



ÅRSREGNSKAPET FOR REGNSKAPSÅRET 2023 - GENERELL INFORMASJON

Enheten

Organisasjonsnummer: 935 820 995
Organisasjonsform: Aksjeselskap
Foretaksnavn: CUTRIN NORGE PARTNER AS
Forretningsadresse: Østre Rosten 115
7093 TILLER

Regnskapsår

Årsregnskapets periode: 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

Konsern

Morselskap i konsern: Ja
Konsernregnskap lagt ved: Nei

Regnskapsregler

Regler for små foretak benyttet: Nei
Benyttet ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet til selskapet: Regnskapslovens alminnelige regler

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Brønnøysundregistrene, 04.06.2025



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RESULTATREGNSKAP			
Inntekter			
Salgsinntekt	1	174 450 013	173 347 423
Annen driftsinntekt		1 272 238	1 675 429
Sum inntekter		175 722 251	175 022 851
Kostnader			
Varekostnad	2	94 252 985	86 089 817
Lønnskostnad	3	32 871 651	32 006 582
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Annen driftskostnad	3	27 774 913	26 899 735
Sum kostnader		157 223 548	147 493 454
Driftsresultat		18 498 703	27 529 397
Finansinntekter og finanskostnader			
Annen renteinntekt		566 387	987 927
Annen finansinntekt		1 817	644 895
Verdiøkning markedsbaserte omløpsmidler		8 059	
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Balanse

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BALANSE - EIENDELER			
Anleggsmidler			
Immaterielle eiendeler			
Utsatt skattefordel	5	388 056	168 781
Goodwill		1 301 500	1 822 100
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Investeringer i aksjer og andeler	7		
Andre langsiktige fordringer	8	1 470 448	1 727 673
Sum finansielle anleggsmidler		1 694 854	1 952 079
Sum anleggsmidler		7 935 532	9 669 372
Omløpsmidler			
Varer			
Sum varer	2	46 797 000	32 880 736
Fordringer			
Kundefordringer	1, 10	17 783 296	12 687 431
Andre kortsiktige fordringer		1 698 465	541 714
Konsernfordringer	9	744 970	
Sum fordringer		20 226 731	13 229 145



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Investeringer			
Aksjer og andeler i foretak i samme konsern	7		
Bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende			
Bankinnskudd, kontanter o.l.	11	17 330 912	80 987 945
Sum bankinnskudd, kontanter og lignende		17 330 912	80 987 945
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BALANSE - EGENKAPITAL OG GJELD

Egenkapital

Innskutt egenkapital

Aksjekapital	6, 12	588 416	3 538 000
Beholdning av egne aksjer	12		
Overkurs	6	2 949 584	
Sum innskutt egenkapital		3 538 000	3 538 000

Opptjent egenkapital

Annen egenkapital	6	68 848 626	53 874 399
Sum opptjent egenkapital		68 848 626	53 874 399

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Gjeld

Langsiktig gjeld

Utsatt skatt	5		
Annen langsiktig gjeld			
Langsiktig konserngjeld	9		
Øvrig langsiktig gjeld			700 000
Sum annen langsiktig gjeld			700 000

Sum langsiktig gjeld		0	700 000
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Kortsiktig gjeld



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Kortsiktig konserngjeld	9		59 000 000
Annen kortsiktig gjeld		6 560 485	4 939 578
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Brønnøysundregistrene

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NOTEOPPLYSNINGER - SELSKAP - alle poster oppgitt i hele tall

Note

Antall årsverk i regnskapsåret
33.00

<u>Sum</u>	<u>Beløp</u>
<u>Balanseført verdi 31.12.</u>	<u>Varige driftsmidler Immaterielle eiend.</u>

Konsernregnskap

Morselskapet sitt navn

Forretningskontor for morselskapet

Begrunnelse for at datterselskap er utelatt fra konsolideringen

<u>Samlet beløp - tilknyttet selskap</u>	<u>Årets</u>	<u>Fjorårets</u>
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<u>Samlet beløp - felles kontrollert virksomhet</u>	<u>Årets</u>	<u>Fjorårets</u>
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<u>Pantstillelse</u>	<u>Beløp</u>
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<u>Beholdning av egne aksjer</u>	<u>Antall</u>	<u>Pålydende</u>	<u>Andel av aksjek.</u>
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	BankID Signing Pål Richard Graham 2024-03-01
	BankID Signing Rune Langørgen 2024-03-02
	BankID Signing Lars Tomas Tveit 2024-03-03



Årsregnskap 2023

Cutrin Norge Partner AS

Styrets årsberetning
Resultatregnskap
Balanse
Kontantstrøm
Noter til regnskapet



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CUTRIN NORGE PARTNER AS

Styrets beretning for 2023

Cutrin Norge Partner AS er en frisørgrossist med hovedkontor lokalisert i Trondheim. ABAS AS Kosmetikk Engros ble fusjonert inn med Cutrin Norge Partner 01.01.24. Tallene i regnskapene viser fusjonerte tall både for 2023 og 2022.

Regnskapet pr. 31.12. gir etter vår mening en rettviseende oversikt over resultatet, utviklingen og selskapets stilling.

Det bekreftes at forutsetningen for fortsatt drift er til stede. Til grunn for denne vurderingen ligger oppnådd resultat i år samt prognoser for neste år.

Driftsinntekter i 2023 på kr. 175,7 mill. (inkl. intern omsetning) var høyere enn omsetningen i 2022 som var på kr. 175,0 mill. Årsresultatet viste et overskudd på kr. 15,0 mill., noe som er ca. 8,0 mill lavere enn årsresultatet for 2022. Dette skyldes i all hovedsak høyere varekostnader grunnet vesentlig svakere valuta enn foregående år. Selskapet er dog tilfreds med årets resultat.

Det har ikke inntruffet andre forhold etter regnskapsårets slutt som har betydning for det fremlagte regnskapet.

Totalkapitalen til selskapet var ved utgangen av året på kr. 92,3 mill sammenlignet med 136,8 mill. i 2022. Egenkapitalen var på kr. 72,4 mill (78,4%) 31.12.23, sammenlignet med kr. 57,4 mill (42,0%) 31.12.22.

Styret foreslår følgende disponering av årets overskudd på kr. 14.974.228 overføres til annen egenkapital.

Selskapets finansielle situasjon er meget solid, og selskapet kan ikke se at de er eksponert for verken finansiell-, markeds-, kreditt- eller likviditetsrisiko som vil påvirke selskapets finansielle situasjon vesentlig på nåværende tidspunkt.

Styret mener at arbeidsmiljøet i selskapet er tilfredstillende. Selskapet har som mål å være en arbeidsplass der det råder full likestilling mellom kvinner og menn. Av selskapets 37 ansatte pr. 31.12.22 er 8 kvinner. Styret består av 3 menn. Styret har ikke funnet det nødvendig å iverksette spesielle tiltak med hensyn til likestilling i styret. Det er tegnet forsikring for styrets medlemmer herunder daglig leder som sitter i styret med tanke på mulig ansvar overfor foretaket og tredjepersoner.

Det har ikke vært skader eller ulykker i 2023. Sykemeldinger og annet sykefravær utgjorde ca. 2,1% i 2023 sammenlignet med ca. 0,8% i 2022.

Selskapet forurensrer ikke det ytre miljø.

Tiller, den 26. februar 2024

Lars Tomas Tveit

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Styret i Cutrin Norge Partner AS

Lars Tomas Tveit
styreleder

Pål Richard Graham
styremedlem

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styremedlem/daglig leder



INDIREKTE KONTANTSTRØM

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Ordinære avskrivninger		2 323 999	2 497 321
Endring i varelager		-13 916 264	-5 514 539
Endring i kundefordringer		-5 095 866	-308 543
Endring i leverandørgjeld		1 407 457	-477 849
Endring i andre tidsavgrensingsposter		-1 268 046	1 237 697
Netto kontantstrøm fra operasjonelle aktiviteter		-3 489 284	19 664 283
KONTANTSTRØMMER FRA INVESTERINGSAKTIVITETER			
Innbetalinger ved salg av varige driftsmidler		160 363	-2 473 562
Utbetalinger ved kjøp av varige driftsmidler		628 110	-5 872 025
Netto kontantstrøm fra investeringsaktiviteter		-467 747	3 398 463
KONTANTSTRØMMER FRA FINANSIERINGSAKTIVITETER			
Innbetalinger ved opptak av ny kortsiktig gjeld		0	59 000 000
Utbetalinger ved nedbetaling av langsiktig gjeld		700 000	1 384 195
Utbetalinger ved nedbetaling av kortsiktig gjeld		59 000 000	59 766 404
Netto kontantstrøm fra finansieringsaktiviteter		-59 700 000	-2 150 599
Netto endring i kontanter og kontantekvivalenter		-63 657 031	20 912 147
Beh. av kont. og kontantekvivalenter ved per. begynnel		80 987 945	60 075 797
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Regnskapsprinsipper

Årsregnskapet er satt opp i samsvar med regnskapslovens bestemmelser og god regnskapsskikk.

BRUK AV ESTIMATER

I utarbeidelse av årsregnskapet har man brukt estimater og forutsetninger som har påvirket resultatregnskapet og verdsettelsen av eiendeler og gjeld, samt usikre eiendeler og forpliktelser på balansedagen i henhold til god regnskapsskikk. Områder som i stor grad inneholder slike skjønsmessige vurderinger, høy grad av kompleksitet, eller områder hvor forutsetninger og estimater er vesentlige for årsregnskapet, er beskrevet i notene.

INNTEKTER

Inntektsføring ved salg av varer skjer på leveringstidspunktet. Tjenester inntektsføres etter hvert som de leveres.

SKATT

Skattekostnaden i resultatregnskapet omfatter både periodens betalbare skatt og endring i utsatt skatt. Utsatt skatt er beregnet med 22 % på grunnlag av de midlertidige forskjeller som eksisterer mellom regnskapsmessige og skattemessige verdier, samt ligningsmessig underskudd til fremføring ved utgangen av regnskapsåret. Skatteøkende og skattereduserende midlertidige forskjeller som reverserer eller kan reverseres i samme periode er utlignet og nettoført. Netto utsatt skattefordel balanseføres i den grad det er sannsynlig at denne kan bli utnyttet.

KLASSIFISERING OG VURDERING AV ANLEGGSMIDLER

Anleggsmidler omfatter eiendeler bestemt til varig eie og bruk. Anleggsmidler er vurdert til anskaffelseskost, fratrukket avskrivninger og nedskrivninger. Langsiktig gjeld balanseføres til nominelt beløp på transaksjonstidspunktet.

Varige driftsmidler balanseføres og avskrives over driftsmidlets økonomiske levetid. Vesentlige driftsmidler som består av flere betydelige komponenter med ulik levetid er dekomponert med ulik avskrivningstid for de ulike komponentene. Direkte vedlikehold av driftsmidler kostnadsføres løpende under driftskostnader, mens påkostninger eller forbedringer tillegges driftsmidlets kostpris og avskrives i takt med driftsmidlet. Varige driftsmidler nedskrives til gjenvinnbart beløp ved verdifall som forventes ikke å være forbigående. Gjenvinnbart beløp er det høyeste av netto salgsverdi og verdi i bruk. Verdi i bruk er nåverdi av fremtidige kontantstrømmer knyttet til eiendelen. Nedskrivningen reverseres når grunnlaget for nedskrivningen ikke lenger er til stede.

KLASSIFISERING OG VURDERING AV OMLØPSMIDLER

Omløpsmidler og kortsiktig gjeld omfatter normalt poster som forfaller til betaling innen ett år etter balansedagen, samt poster som knytter seg til varekretsløpet. Omløpsmidler vurderes til laveste verdi av anskaffelseskost og virkelig verdi. Kortsiktig gjeld balanseføres til nominelt beløp på transaksjonstidspunktet.

DATTERSELSKAP OG TILKNYTTET SELSKAP

Datterselskap og tilknyttede selskaper vurderes etter kostmetoden i selskapsregnskapet. Investeringen er vurdert til anskaffelseskost for aksjene med mindre nedskrivning har vært nødvendig. Det er foretatt nedskrivning til virkelig verdi når verdifall skyldes årsaker som ikke kan forventes å være forbigående og det må anses nødvendig etter god regnskapsskikk. Nedskrivninger er reversert når grunnlaget for nedskrivning ikke lenger er til stede.

Utbytte, konsernbidrag og andre utdelinger fra datterselskap er inntektsført samme år som det er avsatt i givers regnskap. Overstiger utbytte / konsernbidraget andelen av opptjent resultat etter anskaffelsestidspunktet, representerer den overskytende del tilbakebetaling av investert kapital, og utdelingene er fratrukket investeringens verdi i balansen til morselskapet.



VARER

Varer er vurdert til det laveste av anskaffelseskost og netto salgsverdi. Netto salgsverdi er estimert salgspris ved ordinær drift etter fradrag for beregnede nødvendige utgifter for gjennomføring av salget. Anskaffelseskost inkluderer utgifter påløpt ved anskaffelse av varene og kostnader for å bringe varene til nåværende plassering og tilordnes ved bruk av FIFO - prinsippet.

FORDRINGER

Kundefordringer og andre fordringer oppføres til pålydende etter fradrag for avsetning til forventet tap. Avsetning til tap gjøres på grunnlag av en individuell vurdering av de enkelte fordringene. For øvrige kundefordringer utføres en uspesifisert avsetning for å dekke forventet tap på krav.

KONTANTSTRØMOPPSTILLING

Kontantstrømoppstillingen er utarbeidet etter den indirekte metoden. Kontanter og kontantekvivalenter omfatter kontanter, bankinnskudd og andre kortsiktige, likvide plasseringer.

Note 1 Transaksjoner med nærstående parter

Nærstående part	Tilknytning	Eierandel
Norske Frisørartikler Engros AS	Datterselskap	79,77 %
CNG AS	Aksjeeier	100 %
ByWe Group AB	Eier aksjeeier	100 %
Cutrin Norge Partner Lillehammer AS	Søsterselskap	
Rune Langørgen	Daglig leder	0 %
Lars Tomas Tveit	Styreleder	0 %

Følgende interne transaksjoner har funnet sted:

	2023	2022
Varesalg til Aksjeeier og søsterselskap	NOK 9.748.830	NOK 11.552.868

Balansen inkluderer følgende beløp som følge av transaksjoner med tilknyttede selskap:

	2023	2022
Kundefordringer	974970	119210
Leverandørgjeld	51422	0
Sum	1 026 392	119 210

Note 2 Varer

Varelager	2023	2022
Lager av innkjøpte handelsvarer	46 797 000	32 880 736
Sum varelager	46 797 000	32 880 736

Varelageret er vurdert til anskaffelseskost.



Note 3 Lønnskostnader og ytelser, godtgjørelser til daglig leder, styret og revisor

LØNSSKOSTNADER

	2023	2022
Lønninger	26 067 697	26 602 277
Arbeidsgiveravgift	4 452 070	4 252 393
Pensjonskostnader	1 517 795	848 529
Andre ytelser	834 088	303 383
Sum	32 871 651	32 006 582
Gjennomsnittlig antall årsverk	33	37

YTELSER TIL LEDEDE PERSONER

	Lønn	Styrehonorar	Bonus	2023		Sum
				Periodiserte pensjonskostnader	Annen godtgjørelse	
Daglig leder	1.173.985	0	0	73.500	11.928	0

	Lønn	Styrehonorar	Bonus	2022		Sum
				Periodiserte pensjonskostnader	Annen godtgjørelse	
Daglig leder	1.063.648	0	0	73.500	4.952	0

Daglig leder har ingen avtale om bonus eller sluttvederlag.
Det er ikke utbetalt lønn eller annen godtgjørelse til øvrige styremedlemmer.

BONUS

Ledende ansatte har ikke avtale om bonus.

LÅN OG SIKKERHETSSTILLELSE TIL LEDEDE PERSONER, AKSJEIEIERE M.V.

Det er ikke gitt lån eller stilt sikkerhet for medlemmer av ledergruppen, styrets ansatte eller andre valgte.

REVISOR

Godtgjørelse til revisor er fordelt på følgende:

	2023	2022
Lovpålagt revisjon	208644	156445
Andre attestasjonstjenester	0	0
Skatterådgivning	20000	7015
Andre tjenester utenfor revisjon	6800	3260
Sum	235 444	166 720

Beløpene er eksklusiv merverdiavgift.



Note 4 Anleggsmidler

	Goodwill	Maskiner og anlegg	Driftsløsøre, inventar ol.	Sum
Anskaffelseskost pr. 01.01.23	4 990 500	157 025	11 778 019	16 925 544
+ Tilgang kjøpte driftsmidler			628 110	628 110
- Avgang i året	2 387 500	117 030	1 146 987	3 651 517
= Anskaffelseskost 31.12.23	2 603 000	39 995	11 259 142	13 902 137
Akkumulerte avskrivninger 31.12.23	1 301 500	39 995	6 708 019	8 049 514
= Bokført verdi 31.12.23	1 301 500	0	4 551 123	5 852 623
Årets ordinære avskrivninger	520 600		1 803 399	2 323 999
Økonomisk levetid	5 år	5 år	3-6 år	
Avskrivningsplan		saldo 0%	saldo 0%	

Note 5 Skatt

Årets skattekostnad	2023	2022
Resultatført skatt på ordinært resultat:		
Betalbar skatt	4 309 518	5 844 677
Endring i utsatt skattefordel	-219 274	279 674
Skattekostnad ordinært resultat	4 090 244	6 124 351
Skattepliktig inntekt:		
Ordinært resultat før skatt	19 064 472	29 096 616
Permanente forskjeller	80 148	-584 781
Endring i midlertidige forskjeller	444 095	-1 271 247
Skattepliktig inntekt	19 588 716	27 240 588
Betalbar skatt i balansen:		
Betalbar skatt på årets resultat	4 309 518	5 844 674
Sum betalbar skatt i balansen	4 309 518	5 844 674
Beregning av effektiv skattesats		
Resultat før skatt	19 064 472	29 096 616
Beregnet skatt av resultat før skatt	4 194 184	6 401 255
Skatteeffekt av permanente forskjeller	17 633	-128 652
Sum	4 211 817	6 272 604
Effektiv skattesats	22,1 %	21,6 %

Skatteeffekten av midlertidige forskjeller som har gitt opphav til utsatt skatt og utsatte skattefordeler, spesifisert på typer av midlertidige forskjeller

	2023	2022	Endring
Varige driftsmidler	-1 111 335	-723 666	387 668
Varebeholdning	0	-2	-2
Fordringer	-577 554	-521 125	56 429
Avsetninger mv	-75 000	-75 000	0
Sum	-1 763 889	-1 319 793	444 095



Inngår ikke i beregningen av utsatt skatt	0	552 602	552 602
Grunnlag for utsatt skattefordel	-1 763 889	-767 191	996 697
Utsatt skattefordel (22 %)	-388 055	-168 782	219 273

Note 6 Egenkapital

	Aksjekapital	Overkurs	Annen egenkapital	Sum egenkapital
Pr. 31.12.2022	3 538 000	0	53 874 399	57 412 399
Årets resultat			14 974 228	14 974 228
Fusjon	-2 949 584	2 949 584	0	0
Pr 31.12.2023	588 416	2 949 584	68 848 627	72 386 627

Note 7 Datterselskap, tilknyttet selskap m.v.

DS	Kontor-kommune	Eier-andel	Stemme-andel	Anskaffelses-kost	Balanseført verdi	Andel egenkapital	Andel resultat
Norske Frisørartikler Engros AS	Bergen	79,77%	79,77%	286.906	224.406	73.000	-22.000

Investering i datterselskap vurderes etter kostmetoden i selskapsregnskapet

Note 8 Fordringer med forfall senere enn ett år

	2023	2022
Lån til ansatte	1 470 448	1 727 673
Sum langsiktige fordringer	1 470 448	1 727 673

Note 9 Mellomværende med selskap i samme konsern

	2023	2022
Fordringer		
Kundefordringer konsern	744.970	0
Sum	0	0
Gjeld		
Leverandørgjeld innen konsern	51.422	0
Annen kortsiktig gjeld konsern	0	59 000 000
Sum	0	59 000 000



Note 10 Kundefordringer

	2023	2022
Kundefordringer til pålydende	19 178 267	13 287 431
Avsetning til tap	650 000	600 000
Balanseført verdi av kundefordringer 31.12	18 528 267	12 687 431

Kostnadsført tap er klassifisert som annen driftskostnad i regnskapet.

Note 11 Bankinnskudd

Innestående midler på skattetrekkkonto (bundne midler) er på kr. 1 281 542.

