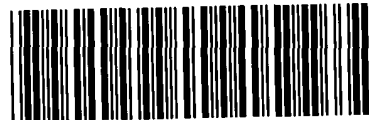

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

ANNUAL REPORT AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

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LLP registered number	OC343985
Registered office	1 Bartholomew Lane Floor 2 London EC2N 2AX
Independent auditors	Moore Stephens LLP 150 Aldersgate Street London EC1A 4AB
Bankers	HSBC PLC City Commercial Centre 60 Queen Victoria Street London EC4N 4TR
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AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

The Members present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Autonomous Research LLP (the "Partnership") for the year ended 31 March 2017.

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Partnership is to provide independent research to professional and institutional investors. There is also an agency trading function to execute both European equity and credit instruments.

The development of the Partnership's business is reflected in the attached statement of comprehensive income. 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.

Designated Members

Stuart Graham, Edward Allchin and Jonathan Firkins were Designated Members of the Partnership throughout the year.

Results and distributions

During the year the Partnership achieved an operating profit of £20,987,826 (2016: £16,277,134). The Partnership's statement of financial position as detailed on pages 6 and 7 shows a satisfactory position; Members' total interests as at 31 March 2017 amounted to £15,340,791 (2016: £9,759,092).

Policy for Members' drawings, profit allocation, subscriptions and repayment of Members' capital

Members are remunerated from the profits of the Partnership and are required to make their own provision for pensions and other benefits. Profits are allocated and divided between Members after finalisation of the financial statements. Members draw a proportion of their profit shares monthly during the year in which it is made, with the balance of profits being distributed after the year end, subject to the cash requirements of the business.

Donations

During the year the Partnership made charitable donations of £321,676 (2016: £174,079) to registered UK charities.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

MEMBERS' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

Members' responsibilities statement

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

Company law, (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008), 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 by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008) 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 Partnership's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Partnership and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 (as applied by The Limited Liability Partnerships (Accounts and Audit) (Application of the Companies Act 2006) Regulations 2008). 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.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are Designated Members at the time when this Members' Report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as each Designated Member is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Partnership's auditors are unaware, and
- each Designated Member has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Designated Member, including making appropriate enquires of fellow Designated Members and of the Partnership's auditors for that purpose, in order to be aware of any relevant audit information needed by the Partnership's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the Partnership's auditors are aware of that information.


Jonathan Firkins
Designated Member

Date: 09/06/17


Stuart Graham
Designated Member

Date: 9/6/17

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 2017, set out on pages 5 to 21. The relevant financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and the 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 on 2, 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 Financial Reporting Council'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 and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. 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 2017 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
(CONTINUED)**

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006, 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

150 Aldersgate Street
London
EC1A 4AB
Date: 12 June 2017

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Turnover	4	34,790,014	27,711,064
Administrative expenses		<u>(13,802,188)</u>	<u>(11,433,930)</u>
Operating profit	5	20,987,826	16,277,134
Interest receivable and similar income		-	8,849
Interest payable and expenses	8	<u>(63,315)</u>	<u>(78,807)</u>
Profit before tax		<u>20,924,511</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>
Profit for the year before Members' remuneration and profit shares available for discretionary division among Members		<u>20,924,511</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>

There was no other comprehensive income for 2017 (2016:£Nil).

The notes on pages 10 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP
REGISTERED NUMBER: OC343985

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 31 MARCH 2017

	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	10	<u>200,049</u>	<u>283,527</u>
		200,049	283,527
Current assets			
Debtors: amounts falling due within one year	11	22,146,618	<i>19,392,569</i>
Cash at bank and in hand	12	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>
		33,754,684	<i>27,814,808</i>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	<u>(3,174,185)</u>	<u>(2,974,296)</u>
Net current assets		<u>30,580,499</u>	<u><i>24,840,512</i></u>
Total assets less current liabilities		30,780,548	<i>25,124,039</i>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	14	<u>(658,225)</u>	<u>(1,203,858)</u>
		<u>30,122,323</u>	<u><i>23,920,181</i></u>
Net assets		<u>30,122,323</u>	<u><i>23,920,181</i></u>

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP
REGISTERED NUMBER: OC343985

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (continued)
AS AT 31 MARCH 2017


