans by Members	307,661	-
Repayment of loans to Members	(401,825)	(378,152)
Loans to Members	(5,550,135)	-

Net cash outflow from transactions with Members and former Members	<u>(17,514,600)</u>	<u>(12,006,495)</u>
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	2013	2012
	£	£
Financing		
New secured loans	<u>1,429,788</u>	<u>-</u>

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

16. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT

	1 April 2012 £	Cash flow £	31 March 2013 £
Cash at bank and in hand	7,153,960	875,899	8,029,859
Debt:			
Debts falling due after more than one year	-	(1,429,788)	(1,429,788)
Net funds	<u>7,153,960</u>	<u>(553,889)</u>	<u>6,600,071</u>

17. OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

At 31 March 2013 the Partnership had annual commitments under operating leases as set out below

Operating leases which expire:	Land and building £	Other £	2013 £	2012 £
Within one year	22,545	129,149	151,694	590,846
Within two to five years	402,272	457,965	860,237	203,316

The lease on the existing premises (11 Ironmonger Lane) expires on 15 June 2014 and the new premises on 20 February 2023 (1 Bartholomew Lane)

At 31 March 2013 the Partnership had the following currency forward contracts in place

- Selling US\$750,000 at a £ \$ exchange rate of 1 5709 on 30th April 2013
- Selling US\$750,000 at a £ \$ exchange rate of 1 5707 on 31st May 2013
- Selling US\$750,000 at a £ \$ exchange rate of 1 5706 on 28 June 2013

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

18. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Autonomous Research Ltd

This entity is a company incorporated in the UK and is a Member of Autonomous Research LLP

The Partnership paid a corporation tax bill of £801,777 on behalf of this entity on 4th December 2012. No balance was owed by this entity to or from the Partnership as at 31 March 2013 (2012: £Nil)

Autonomous Research Charitable Trust

This entity is a charitable trust company incorporated in the UK

During the year, the Partnership donated £242,500 (2012: £227,500) to the company

Autonomous Research Investment Ltd

This entity is a company incorporated in the UK and is a Member of Autonomous Research LLP

The Partnership paid £1,085,146 (2012: £Nil) to repurchase of equity. £146,529 was due to this entity from the Partnership as at 31 March 2013 (2012: £Nil)

19. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The Partnership is wholly owned by its Members

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

The Capital Requirements Directive ('the Directive') of the European Union establishes a revised regulatory capital framework across Europe governing the amount and nature of capital credit institutions and investment firms must maintain. In the United Kingdom, the Directive has been implemented by the Financial Conduct Authority ('FCA') in its regulations through the General Prudential Sourcebook ('GENPRU') and the Prudential Sourcebook for Banks, Building Societies and Investment Firms ('BIPRU').

The FCA framework consists of three 'Pillars'

- Pillar 1 sets out the minimum capital amount that meets the firm's credit, market and operational risk,
- Pillar 2 requires the firm to assess whether its Pillar 1 capital is adequate to meet its risks and is subject to annual review by the FCA, and
- Pillar 3 requires disclosure of specified information about the underlying risk management controls and capital position

The rules in BIPRU 11 set out the provision for Pillar 3 disclosure. This document is designed to meet our Pillar 3 obligations.

We are permitted to omit required disclosures if we believe that the information is immaterial such that omission would be unlikely to change or influence the decision of a reader relying on that information.

In addition, we may omit required disclosures where we believe that the information is regarded as proprietary or confidential. In our view, proprietary information is that which, if it were shared, would undermine our competitive position. Information is considered to be confidential where there are obligations binding us to confidentiality with our customers, suppliers and counterparties.

We have made no omissions on the grounds that it is immaterial, proprietary or confidential.

Scope and application of the requirements

Autonomous Research LLP ("the Partnership") is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and as such is subject to minimum regulatory capital requirements. The Firm is categorised as a limited licence firm by the FCA for capital purposes. It is an equity research boutique with an agency trading function and as such has no trading book exposures.

The Firm is not a member of a group and so is not required to prepare consolidated reporting for prudential purposes.

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Risk management

The Partnership is governed by its Members who determine its business strategy and risk appetite. They are also responsible for establishing and maintaining the Partnership's governance arrangements along with designing and implementing a risk management framework that recognises the risks that the business faces.

The Members also determine how the risk our business faces may be mitigated and assess on an ongoing basis the arrangements to manage those risks. The Members' meet on a regular basis and discuss current projections for profitability, cash flow, regulatory capital management, and business planning and risk management. The Members manage the Partnership's risks through a framework of policy and procedures having regard to relevant laws, standards, principles and rules (including FCA principles and rules) with the aim to operate a defined and transparent risk management framework. These policies and procedures are updated as required.