Note 12 Aksjonærer

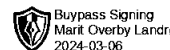
AKSJEKAPITALEN I CUTRIN NORGE PARTNER AS PR. 31.12 BESTÅR AV:

	Antall	Pålydende	Bokført
Ordinære aksjer	16	36 776,0	588 416
Sum	16		588 416

EIERSTRUKTUR

De største aksjonærene i % pr. 31.12 var:

	Ordinære	Eierandel	Stemmeandel
Cng AS	16	100,0	100,0



UAVHENGIG REVISORS BERETNING
Til generalforsamlingen i Cutrin Norge Partner AS

Uttalelse om revisjonen av årsregnskapet

Konklusjon

Vi har revidert årsregnskapet for Cutrin Norge Partner AS som viser et overskudd på kr 14 974 228. Årsregnskapet består av balanse per 31. desember 2023, resultatregnskap og kontantstrømoppstilling, for regnskapsåret avsluttet per denne datoen og noter til årsregnskapet, herunder et sammendrag av viktige regnskapsprinsipper.

Etter vår mening

- oppfyller årsregnskapet gjeldende lovkrav, og
- gir årsregnskapet et rettviseende bilde av selskapets finansielle stilling per 31. desember 2023 og av dets resultater og kontantstrømmer for regnskapsåret avsluttet per denne datoen i samsvar med regnskapslovens regler og god regnskapsskikk i Norge.

Grunnlag for konklusjonen

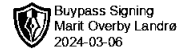
Vi har gjennomført revisjonen i samsvar med International Standards on Auditing (ISA-ene). Våre oppgaver og plikter i henhold til disse standardene er beskrevet nedenfor under Revisors oppgaver og plikter ved revisjonen av årsregnskapet. Vi er uavhengige av selskapet i samsvar med kravene i relevante lover og forskrifter i Norge og International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (inkludert internasjonale uavhengighetsstandarder) utstedt av International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants (IESBA-reglene), og vi har overholdt våre øvrige etiske forpliktelser i samsvar med disse kravene. Innhentet revisjonsbevis er etter vår vurdering tilstrekkelig og hensiktsmessig som grunnlag for vår konklusjon.

Øvrig informasjon

Styret og daglig leder (ledelsen) er ansvarlige for informasjonen i årsberetningen. Vår konklusjon om årsregnskapet ovenfor dekker ikke informasjonen i årsberetningen.

I forbindelse med revisjonen av årsregnskapet er det vår oppgave å lese årsberetningen. Formålet er å vurdere hvorvidt det foreligger vesentlig inkonsistens mellom årsberetningen, og årsregnskapet og den kunnskap vi har opparbeidet oss under revisjonen av årsregnskapet, eller hvorvidt informasjon i årsberetningen ellers fremstår som vesentlig feil. Vi har plikt til å rapportere dersom årsberetningen fremstår som vesentlig feil. Vi har ingenting å rapportere i så henseende.

Basert på kunnskapen vi har opparbeidet oss i revisjonen, mener vi at årsberetningen er konsistent med årsregnskapet og inneholder de opplysninger som skal gis i henhold til gjeldene lovkrav.



Ledelsens ansvar for årsregnskapet

Ledelsen er ansvarlig for å utarbeide årsregnskapet og for at det gir et rettviseende bilde i samsvar med regnskapslovens regler og god regnskapsskikk i Norge. Ledelsen er også ansvarlig for slik intern kontroll som den finner nødvendig for å kunne utarbeide et årsregnskap som ikke inneholder vesentlig feilinformasjon, verken som følge av misligheter eller utilsiktede feil.

Ved utarbeidelsen av årsregnskapet må ledelsen ta standpunkt til selskapets evne til fortsatt drift og opplyse om forhold av betydning for fortsatt drift. Forutsetningen om fortsatt drift skal legges til grunn for årsregnskapet så lenge det ikke er sannsynlig at virksomheten vil bli avvirket.

Revisors oppgaver og plikter ved revisjonen av årsregnskapet

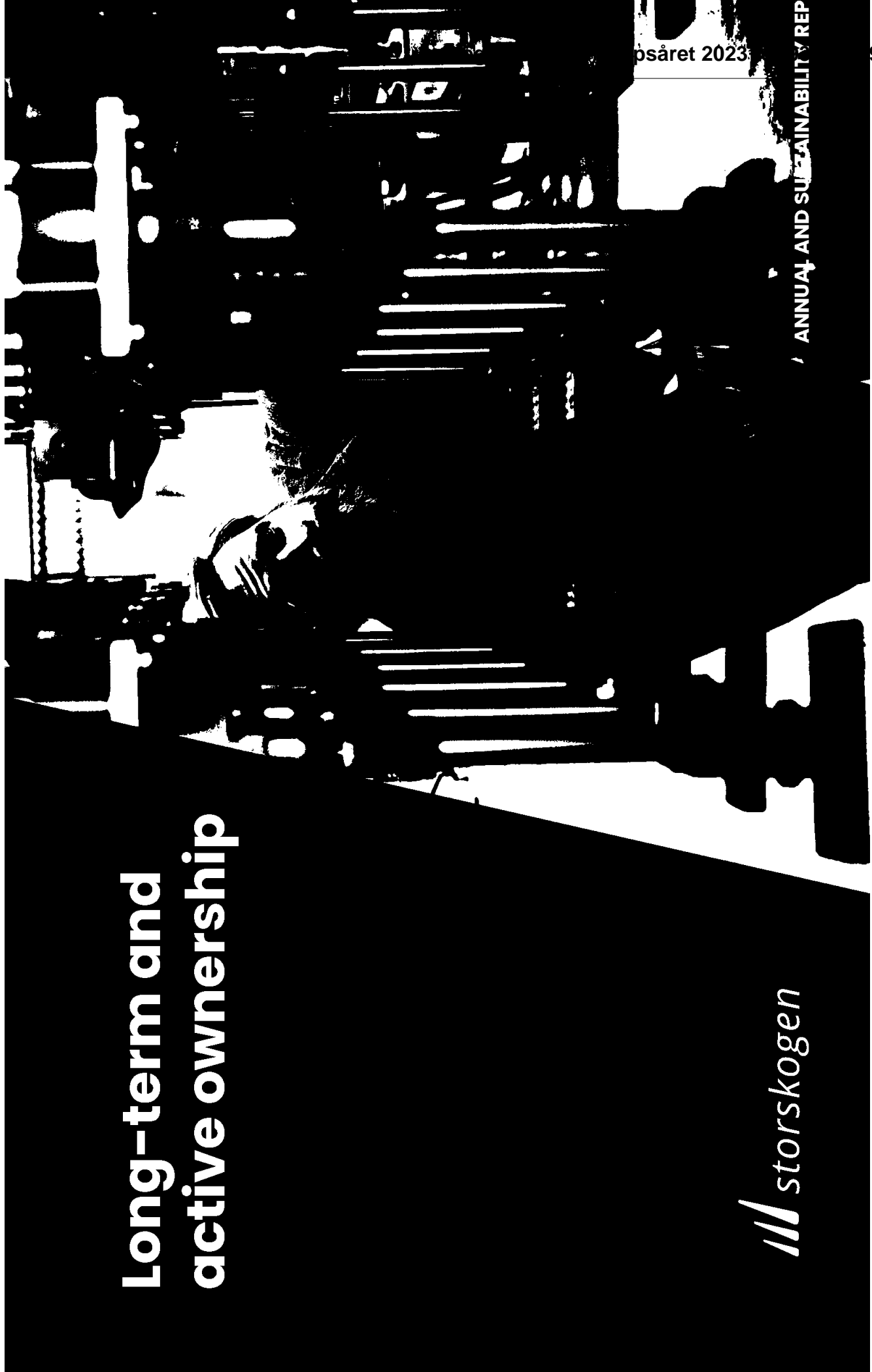
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For revisors oppgaver og plikter se: <https://revisorforeningen.no/om-revisjon/revisjonsberetning-revisors-oppgaver-og-plikter/>

TRONDHEIM, 6. mars 2024
Revisjonskompaniet Midt-Norge AS

Marit Overby Landrø
Statsautorisert revisor

Long-term and active ownership







Vasilios Batsias,
Ulrica Power Ltd

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About Storskogen

Storskogen is an international group of businesses across trade, industry and services. As a long-term owner, Storskogen is positioned to identify, acquire, and develop market leaders with sustainable business models. Storskogen creates value by providing access to capital and strategic direction combined with active governance and a decentralised operational model.

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business areas and 14 verticals

12,077

employees

36,006

SEK m in net sales in 2023

3,238

SEK m in adjusted EBITA in 2023

Brønnsundregistrene



Storskogen's offices
Operational presence of business units

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Significant events in 2023

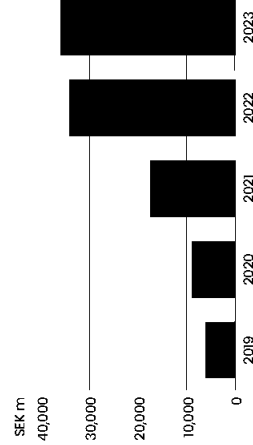
- Net sales increased by 5 percent to SEK 36,006 million (34,250). Organic sales growth was -3 percent.
- Adjusted EBITA increased by 3 percent to SEK 3,238 million (3,143), corresponding to an adjusted EBITA margin of 9.0 percent (9.2). Organic EBITA growth was -13 percent.
- Profit for the year decreased by 41 percent to SEK 944 million (1,592).
- Basic earnings per share amounted to SEK 0.47 (0.86) and diluted earnings per share amounted to SEK 0.46 (0.86).
- Cash flow from operating activities increased to SEK 3,361 million (1,628).
- Twelve acquisitions were completed, with combined annual sales in 2023 of SEK 680 million. Eleven divestments were completed, with combined annual sales of SEK 1,875 million.
- Storskogen initiated preparatory work to follow the EU's new directive for sustainability reporting, CSRD, and prepared a new, double materiality assessment.
- A sustainability committee was established, which will be responsible for reviewing and monitoring sustainability issues.
- The Board of Directors proposes a dividend of SEK 0.09 per share (0.08).

Key performance indicators

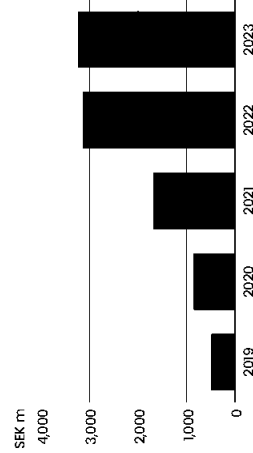
SEK m	2023	2022
Netsales	36,006	34,250
Adjusted EBITA	3,238	3,143
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	9.0	9.2
Basic earnings per share, SEK	0.47	0.86
Diluted earnings per share, SEK	0.46	0.86
Cash flow from operating activities	3,361	1,628
Interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA, x	2.5	7.7
Return on capital employed, %	7.7	10.4
Adjusted cash conversion, %	104	112
Emission intensity, tCO ₂ e/SEK m	12	12

Årsregnskap regnskapsåret 2023 för 935820995

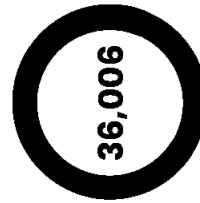
Net sales



Adjusted EBITA



Distribution of net sales by business area¹⁾



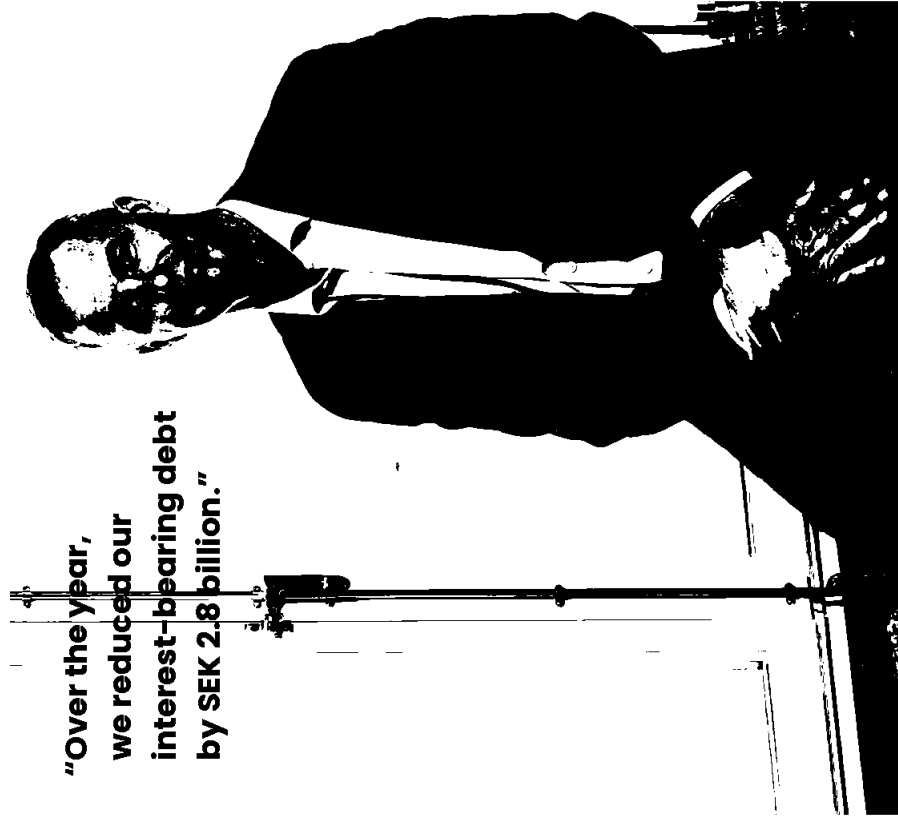
1) The total figure includes SEK -50 million for one-up operation

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Adaptability and resilience in an uncertain world

“Over the year, we reduced our interest-bearing debt by SEK 2.8 billion.”



In Storskogen's 12th financial year, net sales increased 5 percent to SEK 36 billion. In the face of the uncertain world, we kept focusing on our balance sheet and reduced interest-bearing debt by SEK 2.8 billion. As we look ahead, we are determined to navigate the changing economic conditions and continue our efforts to develop the Group.

It is with humility that I assume the role of Interim CEO of Storskogen. Having been a part of the Company since 2016, most recently as the Head of Business Area Trade and a member of Group management, I have profound knowledge of the operations and an understanding of the challenges and opportunities we face.

Global uncertainty – some signs of improvement

2023 was yet another year of geopolitical unrest, characterised by the conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East and an uncertain macroeconomic landscape with higher food and energy prices. Nevertheless, in the midst of these global challenges, there are signs of reduced inflation. They give rise to a certain optimism regarding more stable conditions for companies and economies worldwide, including for Storskogen's diversified group of companies.

Financial stability

In the face of the uncertain situation in the world, the efforts to strengthen Storskogen's

financial position continued. Continuous improvements in units' operational efficiency determined efforts to reduce capital, resulted in a strengthened balance sheet on the Group level. In 2023, we reduced our interest-bearing debt by SEK 2.8 billion. The average interest rate on our debt portfolio was also extended, and loans are due for repayment.

It was largely the formidable business units that allowed us to reduce debt and continue good profits, we have strengthened our equity position.

Diversification in the Group

At the beginning of the year, conditions were high in all parts of our trade companies. These conditions contributed to a reduction in capital over the year, and which are a sign for better conditions in the business area in 2024. In industrial companies, 2023 was a year, and the Services business

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somewhere between the two other business areas, as the first six months were strong but the last six months were somewhat weaker. Towards year-end, margin pressure was noted, primarily in Services and Trade. But over the whole year, both sales and margins remained on a relatively good level.

All in all, the varied performance of the business areas highlights the strength of owning a diversified group of companies. Owning companies with a wide range of operations, characteristics and results balances the risks that owning companies within a single industry could entail.

The Group's development

The development of the Group lies at the heart of Storskogen – creating both organic and acquired growth. Several recent investments, for example in ERP and inventory systems, have created the conditions needed for growth, and we have carried out several initiatives to improve efficiencies and reduce costs. One example is Båstadgruppen, a distributor that has the capacity to handle twice the sales with the same warehousing costs, thanks to its modernised warehouse system. In Storskogen's largest business unit, the industrial company LNS, the product offering is being rationalised to reduce complexity, thus increasing profitability and reducing capital tied up. I also see conditions for higher sales and profit-optimisation initiatives.

We strengthened our sustainability efforts over the year by preparing for the

Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), which will soon become a legal requirement. We also integrated climate targets in the Group management's incentive programme, which clearly signals our commitment to sustainability and to creating commercial value. By linking our business strategies to sustainability targets, we strengthen Storskogen's long-term sustainability and competitiveness.

Our journey ahead

Looking ahead, we are determined to navigate the changing economic climate. Strengthening our financial position remains a top priority. In 2024 Storskogen's acquisition agenda will remain restrained and focus will be organic growth.

However, an important component in Storskogen's long-term strategy is to use generated cash flows to acquire stable small and medium-sized businesses to strengthen and develop our verticals and business units. In the Storskogen model, the ambition to manage the existing Group to create organic growth goes hand in hand with efforts to create acquired growth.

Decentralisation – balanced with central governance

Storskogen was founded more than 12 years ago, but as a listed company, it is still relatively young and our business sometimes raises questions. These include how we are able to manage such an extensive group of companies with varying business areas. The importance of decentralisation for our operations cannot be emphasised

enough – through a balance between governance and independence, the acquired companies keep their operational independence and their entrepreneurial spirit, which are often key to their ability to realise their potential. At the same time, Storskogen's overarching strategy and financial management are safeguarded centrally by continuously monitoring the operations and providing support adapted to the needs of the business units.

Ultimately, individuals determine our success. This is why I'd like to thank all Group employees: your commitment and hard work are the cornerstones of our business.

To conclude, our strategic priorities remain: to strengthen cash flows, reduce leverage and maintain solid profitability. On this basis, we will be in a position to increase our focus on organic growth and to empower businesses to realise their full potential.

Christer Hansson,
Interim CEO

“I look forward to continuing to focus on our strategic priorities and gradually increasing our focus on growth.”

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Mission

We empower business owners
to realise their full potential



Vision

To be the leading international owner
of medium-sized businesses

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Business model

Storskogen owns and develops small and medium-sized businesses to create profitable growth and resilience.

1. Opportunity

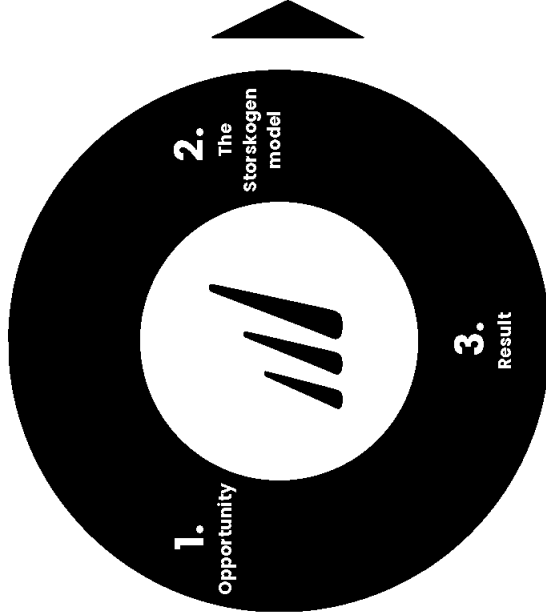
- **Evergreen opportunity** to acquire profitable companies with proven business models.
- **Attractive valuations.**
- **Value-creation opportunities** through professional and business development and synergies.

2. The Storskogen model

- **Long-term perspective and stability** ensure companies' future competitiveness.
- **Decentralisation** promotes entrepreneurship.
- **Active ownership and financial governance** enable businesses to realise their full potential.
- **Diversification** is ensured through organic and acquired growth.

3. Result

- **Resilience:** Group diversification, geographically and industrially, creates endurance over business cycles and mitigates risks.
- **Profitable growth:** Cash flows are reinvested to achieve long-term growth.



Value creation

- **Shareholders**
Exposure to a diversified and medium-sized business portfolio and profitable growth and rebranding.
- **Business sellers/businesses**
Long-term, decentralised model that empowers businesses to realise their full potential.
- **Employees**
Opportunities for development and knowledge sharing within the group.
- **Society**
Commitment to entrepreneurship that supports local society.

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The possibilities of owning small and medium-sized businesses

The foundational idea behind Storskogen is to own and develop profitable small and medium-sized businesses. The value that is generated from the business group enables continued profitable growth and strengthens resilience.

Evergreen opportunity

Small and medium-sized companies play a vital role in the world economy by promoting growth, creating jobs and contributing to local development. Some businesses are at the forefront of innovation while others rely on proven business models that have stood the test of time, for decades and sometimes even centuries.

From Storskogen's perspective, small and medium-sized businesses often have attractive valuations and thus constitute good investment opportunities. Looking at the number of potential acquisitions, Storskogen sees an evergreen opportunity to identify, acquire and develop profitable companies with stable business models to achieve long-term growth and improved resilience for the business group.

Attractive valuations

Small and medium-sized businesses are generally valued lower than large companies due to a number of risks such as greater sensitivity to market changes, fluctuations in the economy and greater dependence on key individuals, customers or suppliers. Investors typically pay a premium for investing in companies where it is easy to buy and sell shares at any given time, and the opposite is generally true for unlisted companies.