	Note	2017 £	2016 £
Represented by:			
Loans and other debts due to Members within one year			
Other amounts	16	<u>5,823,444</u>	<u>5,215,223</u>
		5,823,444	5,215,223
Members' other interests			
Members' capital classified as equity		2,498,189	2,497,782
Other reserves classified as equity		<u>21,800,690</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>
		<u>24,298,879</u>	<u>18,704,958</u>
		<u>30,122,323</u>	<u>23,920,181</u>
Total Members' interests			
Amounts due from Members (included in debtors)	11	(14,781,532)	(14,161,089)
Loans and other debts due to Members	16	5,823,444	5,215,223
Members' other interests		<u>24,298,879</u>	<u>18,704,958</u>
		<u>15,340,791</u>	<u>9,759,092</u>

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



Jonathan Firkins
 Designated Member

Date: 09/06/17



Stuart Graham
 Designated Member

Date: 9/6/17.

The notes on pages 10 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

	Members' capital (classified as equity) £	Other reserves £	Total £	Other amounts £	Total Members' interests £
Amounts due to Members				4,948,691	
Amounts due from Members				<u>(10,363,993)</u>	
Balance at 1 April 2015	2,497,418	11,682,921	14,180,339	(5,415,302)	8,765,037
Total comprehensive income	<u>-</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,207,176</u>
Members' interests after profit for the year	2,497,418	27,890,097	30,387,515	(5,415,302)	24,972,213
Allocated profit for the year	-	(11,682,921)	(11,682,921)	11,682,921	-
Capital introduced by Members	502	-	502	-	502
Capital amounts repaid to Members	(138)	-	(138)	-	(138)
Movement on amounts due to Members	-	-	-	353,440	353,440
Drawings	-	-	-	(15,365,709)	(15,365,709)
Repayment of debt	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(201,216)</u>	<u>(207,216)</u>
Amounts due to Members				5,215,223	
Amounts due from Members				<u>(14,161,089)</u>	
Balance at 31 March 2016	2,497,782	16,207,176	18,704,958	(8,945,866)	9,759,092
Total comprehensive income	<u>-</u>	<u>20,924,511</u>	<u>20,924,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>20,924,511</u>
Members' interests after profit for the year	2,497,782	37,131,687	39,629,469	(8,945,866)	30,683,603
Allocated profit for the year	-	(15,330,997)	(15,330,997)	15,330,997	-
Amounts introduced by Members	407	-	407	-	407
Drawings	-	-	-	(15,963,564)	(15,963,564)
Repayment of debt	-	-	-	571,565	571,565
Tax payments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>48,780</u>	<u>48,780</u>
Amounts due to Members				5,823,444	
Amounts due from Members				<u>(14,781,532)</u>	
Balance at 31 March 2017	2,498,189	21,800,690	24,298,879	(8,958,088)	15,340,791

There are no existing restrictions or limitations which impact the ability of the Members of the LLP to reduce the amount of Members' other interests.

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**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

	2017 £	2016 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit for the financial year	20,924,511	16,207,176
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation of tangible assets	124,406	179,760
Interest paid	63,315	78,807
Interest received	-	(8,849)
(Increase) in debtors	(2,133,606)	(717,035)
Increase in creditors	139,889	935,372
Net cash generated from operating activities	<u>19,118,515</u>	<u>16,675,231</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(40,928)	(33,186)
Interest received	-	8,849
Net cash from investing activities	<u>(40,928)</u>	<u>(24,337)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of loans	(485,633)	(644,399)
Interest paid	(63,315)	(78,807)
Members' capital contributed	407	502
Members' capital repaid	-	(138)
Amounts introduced by Members	48,780	48,784
Payment to Members	(15,963,564)	(15,365,709)
Loans to Members	571,565	353,440
Repayment of loans to Members	-	(250,000)
Net cash used in financing activities	<u>(15,891,760)</u>	<u>(15,936,327)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	3,185,827	714,567
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	8,422,239	7,707,672
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year comprise:		
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>
	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

1. General information

Disclosure of Partnership information:

Name: Autonomous Research LLP

Period covering: 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017

Financial statements preparation: Individual

Presentation and functional currency: GBP (£)

Legal form: Limited Liability Partnership

Country of incorporation: United Kingdom

Registered address: 1 Batholomew Lane, Floor 2, London, EC2N 2AX

Principal activities: providing independent research to professional and institutional investors. There is also an agency trading function to execute both European equity and credit instruments.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention unless otherwise specified within these accounting policies and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland and the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting by Limited Liability Partnerships".