The Members have identified that business, operational, market and credit risks are the main areas of risk to which the Firm is exposed. Annually the Members formally review their risks, controls and other risk mitigation arrangements and assess their effectiveness. Where the Members identify material risks they consider the financial impact of these risks as part of our business planning and capital management and conclude whether the amount of regulatory capital is adequate.

Regulatory capital

The Partnership is a Limited Liability Partnership and its capital arrangements are established in its Partnership deed. Its capital is summarised as follows:

The main features of the Partnership's capital resources for regulatory purposes are as follows:

Capital item	£'000
Tier 1 capital less innovative tier 1 capital	5,215
Total tier 2, innovative tier 1 and tier 3 capital	-
Deductions from tier 1 and tier 2 capital	-
Total capital resources, net of deductions	5,215

Our Partnership is small with a simple operational infrastructure. Its market risk is limited to foreign exchange risk on its accounts receivable and bank deposits in foreign currency, and credit risk from both commission receivable from clients and bank deposits. The Partnership follows the standardised approach to market risk and the simplified standard approach to credit risk. The Partnership is subject to the Fixed Overhead Requirement and is not required to calculate an operational risk capital charge though it considers this as part of its process to identify the level of risk based capital required.

As discussed above the Partnership is a limited licence firm and as such its capital requirements are the greater of:

- Its base capital requirement of €50,000, or
- The sum of its market and credit risk requirements, or
- Its Fixed Overhead Requirement

The sum of the firm's market and credit risk requirement currently sits well below its Fixed Overhead Requirement. It is therefore the Partnership's experience that the Fixed Overhead Requirement establishes its capital requirements.

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Remuneration code disclosure

Autonomous Research LLP ("the Partnership") is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority as a Limited Licence Firm and so, it is subject to FCA Rules on remuneration. These are contained in the FCA's Remuneration Code located in the SYSC Sourcebook of the FCA's Handbook. The Remuneration Code ("the RemCode") covers an individual's total remuneration, fixed and variable. The Partnership incentivises staff through a combination of the two.

Our policy is designed to ensure that we comply with the RemCode and our compensation arrangements

- 1 are consistent with and promotes sound and effective risk management,
- 2 do not encourage excessive risk taking,
- 3 include measures to avoid conflicts of interest, and
- 4 are in line with the Partnership's business strategy, objectives, values and long-term interests

Proportionality

Enshrined in the European remuneration provisions is the principle of proportionality. The FCA have sought to apply proportionality in the first instance by categorising firms into 4 tiers. The Partnership falls within the FCA's fourth proportionality tier and as such this disclosure is made in line with the requirements for a Tier 4 Firm.

Application of the requirements

We are required to disclose certain information on at least an annual basis regarding our Remuneration policy and practices for those staff whose professional activities have a material impact on the risk profile of the partnership. Our disclosure is made in accordance with our size, internal organisation and the nature, scope and complexity of our activities.

- 1 Summary of information on the decision-making process used for determining the partnership's remuneration policy including use of external benchmarking consultants where relevant
 - The Partnership's policy has been agreed by the Senior Management in line with the RemCode principles laid down by the FCA
 - Due to the size, nature and complexity of the Partnership, we are not required to appoint an independent remuneration committee
 - The Partnership's policy will be reviewed as part of the annual process and procedures, or following a significant change to the business requiring an update to its internal capital adequacy assessment
 - The Partnership's ability to pay bonus is based on the performance of Partnership overall and derived after commissions and profits have been calculated
- 2 Summary of how the firm links between pay and performance
 - Individuals are rewarded based on their contribution to the overall strategy of the business
 - Other factors such as performance, reliability, effectiveness of controls, business development and contribution to the business are taken into account when assessing the performance of the senior staff responsible for the infrastructure of the firm

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3 Aggregate quantitative info on remuneration broken down by significant business division

Business Area	Aggregate compensation for prior fiscal year £
Equities	10,779,833
Credit	289,130

4 Aggregate quantitative information on remuneration, for staff whose actions have a material impact on the risk profile of the firm

Code Staff	Aggregate compensation for prior fiscal year £
Managing Partners	3,834,492
Partners / Employees	7,234,471

We may omit required disclosures where we believe that the information could be regarded as prejudicial to the UK or other national transposition of Directive 95/46/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 October 1995 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data

We have made no omissions on the grounds of data protection