Even well-managed companies with proven business models can experience difficulties in attracting suitable buyers. This may be due to the business not suiting industrial buyers or being geographically located too far from potential stakeholders.

In sum, many factors can explain why privately held smaller companies generally have attractive valuations, which creates good conditions for high returns in the long term.

Value creation opportunities

Small and medium-sized businesses tend to have untapped potential that can be realised by becoming part of a larger business environment and context, such as Storskogen. Examples of specific areas that can be challenging for smaller companies are digitalisation, internationalisation, recruitment of competence and sustainability requirements.

Storskogen provides access to capital, expertise and knowledge sharing – areas that can be critical in order to improve operational excellence and carry out growth initiatives that increase profitability and empower companies to realise their potential.

For example, by gaining access to capital and expertise, companies belonging to fragmented industries can acquire competitors and create growth through industrial consolidation and expansion of their operations.

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The Storskogen model

The Storskogen model is based on decentralised, long-term and active ownership that provides the business units with the opportunity to retain their entrepreneurial spirit while benefiting from the support of a larger business group.

Long-term perspective and stability

Privately held small and medium-sized companies often reach a point where a new owner is required to ensure future competitiveness. Beyond financial aspects of a sale, company sellers tend to look for buyers who share their vision of nurturing the business and its employees to realise its long-term potential. Storskogen's approach aligns with these preferences, which is reflected in Storskogen's ambition to remain as a long-term owner.

Decentralisation, entrepreneurship, scalability

To achieve the vision of becoming the leading international owner of small and medium-sized businesses, Storskogen's organisation is designed for scalability. This is achieved through Storskogen's decentralised operational model which gives the management in each business unit decision-making power. They have the experience needed to manage their business, take advantage of market opportunities, address customer needs and effectively run the day-to-day operations. The model also ensures that management

have incentives and a clear responsibility for operational decision-making and target achievement – which promotes Storskogen's ambition to maintain the entrepreneurial spirit of each business unit.

Active ownership and financial governance

Storskogen's central business area organisation plays a crucial role in developing the business units with strategic and operational support in issues such as investment decisions, succession planning, sustainability initiatives and corporate governance. Support is provided through board-level work and is supplemented by monthly follow-up and other activities adapted to the needs of the business units. A key aspect of this process is Storskogen's shared framework for financial governance, which ensures reliable financial reporting and forecasting.

The strength of Storskogen's network of business units enables both internal and external synergies. Internal synergies include cross-purchasing among business units and utilisation of collective capabilities and resources. External synergies can

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○ The Storskogen model cont.

for example entail utilising the business units' collective purchasing power through framework agreements, optimising purchasing processes and procurement.

Some of the synergies are enabled through *Storskogen Knowledge Exchange*, KX, a platform aiming to increase cooperation and knowledge sharing within the business group. KX is structured into several areas: pricing, HR, procurement, digital channels, finance, ESG, supply chain and logistics. Through a range of tools including regular educational events, a shared repository, discussion forums and other activities, KX promotes cooperation and exchange of knowledge and experiences.

To enable long-term value creation, Storskogen places strategic emphasis on guiding the business units in their work to manage sustainability related demands and opportunities – areas that can be particularly challenging for small businesses to manage on their own. This is done through ongoing support, board-level work, trainings and common tools. The sustainability work is structured into three focus areas, based on the Group's materiality analysis: *Minimise environmental impact*, *A good employer and neighbour* and *Responsible business*.

Diversification and efficient capital allocation

Storskogen's growth comes from efficient capital allocation in both investments in organic growth and acquisitions. The acquisitions are divided into two main types:

- Platform acquisitions, forming individual business units. Platform acquisitions do not necessarily have to generate synergies but can contribute to the business group on an individual basis. However, they can, for example, have potential to consolidate industries through roll-up strategies.
- Add-on acquisitions, where an existing business unit acquires and integrates a business for strategic purposes, for example to expand its offer, competence or geographical presence.

The acquisition process is governed by carefully developed practices to ensure that the acquired companies are of high quality, aligning with Storskogen's overarching strategy. The proprietary *Case Assessment Tool*, CAT, systematically evaluates potential acquisitions, assessing their fit with the current business group and potential compared to other investment alternatives. This approach ensures that the acquired companies are likely to contribute to the profitability, diversification and resilience of the business group.

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Value creation for all stakeholders

Storskogen's strategy of owning and developing business units in several sectors and markets creates endurance and profitable growth. Generated cash flows are used to further strengthen the business group and create long-term value for Storskogen's stakeholders.

Resilience

As a business group, Storskogen mitigates the risks usually associated with owning individual small and medium-sized businesses. A diversified group of companies creates resilience and lower risk because different parts of the group are affected differently by trends, drivers and economic fluctuations. The challenges that may arise in individual businesses are balanced by the characteristics of the Group as a whole. The risks are also mitigated through operational excellence initiatives in the business units, which strengthens both their operations and the Group.

Profitable growth

Through the work that is carried out in Storskogen's business areas and underlying verticals, conditions for synergies, cooperation, structural transactions, mergers and other network effects are created. Generated cash flows are reinvested into the Group to enable additional initiatives for organic growth as well as add-on and platform acquisitions.

Value creation for stakeholders

Storskogen's business model delivers benefits for several stakeholder groups:

- **Shareholders:** Small and medium-sized businesses account for more than 50 percent of GDP in many high-income countries, according to OECD. However, for investors, accessing the significant value these businesses generate within society can be challenging. Storskogen addresses this gap by offering shareholders exposure to small and medium-sized businesses with a unique potential to contribute to the diversification of the investor's portfolio and create profitable growth.
- **Business sellers/business units:** Storskogen is a long-term owner, providing stability, support and conditions for growth – for example in areas such as digitalisation, internationalisation and sustainability. Not only does this ensure the businesses' survival, but it empowers them to realise their full potential.
- **Employees:** Storskogen works actively to ensure the well-being and motivation of its employees. This includes offering them development opportunities within the broader business group. Storskogen also strives to contribute to the employment in local communities in which the business units operate.
- **Society:** Storskogen promotes entrepreneurship and supports local businesses, contributing positively to the societies in which Storskogen operates. Storskogen is dedicated to enhancing sustainability across the business units, ensuring the operations benefit all stakeholders, from local communities to investors.

In summary, Storskogen's approach not only fosters financial growth but also supports a healthy ecosystem of businesses, employees and communities, underpinning the Group's commitment to sustainable business practices.

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Targets and target fulfilment

Over the year, Storskogen met its adjusted cash conversion target, and net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA was also in the target range. The complex and challenging year with weaker consumer demand and a weak construction market had a negative impact on Storskogen's organic EBITA growth and margin targets.

Storskogen's adjusted EBITA growth was 3 percent in 2023, which was below the historical average. This was primarily due to the Company's focus on decreasing interest-bearing debt, which affected the number of acquisitions made over the year. Organic EBITA growth was -13 percent, which fell short of the target of alignment with the real GDP growth in the markets in which Storskogen operates plus 1-2 percentage points.

Growth was strongly affected by continued cost inflation, which was gradually offset by price increases over the year, as well as a weakening of the Swedish krona. Business units exposed to new construction and weaker consumer demand were the primary reasons for the negative organic growth. These factors also impacted the adjusted EBITA margin, which was 9.0 percent compared with the target of 10 percent over time. Storskogen strives to raise the

margin by way of cost control, synergies and improved profitability in business units with a low margin. The business areas' focus on improved working capital contributed to a strong cash flow and adjusted cash conversion of 104 percent in 2023, which exceeded the 70 percent target. Interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA decreased from 2.6x to 2.5x at the end of the year, which is within the target

range of 2-3x. Due to continuing interest rates and associated costs, Storskogen aims to keep leverage to the lower part of

Medium-term financial targets

	Organic EBITA growth ¹⁾	Adjusted EBITA growth, including acquisitions	Adjusted EBITA margin (over time)	Adjusted cash conversion ³⁾ (annual basis)	Interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA
Targets	Real GDP growth ²⁾ +1-2 percentage points	In line with historical levels	10%	>70%	2.0-3.0x
Outcome 2023	-13%	3%	9.0%	104%	2.5x

1) Calculated as a change in EBITA, excluding acquisition and divestment effects from acquisitions compared with the same period in the previous year.
2) In existing markets.

3) Calculated as operating cash flow in percent of adjusted EBITDA.
4) Calculated as interest-bearing net debt compared with adjusted RTM EBITDA.

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Sustainability targets

Environmental: Minimise environmental impact

Social: A good employer and neighbour

Governance: Responsible business

Under-taking

To halve emissions by 2030 compared with 2020 and reach net zero by 2045.

We strive to be a gender-equal and inclusive organisation.

To identify, stop, prevent, mitigate and account for any negative impact on human rights and the environment in the supply chains.

Targets

- 2030**
- Emission intensity, 0.95 tCO₂e/(SEK m³)
 - 100 percent fossil-free energy²⁾
 - Offset any remaining emissions

- 2023**
- Gender distribution of 40–60 percent among employees in senior roles in Storskogen's central organisation
 - Gender distribution of 40–60 percent among the individuals appointed by Storskogen to the business units' boards (on an aggregated level)

- 2025**
- Evaluation of high-risk suppliers' compliance with the Business Partner Code of Conduct

- 2023**
- All business units must map their suppliers identify any high-risk suppliers
 - All business units that have high-risk suppliers must include requirements in agreements

Outcome 2023

- 12 tCO₂e/(SEK m³)
- 73 percent fossil-free energy²⁾
- 40 percent women and 60 percent men among employees in senior roles in Storskogen's central organisation
- 29 percent women and 71 percent men among the individuals appointed by Storskogen to the business units' boards (on an aggregated level)
- 89 percent of the business units have mapped their supply chain, of which 40 percent high-risk suppliers
- 74 percent of business units with high-risk suppliers have included requirements in agreements

1) Scopes 1 and 2.

2) Applies only to purchased electricity (not district heating, district cooling).

► Read more about Storskogen sustainability initiatives on [storskogen.com](#)

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Storskogen as an investment

Storskogen offers unique exposure with a focus on sustainable growth.

▶ **Unique exposure**

An investment in Storskogen offers unique exposure to small and medium-sized unlisted companies, which are generally difficult to access as an investor. Storskogen's business units have sales just below SEK 280 million on average, are market leaders in their segments, generate good cash flows and create positive and sustainable developments in their respective industry.

▶ **Long-term value creation**

Storskogen's long-term ownership requires the business units to be persistently profitable and able to adapt to changing conditions in society, for example in terms of legislation, customer and consumption patterns, as well as to global challenges such as climate change. Storskogen has an active but decentralised ownership model, which means that its business units retain a great deal of responsibility and independence while Storskogen provides expertise, funding and opportunities for knowledge sharing.

▶ **Diversification**

Through its 128 business units, Storskogen has a presence in three business areas and 30 countries. Historically, the business units have been resilient in economic downturns, and the operational and geographical diversification provides the Group with good conditions for endurance and stability also in the future.

▶ **Proven acquisition model**

Storskogen has a proven acquisition model with clear acquisition criteria that consider the Group's overarching financial and sustainability targets. This creates a large and qualitative acquisition deal flow, which in turn allows for diversification in the Group and good opportunities for profitable growth. Storskogen's selective and systematic evaluation of acquisition candidates ensures high quality of the acquired companies.

▶ **Collective expertise**

Storskogen's central business area organisation employs people with expertise in various sectors, often with previous experience as CEO or CFO. The business areas are supported by other central functions with expertise in areas such as M&A, corporate development, sustainability, finance, human resources, legal and communication. The central organisation's local presence in four geographical markets also provides excellent local and market knowledge.

▶ **Sustainable financial development**

Storskogen has strong growth and earnings trends. Between 2019 and 2023, net sales and adjusted EBITA had a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 56 percent and 60 percent, respectively. Storskogen's ability to generate strong cash flows that can be reinvested in the business units and in new acquisitions allows for sustained growth over time.

56%

Annual average net sales growth, 2019–2023

60%

Annual average adjusted EBITA growth, 2019–2023

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Storskogen's financial strategy

A properly balanced capital structure is of major importance, both for shareholders' risk exposure and returns, and for the continued development of the business operations.

Financial operations

Storskogen's financial operations are conducted in accordance with the Company's Finance Policy and financial targets. Storskogen's capital structure shall be balanced with regards to equity and debt. According to the Finance Policy, the equity-to-assets ratio shall be at least 25 percent. The Company's financial risk management is mainly centralised to leverage economies of scale and limit financial and operational risks at a Group level.

As at 31 December 2023, Storskogen's assets were SEK 44,169 million, with an equity-to-assets ratio of 46 percent and an interest coverage ratio of 2.5x.

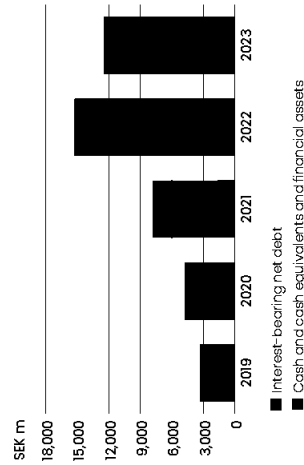
Financing strategy

Storskogen works continuously with its financial profile to obtain financing on competitive terms. This is achieved by maintaining close and long-term relations with lenders, enabling them to have deep knowledge of Storskogen's operations and performance. Storskogen strives to have a diversified debt portfolio, both in terms of type of debt and maturities. Storskogen regularly follows up and monitors current and future financing needs to ensure proper planning ahead of potential upcoming refinancing activities and sufficient time for long-term decisions.

Net debt and leverage

Storskogen aims for an interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA of 2.0–3.0x. To ensure long-term high returns to the Company's shareholders, the level is adapted to the economic cycle and the interest rate environment. The leverage may temporarily fall below 2.0x or exceed 3.0x, but it must never exceed 3.5x, depending on the timing of acquisitions. As at 31 December 2023, the Company's interest-bearing net debt was SEK 10,902 million and the leverage ratio (interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA) was 2.5x.

Debt structure, 31 December 2023¹⁾



SEK m	Maturity	Carrying amount
RCF ¹⁾	2025–2028	3,808
Term loan ¹⁾	2025	1,276
Bond 1	2027	1,885
Bond 2	2025	2,987
Hire/purchase agreements		293
Leases		1,652
Provisions for pensions		247
Other		177
Financial assets		-63
Cash and cash equivalents		-1,560
Total interest-bearing net debt		10,902

¹⁾ After year-end, Storskogen refinanced the RCF and the Term loan. For more information, see Events after year-end, p. 61.

Events in 2023

In 2023, Storskogen carried out activities to extend the maturity and adapt the debt portfolio to the interest rate environment. Interest-bearing net debt was reduced by SEK 2.8 billion from the business units, to the more effective cash in bank loans, repurchasing bonds and completed divestments in 2024 and issuing a new series with a longer duration, the average maturity of which was improved. At the end of 23 months. The rapidly rising interest rate hedging, but primarily to some extent at managing reducing the total loan volume.

After year-end, Storskogen both outstanding unsecured commitments, by which Storskogen average maturity of its debt was reduced the scope of its balance sheet.

► For more information, see Events after year-end, p. 61.

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Organisation and culture

Identifying, acquiring and developing companies in a sustainable manner places demands on the corporate culture, employee skills and commitment, and the way Storskogen is organised to manage the Group. Storskogen strives to ensure effective resource allocation, good corporate governance and operational excellence, as well as to encourage innovation.

Organisational structure

Storskogen's skills and organisation are key to successfully executing the strategy of identifying, acquiring and developing companies. Storskogen's central organisations in the Nordic region, DACH, United Kingdom and Asia combine great industrial expertise with local presence and market knowledge. Storskogen's business units are supported by the three business area organisations that include both generalists and specialists.

In 2023, a review of the central organisation was carried out. Considering the continued low pace of acquisitions, resources were reduced and redistributed. Certain employees were transferred from central operations to operational management positions in the business units, such as CEO. This is expected to have a positive effect on the development of employees and business units alike.

Storskogen's values

Storskogen's four values are deeply rooted in the Group's history: entrepreneurial, respectful, a long-term approach and professional. These values guide Storskogen's employees in their strategic and daily work and form the basis of Storskogen's recruitment processes.

Work environment and business ethics in the central organisation

Storskogen has a long-term view when it comes to relations with employees and therefore takes an active approach to ensuring employees' well-being and motivation. Storskogen places great importance on offering employees a good work environment and beneficial employment conditions. All employees in the central organisation are white-collar workers. None of them are subject to collective bargaining agreements, but their working conditions and terms of employment correspond to collective bargaining agreements in similar organisations.

Employee dialogue

Employees are invited to express their views and opinions in employee surveys, performance reviews and regular team debriefings. In 2023, a process to appoint an employee safety representative was initiated. This work is expected to be completed in 2024.

Performance reviews and quarterly follow-up sessions are held by each manager to discuss topics such as satisfaction, performance, personal goals and development. In 2023, performance reviews were held with all employees.

Storskogen's values



Entrepreneurial

- We focus on business opportunities and cost-efficiency.
- We dare to make decisions even when we don't have all facts on the table.
- We are driven and solution and action-oriented.
- We are innovative, open to new ideas and fuelled by the mindset of never giving up.



Professional

- We make fact-based decisions.
- Essential information.
- We invest time in developing and striving for improvement.
- We are honest and transparent.
- We aim to establish a clear expectation on our promises.



A long-term approach

- We focus on long-term success.
- We invest in people and long-term relationships.
- We develop our companies to secure long-term competitiveness.
- We are sustainable and strive to be relevant in 100 years.



Respectful

- We adapt ourselves to every situation.
- We help our colleagues.
- We meet on equal terms in all situations.
- We respect other people's contributions.
- We are open and curious to learn.



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Continuous anonymous employee surveys are performed to obtain regular information on employee well-being and the work environment. The results are handled by each manager and also form the basis for strategic HR initiatives. The areas measured include motivation, the ability to influence daily work, workload and work-life balance. In 2023, the employee surveys had a high response rate and indicated great commitment and confidence in Storskogen's strategy and leadership.

Health and safety risks

The main health and safety risks in Storskogen's central organisation are work-related stress, risks associated with the psychosocial work environment and ergonomics. Employee surveys are the main tool for identifying, preventing and managing such risks. From the start of the surveys, the results have indicated low stress levels. If improvement measures are required, an action plan is prepared by the manager in question and HR. Read more on p. 42.

Insurance and benefits

In addition to compliance with each country's local laws and regulations on employment conditions, health and safety, etc., all employees are offered parental pay, private healthcare insurance, health insurance, preventive health insurance, accident insurance and non-life insurance. Health-promoting activities are encouraged, and in some countries, health checks

and common exercise opportunities are provided along with an extended wellness subsidy. Other benefits offered in the central organisation include incentive programmes to motivate and retain staff.

Structure and governance documents

Over the year, an HR system for the central organisation was implemented to collect employee and employment information on a common digital platform.

Storskogen's HR system and intranet contain governance documents such as the Code of Conduct, Work Environment Policy and Gender Equality and Diversity Policy. Storskogen also has a digital whistleblowing function. These policies have been adopted by Storskogen's Board and cover the entire central organisation.

Strengthening position as an attractive employer

The project to strengthen Storskogen's position as an attractive employer that was initiated in 2022 continued in 2023. It mainly involves the areas workplace, inclusion and benefits. As part of the project, training with the Allbright foundation was carried out, focus on employee development opportunities was increased and extended health check benefits were implemented.

► For further information on employees, see Note H6, p. 145

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EMPLOYEE INTERVIEW

Chris Pullen has served as an officer in the British Army and CEO of several service companies. Today he holds the role of Investment Director at Storskogen in the UK, where he is the chair of the boards of the British business units in the Services and Industry business areas. In 2023, Chris was appointed Acting CEO of the business unit Stop Start Transport.



Chris Pullen,
Investment Director,
Storskogen UK

What is your professional background?

My career started as a British Army Officer, which I think gave me a great grounding in leadership and exposed me to some interesting situations. After the military, my experience has been mainly in CEO roles across various services businesses including parking, serviced offices and real estate, recruitment and training. A common theme has been large businesses with either a strategic growth agenda to develop or a turnaround situation.

What do you do at Storskogen?

I spend most of my time working as the chair of boards of the UK business units in the Services and Industry business areas. I also work with our M&A team, supporting the deal process and building relationships with the selling founders.

Tell us about your role as Acting CEO of Stop Start Transport.

2023 was an interesting year for me as I stepped into one of our business units, Stop Start Transport, as acting CEO, replacing the

founder. During the year we accelerated the growth potential of the business unit by completing a digital transformation, some operational investments and a facility move. This is a good example of how Storskogen has the breadth and depth of experience to directly support business units as and when needed.

What challenges do you typically face in your job?