The following principal accounting policies have been applied:

2.2 Intangible assets

Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, intangible assets are measured at cost less any accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses.

All intangible assets are considered to have a finite useful life. If a reliable estimate of the useful life cannot be made, the useful life shall not exceed ten years.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets under the cost model are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management.

The Partnership adds to the carrying amount of an item of fixed assets the cost of replacing part of such an item when that cost is incurred, if the replacement part is expected to provide incremental future benefits to the Partnership. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. Repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the period in which they are incurred.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method.

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

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

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, or if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.4 Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The Partnership's functional and presentation currency is GBP.

Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the spot exchange rates at the dates of the transactions.

At each period end foreign currency monetary items are translated using the closing rate. Non-monetary items measured at historical cost are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction and non-monetary items measured at fair value are measured using the exchange rate when fair value was determined.

Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of transactions and from the translation at period-end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

2.5 Operating leases: the Partnership as lessee

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Comprehensive Income on a straight line basis over the lease term

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.6 Financial instruments

Financial assets

The Partnership's financial assets comprise basic financial instruments, being trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances.

Cash is represented by cash in hand and deposits with financial institutions repayable without penalty on notice of no more than 24 hours. Cash equivalents are highly liquid investments that mature no more than three months or less from the date of acquisition and that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value.

Trade and other receivables are measured at transaction price less any impairment. Any impairment loss is recognised in the income statement.

The impairment loss is measured as the difference between an asset's carrying amount and best estimate, which is an approximation of the amount that the Partnership would receive for the asset if it were to be sold at the reporting date.

Financial assets are derecognised when contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are settled, or when substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred.

Financial liabilities

The Partnership's financial liabilities comprise basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables, amounts due to fellow group companies, accruals and a bank loan. These are initially recognised at transaction price and are measured subsequently at amortised cost.

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

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

Offsetting

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statement of financial position when there is an enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Pensions

Defined contribution pension plan

The Partnership operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the Partnership pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the Partnership has no further payment obligations.

The contributions are recognised as an expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals as a liability in the Statement of Financial Position. The assets of the plan are held separately from the Partnership in independently administered funds.

2.8 Interest income

Interest income is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income using the effective interest method.

2.9 Borrowing costs

All borrowing costs are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the year in which they are incurred.

2.10 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.

3. Judgments in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported for assets and liabilities as at the statement of financial position date and the amounts reported for revenues and expenses during the year.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

The Partnership makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the assets and liabilities within the next financial year are addressed below.

Useful economic lives of non-financial assets

The annual depreciation charge for tangible assets is sensitive to changes in the estimated useful economic lives and residual values of the assets. The useful economic lives and residual values are re-assessed annually. They are amended when necessary to reflect current estimates, based on technological advancement, future investments, economic utilization and the physical condition of the assets. See note 10 for the carrying amount of the non-financial assets, and note 2.3 for the useful economic lives for each class of assets.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

4. Turnover

Turnover, stated net of value added tax, represents commission receivable for services to professional and institutional investors. 45% (2016: 46%) of turnover relates to revenues received under Commission Sharing Arrangements, which are recognised in the period to which the service related, when confirmed by the earlier of the payer or executing broker. 39% (2016: 38%) of turnover is direct equities trading commission, which is recognised on the confirmation of each trade with the client, being the trade / contract date. 16% (2016: 16%) 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 Members have decided to omit the geographical markets for the financial year.

5. Operating profit

The operating profit is stated after charging:

	2017 £	2016 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	124,406	179,760
Fees payable to the Partnership's auditor for the audit of the LLP's annual financial statements	25,000	25,000
- Other services – FRS 102 review	-	4,039
Exchange differences	84,898	(193,660)
Operating lease rentals - buildings and service charge	433,970	490,441
Bloomberg and other data charges	<u>1,119,775</u>	<u>941,983</u>

During the year, no Member received any emoluments (2016 - £NIL).

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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6. Employees

Staff costs, including Members' remuneration, were as follows:

	2017 £	2016 £
Wages and salaries	4,552,117	3,725,761
Social security costs	562,761	438,930
Cost of defined contribution scheme	266,440	199,714
	<u>5,381,318</u>	<u>4,364,405</u>

The average monthly number of persons (including Members with contracts of employment) employed during the year was as follows:

	2017 No.	2016 No.
Research:	10	8
Sales - trading:	5	6
Middle / back office:	14	14
	<u>29</u>	<u>28</u>

Key management personnel

There are no individuals other than the Members who are considered to be key management personnel. Members are remunerated from the profits of the Partnership and are required to make their own provision for pensions and other benefits. Profits are allocated and divided between Members after finalisation of the financial statements. Members draw a proportion of their profit shares monthly during the year in which it is made, with the balance of profits being distributed after the year end, subject to the cash requirements of the business. This treatment is consistent with prior year.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

7. Information in relation to Members

2017 Number	<i>2016 Number</i>
31	<i>30</i>

The average number of Members during the year was

2017 £	<i>2016 £</i>
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The amount of profit attributable to the Member with the largest entitlement was

1,677,667	<i>1,569,281</i>
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8. Interest payable and similar charges

2017 £	<i>2016 £</i>
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Bank interest payable

52,980	<i>74,677</i>
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Other loan interest payable

10,335	<i>4,130</i>
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63,315	<i>78,807</i>
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9. Intangible assets

**Intangible
assets
£**

Cost

At 1 April 2016

24,267

At 31 March 2017

24,267

Amortisation

At 1 April 2016

24,267

At 31 March 2017

24,267

Net book value

At 31 March 2017

-

At 31 March 2016

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AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

10. Tangible fixed assets

	Leasehold improvements £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 April 2016	382,854	214,928	374,509	972,291
Additions	-	4,695	36,233	40,928
At 31 March 2017	382,854	219,623	410,742	1,013,219
Depreciation				
At 1 April 2016	223,331	142,099	323,334	688,764
Charge for the year	76,570	6,698	41,138	124,406
At 31 March 2017	299,901	148,797	364,472	813,170
Net book value				
At 31 March 2017	82,953	70,826	46,270	200,049
At 31 March 2016	159,523	72,829	51,175	283,527

The assets of the Partnership have a fixed and floating charge, as agreed per the bank loan agreement. This includes present and future freehold and leasehold property.

11. Debtors

	2017 £	2016 £
Trade debtors	4,489,464	3,122,248
Other debtors	1,200,830	562,151
Prepayments and accrued income	1,674,792	1,547,081
Amounts due from Members	14,781,532	14,161,089
	22,146,618	19,392,569

Included within other debtors is a collateral deposit of £390,000 (2016: £140,000) with BNP Paribas Securities Services Ltd and £199,888 (2016: £69,551) with BNP Paribas Securities Corp and £Nil (2016: £250,000) with Pershing Securities Limited.

AUTONOMOUS RESEARCH LLP

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017**

12. Cash and cash equivalents

	2017 £	2016 £
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>
	<u>11,608,066</u>	<u>8,422,239</u>

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Bank loans	538,614	478,614
Trade creditors	354,062	371,070
Other taxation and social security	103,436	118,699
Other creditors	169,515	373,402
Accruals and deferred income	<u>2,008,558</u>	<u>1,632,511</u>
	<u>3,174,185</u>	<u>2,974,296</u>

14. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2017 £	2016 £
Bank loans	<u>658,225</u>	<u>1,203,858</u>
	<u>658,225</u>	<u>1,203,858</u>

The bank loans are secured by three Members of the Partnership and the bank holds both a fixed and floating charge over the assets of the Partnership including present and future freehold and leasehold property, book and other debts, chattels and goodwill.