The challenges are wide and varied and differ from business to business. Often the challenge is around growth strategy – when and how much to invest. Having had experience running larger companies where I have made these decisions many times before, and sometimes made mistakes, I enjoy helping the business units to find the right solution.

What do you like best about working at Storskogen?

I really enjoy the opportunity to work with a broad range of people from across varied industries and sectors. It is a unique privi-

lege to be able to work along with entrepreneurs and to help successful of already highly successful. No two businesses are alike requires a tailored approach. At the same time, I feel at home with Storskogen's values-based culture.

As Acting CEO of Storskogen in 2023, what was the most exciting thing that happened at Storskogen in your opinion?

It was a busy year with two highlights. The acquisition of a company was the culmination of a year that was great to finally add to the portfolio. It was also exciting to see the company to the point of running Stop Start Transport and excitement throughout



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A well-diversified group of companies

Storskogen's business units operate in a wide range of sectors, forming a Group that is well-diversified with regard to trends, drivers and sensitivity to economic fluctuations.

Diversified business areas with specialised verticals

Storskogen's business units are divided into three business areas, Services, Trade and Industry, with 14 underlying and specialised verticals. The business units contribute to good operational and geographical diversification, creating stability and resilience. The business units all have a strong market position, a proven business model, long-term profitability and an entrepreneurial spirit in common.

Long-term development and growth

The business areas work actively with the business units to enable long-term development and growth. The work is adapted to the operations, conditions and objectives of each business unit and performed on both a strategic and operational level.

The business units are divided into verticals in each business area, based on the type of operations they carry out and on the industry in which they are active. Each vertical contains similar business units and

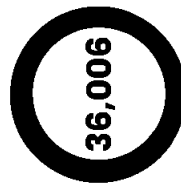
people from Storskogen's central organisation that have expertise in that specific industry. This allows for knowledge sharing, collaboration and economies of scale – both within and outside of the verticals.

Drawing benefits from macro trends

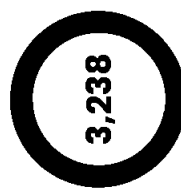
Due to the business areas' diversification, they are affected by and draw benefits from a wide spectrum of macro trends. Large overarching trends, such as the green energy transition, digitalisation and urbanisation,

affect all business areas, while others are specific to each area. The business areas are also affected by and address sustainability issues. All business units comply with the Group-wide targets and therefore focus on climate, gender equality, diversity and sustainable supply chain.

Net sales¹⁾, SEK m



Adjusted EBITA²⁾, SEK m



Number of employees³⁾



Emission intensity CO₂e/sale



1) The total figure includes SEK -50 million for Group operations.
 2) The total figure includes SEK -270 million for Group operations.
 3) The total figure includes 101 employees in the central organisation.

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Business area Services

The business area consists of service companies with strong positions in selected B2B niches. The business units are divided into seven verticals: Contracting Services, Infrastructure, Installation, Logistics, Engineering Services, Digital Services, as well as HR and Competence.

Strategy and trends

The business area works actively with the business units on strategic and operational issues to help them develop and achieve greater profitability in the long term. The focus is on operational improvements and resource and machine optimisation. Many of the business units are labour-intensive, which makes it increasingly important to be prepared for rapid adjustments to changes in the macroeconomic environment. To remain profitable and minimise risk, the business area strives to strengthen the business units' skills in areas such as calculations, pricing, price indexation and project reporting further.

The business area is affected by and benefits from trends such as digitalisation and increased e-commerce, which is driving demand for transport and logistics services. Other trends include an increased focus on lifelong learning, which benefits the business units in HR and Competence, and the green energy transition, which drives new customers and business. Examples include certain business units in the Contracting Services vertical, which used to only be active in petrol stations but have now expanded to charging infrastructure and gained hydrogen companies as customers.

Transactions

Two platform acquisitions were made over the first six months, and in the autumn, the three electrical contracting companies AC Electrical, AC Electrical and AC Electrical were acquired. The acquisition of the Inscape Group expanded the range of services offered in Singapore. In addition to HR and Competence vertical and was fortified with the acquisition of the education company Café in Singapore. In addition to HR and Competence vertical and was fortified with the acquisition of the education company Café in Singapore. In addition to HR and Competence vertical and was fortified with the acquisition of the education company Café in Singapore.

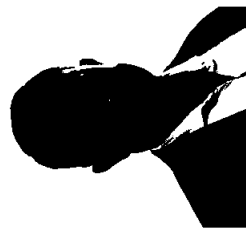
Over the year, seven divestments were made. The group Dextro Group was divested at the end of the year, the three electrical contracting firms Veilanda AB, Växjö AB and EVAB Gruppen AB were divested, as were the contracting services firm Svenska Jungdyka. During the second half of the year, parts of EBITA and a subsidiary within the business unit Södra also divested.

► For a complete list of transactions, please refer to the annual report 2022, page 88-94.

Events during the year

The year started with generally good conditions, where the full effect of price adjustments made and continued strong demand contributed to revenue growth and increased profitability in the first six months of the year. Nonetheless, growing concerns about a weaker economic situation had a dampening effect on the latter part of the year, and several business units had to adapt their organisations. Sales and EBITA were also affected by the divestment of several business units, whose revenue was no longer received.

Business units with exposure to the construction industry were affected negatively due to fewer construction projects being started, while the HR and Competence vertical was impacted by continued low unemployment rates, low participant numbers and few allocated training programmes. On the other hand, the Installation vertical, which faced a couple of challenging years after the pandemic, benefited from strong demand.



Peter Augren,
Head of Business Services

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Business area Services

Key performance indicators

SEK m	2023	2022	2021
Net sales	1,346	1,351	6,906
Adjusted EBITA	1,057	1,079	695
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	9.3	9.5	10.1
Adjusted EBITA excl. transaction costs	1,062	1,101	712
Adjusted EBITA margin excl. transaction costs, %	9.4	9.7	10.3
Emission intensity tCO ₂ e/sales, SEK m	2.1	2.6	2.6
Number of employees	4,352	5,140	4,297

Despite a weaker macroeconomic environment and divestments carried out during the year, net sales for the business area were unchanged and amounted to SEK 1,346 million (1,351) in 2023. Organic sales growth was -3 percent. Adjusted EBITA decreased by 2 percent to SEK 1,057 million (1,079) and adjusted EBITA margin was 9.3 percent (9.5). The business area had organic EBITA growth of -18 percent. The adjusted EBITA margin excluding transaction costs was 9.4 percent (9.7). Emission intensity was 2.1 tCO₂e/SEK m (2.6).

Net sales, %
By vertical



Net sales growth

0%

Adjusted EBITA growth

-2%

- Installation 31%
- Engineering Services 14%
- HR and Competence 9%
- Logistics 10%
- Digital Services 6%
- Contracting Services 9%
- Infrastructure 21%

VERTICALS IN THE BUSINESS AREA

► **Installation** comprises business units in plumbing, ventilation, cooling, chimney sweeping, and electrical and technical installations. Customers are mainly municipal and private property companies as well as both small and large construction companies.

11 business units and 1,252 employees

► **Engineering Services** comprises business units that provide technical engineering services in areas such as architecture, engineering services, fire safety, environment and advanced measurement technology. Customers include construction companies, private property owners and public sector entities.

8 business units and 465 employees

► **HR and Competence** comprises business units in the areas of education, such as adult education, labour market training, corporate training, temping agency services and job matching. Customers are primarily private companies, individuals and Swedish authorities on various levels.

6 business units and 775 employees

► **Digital Services** comprises business units that provide IT-related and digital services and products to corporate customers in the private and public sectors.

9 business units and 343 employees

► **Contracting Services** comprises business units that include service providers, contractors for the construction engineering market. Customers are construction companies, private owners and industrial companies and 450 employees

► **Infrastructure** comprises business units that carry out heavy infrastructure projects, railway infrastructure projects, heavy equipment such as drilling, excavation and foundation work. Customers are companies in the private and public sectors.

13 business units and 828 employees

► **Logistics** comprises business units in freight services, freight forwarding, mile deliveries and third-party logistics. Customers include companies in the freight forwarding, cargo owners and public sector.

6 business units and 239 employees

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Business area Services

DEEP DIVE: DIGITAL SERVICES

Business development enables long-term growth

The business units in the Digital Services vertical offer IT-related and digital services in selected B2B niches and reported total net sales of SEK 715 million (643) in 2023.

Network for digital expertise

The Digital Services vertical includes business units with their own digital service platforms and consulting companies in various digital niches. The companies are all being driven and impacted by the increasing digitalisation, automation and societal changes in digital services.

Some business units benefit from additional sales due to the vertical network. Other business units operate in their own niches but benefit from knowledge sharing regarding the application of new technology, which can be evaluated in one business unit and implemented in others if it is found to add value. Storskogen relies on extensive industry knowledge in its focus on creating growth at the vertical and business unit levels.

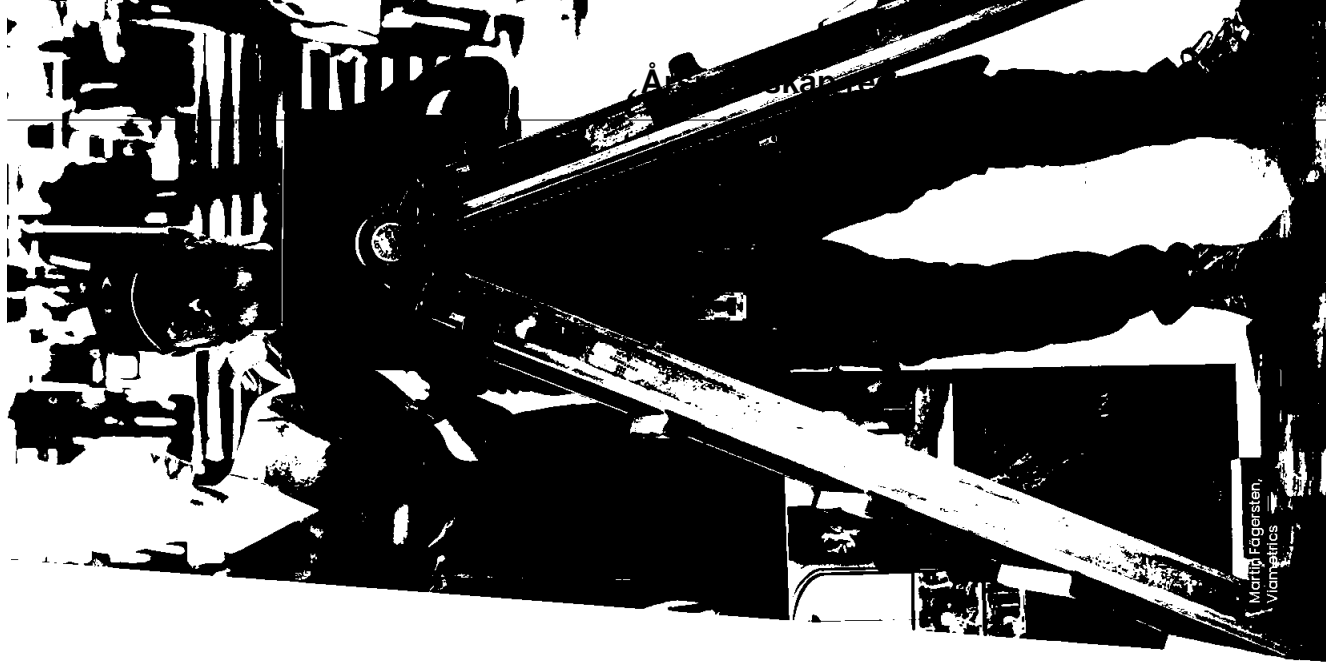
Growth through business development

The Viarmetrics business unit is the Nordic leader in automated people-counting solutions and analyses of visitor traffic in

stores. Viarmetrics' digital platform makes it possible for its customers, chiefly store owners and office premises, to analyse and optimise their operations and make them more effective.

Through focused and methodical work on the board, Storskogen has helped Viarmetrics visualise its strategy and business plan. In 2022, Storskogen also assisted Viarmetrics in the add-on acquisition of mAnalyze, which consolidated the market and created a more extensive service offering and better coverage in Sweden. This has helped the company grow through new customers, higher revenue and greater profits with lower working capital. Since Storskogen acquired Viarmetrics in 2021, the company's net sales have increased by 34 percent to SEK 85 million and its adjusted EBITA has increased by 29 percent to SEK 23 million.

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Martin Fagersten,
Viarmetrics

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Business area Trade

The business area comprises business units with expertise in distribution and experience in developing and marketing physical products under their own and external brands. The business units are divided into four verticals: Home and Living, Health and Beauty, Sports, Clothing and Accessories and Niche Businesses.

Strategy and trends

The business area takes a methodical approach to creating synergies and economies of scale in the Group, aiming to increase the competitiveness and profitability of the business units. This is partly achieved through an acquisition strategy, where both the individual company's performance and its contributions to the Group are considered, and partly through continuous business development efforts. For example, several companies in the Health and Beauty vertical are working to make their operations more effective by upgrading their system infrastructure (read more on p. 28).

The business area comprises a high proportion of companies that provide consumer products, an area where sustainability is becoming increasingly important to retailers and consumers alike. To remain competitive, it is therefore important to be at the forefront of product development. Outdoor planters made of recycled cars and second-hand bicycles and furniture made of sustainably produced wood are examples of sustainable product development that is appreciated by customers. As distributors, the business units have close relationships with their producers. They are therefore able to influence their business partners on social

sustainability issues such as working conditions. Business units that design their own products can also make other choices to reduce environmental impact in the entire supply chain, such as when selecting colouring agents or packaging volumes.

To improve profitability, the business units take an active approach to optimising their product offerings, cash flows and business models. Focus is on initiatives to reduce capital tied up and currency risk as well as to create the conditions required to act fast on changes in the external environment and any new business opportunities to which they may give rise.

Events during the year

Higher costs of living had a negative impact on private consumption over the year, which was characterised by declining demand for durable consumer goods. To compensate for the lower demand, the business area made significant efforts to reduce costs and adapt operations to the new market conditions. There were major differences between verticals, as developments were much better in the Health and Beauty and Niche Businesses verticals than in the Home and Living and Sports, Clothing and Accessories verticals, which had greater exposure to durable consumer goods.

As sales were in Swedish kronor but purchases were in US dollars and euros, the weakening of the Swedish krona had a negative effect on the business area. To balance risks and opportunities, the business area has adopted clear processes for purchasing and currency hedging.

Inventory levels at all levels of the supply chain were very high in the beginning of the year but fell gradually toward year-end, which facilitated inventory management and created conditions for improved sales in 2024.

Transactions

No platform acquisitions were made in the business area over the year, but two add-on acquisitions of business units were made.

Four divestments were made during the year: a manufacturer of Skidstahus and Delikatesskurvar and Hilpert Electronics and an associated Swiss company in Switzerland.

► For a complete list of transactions made in 2023, see the annual report, pages 88-94.



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Business area Trade**Key performance indicators**

SEK m	2023	2022	2021
Net sales	10,048	9,637	5,410
Adjusted EBITA	804	923	582
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	8.0	9.6	10.8
Adjusted EBITA excl. transaction costs	806	950	596
Adjusted EBITA margin excl. transaction costs, %	8.0	9.9	11.0
Emission intensity tCO ₂ e/sales, SEK m	0.5	0.6	0.8
Number of employees	2,477	2,417	1,555

Despite a challenging year from an economic standpoint with falling demand, net sales in the business area increased by 4 percent to SEK 10,048 million (9,637) in 2023. Organic sales growth was -5 percent. Adjusted EBITA decreased by 13 percent to SEK 804 million (923). The adjusted EBITA margin was 8.0 percent (9.6), negatively affected by the weak Swedish krona. Organic EBITA growth was -25 percent. The adjusted EBITA margin excluding transaction costs was 8.0 percent (9.9). Emission intensity was 0.5 tCO₂e/SEK m (0.6).

Net sales, %

By vertical

Net sales growth**4%****Adjusted EBITA growth****-13%**

- Home and Living 29%
- Health and Beauty 28%
- Sports, Clothing and Accessories 13%
- Niche Businesses 30%

VERTICALS IN THE BUSINESS AREA

► **Home and Living** comprises business units that design, produce and distribute home furnishing items such as pots and furniture as well as construction-related products such as awnings, flooring and holiday homes. The business units generally have a stable network of resellers in Europe with sales both online and in bricks-and-mortar stores and a minor proportion of direct sales to end customers. Suppliers are located all over the world.

12 business units and 629 employees

► **Health and Beauty** comprises business units active in haircare, skincare, fragrances and cosmetics. For the most part, they are distributors of well-known brands, but they also have proprietary brands that are offered to hairdressers, e-commerce companies and other resellers. The business units are generally prominent in quality assurance, logistics and brand building and have strong relationships with the brand owners.

5 business units and 1,098 employees

► **Sports, Clothing and Accessories** comprises business units that offer products for end-customers' activities such as equipment, clothing and accessories. Several of the business units offer cycling and outdoor recreation. The group includes both units that sell directly to customers and those that sell through resellers, but all business units are strong in their niche.

8 business units and 217 employees

► **Niche Businesses** comprises business units with corporate end-customers in generally market niches. Suppliers are known for their long-term relationships and excellent service. The business units use a combination of traditional commerce and e-commerce to sell products such as work equipment and industrial products.

7 business units and 533 employees

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Business area Trade

DEEP DIVE: HEALTH AND BEAUTY

A leading health and beauty player in the Nordic region

From its first acquisition in 2019, the Health and Beauty vertical has grown into a leading provider of health and beauty products in the Nordic region, chiefly through the distribution of professional haircare, skincare, perfume and cosmetics.

Expertise on many levels of the value chain
Distinctive for the Health and Beauty vertical is that the business units are active on many levels of the value chain. For example, they constitute brand owners of ByWe's haircare brand Björk, brand-building distributors through ByWe, Session MAP and Scandinavian Cosmetics, a consumer facing e-commerce business through Perfect Hair, and owners of hair salons. Consequently, the understanding and knowledge of the industry and the market are extensive, both among the business units and in Storskogen's central team. This promotes knowledge sharing and synergies between the businesses, which has enabled the vertical's robust growth.

Enabling operational excellence and synergies

Operational excellence initiatives and synergy realisation largely focus on digitalisation of IT infrastructure, working capital improvement and logistic efficiencies.

Scandinavian Cosmetics previously upgraded and coordinated its system infrastructure and automated its central warehouse. Thanks to knowledge sharing in the vertical and capital and expertise from Storskogen, similar projects are now carried out in Session MAP and ByWe to improve efficiencies in the same way. Both business units will upgrade to more suitable ERP and warehouse optimisation systems. They will also strengthen their B2B web platform solutions to improve the customer journey and offer their customers a smooth experience.

Storskogen's initiatives to strengthen the vertical through collaboration, business development and acquisitions have turned Health and Beauty into a leading provider of health and beauty products in the Nordic region, with sales that increased by 50 percent to SEK 2,802 million (1,866) in 2023.

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Business area Industry

The business area focuses on traditional B2B industrial companies in heavy or medium-heavy industry, manufacturing and automation. The business units are divided into three verticals: Automation, Industrial Technology and Products.

Strategy and trends

The business area's strategy of acquiring and further developing small and medium-sized, high-quality industrial companies in different industries and geographical areas aims to increase long-term profitability. Initiatives to develop the business units include adding expertise and financing and creating the conditions required for knowledge sharing and collaboration between business units. Examples include the collaboration in the Industrial Technology vertical, which has made it possible to submit bids and win deals linked to major investments in Northern Sweden (read more on p. 31).

The business area gains exposure to various underlying drivers and trends through its diversified strategy. For example, business units may benefit from the strong digitalisation and automation trends in the industrial sector through increased business opportunities and enhanced competitiveness. Automation solutions, online production systems and increased data mining improve productivity, quality and energy efficiency. This benefits most business units in the Automation vertical that develop advanced automation solutions, as well as other business units that

are transforming their production through automation. This allows for increased competitiveness through more efficient flows and better salary levels.

Another long-term trend in automation that offers financial and sustainability benefits for industrial companies is the reshoring of production from low-cost countries to Sweden and Europe. Automation solutions allow higher productivity, which, together with reduced transport costs, offsets the higher production costs. At the same time, the geographical proximity and shorter transport routes result in reduced emissions, increased control of suppliers and supply chains and better working conditions.

Events during the year

In 2023, the business area performed well from an operational and financial standpoint. The year started off strong but was followed by an increasingly weak economy that affected most business units in the last six months of the year. Despite uncertainty in the external environment, the underlying market was generally good.

Industrial companies were affected by generally high cost inflation, and some business units suffered from continued shortages of certain components. Implemented price increases and focus on rationalisation and continuous productivity improvements largely offset the higher costs.

The year was also characterised by intensified efforts to reduce the capital tied up in the business units in the long term, such as by reducing complexity in the operations, optimising inventory levels and improving the terms for customers and suppliers.