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15. Loans

Analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts falling due within one year		
Bank loans	<u>538,614</u>	<u>478,614</u>
	538,614	478,614
Amounts falling due 2-5 years		
Bank loans	<u>658,225</u>	<u>1,203,858</u>
	658,225	1,203,858
	<u>1,196,839</u>	<u>1,682,472</u>

16. Loans and other debts due to Members

	2017 £	2016 £
Amounts due to Members	<u>(5,823,444)</u>	<u>(5,215,223)</u>
	<u>(5,823,444)</u>	<u>(5,215,223)</u>

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

17. Pension commitments

The Partnership operates a defined contributions pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the Partnership in independently administered funds. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the Partnership to the fund and amounted to £266,440 (2016: £199,358). Contributions totalling £25,001 (2016: £129,375) were payable to the funds at the statement of financial position date and are included in other creditors.

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18. Other financial commitments and contingencies

At 31 March 2017 the Partnership had annual commitments under operating leases as set out below:

	2017 £	2016 £
Operating lease which expire		
Within one year	1,077,176	1,022,042
2 – 5 years	123,728	403,369
	<u>1,200,904</u>	<u>1,425,411</u>

The lease on the premises expires on 20 February 2023 with a break date of the 20 February 2018.

19. 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 made payments totalling £120,629 (2016: £118,598) on behalf of this entity throughout the year. No balance was owed by this entity to or from the Partnership as at 31 March 2017 (2016: £Nil).

Autonomous Research Charitable Trust

This entity is a charitable trust company incorporated in the UK.

During the year, the Partnership donated £321,676 (2016: £174,079) 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 made payments totalling £510 (2016: £500) on behalf of this entity. No balance was owed by this entity to or from the Partnership as at 31 March 2017 (2016: £Nil).

Autonomous Research LP

This entity is a company incorporated in the US and is a related party due to common control.

During the year the Partnership received £3,331,987 (2016: £2,962,387) on behalf of Autonomous Research LP for sales made by Autonomous Research LP. The Partnership raised invoices of £2,861,227 (2016: £2,499,430) for sales made by the Partnership that were received by Autonomous Research LP. The Partnership were charged expenses totalling £712,560 (2016: £37,922). During the year the Partnership made payments of £1,004,649 (2016: £621,954) to Autonomous Research LP and received payments of £176,547 (2016: £272,772) from Autonomous Research LP. As at the statement of financial position date Autonomous Research LP owed the Partnership, £536,991 (2016 owed to: £49,311).

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19. Related party transactions**Autonomous Research Asia Ltd**

This entity is a company incorporated in the Hong Kong and is a related party due to common control. During the year the Partnership received £1,254,534 (2016: £726,456) on behalf of Autonomous Research Asia Ltd for sales made by Autonomous Research Asia Ltd. The Partnership also recharged expenses totalling £3,280 (2016: £36,676). During the year the Partnership made payments of £1,253,364 (2016: £662,955) to Autonomous Research Asia Ltd and received payments of £Nil (2016: £Nil) from Autonomous Research Asia Ltd. As at the statement of financial position date the Partnership owes Autonomous Research Asia Ltd £144,425 (2016: £146,535).

Autonomous Research 2 LLP

This entity is a company incorporated in the UK and is a related party due to common control.

The Partnership made payments totalling £510 (2016: £500) on behalf of this entity. No balance was owed by this entity to or from the Partnership as at 31 March 2017 (2016: £Nil).

Autonomous Research Investments 1 LLP

This entity is a company incorporated in the UK and is a related party due to common control.

The Partnership made payments totalling £510 (2016: £Nil) on behalf of this entity. No balance was owed by this entity to or from the Partnership as at 31 March 2016 (2015: £Nil).

20. Ultimate controlling party

The Partnership is wholly owned by its Members.

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UNAUDITED PILLAR 3 DISCLOSURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

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 BiPRU 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.

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.

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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. 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	15,492
Total tier 2, innovative tier 1 and tier 3 capital	-
Deductions from tier 1 and tier 2 capital	-
Total capital resources, net of deductions	15,492

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 DISCLOSURES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

Remuneration code disclosure

Autonomous Research LLP ("the Partnership") is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority as a BIPRU 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 3 remuneration levels. The Partnership falls within the FCA's third proportionality level and as such this disclosure is made in line with the requirements for a Level 3 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.

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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.

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

Business Area	Aggregate compensation for prior fiscal year £
Equities	14,438,706
Credit	2,383,002
Other	2,129,400

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	4,696,218
Partners / Employees	13,129,953

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.