Transactions

Over the year, four add-on acquisitions were made in business units. No platform acquisitions were made in the business area over the year.

► For a complete list of transactions made in 2022: and 6, pp. 88-94.



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Head of Business Area Industry

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Business area industry

Key performance indicators

SEK m	2023	2022	2021
Net sales	14,662	13,288	5,186
Adjusted EBITA	1,646	1,460	626
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	11.2	11.0	12.1
Adjusted EBITA excl. transaction costs	1,649	1,484	674
Adjusted EBITA margin excl. transaction costs, %	11.2	11.2	13.0
Emission intensity tCO ₂ e/sales, SEK m	1.2	1.2	1.2
Number of employees	5,147	5,276	2,786

Net sales in the business area increased by 10 percent to SEK 14,662 million (13,288) in 2023. Organic sales growth was -1 percent. Adjusted EBITA grew by 13 percent to SEK 1,646 million (1,460); consequently, the adjusted EBITA margin was 11.2 percent (11.0). Organic EBITA growth was -1 percent. The adjusted EBITA margin excluding transaction costs was 11.2 percent (11.2). Emission intensity was 1.2 tCO₂e/SEK m (1.2).

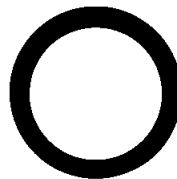
VERTICALS IN THE BUSINESS AREA

► **Automation** comprises business units that develop and manufacture high-tech automation solutions. The companies are exposed to the strong automation and digitalisation trend, which is expected to grow increasingly important along with more stringent requirements on productivity, quality and sustainability. 9 business units and 1,726 employees

► **Industrial Technology** consists of business units in the field of heavy engineering such as cutting and welding of steel structures, foundries and contract manufacturing of machine parts. The companies offer high-quality manufacturing with high production efficiency. 17 business units and 1,768 employees

► **Products** comprises business units in their own range of products. The companies develop and produce trailers, custom-built hotel frames and cable ladders. 13 business units and 1,653 employees

Net sales, %
By vertical



- Automation 32%
- Industrial Technology 36%
- Products 32%

Net sales growth

10%

Adjusted EBITA growth

13%

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Business area Industry

DEEP DIVE: INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Cooperation creates business opportunities

The Industrial Technology vertical comprises business units with industrial customers in the automotive, forest, construction, processing, mechanical engineering and mining industries. Storskogen has enabled for business units to come together and create a joint services offering to strengthen their market positions and business opportunities.

Conditions for value creation

Storskogen's employees in Industrial Technology have extensive and solid experience from leading positions in the industrial sector and are active in creating the conditions required for value-creating cooperation and knowledge sharing between business units in the vertical.

Cooperation strengthens market positions

One example is related to the major industrial investments that are currently being made in Northern Sweden. These investments are closely linked to the green transition in areas such as electrification, wind farms and hydrogen storage facilities, and they are expected to total approximately SEK 1000 billion.

Through cooperation in the vertical, Storskogen has enabled the business units to be eligible these projects. The business units have created a joint service offering

where they can perform work at different stages of a project or collaborate at the same stage of a project. For example, VINAB and Stål & Rörmontage, who manufacture steel constructions for the processing industry, can be active in the manufacturing and construction phase, while JD Pierce, who has a highly automated production of steel constructions, can manufacture large quantities of steel for assembly.

The expanded joint service offering has resulted in several bids and deals for projects in which these small and medium-sized companies would not otherwise be considered, but in which Storskogen, as an international Group, can offer the customer security, stability and an extensive offering. This is believed to be beneficial to the vertical's future growth and has contributed to strong sales in the vertical, which increased by 12 percent in 2023, to SEK 5,348 million (4,782).

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Storskogen's sustainability initiatives

Storskogen's efforts for sustainable development are built on the sustainability areas **Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)**. The three focus areas of Storskogen's sustainability initiatives – Minimise environmental impact, A good employer and neighbour and Responsible business – are based on Storskogen's materiality assessment.

Storskogen supports business units' sustainability initiatives

Various sustainability issues are important to all Storskogen's business units. The most material topics differ between business units depending on sector and geographical location. Storskogen supports the business units in their efforts to reach Group-wide sustainability targets, manage risks and pursue opportunities for increased competitiveness. These efforts are central to Storskogen's value

creation and involve ongoing support, training, shared tools, networking and several other initiatives.

Initiatives based on external frameworks

In 2022, Storskogen signed the UN Global Compact, and the Group's sustainability initiatives are based on the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact for companies. These principles are founded on internationally recognised and accepted conventions and agreements on human rights,

labour, environment and Anti-Corruption, the International Declaration of Human Rights, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Organisation's Declaration on Fundamental Rights at Work, the Rio Declaration and the Convention against Corruption.

Based on Storskogen's materiality assessment areas, relevant targets and strategies were line with the Ten Principles and the UN's 2030 Sustainable Development.

Sustainability areas

Environmental

- Minimise environmental impact**
 - Climate impact
 - Environmental management

Social

- A good employer and neighbour**
 - Attracting and retaining employees
 - Gender equality and diversity
 - Health and safety

Corporate governance

- Responsible business**
 - Returns and good corporate governance
 - Business ethics and Anti-Corruption
 - Responsible supply chain

Ambitions

- We use scientifically-based environmental targets that are aligned with the goals of the Paris Agreement.
- We are taking action to avoid negative impact on the environment.
- We aim to be an attractive employer that offers professional development and exciting careers.
- We aim to be a gender-equal and inclusive organisation.
- We strive continuously to ensure safe and healthy workplaces.
- We have a strong focus on professionalism and business ethics.
- We aim to be a responsible owner by supporting our businesses with skills and knowledge.
- We integrate sustainability into our value chain

Selected targets from UN's 2030 Agenda

- Target 12.6** – Encourage companies to adopt sustainable practices and sustainability reporting.
- Target 13.3** – Build knowledge and capacity to meet climate change.
- Target 5.5** – Ensure women's full participation in leadership and decision-making.
- Target 10.3** – Ensure equal opportunities and end discrimination.

Targets

- In line with the Paris Agreement, Storskogen will have its emission intensity by 2030 compared with 2020 and achieve net zero emissions by 2045.
- 80 percent fossil-free energy by 2025.
- Gender distribution of 40–60 percent among employees in senior roles in Storskogen's central organisation.
- Gender distribution of 40–60 percent among the individuals appointed by Storskogen to the business units' boards (on an aggregated level).
- All business units must map their supply chain in 2023.
- All business units that have identified high-risk suppliers must include requirements in agreements in 2023.
- High-risk suppliers' compliance with Business Partner Code of Conduct evaluated in 2025.

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Preparations for CSRD

Over the year, Storskogen initiated preparatory work for compliance with the guidelines in the new EU directive on sustainability reporting, the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD). The directive represents a new era in sustainability reporting and increases the requirements on transparency, accuracy and accountability.

Storskogen has allocated significant resources to the adaptation of reporting processes to ensure credible, accurate and meaningful sustainability reporting in line with the new requirements. Preparations have included a double materiality assessment, an updated stakeholder dialogue and close cooperation with Storskogen's auditors to plan the external review.

Materiality assessment

In 2019, Storskogen carried out its first materiality assessment. This has been evaluated internally on an annual basis without major changes. In 2023, a new CSRD-compliant double materiality assessment was prepared. The work will continue in 2024, and it can already be stated that resource use and circular economy will be added as new focus areas. The previously identified material area, Thriving communities, is under reevaluation, and will therefore not be included in the 2023 Annual Report. The new double materiality assessment was adopted by Storskogen's Group management and Board in the beginning of 2024.

Stakeholder dialogues

Storskogen has identified customers, employees, potential business units, owners and investors, the local communities where

the business units are located, and suppliers as its most important stakeholders. Members of Group management are included in the new double materiality assessment to ensure that their perspectives are represented. The result will be reported jointly with the double materiality assessment in the next Annual Report.

Over the year, Storskogen engaged in dialogues with several major shareholders and creditors to ensure that Storskogen lives up to their expectations.

Preparations for external review

As part of CSRD, Storskogen's Sustainability Report will be reviewed externally when the legislation comes into force. To prepare the Company for this review and ensure consistent sustainability reporting of adequate quality, Storskogen performed a preparatory review of the Group's sustainability issues in 2022. The evaluation showed that Storskogen's business units have good knowledge of their operations' sustainability impact, but that the documentation and quality of the sustainability processes vary. To manage these variations, Storskogen provided directed training to the business units and established clear guidelines for the business units' sustainability reporting over the year. Storskogen also works continuously on process descriptions and the integration of sustainability reporting aspects in internal controls.

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Sustainability efforts in Storskogen's business units

Storskogen does not expect all business units to meet all of the Group's sustainability-related requirements directly upon completion of an acquisition. However, they must have the ability and conditions to meet expectations over time. Supporting development of the business units' sustainability initiatives is an important element of Storskogen's value creation as an owner. Sustainability issues related to the business units are handled by the management of each business unit and determined by its board. As the business units operate in different sectors, the material challenges and opportunities faced differ.

The governance model is decentralised, but Storskogen expects all business units to: (a) monitor, identify and act on any material risks and opportunities in relevant sustainability areas. This includes areas that affect or are expected to affect the business unit's business model, competitiveness and/or financial position in the short, medium and long term; (b) adopt relevant and measurable targets for the most material sustainability topics and implement measures to reach them; (c) develop and implement any relevant governance documents/instructions, in addition to the Group-wide governance documents/instructions required to support the business unit's sustainability initiatives and meet the targets adopted; (d) act in accordance with the principles in Storskogen's Code of Conduct and other policies and support all Group-wide targets.

Ownership through good corporate governance and sustainability process
When the acquisition of a new business unit has been completed, Storskogen's sustainability process and governance documents are presented to the business unit's management. During the business unit's first year as a Storskogen company, management shall prepare a sustainability action plan that includes a materiality assessment, targets, key performance indicators, governance documents and instructions. The management team and board of each business unit are responsible for ensuring that the sustainability initiatives are implemented in the operations. The initiatives are followed up at least annually by the boards.

1. Evaluation: Analysis of the intended acquisition's most material sustainability aspects and an assessment of the business unit's ability to handle these in a value-creating manner in the long term.
2. Introduction: After completion, a special briefing is held with the business unit's management to present Storskogen's sustainability process and governance documents.

3. Strategic discussion: Within 6–9 months after completion, and thereafter at least annually, the board of each business unit has a strategic sustainability discussion as an agenda item. This discussion focuses on the business unit's material sustainability topics, developments in the business unit's external environment and their effect on the business model, products and services, as well as making decisions on strategic prioritisation and the way forward.

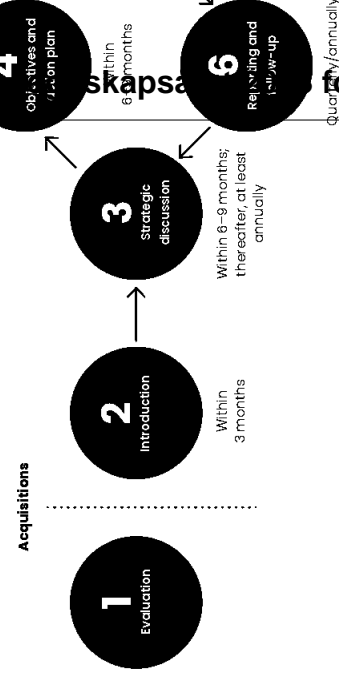
4. Objectives and action plan: To support the continued work at the business unit level, an appropriate action plan is drawn up, including any goals and key figures that are relevant in addition to the Group's. Thereafter, the action plan is updated as necessary, based on the outcome of the annual strategic discussion.

5. Continuous sustainability initiatives: Initiatives according to the action plan, including implementation of any supplementary control documents and instructions.

6. Reporting and follow-up: Each board follows up on current sustainability issues and projects. Group-wide sustainability data are reported annually, policy compliance is reviewed and new or updated governance documents are adopted.

Sustainability expertise key to creating value
Support for implementing Storskogen's sustainability process is provided by business units, both continuously and on an ad-hoc basis. Any Storskogen employee who supports the investment managers, investors and members of the boards – must therefore have sustainability expertise. To increase knowledge, employees at Storskogen offices must undergo mandatory ability training, which has also been available to Storskogen's Board members. The business units also mandatorily receive sustainability and dedicated sustainability training to increase the level of knowledge.

Storskogen's sustainability process



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the Group and highlight good examples, the business units meet several times per year through Storskogen's sustainability network. The business units can use the network to obtain information, training and inspiration, share experiences and collaborate on practical implementation.

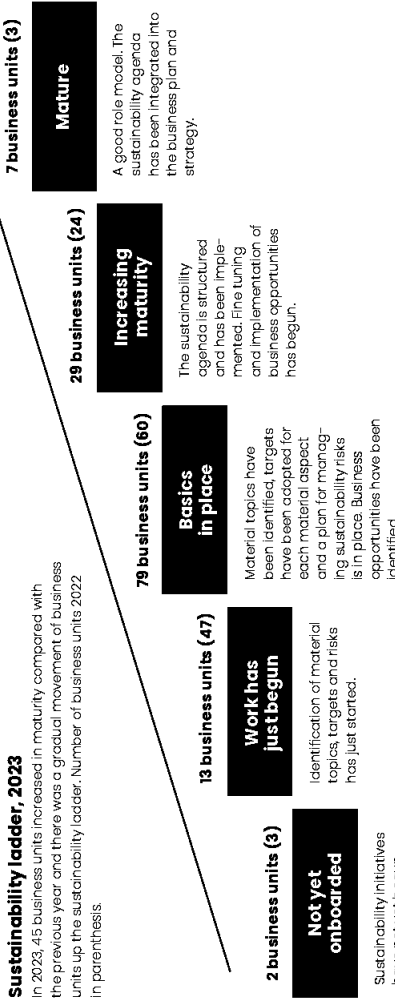
Storskogen's Code of Conduct and sustainability training have been signed and completed as below:

- The Code of Conduct has been signed by 100 percent of Storskogen's employees in the central organisation. The Code of Conduct is signed at the same time as the employment contract.
- The Code of Conduct has been signed by 82 percent of Storskogen's business units.
- Sustainability training has been completed by 93 percent of Storskogen's employees in the central organisation.
- Sustainability training has been completed by 65 percent of the mandatory target groups in Storskogen's business units.

Development of sustainability efforts in business units

Storskogen guides the business units in their work on managing sustainability as a strategic and business-related issue. As part of these initiatives, the business units and the Head of Sustainability developed a sustainability framework for the verticals over the year. The framework aims to explain in simple terms what the business units in each vertical are expected to have in place, measure and improve. Based on the framework, the head of each vertical has developed a sustainability plan for their business units.

Over the year, Storskogen continued its work on the sustainability ladder, the structure that was introduced in 2022 to assess and monitor the business units' sustainability status and development under Storskogen's ownership. The sustainability ladder also works as a governance indicator to ensure compliance with the adopted sustainability process.



EMPLOYEE INTERVIEW

How does the business area support the on sustainability issues?

To help the business units with concrete figures and activities, we have developed work that has been adapted to the operational business area. We used the industry-specific factors in the SASB Conceptual Framework and have supplemented it with additional points that we want to prioritise. The framework is into, and covers, different aspects in each area – environmental, social and governance – in simple terms what each business unit in place, measure and improve to reach place' level of Storskogen's sustainability objectives. The framework includes roughly twenty objectives, key figures and activities. Some objectives are Group-wide whereas others are adapted to each business unit. In 2023, the work on determining a baseline for management, and in 2024, the framework and the work will be followed up quarterly as part of management meetings.



Wilhelm Schibye, Chairman of the Board of Directors

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Sustainability area – Environmental

Minimise environmental impact

Storskogen has a responsibility to reduce its operations' negative impact on the environment. As most impact is from the business units, Storskogen has adopted Group-wide targets and provides support to and follows up with each business unit. Storskogen's Code of Conduct and Sustainability Policy describe Storskogen's commitment to take action to minimise its direct and indirect environmental impact.

▶ STORSKOGEN'S CLIMATE IMPACT

Storskogen's climate strategy was adopted by the Group management in early summer 2021. Storskogen's targets are to reach net zero by 2045 and halve its emission intensity for direct and indirect emissions (Scopes 1 and 2) by 2030. These targets are aligned with the Paris Agreement.

Storskogen joined the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi) in October 2021 but

has not yet validated the targets. The reason for this is the great complexity in meeting the requirement that the objective for Scope 3 shall cover at least 90 percent of the Scope 3 emissions. In 2023, Storskogen supplemented its climate report with Scope 3.¹⁾ This is required to proceed with SBTi's validation process, which will be done in 2024.

Governance

When Storskogen's climate strategy was adopted, transitional plans were developed for the business units with the highest Scope 1 and 2 emissions in the Group. These mainly include haulage, contracting and infrastructure companies with their own machinery and energy-intensive companies with production in countries that use coal energy. The transitional plans focus on the transition to low-carbon vehicles and machinery.

fossil-free energy for fuel and electricity and energy efficiency.

Follow-up

In 2023, the total emission intensity was reduced compared with the previous year. The total emission intensity of the business units owned by Storskogen before 2023 also fell, which means that Storskogen is in line with the 2030 target of halving emission intensity in Scopes 1 and 2. Climate emissions have decreased with fewer kilometres driven and better climate calculations by an external partner, as well as some impact from company divestments that reduced emissions by around 2,000 tonnes of CO₂.

Emissions are low in most of Storskogen's business units, and the business units with emissions above 500 tCO₂e account for 75 percent of all emissions. Of business

units with emissions above 500 tCO₂e were owned by Storskogen 100 percent have incorporated climate targets in their business of Storskogen's focus areas this to meet the 2025 target

Number of companies at each 2023

Absolute emissions, tCO ₂ e	Number of companies
>3,000	0
>1,000	1
>500	1
>100	1
<100	1

▶ For further information, see Note 1) During the year, Storskogen prepared a report, which will be available separately on the website.

Storskogen's climate targets

Base year 2020, with an intensity measure of 1.9 tCO₂e/SEK million

2025

KPI: 80 percent fossil-free energy.

KPI: 100 percent of Storskogen's companies shall have business plans that are aligned with the Group target.

2030

Emission intensity

0.95 tCO₂e/SEK million

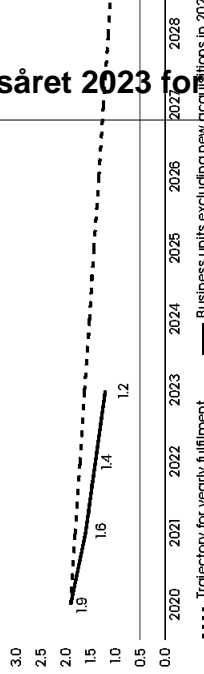
KPI: 100 percent fossil-free energy. Offset any remaining emissions.

2045

Net zero

Strive for net zero emissions to the extent possible (at least 85 percent) and offset the remainder.

Emission intensity – outcome 2023



..... Trajectory for yearly fulfillment — Business units excluding new acquisitions in 2023

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Sustainability area – Environmental

Energy

Storskogen's Code of Conduct and Sustainability Policy state that Storskogen and its business units shall ensure optimised energy consumption. Storskogen's target is for 80 percent of the Group's energy consumption to be fossil-free by 2025 and 100 percent by year 2030.

Targets and activities to reduce energy consumption are determined in the business units where this is relevant. Storskogen has several energy-intensive business units, mostly in the industry business area but also in the Trade business area, due to the management of large warehouses/buildings, and in the Services business area due to the use of heavy machinery powered by electricity.

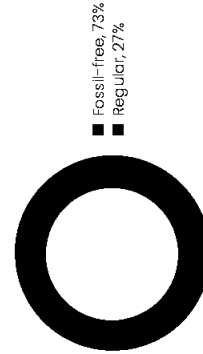
The most energy-intensive business units carry out energy mapping and report the results to the Swedish Energy Agency, as required by law. The report from the energy mapping forms the basis for budget deci-

sions and business plan discussions, where suitable options to increase energy efficiency are discussed and adopted by the boards.

In 2023, 73 percent of the electricity consumption in the business units that were owned by Storskogen before 2023 consisted of fossil-free electricity, while newly acquired companies reported 0 percent fossil-free electricity consumption. Despite a certain increase in electricity consumption, this has not led to a negative impact on climate emissions, which can be attributed to an updated and lower emission factor. In Sweden, the percentage of fossil-free electricity is high, up to 90 percent, but the figure is significantly lower internationally. Storskogen continues its efforts to ensure the availability of fossil-free electricity across all its operating markets, with the ambition of achieving the goal of 80 percent fossil-free electricity by 2025.

▶ For further information, see Note H4, p.141.

Electricity consumption in 2023



EMPLOYEE INTERVIEW

Many of Storskogen's passenger cars and light lorries belong to the vertical. What are your emission and climate-related challenges?

We face a relatively large challenge. Of the 800 vehicles in the vertical, most are powered by fossil fuel. The solution is simple: We need to reduce and use more electricity. For passenger cars (some 25 percent of the fleet) this is fast, but it's more difficult to electrify service vehicles (light lorries). We're limited by the fact that car dealers cannot offer any functioning charging stations with the range required. There are also practical challenges involving charging in terms of night charging and availability during working hours, particularly in countries like Sweden.

What are you doing to reduce emissions and meet Storskogen's climate target?

The target to halve our emission intensity by 2030 is a prioritised issue in our strategy and for the CEOs. Discussions are more frequent and the transition is more detailed in business units with large vehicle fleets. What's important here is that companies have a strategy and targets based on their own unique situation. Deviations from the plan are noted and queried.

Will you be able to halve emissions by 2030?

For the installation vertical, the answer is yes. If we consider Storskogen's fleet, I also feel confident that we'll reach the target. However, we're dependent on continued development of charging infrastructure and the development of electric light lorries and vans. We can keep pace with the development if we strengthen the requirements on the business units gradually. I don't think discussions will be difficult – overall, the transition is more of a



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Business area Services

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Sustainability area – Environmental

▶ ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Storskogen takes systematic action to reduce the Group's negative climate impact and increase its positive impact. Of the business units, 43 percent have an environmental management system, and all Storskogen's business units must comply with all statutory and regulatory requirements that apply to their operations and their environmental impact.

Governance

Storskogen follows up on any environmental deviations in the business units at quarterly board meetings.

Each business unit is responsible for adopting a relevant environmental management system. The ambition is that all subsidiaries in the industry business area shall be certified according to ISO 14001 or similar. The other business areas must implement environmental management systems if it is deemed material.

Follow-up

No instances of non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations and no fines were reported during the year in the business units or central organisation.

At year-end, 68 percent of all business units owned before 2023 in the industry business area were ISO 14001-certified, and the remaining business units are now well on their way to becoming certified.

▶ For further information, see Note III, p. 150.

Climate-related risks and opportunities pursuant to TCFD

Global warming and its physical impacts affect all parts of our society and cause business risks. The necessary transition to a low-carbon economy entails new business opportunities, but also risks. Climate-related risks and opportunities are therefore included in the due diligence process and the governance of the business units. Continuous risk evaluations, including climate risks, are conducted annually by all business unit boards.

Over the year, we conducted a financial risk assessment pursuant to TCFD for all verticals in the short term. It identified many business opportunities linked to the necessary transition. In 2024, the risk assessment will be supplemented with medium-term and long-term perspectives.

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Disclosures pursuant to the EU taxonomy

Several of Storskogen's business units are to some extent subject to the EU taxonomy, particularly in environmental objective 1: Climate change mitigation. Most taxonomy-eligible business units are enablers. This means that their own operations do not generate major emissions and do not need to undergo major change to adapt to a low-carbon economy; instead, they offer solutions and opportunities to other companies. Their offering may include advice to a customer on how a construction project that a business unit is involved in can be taxonomy-aligned, or how a firm of installation engineers can increase their offering to include the installation of solar cells or charging stations. Consequently,

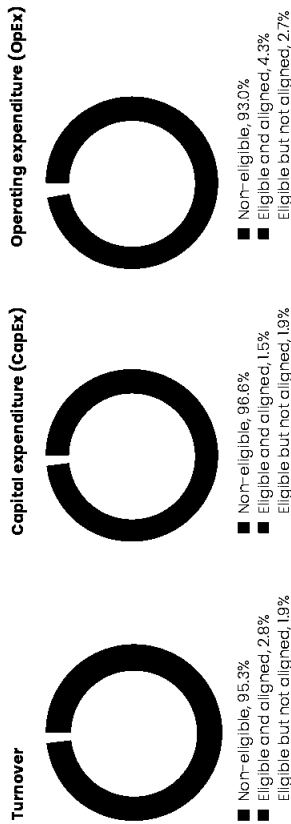
Storskogen can use the taxonomy to predict what services will increasingly be in demand from the business unit's customers. This provides a solid basis for strategic discussions in the boards of the business units.

Disclosures on remaining environmental objectives

On 13 June 2023, the European Commission approved a new set of criteria for the EU taxonomy for economic activities for the remaining four environmental objectives. Storskogen has identified applicable economic activities that are linked to the environmental objective: Transition to a circular economy.

▶ For further information, see Note H12, p. 151.

Storskogen's operations, distributed pursuant to the taxonomy



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Sustainability area – Social

A good employer and neighbour

Storskogen is responsible for work environment and its employees' physical and psychosocial health. To be successful, Storskogen must be a good employer that can attract employees by offering exciting career and development opportunities and a safe and healthy workplace.

Storskogen's ambitions and commitments to be a good employer and neighbour are described on pp. 18–19 and in Storskogen's Code of Conduct (available on Storskogen's website).

▶ DIVERSITY, GENDER EQUALITY AND INCLUSION

With assistance from Allbright, a foundation that promotes gender equality and diversity in leading positions, Storskogen has set targets for diversity, gender equality and inclusion. Allbright has trained Storskogen's Group management and helped the Company define what diversity, gender equality and inclusion mean for Storskogen. In this context, targets for increased gender equality among employees in senior roles in the central organisation and members of the boards of business units were adopted.

Governance

In 2021, Storskogen's Board adopted a Gender Equality and Diversity Policy. The policy includes zero tolerance for discrimination and states that Storskogen shall strive to be an equal and diverse workplace.

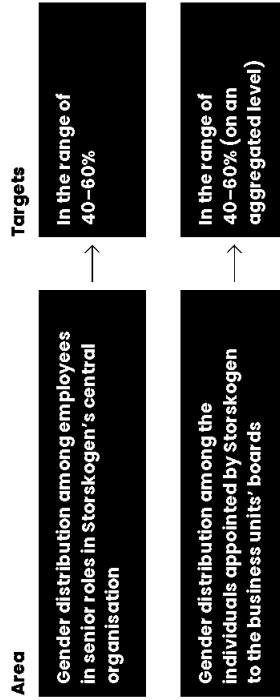
Storskogen shall recruit, promote and pay employees solely based on their qualifications and skills, regardless of age, ethnicity, social and cultural background, gender, transgender identity or expression, sexual orientation, religion or other belief, political belief, union membership, marital status or disability. Storskogen shall also ensure that

working conditions, salaries, other terms of employment promote a work culture where to combine work and parenthood.

Follow-up

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▶ Storskogen's gender equality targets



▶ Diversity, gender equality and inclusion

Diversity

Who we are
Storskogen's ambition is to have a great variety of identities and perspectives represented in the Company.

With diverse teams and the representation and strengthening of additional voices, we can accelerate our growth and profitability and become even better at what we do.

Gender equality

What we do
Storskogen takes an active approach to ensuring our employees' right to reach their potential, regardless of gender or identity. We are aware of the effects of inequality and are taking measures to counteract them.

Inclusion

How we act
Storskogen uses inclusion as a guiding principle to ensure that every individual feels welcomed and appreciated. We ensure that the opportunities and challenges are distributed equally and that everyone's perspective can be heard.

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Sustainability area – Social

women and 60 percent men for employees in senior roles and 29 percent women and 71 percent men for individuals that Storskogen appoints to the boards. To meet the targets, Storskogen is reviewing gender distribution and ensuring that there are candidates from the underrepresented gender every time someone is recruited for a senior role or a role on a business unit board.

At year-end, the proportion of women in the entire Group was 29 percent and the share of men was 71 percent. In Storskogen's central organisation, the proportion of women was 49 percent and the proportion of men was 51 percent. In the Group management, the proportion of women was 13 percent and the proportion of men was 87 percent. In the Board of the Group, the proportion of women was 40 percent and the proportion of men was 60 percent. Of the business units, 38 percent have adopted targets for gender equality and diversity. No cases of discrimination were reported during the year.

▶ For further information, see Note H7, p. 147.

▶ HEALTH AND SAFETY

Storskogen shall have a work environment where individual employees are satisfied and able to develop, both professionally and individually. Storskogen does not accept any form of bullying or harassment in its business, and all employees shall be ensured a work environment characterised by openness and equality, where each person is treated with respect. The main risks regarding health and safety in Storskogen's

central organisation are work-related stress and risks associated with the psychosocial work environment and ergonomics.

The CEO is ultimately responsible for Storskogen's work environment, with responsibility delegated to each manager. The main tool to prevent and manage health and safety-related risks is regular employee surveys, where any problem areas are identified through questions linked to issues such as health and stress. The surveys are conducted anonymously, and the results are measured at both the team and company level. When improvement measures are required, an action plan is devised through cooperation between the manager in question and HR. The plan is followed up regularly. To ensure a good physical work environment, every office has an office manager.

The risks in the business units vary depending on their operations, but the most common are work-related stress and occupational accidents. Business units in the industry business area and the infrastructure vertical, in the Services business area, have the highest number of serious occupational injuries.

Governance

In 2020, Storskogen's Board adopted a Work Environment Policy for the central organisation. According to the policy, Storskogen shall, as a minimum, comply with applicable work environment legislation and provisions from the Swedish Work Environment Authority. In addition, Storskogen shall strive to improve the work environment from an

organisational, social and physical perspective. The policy covers all employees and trainees and, where applicable, contracted workers who work on Storskogen's premises or remotely on behalf of Storskogen.

All business units must comply with national health and safety laws and provisions included in agreements and/or collective bargaining agreements. The CEOs of the business units are responsible for ensuring that all employees are aware of and comply with the health and safety rules, policies and processes in their areas of work. It is also the CEO's responsibility to provide training and required protective equipment. For business units with material health and safety risks, this is followed

up through the work on their premises. Storskogen also encourages business units to certify their occupational health systems according to ISO 45001.

Follow-up

Over the year, no fatalities were reported from occupational accidents. In total, 103 serious occupational accidents were reported in the Group, a frequency rate was 0.9 which is below the previous year's frequency rate of 1.0. In Sweden, serious accidents at work, serious accidents at work in the Swedish Work Environment Authority's statistics, 103 serious occupational accidents were reported.

▶ For further information, see Note H7, p. 147.



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sustainability area – Governance

Responsible business

StorSkogen's very existence depends on continued great trust from customers, employees, owners, potential business units and the local communities where our companies are located. Trust must be earned through professionalism and high requirements on ethics and integrity. This does not only apply to StorSkogen, but throughout the entire supply chain, where StorSkogen is responsible for posing clear requirements on suppliers.

StorSkogen's Sustainability Policy describes how StorSkogen shall integrate sustainability throughout its operations, from considering sustainability topics in the acquisition process to expectations on business units. Along with StorSkogen's Code of Conduct, the Sustainability Policy provides the most important principles for StorSkogen's responsibility, expected behaviour and daily conduct. The Sustainability Policy and the Code of Conduct are available on StorSkogen's website.

► GOOD CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

StorSkogen's sustainability initiatives are managed via a management system that consists of common policies, guidelines, main measurable targets and detailed action plans for the business units with a material impact on the business' focus areas. The starting point in StorSkogen's sustainability initiatives is to follow up, document, evaluate and improve its work. Stor-

skogen applies the precautionary principle, which is integrated into StorSkogen's Sustainability Policy and business processes. StorSkogen's Board is responsible for StorSkogen's sustainability initiatives and overarching sustainability strategy, including making sustainability an integral part of StorSkogen's value creation. Over the year, the Board established a Sustainability Committee, which is responsible for reviewing and monitoring the relevance and outcome of sustainability targets, strategy and sustainability reporting, managing sustainability risks and ensuring compliance with legal requirements, the Sustainability Policy and the Code of Conduct.

StorSkogen's Head of Sustainability drives and develops the sustainability initiatives for the Group and reports to the Head of Corporate Development, who is a member of StorSkogen's Group management and Board.

Governance

StorSkogen shall, without exception, comply with applicable laws and regulations in all countries where StorSkogen operates and ensure compliance with existing policies in all business units.

StorSkogen has a Group-wide external web-based whistleblowing system through which employees, business partners and others can report suspected violations of the Code of Conduct or breaches of the law

anonymously. Any matters reported through the system are handled confidentially and investigated pursuant to a procedure described in StorSkogen's Whistleblowing Policy and Whistleblowing Policy and Whistleblowing matters communicated to the board members, the case is reported through the whistleblowing system. If the case reported through the whistleblowing system is different, more suitable management actions are submitted to the Director of Counsel and the Director of Compliance. With regard to complaints or reports that have been reported, the procedure is adapted based on the case.

Follow-up

In 2022, any StorSkogen business units with more than 25 employees implemented their own whistleblowing system in December 2023, business units with 10-24 employees between 50 and 99 employees implemented their own whistleblowing system, and business units with 1-9 employees on the implementation of the Whistleblowing Directive (2019/1937).

Over the year, there were breaches of laws and regulations and fines were paid during the reporting period. In 2023, 15 matters were reported through the whistleblowing system. Of these, none were legal cases.

► For further information, see Note 10.



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Sustainability area – Governance

▶ **BUSINESS ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION**
Storskogen has a mandatory course for all employees in its central organisation and for CEOs and selected key people in the business units.

Governance

Storskogen's Anti-Corruption Policy applies to the entire Group and has been adopted by the Board. The policy includes zero tolerance for corruption and describes the guidelines for unauthorised benefits and actions. The Anti-Corruption Policy describes the Group's basic business ethics guidelines, core values and behaviour towards stakeholders, customers, society, suppliers, partners and authorities. The CEO of each business unit is ultimately responsible for ensuring that the policy is communicated to the employees and that they comply with it. Any deviations from the policy are included as a standing item on the agenda at all board meetings held in the business units.

Follow-up

Over the year, no violations of the Anti-Corruption Policy were reported. The e-learning course was completed by 84 percent of Storskogen's employees in the mandatory target group. Of Storskogen's business units, 62 percent reported that their employees in the mandatory target groups had completed the e-learning course.

▶ **RESPONSIBLE SUPPLY CHAIN**
Storskogen shall only work with suppliers, agents, consultants and other partners that comply with the principles in Storskogen's Code of Conduct. This is stated in Storskogen's Business Partner Code of Conduct.

Governance

Prioritised high-risk suppliers and suppliers with framework agreements shall sign the Code of Conduct. The programme's implementation in the business units is monitored through the work in the boards.

Follow-up
89 percent of the business units mapped their supply chain, 74 percent have identified high-risk suppliers and 74 percent have completed the procurement process.

▶ For further information, see Note 10 in the Business Partner Code of Conduct.

Storskogen's strategy for sustainable supply chains

A Group-wide programme in four steps with the ambition to ensure sustainable supply chains

	Implementation in 2023	Assessment	Agreement	Compliance
Learning	Procurement professionals shall receive sustainability training by completing Storskogen's sustainability e-learning course.	Storskogen shall map its supply chain to identify the highest risks of negatively impacting the environment and human rights. High-risk suppliers in the supply chain shall be identified and prioritised.	Storskogen shall use a Business Partner Code of Conduct based on the ten principles of the UN Global Compact as a minimum requirement in supplier agreements.	Storskogen Group with high-risk suppliers shall be assessed to prevent and mitigate environmental and social risks.
What				
Targets	100% of the selected target groups, such as sales and procurement professionals, shall have completed the training by the end of 2023.	Supply chain survey and a list of prioritised high-risk suppliers shall be completed by the end of 2023.	100% of high-risk suppliers' agreements shall include Storskogen's Business Partner Code of Conduct or equivalent.	100% of high-risk suppliers shall be assessed and high-risk suppliers shall be included in the list.
Tools	E-learning provided by Sustacodemy.	Risk assessment, instruction and list.	Business Partner Code of Conduct.	Self-assessment of suppliers.

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Sustainable supply chain – working only with the very best

Furniture provider Julian Bowen Ltd sets an inspiring example for Storskogen's pursuit of a sustainable supply chain. With over 30 years of experience in the furniture business, Julian Bowen Ltd is a not only a pioneer in sustainability, the company has also had the courage to be innovative.

Over the years, Julian Bowen Ltd has been strongly committed to providing high-quality, sustainable furniture, particularly for children. Through its structured approach to the supply chain that includes a scorecard for evaluations, a quality team to ensure compliance with sustainability requirements and independent reviewers of social and ethical aspects, the company has a proven ability to maintain high standards with regard to sustainability issues.

As a central principle, Julian Bowen Ltd only cooperates with the best, most professional suppliers. This has not only resulted in strong relationships over time, but it has

also enabled Julian Bowen Ltd to influence manufacturing processes, standards and the materials choices, which is critical to meet the demands of sustainability-conscious customers.

By seeking new ways of reducing its climate footprint, Julian Bowen Ltd strives to achieve 100 percent plastic-free packaging materials for all new products. The company is also researching new materials such as bamboo, which have a lower climate impact. The company's commitment to improving and driving sustainability in the industry reflects Storskogen's overarching target for a sustainable supply chain.

► Facts about Julian Bowen Ltd

Julian Bowen Ltd is a leading designer and supplier of furniture. Its services include freight, storage, marketing materials, customer services and home deliveries. The company has nearly SEK 500 million in sales, and the team comprises approximately 100 people at the head office outside of Nottingham, England. Julian Bowen Ltd has received the Best Furniture Wholesaler and Best Customer Service (Furniture) awards for ten consecutive years.

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Storskogen's commitment to human rights issues

Storskogen shall respect and protect fundamental human rights. This means that as a minimum, Storskogen shall comply with the UN Global Compact and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and assess human rights issues to identify, counteract and mitigate any negative impact in Storskogen's organisation and value chain.

Ownership responsibility and business units

As owner, Storskogen is responsible for supporting the business units in their due diligence processes and for evaluating whether their processes are satisfactory through the work on their boards. Business units are responsible for adopting proportionate risk management processes that are appropriate to their size and profile.

Key risks and measures

Storskogen has identified risks related to employee health and safety, employment terms for temporary employees, contractors and guest workers and the risk of discrimination related to recruitments and promotions. The fact that many of these risks are present in the supply chain has contributed significantly to Storskogen prioritising a Group-wide programme for sustainable supply chains. Storskogen's impact on human rights is followed up by requirements on and evaluations of suppliers.

Follow-up

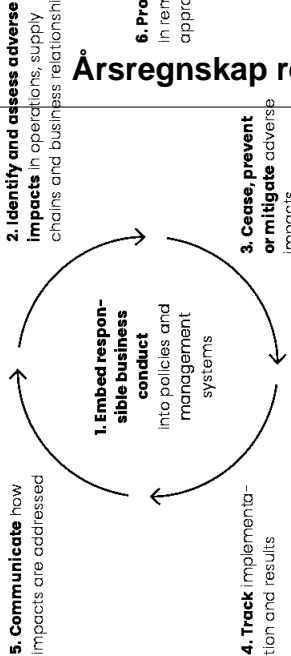
Over the year, neither Storskogen nor any of its business units received any complaints, fines or similar that would indicate a failure to respect human rights.

Due diligence process

Storskogen's due diligence process is based on: the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights as well as the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. The procedure helps Storskogen identify, prevent, limit and report any negative impact on human rights.

The work on developing and implementing a systematic due diligence process was initiated in 2021 after surveying Storskogen's greatest risks related to human rights. To date, Storskogen's efforts have focused on incorporating corporate responsibility in Storskogen's policies and management systems, the Code of Conduct and the Business Partner Code of Conduct and implementing continuous risk evaluations for Storskogen and the business units. The efforts also included a mandatory e-learning course and a process for identifying risks during acquisition processes. All risk management efforts are integrated into Storskogen's risk management.

Human rights due diligence is an internationally accepted procedure for identifying, preventing, limiting and reporting a company's negative impact on human rights.



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COMMENT FROM THE CHAIR

Challenging times require stable owners

In 2023, the situation in the world remained complex and strained, with devastating conflicts in Ukraine and the Middle East. Geopolitical tensions affected supply chains and trade, and coupled with inflationary pressure and interest rate hikes, they continued to cause volatility on financial markets around the world. In Sweden, the weak Swedish krona, repeated interest rate increases and a declining consumer sentiment also created challenging conditions.

Over the year, the Board worked closely with Group management to evaluate the external situation and ensure that Storskogen can continue strengthening its position. Measures were taken to strengthen the Group's balance sheet and improve cash flow and we carried out a strategic overview of the portfolio based on Storskogen's long-term goals. We have a clear ambition to protect margins and market shares and to increase focus on organic growth initiatives. We continued to work actively on reestablishing confidence in the Company and our ability to deliver in line with our strategy in the economically challenging climate. This remains a priority for the Board going into the new year.

The Audit Committee spent considerable time on quality-assuring the business units' control environments and following up on the digitalisation of our processes by ensuring that adequate internal control procedures have been adopted. It is gratifying to note that business units that have been owned by Storskogen for some time have proper procedures, which is a good indication of the value we add to our companies regarding clear guidelines for and requirements on financial reporting. We also

followed up regularly on material risks and measures intended to mitigate these risks.

Over the year, Storskogen launched a Business Partner Code of Conduct, which will help our business units pose the requirement that their suppliers comply with the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact and that they maintain a minimum level that is acceptable to Storskogen. We also established a Sustainability Committee and work to adapt our sustainability initiatives in accordance with new upcoming Swedish legislation on sustainability reporting.

After year-end, in February 2024, Daniel Kaplan, Storskogen's co-founder and CEO, resigned after having consulted with the Board and coming to the conclusion that the time was right for new leadership. Daniel Kaplan has been central in developing Storskogen from an idea to an international group of companies with SEK 3.2 billion in adjusted EBITA and more than 12,000 employees, and he will remain an important part of the Company's DNA and culture.

When we look ahead towards 2024, we note that market conditions are still uncertain and have low visibility. The Board is therefore maintaining its focus on ensuring an adapted and well-functioning organisation, careful consideration of costs and reduced leverage. I am convinced that the need for active owners that contribute a long-term approach and stability is greatest in challenging times. We have now established the foundation for a more stable company with clear ambitions and I look forward to continuing these efforts in 2024.



Annette Brodin Kapte
Chair of the Board

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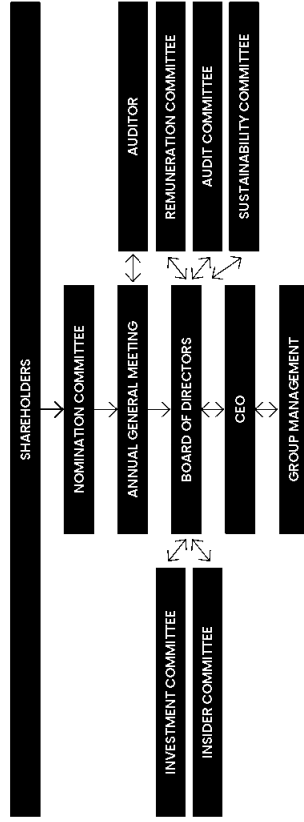
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Storskogen Group AB is a Swedish limited liability company that has been listed on Nasdaq Stockholm since 6 October 2021. As at 31 December 2023, the Group had operational activities in 30 countries and about 12,000 employees. In Storskogen's central organisation in Sweden, Denmark, Norway, the United Kingdom, Germany, Switzerland and Singapore, 101 people were employed in the business area organisation and specialist areas such as law, finance, M&A and operational management at year-end.

The Board of Directors' responsibility for corporate governance and internal control is governed by Swedish legislation, supplemented by external frameworks. Primary frameworks for Storskogen's corporate governance in 2023 were the Swedish Companies Act, the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, the Nasdaq Nordic Main Market Rulebook for Issuers of Shares, the UN Global Compact, the Market Abuse Regulation ("MAR"), IFRS and the EU Audit Regulation. Storskogen also complies with the Swedish Corporate Governance Code (the "Code"). The Code is available on www.bolagsstyring.se, and also includes a description of the Swedish corporate governance model. There were no deviations from the Code in 2023.

GOVERNANCE MODEL



SHAREHOLDERS AND

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At year-end, Storskogen had a total of 37,638 shareholders. The Company has A shares and B shares. Each A share confers a right to ten votes and each B share confers a right to one vote. As at 31 December 2023, the ten largest owners accounted for 67.3 percent of the votes and 41.2 percent of the share capital. Storskogen's A shareholders, Daniel Kaplan, Ronnie Bergström, Alexander

Björgård and Peter Ahlgren, each have a direct or indirect holding that corresponds to more than 10 percent of the votes in Storskogen. No other shareholders hold more than 10 percent of the Company's share capital or votes. Information on the shareholder structure can be found on p. 162 in the Annual Report.

The shareholders' influence is exercised at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and, if applicable, at Extraordinary General Meet-

ings, which constitute Storskogen's highest decision-making body. The AGM is held within six months of the end of the financial year. Each shareholder has the right to attend a general meeting and exercise their right to vote. A shareholder who cannot attend in person may exercise their right by proxy. Regardless of the size of their shareholding, all shareholders have the right to have a matter addressed at the meeting if the request is submitted to the Board sufficiently in advance of the general meeting for the matter to be included in the notice of the meeting.

The general meeting adopts changes to the Articles of Association, appoints and dismisses Board members, the Chair of the Board and the external auditor and resolves on their fees. The AGM further adopts the income statement and balance sheet and resolves on the appropriation of profits and whether to discharge the Board members and CEO from liability. The AGM also adopts instructions for the appointment and work of the Nomination Committee and adopts guidelines for remuneration and other terms of employment for the CEO and other senior executives.

2023 Annual General Meeting

Storskogen's AGM was held on 12 May 2023. The Board of Directors passed a resolution in accordance with the provisions in Chapter 7, Section 4 of the Swedish Companies Act and the Company's Articles of Association, allowing shareholders to exercise their voting rights by post. Consequently, shareholders could exercise their right physically, by proxy or by post.

At the AGM in Storskogen on 12 May 2023, among other things, a dividend of SEK 0.08 per share was resolved upon. Annette Brodin Rampe was re-elected as Board

member and Chair of the Board. Björgård, Louise Hedberg and Robert Belkic were re-elected as Board members. The AGM also resolved to & Young Aktiefördrag as auditor and three incentive programmes to be issued to the Board to issue B shares and transfer treasury.

The AGM resolved to pay a fee of SEK 900,000 to the Chair and fees of SEK 415,000 to the members for the period until the Board members that receive from the Company due to the Board. The Chair of the Audit Committee received a fee of SEK 200,000, and the other members of the Audit Committee received a fee of SEK 100,000. The Chair of the Remuneration Committee received a fee of SEK 75,000 and the other members of the Remuneration Committee received a fee of SEK 50,000. In the event the Chair would receive a fee and the other members would 50,000 in fees. At the AGM, it was established a Sustainability Committee with the fees as stated above.

NOMINATION COMMITTEE

The Nomination Committee consists of the Company's shareholders and is appointed in accordance with the provisions in the Articles of Association and the Nomination Committee was adopted at an Extraordinary Meeting on 24 September 2023. The Nomination Committee is tasked with submitting resolutions prior to the AGM and chair of the general meeting.

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of Board members and the election of the Chair of the Board and Board members, fees to the Board and any fees to the committees of the Board, election of auditors and audit fees and criteria for appointing members of the Nomination Committee, in accordance with the Code. The Nomination Committee's objective is that the composition of the Board shall be appropriate for the Company's operations, phase of development and other relevant circumstances, it shall exhibit diversity and a breadth of qualifications, experience and background, there shall be a gender balance, and the majority of the Board members shall be independent of the Company, its executive management and major shareholders.

Shareholders may submit proposals to the Nomination Committee in accordance with the instructions published on Storskogen's website. No fees were paid to the Nomination Committee.

The Nomination Committee for the 2024 AGM was appointed based on the ownership structure on 31 August 2023 and in accordance with the instructions to the Nomination Committee that were adopted at the Extraordinary General Meeting. It consists of:

- Liv Gorosch (Chair), appointed by the A shareholders
- Ronnie Bergström, appointed by the A shareholders
- Dick Bergqvist, appointed by AMF
- Oscar Bergman, appointed by Swedbank Robur Fonder

The Nomination Committee held three meetings prior to the 2024 AGM. In addition, the Nomination Committee was in regular contact and held digital follow-up meetings for further discussions and to review the result of the evaluation of the Board of

Directors that was carried out by the Board members. The Nomination Committee considered all issues that were to be considered according to the Code.

The Nomination Committee's proposals and a reasoned statement will be made available on Storskogen's website in connection with the publication of the notice to the AGM.

AUDITOR

The external auditor is an independent body that audits the Company's accounts and the management by the Board of Directors and the CEO to ensure that the Company provides a fair and accurate picture of the Company. The auditor shall report its observations to the Board, without the management present, at least once a year and attend Audit Committee meetings. After the end of each financial year, the auditor shall submit an auditor's report and an auditor's report for the Group to the AGM. In 2023, Storskogen Group's auditor was Ernst & Young AB with Åsa Lundvall as the auditor in charge. The Audit Committee evaluates the auditors' work and independence annually. Fees to auditors are paid once the invoice has been approved. Read more in Note 10.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board shall manage the Company's affairs in the interests of the Company and all shareholders and safeguard and promote a good corporate culture. The Board is tasked with determining the Company's overarching goals and strategy, evaluating and appointing the CEO, and ensuring that the Company has proper control activities for financial reporting, internal control and governance. According to the Articles of Association, the Board shall consist of no fewer than three and no more

than ten Board members without deputy Board members. The Board members are appointed by the shareholders at the AGM for the period until the end of the next AGM. The Board, which was appointed at the 2023 AGM, consists of five Board members, four of whom are considered independent of the Company, its major shareholders and its management. Alexander Bjärgård is not considered to be independent of the Company, its management or its major shareholders; he should be considered as a working Board member. The Board meets the Code's requirements on a majority of independent members. Information on the members of the Board is provided on p. 53.

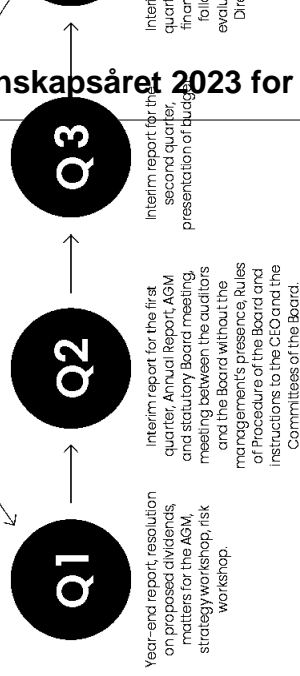
Responsibilities of the Board of Directors

The Board is tasked with determining the Company's overarching goals and strategy and responsible for decisions on certain major corporate acquisitions, follow-up and

operational control, financial risk assessments and ensuring compliance. At the annual meeting, the Board adopts the Board members and the Chair of the Board. The Board of Directors is responsible for issuing instructions to the Sustainability Committee and the Remuneration Committee, authorising the Board to the CEO, including the instruction to the CEO on financial work. The Chair of the Board leads the work of the Board and is responsible for the shareholding that is fit for purpose and the Board receives satisfaction and support for the Board work. The Chair of the Board

Board of Directors' annual wheel

Every ordinary Board meeting includes reports from the Group management on the business areas, presentation and other strategic issues. If necessary, reports are also submitted by the Company Audit, Remuneration Committees regarding any proposed acquisitions.



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ongoing dialogue with the CEO. The Chair of the Board and the CEO jointly produce the agenda and documentation for each Board meeting. Board meetings are attended by the CEO, the CFO and the Group's General Counsel as the Secretary of the Board (with certain exceptions). From time to time, other employees may be invited to attend Board meetings to report on their areas.

The Board shall monitor resolutions passed by the general meeting and loyally safeguard and protect the interests of all shareholders. The Board shall keep the Chair of the Board informed of any assignments in other companies or holdings in competitors. Each Board member shall duly notify the Board of any potential conflict of interests that may arise in a particular situation. In such cases, the Board member may not participate when the matter is dealt with. The Board's duties include:

- evaluating, developing and determining the Company's overarching goal and strategic direction;
- making annual evaluations and updating and adopting relevant financial, operational and sustainability-related targets as and when needed;

- appointing, making annual evaluations of and, if necessary, dismissing the CEO;
- identifying how sustainability issues affect the Company's risks and business opportunities and the Company's impact on people, society and the environment, and preparing relevant strategies;
- establishing the guidelines required for the Company's actions and role in society to ensure its ability to create value in the long term;

- ensuring that there are appropriate systems for monitoring and controlling the business and the risks associated with the business, including risks related to the Company's impact on society and its surroundings, people and the environment;
- ensuring that there is satisfactory control of the Company's statutory and regulatory compliance and its compliance with international guidelines and policy documents;
- ensuring that the principles adopted for financial reporting and internal control are applied and that the Company's financial reports, including sustainability reports, are prepared and published pursuant to laws, applicable accounting principles and other requirements for listed companies; and

- ensuring that the Company's disclosures are characterised by transparency and are accurate, relevant, reliable and complete.

The Board shall annually, through a systematic and structured process, evaluate the work by the Board and the CEO to develop the working methods and effectiveness of the Board. The Chair of the Board shall present the results to the Nomination Committee to support their work on preparing proposals to the AGM regarding the composition of the Board. In 2023, an evaluation was carried out by the Board of Directors and CEO using an external evaluation tool. The results were then presented to the Nomination Committee.

Board meetings and main subject areas
The Board held 27 meetings over the year, of which seven were regular Board meetings, including the statutory Board meeting. In addition, 20 extra meetings were held to deal with issues such as decisions on new financing and incentive programmes. All of the Board's extra meetings were per capita. At Board meetings held to consider

interim reports, a report on financial business and market area developments and completed and planned investments is always prepared by the CEO, the CFO and the Head of Corporate Development.

Committees of the Board of Directors
The Board has established a Remuneration Committee and a Sustainability Committee. In 2023, it also established an Audit Committee. The work is governed by instructions from the Board, and the work of the committees is reported to the Board at Board meetings.

The Audit Committee has a role regarding risk management and quality assurance of the Company's financial reporting. In addition, the Company's auditor, the external accounting firm, ensures that the company's external accounts meet the requirements. The Committee also collaborates with the auditor. The Committee shall also evaluate the internal control process

	Audit Committee	Remuneration Committee	Sustainability Committee
Focus areas in 2023	Review of interim reports and the Annual Report and the associated reporting from the auditors. Review of risk and internal control activities for financial reporting and observations made by the auditors. Review of disputes and insurance and relevant policies. Proposal for the Nomination Committee regarding the election of auditors for the AGM.	Evaluation of remuneration to senior executives and employees and the Company's compliance with the adopted remuneration guidelines. Evaluation of outstanding incentive programmes and preparation of proposals for new incentive programmes. Preparation of remuneration report.	Evaluation of sustainability targets and disclosures, preparations for CSRD and future requirements. Materiality analysis and dialogues. Review of relevant policies.
Attendance at meetings	Johan Thorell: 4/4 Annette Brodin Rampe: 4/4 Robert Belkic: 2/2	Annette Brodin Rampe: 5/5 Louise Hedberg: 5/5	Louise Hedberg: 2/2 Annette Brodin Rampe: 2/2

Group's risk management and financial structure. The Audit Committee is responsible for evaluating implemented audit efforts and the audit plan and also assists the Nomination Committee with proposals for and remuneration to auditors. The members of the committees are appointed at the statutory Board meeting for one year. The Committee held four meetings over the year and comprised Johan Thorell, Chair, Annette Brodin Rampe and, as of 12 May 2023, Robert Belkic. The Company's external auditor attended the Audit Committee meetings.

The Remuneration Committee shall prepare proposals for resolutions on terms of employment for the CEO, guidelines for remuneration to senior executives, a remuneration report and incentive programmes, which shall be submitted to the AGM for approval. The members of the committees are appointed at the statutory Board meeting for one year, and the Committee's work is governed by the instructions to the Remuneration Committee, which are adopted by the Board. The Committee held five meetings over the year and comprised Annette Brodin Rampe, Chair, and Louise Hedberg.

The Sustainability Committee shall review and monitor the relevance and outcomes of the sustainability goals and strategy, the Company's management of sustainability risks and ensure compliance with statutory requirements, the Sustainability Policy and the Company's Code of Conduct. The Sustainability Committee shall also monitor the sustainability reporting and, as

needed, cooperate with the Audit Committee regarding the financial reporting. The Sustainability Committee was established at the statutory board meeting on 12 May 2023 and comprises Louise Hedberg, Chair, and Annette Brodin Rampe. The Committee held two meetings in 2023.

CEO AND GROUP MANAGEMENT

The Board appoints the CEO and adopts instructions for the CEO's work. The CEO is responsible for the Company's daily operations and for producing information and supporting documentation for the Board and, in dialogue with the Chair of the Board, the agendas for Board meetings. The CEO ensures the implementation of the strategic direction adopted by the Board and compliance with the Company's commitments to society, the environment, people and the financial market, in accordance with the Company's Code of Conduct and other policy documents. The CEO is responsible for implementing the policy documents adopted by the Board and reports any deviations to the Board. The CEO is supported in his work by other members of the Group management. The Group management meets regularly and deals with issues such as corporate governance, reporting, organisation and strategy. The Group management shall prepare matters that must be decided by the Board according to the Rules of Procedure of the Board and assist the CEO in implementing the resolutions of the Board. In addition to their individual area of responsibility, each member of Group management has a collective responsibility-

ity for the management of the Company. Storskogen's Group management consists of the CEO, the CFO, the Head of M&A and Corporate Development, the heads of the business areas Trade, Industry and Services, and the heads of Storskogen DACH and Storskogen UK, all of whom are presented in more detail on p. 54.

Remuneration to Group management

According to the Guidelines for Remuneration to Senior Executives adopted at the AGM on 17 May 2022, remuneration to the CEO and the Group management shall consist of fixed and short-term variable cash remuneration and long-term variable cash remuneration, other benefits and pension. Pursuant to a resolution passed at the 2022 AGM, the Board shall prepare proposals to the AGM on new guidelines at least every four years. The Board has prepared a Remuneration Report that will be presented to the 2024 AGM. It describes the remuneration to the CEO in more detail, gives an account of outstanding share-based incentive programmes and states whether the Company's Guidelines for Remuneration to Senior Executives have been complied with and implemented. The Remuneration Report will be available on Storskogen's website no later than three weeks before the AGM on 8 May 2024.

Investment Committee

Storskogen's Investment Committee consists of the Head of M&A and Development, the CEO and the relevant business area (Trade and Services) and the head of market area. The Board has the power to establish the Committee and decide on the evaluation and decision on the acquisition of new business units or additions. The number of members of the Investment Committee decides on corporate acquisition on the size of the company's investment companies with a valuation SEK 600 million, the Investment Committee meets in connection with decisions and reports to the Board on completed acquisitions.

Insider Committee

To identify, evaluate and monitor on whether publishing inside information should be postponed, Storskogen established an Insider Committee in accordance with the Insider Code by the Board. The Insider Committee consists of the CEO, the CFO, the Head of IR,

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Group management¹⁾



LENA GLADER

CFO
Employed since: 2019
Year of birth: 1978
Education: M.Sc. Business and Economics, Hanken School of Economics
Employment history: CFO of Esashine, SVP of Diplomat Communications, IBC at rebe2, Partner at Shared Value, equity analyst at Alfred Berg ABN AMRO
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 722,970 B shares. Participates with 33,470 savings shares in the share savings programme, 12,212 warrants and 374,448 employee stock options



CHRISTER HANSSON

Interim CEO
Consultant since: 2016 and employee since 2021
Year of birth: 1972
Education: MBA, in Finance, Stockholm University
Employment history: Country Manager and Nordic Service & Solution Director at Duesin, Senior Sales Manager at Tella Company
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 33,682,988 B shares. Participates with 33,470 savings shares in the share savings programme, 287,365 warrants and 284,448 employee stock options
¹⁾ Daniel Kaplan stepped down as CEO on 18 February 2024.



ÁSA MURPHY

Interim EVP, Head of Business Area Trade
Employed since: 2021
Year of birth: 1974
Education: Jönköping International Business School and Cesair Ritz Hotel and Business Management School, Switzerland
Employment history: Managing Director Booktable Nordic & DACH, Vice President Revenue & Distribution Nordic Choice Hotels, Nordic Director Expedia
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: Participates with 10,363 savings shares in share savings programme, 77,638 warrants and 114,844 employee options



FREDRIK BERGGÅRD

EVP, Head Business Area Industry
Employed since: 2021
Year of birth: 1971
Education: MBA, IMD in Switzerland and MS: in Industrial Engineering and Management, Chalmers University of Technology in Gothenburg
Employment history: Sales Director at Ahlsei, VP Sales at Gunnebo Industrier, Business Area Manager at Electrolux and Strategic Consultant at Accenture
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 9,593,995 B shares. Participates with 33,470 savings shares in the share savings programme, 287,365 warrants and 284,448 employee stock options



ALEXANDER BJÄRGGÅRD

EVP, Head of M&A and Corporate Development, Co-founder
Employed since: 2012
Year of birth: 1974
Education: LL.M. Uppsala University, and studies in business and other subjects at Boise State University, IFAPES and FL
Employment history: Partner and serial entrepreneur at Firm Factory Network, head of legal and Purchasing Manager at Tradimus, legal associate at Mannheim Swartling Advokatbyrå
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 37,939,070 A shares and 22,841,998 B shares. Participates with 33,470 savings shares in the share savings programme, 287,365 warrants and 284,448 employee stock options



MIKAEL NEGLÉN

EVP, Head of Storskogen DACH
Employed since: 2020
Year of birth: 1972
Education: MS: in Business and Economics, Stockholm School of Economics
Employment history: Managing Director of Portenhouse Group AG, Division Head of Barry Callebaut AG, Investment Manager at Jacobs Holding AG, Senior Associate at Investor AB
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 2,400,000 B shares. Participates with 44,266 savings shares in the share savings programme, 12,212 warrants and 538,591 employee stock options



PETER AHLGREN

EVP, Head of Business Area Services
Employed since: 2014
Year of birth: 1972
Education: MSc in Business and Economics
Employment history: Partner at Capble Capital, CEO of Service Factory, consultant at Accenture
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 33,921,910 A shares and 16,714,607 B shares. Participates with 33,470 savings shares in the share savings programme, 12,212 warrants and 284,448 employee stock options



PHILIP LÖFGREN

EVP, Head of Storskogen
Employed since: 2020
Year of birth: 1982
Education: MS: in Business and Economics
Employment history: CEO of Kwi, COO of Sparrow, Director at Parraoh Capital, CEO of Sparrow, Co-founder of Macho Test, (now Zoco)
Shareholding, own or held by related parties as at 31 December 2023: 16,943 B shares. Participates with 593,999 savings shares in the share savings programme, 593,999 employee stock options

Board of Directors' report on internal control

The purpose of good internal control is to achieve effective operations that meet their targets and to ensure reliable internal and external financial reporting and compliance with applicable laws and external and internal rules. Storskogen has adopted methodical working methods and procedures for onboarding the business units in the established framework for internal control of financial reporting. An annual self assessment of the organisation and the business unit's internal controls of financial reporting is also conducted. The purpose of the assessment is to ensure and monitor that the internal control is fit for purpose and that the organisation is structured so that the accounting, the management of funds and all other aspects of the Company's financial conditions are verified in a satisfactory manner. These efforts ensure that the finance department functions and has the resources required to provide good and reliable financial reporting. All in all, the Board of Directors is of the view that the Company and its business units are managing internal control adequately and have proper procedures in place, and that there is no need for an internal audit function.

The internal control structure is based on the internal control framework published by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO). According to COSO, the review and assessment cover five areas where the control environment creates discipline and provides a structure for the other four areas: risk assessment, control activities, information and communication and monitoring activities.

Control environment

The Rules of Procedure of the Board and the instructions to the CEO and committees of the Board of Directors ensure a clear division of roles and responsibilities for effective management of the business and its risks. The Board has adopted basic guidelines and policies as required to ensure a good control environment.

Storskogen has a common system for reporting, consolidation and follow-up on results within the Group. The Group management prepares ongoing instructions for the Group's financial reporting in addition to the policies adopted by the Board of Directors. Important components in Storskogen's control environment are reflected in the policies and instructions adopted by the Board and the Group management, including:

- Code of Conduct
- Anti-Corruption Policy
- Internal Control Policy
- Instructions for financial reporting
- Insider Policy
- Communication Policy
- Finance Policy
- Authorisation Rules
- Sustainability Policy
- Anti-Money Laundering Policy
- Policy on Trade Sanctions and Embargoes
- Whistleblowing Policy
- Risk Policy
- Information Security Policy
- Privacy policies
- Related Party Policy

Risk assessment

Storskogen's risk assessment aims to identify and assess risks associated with business units, strategy, financing and liquidity, climate impact and climate change, social sustainability risks and the risk of errors in the Company's financial reporting. The risk assessment forms the basis for the work on ensuring that the Company's control functions are adequate. Storskogen conducts ongoing risk analyses of business units and once a year, the Group management holds a comprehensive risk workshop to identify the Group's significant risks, their probability and their possible impact, and then prepares action plans to manage the identified risks. The risk assessment is reported to the Board annually and when necessary. Read more about Storskogen's risk management on pp. 65-67.

Control activities

Storskogen's most significant risks are managed via control structures in the Group. Risk management can take the form of mitigating measures, acceptance or complete elimination of risks. In 2023, several control activities were carried out. Companies that were acquired over the period have initiated, and often completed, the surveying of their internal financial controls and procedures.

Group companies are divided into two scopes – smaller and larger companies – based on sales and other relevant circumstances. The smaller companies rely on up to 24 key controls, including accounting manuals, accounting and authorisation rules and processes for invoice handling.

The larger companies' internal control is more advanced, with additional key controls. During the processes in the larger companies, Storskogen assists companies when needed. Any deviations from control processes are followed up in annual self-assessments. The annual self-assessments and the internal processes are performed in 2023. Where necessary, action plans are established. The result of the self-assessment made in 2023 was reported to the Committee.

The control structure measures deviations and issues identified in internal control are reported to directors of the business units and to Storskogen, which in turn reports to the Audit Committee on an annual basis.

Follow-up on control activities
To ensure the effectiveness of internal control, it is followed up by the Finance Committee, CEO, Group management and the finance department and the business units.

The follow-up includes, for example, reviewing monthly financial targets, making demand-driven evaluations of business areas and reviewing the results of internal reviews. It also includes follow-up on the results of internal audits reported to the Storskogen auditor.

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Information and communication

External financial information must be accurate, complete and relevant. The provision of information is based, among other things, on the Company's Insider Policy, which meets the requirements on a listed company, and instructions on information security and the communication of financial information, both internally between the Board, Group management and employees, and externally, to shareholders and other stakeholders. The Company's Insider Committee is convened when necessary to determine whether information constitutes specific information. The Insider Committee also decides whether information must be disclosed without delay or whether the disclosure can be postponed. Regular information disclosed to the market includes interim reports and presentations, annual reports, regulatory press releases and other press releases about important news.

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Auditor's report on the corporate governance

To the general meeting of the shareholders of Storskogen Group AB (publ) (Identity number 559223-8694)

Engagement and responsibility

It is the Board of Directors who is responsible for the corporate governance for the year 2023 on pages 47-56 and that it has been prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act.

The scope of the audit

Our examination has been conducted in accordance with FAR's standard auditor's examination of the corporate governance statement. This means that the examination of the corporate governance statement is different and less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the Auditing Act. Auditing and generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. We based our examination on the information provided to us with sufficient basis for our opinions.

Opinion

A corporate governance statement has been prepared. Disclosures in accordance with chapter 6 section 6 the second paragraph points 2-6 of the Annual Accounts Act and chapter 7 section 31 the second paragraph the same law are correct and in accordance with the consolidated accounts and are in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act.

Stockholm, 25 March 2024

Ernst & Young AB

Åsa Lundvall
Authorised Public Accountant

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Directors' Report

The Board of Directors and the CEO of Storskogen Group AB (publ), corporate identity number 559223-8694, with its registered office in Stockholm, Sweden, hereby submits Storskogen's annual accounts and consolidated accounts for the 2023 financial year.

- The Group's financial year refers to 1 January to 31 December 2023.
- The Parent Company's financial year refers to 1 January to 31 December 2023.

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GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE OPERATIONS

Storskogen Group AB (publ) ("Storskogen") was formed in November 2019 through a merger of the three previous Storskogen groups – Storskogen Industrier AB, Storskogen Utveckling AB and Storskogen 3 Invest AB. Storskogen is an international group of businesses across trade, industry and services. As a long-term owner, Storskogen is positioned to identify, acquire and develop market leaders with sustainable business models.

Storskogen's mission is to empower businesses to realise their full potential. The Group companies have a shared focus on profitability, stable cash flows and a strong market position.

On 31 December 2023, the Company had 129 business units (136) with registered offices in Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Germany, Switzerland, Singapore and the United Kingdom. Storskogen's existing Group companies are divided into the three business areas Services, Trade and Industry, with underlying verticals as illustrated on the right.

▶ For additional information on corporate governance and sustainability, see the Corporate Governance Report on pp. 47–56 and the Sustainability Report on pp. 32–48 and 136–160, which are separate from the Annual Report.

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FIVE-YEAR SUMMARY

	2023	2022	2021
Net sales, SEK m	36,006	34,250	17,486
Operating profit, SEK m	2,446	2,613	1,406
Profit before tax, SEK m	1,321	2,111	1,233
Profit for the year, SEK m	944	1,592	947
Total assets, SEK m	44,169	47,482	37,930
Operating margin, %	6.8	7.6	8.0
Return on equity, %	4.6	8.8	4.4
Equity/assets ratio, %	46.3	41.3	45.5
Average number of employees	11,654	11,263	9,780

Business area Vertical

Services

Contracting Services
Infrastructure
Installation
Logistics
Engineering Services
Digital Services
HR and Competence

Trade

Home and Living
Niche Businesses
Health and Beauty
Sport, Clothing and Accessories

Industry

Automation
Industrial Technology
Products

Guidelines for remuneration to senior executives

Adopted at the AGM on 17 May 2022

The following guidelines cover the Company's CEO and other members of Group management. The remuneration guidelines were adopted at the AGM on 17 May 2022. Pursuant to a resolution passed at the 2022 AGM, the Board shall prepare proposals to the AGM on new guidelines at least every four years. After adoption by the AGM, the guidelines shall be applied to any remuneration agreed upon and to changes to already-agreed remuneration. The guidelines do not apply to any remuneration resolved upon by the AGM.

Business strategy, long-term interests and sustainability

Storskogen strives to be the leading international owner of small and medium-sized businesses. The focus is on long-term ownership, good profitability, stable cash flows and supporting companies to maintain and develop a strong position in their niche.

A prerequisite for successfully implementing the Company's strategy is that the Company is able to recruit and retain qualified senior executives, which is enabled by these guidelines.

Remuneration that is subject to these guidelines shall aim to promote the Company's business strategy, sustainability and long-term interests.

Remuneration components and other terms and conditions

Total remuneration shall be on market terms and may comprise the following components: a fixed cash salary, short-term variable cash remuneration, long-term variable cash remuneration, other benefits and pension. In addition to the provisions in the guidelines, the general meeting may resolve on share-based remuneration or remuneration linked to the share price.

The performance criteria measurement period for payment of variable cash remuneration shall be measurable over a period of one or several years. Total variable cash remuneration must not exceed 50 percent of the fixed cash salary during the measurement period.

The Group management's pension benefits shall be on market terms in relation to the common practice for comparable executives in the market in which the senior executive operates and should be based on defined contribution pension plans or be in line with general pension plans (in Sweden, the ITP plan). Subject to applicable law or mandatory provisions in collective bargaining agreements, pension benefits may not exceed 20 percent of the fixed cash salary, and variable cash remuneration shall not be pensionable.

Other benefits may include preventive healthcare and company car benefits. Premiums and other expenses relating to these benefits may not exceed 10 percent of the fixed cash salary.

Termination of employment

The notice period for a member of the Group management shall be no more than 12 months. During the notice period, the fixed cash salary and potential severance pay, including compensation for any competition restrictions, combined may not exceed an amount corresponding to the fixed cash remuneration for two years for a member of the Group management.

Criteria for variable cash remuneration

Variable cash remuneration is intended to award meeting predetermined and measurable criteria that promotes the Company's business strategy and long-term interests, including the Sustainability Policy.

When the performance criteria measurement period for the payment of variable cash remuneration has ended, an evaluation of the outcome is made. The Remuneration Committee is responsible for evaluating the CEO's outcome while the CEO is responsible for evaluating the other senior executives' outcomes.

Salary and terms of employment

When the Board of Directors' proposal for these remuneration guidelines was considered, salaries and terms of employment for the Company's employees were considered by way of assessing information on the total remuneration to employees, the components of such remuneration and the remuneration's growth and growth rate over time. This information was included in the basis for the Board of Directors decisions

when evaluating the reason for the guidelines and the limitation

Decision-making process

The Board of Directors' Remuneration Committee prepares the Board's decisions on proposals for remuneration to senior executives. The Board of Directors shall prepare new guidelines at least every four years and submit a proposal for a new AGM. The guidelines shall apply to the AGM. The guidelines shall be adopted by the Remuneration Committee and evaluated prior to the next AGM. The Board of Directors shall prepare new guidelines at least every four years and submit a proposal for a new AGM. The guidelines shall apply to the AGM. The guidelines shall be adopted by the Remuneration Committee and evaluated prior to the next AGM.

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Deviations from the guidelines

The Board of Directors may resolve to deviate from the guidelines in whole or in part, if there are such in an individual case, to ensure that the Company's interests, including its sustainability, are not harmed. The Board of Directors may also resolve to deviate from the guidelines in whole or in part, if there are such in an individual case, to ensure that the Company's interests, including its sustainability, are not harmed. The Board of Directors may also resolve to deviate from the guidelines in whole or in part, if there are such in an individual case, to ensure that the Company's interests, including its sustainability, are not harmed.

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Proposed guidelines for remuneration to senior executives

The Board proposes that the following guidelines for remuneration to the Company's senior executives shall apply to remuneration agreed by the Company after the 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM).

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The following guidelines apply to the Company's CEO and other members of Group management. In addition to the Company's CEO, this includes heads of business areas, CFO, head of M&A, the heads of Storsko-gen DACH and UK and any of the Company's Board members who have entered into an employment agreement or consulting agreement with the Company or another Group company. After adoption by the AGM, the guidelines shall be applied to any remuneration agreed upon and to changes to already-agreed remuneration. The guidelines do not apply to any remuneration resolved upon by the AGM.

The guidelines' promotion of the Company's business strategy, long-term interests and sustainability

Storsko-gen strives to be the best owner of small and medium-sized businesses. The focus is on long-term ownership, good profitability, stable cash flows and supporting companies to maintain and develop a strong position in their niche.

A prerequisite for successfully implementing the Company's strategy is that the Company is able to recruit and retain qualified senior executives, which is enabled by these guidelines.

Remuneration that is subject to these guidelines shall aim to promote the Company's business strategy, sustainability and long-term interests.

Remuneration components and other terms and conditions

Total remuneration shall be on market terms and may comprise the following components: a fixed cash salary, short-term variable cash remuneration, long-term variable cash remuneration, other benefits and pension. In addition to the provisions in the guidelines, the general meeting may resolve on share-based remuneration or remuneration linked to the share price.

The performance criteria measurement period for payment of variable cash remuneration shall be measurable over a period of one or several years. Total variable cash remuneration must not exceed 50 percent of the fixed cash salary during the measurement period.

Additional variable cash remuneration may be payable under extraordinary circumstances, provided such special arrangements are limited in time and

only agreed upon on the individual level to recruit or retain senior executives or as remuneration for extraordinary efforts in addition to the individual's regular work duties. Total extraordinary remuneration must not exceed 10 percent of the fixed cash salary.

The Group management's pension benefits shall be on market terms in relation to the common practice for comparable executives in the market in which the senior executive operates and should be based on defined contribution pension plans or be in line with general pension plans (in Sweden, the ITP plan).

Subject to applicable law or mandatory provisions in collective bargaining agreements, pension benefits may not exceed 20 percent of the fixed cash salary, and variable cash remuneration shall not be pensionable.

Other benefits may include preventive healthcare and company car benefits. Premiums and other expenses relating to such benefits may not exceed 10 percent of the fixed cash salary.

Repayment and adjustments

Under certain circumstances and during a certain time, senior executives who participate in the Company's short-term and long-term incentive programmes are

obliged to repay any remuneration paid, fully or in part, if the payment made mistakenly or based on forged data or in the event of adjustment of the Company's financial statements or to adjust for unforeseen recurring events, the Board may change payments accordingly in plans (before such payment).

Termination of employment

The notice period for a member of Group management shall be 12 months. During the notice period, cash salary and potential bonus, including compensation for termination restrictions, combined with an amount corresponding to remuneration for two years shall be paid to the Group management.

Criteria for variable cash remuneration

Variable cash remuneration shall be awarded meeting predetermined criteria that promote the Company's business strategy and its interests, including the sustainability criteria. The criteria shall be linked to the profit or loss, sales, cash flow and profitability targets.

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for new guidelines at least every four years and submit a proposal for adoption by the AGM. The guidelines shall apply until new guidelines have been adopted by the AGM. The Remuneration Committee shall also monitor and evaluate programmes for variable remuneration to the Group management and the application of the guidelines in terms of remuneration levels and structures. Members of the Group management must not be present during the Board's deliberations and decisions on remuneration-related matters if they are affected by the issues.

Deviations from the guidelines

The Board may temporarily resolve to deviate from the guidelines, in whole or in part, if there are special reasons for such in an individual case and it is necessary to serve the Company's long-term interests, including its sustainability, or to ensure the Company's financial viability. As stated above, the Remuneration Committee prepares the Board's resolutions on remuneration-related matters, which includes any resolution to deviate from the guidelines.

When the performance criteria measurement period for the payment of variable cash remuneration has ended, an evaluation of the outcome shall be made. The Remuneration Committee is responsible for evaluating the CEO's outcome while the CEO is responsible for evaluating the other senior executives' outcomes.

Salary and terms of employment

When the Board's proposal for these remuneration guidelines was considered, salaries and terms of employment for the Company's employees were considered by way of assessing information on the total remuneration to employees, the components of such remuneration and the remuneration's growth and growth rate over time. This information was included in the basis for the Board's decisions when evaluating the reasonableness of the guidelines and the limitations set by them.

Decision-making process for guidelines

The Board's Remuneration Committee prepares the Board's decisions on proposals for guidelines for remuneration to senior executives. The Board shall prepare a proposal

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Risks and risk management

Storkogen's operations and business units are exposed to risks that may affect the Group. Storkogen has a decentralised organisational model, which means that the business units are largely responsible for running their operations independently. The decentralised organisation places high demands on financial reporting, corporate governance and internal control. Group management governs, controls and monitors the activities of the business units through its representatives on the board of each business unit. The boards of the business units perform annual risk assessments,

and Storkogen performs its own quarterly risk assessments of the business units. Storkogen's Group management conducts an annual risk workshop with input from other representatives from the Company and follows up regularly on the resulting risks and action plans. According to the risk assessment method used on the Group and business unit levels, the likelihood of a specific risk occurring is balanced against the impact such an occurrence would have. Group management reports to the Board of Directors on the outcome from the risk workshop and the implementation of any

action plans adopted in connection with the workshops.

Storkogen's risks can be divided into four areas: strategic risks, operational risks, financial risks and regulatory compliance. The table below presents a selection of Storkogen's most highly prioritised risks and the measures taken by the Company to limit their impact.

- For further information on Storkogen's financial risks and risk management, see Note 27, p. 13.
- For further information on climate-related risks, see Note H2, p. 138.

Strategic risks

Strategic risks are risks that may prevent Storkogen from achieving its vision and targets and are often associated with operating in specific industries. These include changes in the economic cycle, structural changes, competition, acquisitions and growth strategy.

Risks

risk management

Value-creating acquisitions

The risk that Storkogen will not meet its business plan or that acquisitions made will not provide the expected returns.

Clear guidelines and requirements on acquisitions and acquisition processes and an evaluation of the financial capacity to make new acquisitions. Storkogen has implemented a Case Assessment Tool, according to which potential acquisitions are evaluated based on several requirements on a sustainable and proven business model, earnings capacity, market position, leadership and valuation, as well as on how the acquisition will contribute to strengthening the rest of Storkogen's portfolio.

Geopolitical uncertainty

The risk that geopolitical conflicts could affect the Group's supply chains and result in undesirable price volatility for input goods.

Evaluation of geographical locations for production and alternative suppliers. To ensure the ability to adapt routes and keep costs low, Storkogen has entered into a framework agreement for freight. Inventory levels were reviewed in 2023 to ensure that products can be manufactured and distributed even in the event of short-term disruptions to freight and distribution chains.

Market dynamics

The risk of macroeconomic trends such as a recession or inflation, which could cause profits to drop in the business units.

Storkogen monitors the economic situation constantly and follows up the portfolio companies' performance and key performance indicators on a monthly basis and has established procedures for continuous forecasting. In the event of macroeconomic events beyond Storkogen's control, every business unit has an alternative action plan in place to handle the situation.

Climate targets

The risk that Storkogen will not meet the adopted climate targets due to insufficient access to renewable energy.

In Sweden, Storkogen has a framework agreement for renewable and fossil-free energy, and the Company is investing similar solutions in all geographical areas. There is a major renewable energy shortage in some of Storkogen's geographical areas, and potential solutions are discussed in the boards of the business unit when required.

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Operational risks

Operational risks include risks associated with effectiveness, internal processes and activities, the use of resources and system and the Group's employees.

Risks

Risk management

Data and information security

The risk that Storskogen could fail to prevent or detect intrusions into its IT systems.

Storskogen's business units are implementing an IT Policy, an Information Security Policy, a Contingency Policy and a mandatory risk analysis of the IT environments. In 2023, Storskogen provided comprehensive training on cyber security.

Personnel and HR

The risk of weakening the entrepreneurial spirit and of not being able to recruit or retain talent.

Employee surveys assess employee well-being and engagement and allow each manager to take specific measures to maintain Storskogen's culture and entrepreneurial spirit. When recruiting, Storskogen has a strong focus on maintaining the entrepreneurial spirit and consensus on values among its employees.

Due diligence

The risk of an inadequate due diligence process for acquisitions if risk factors have not been properly identified.

Storskogen has implemented a Case Assessment Tool for evaluating potential acquisitions where financial, legal and sustainability risks are considered to discover specific risks linked to the environment, the climate, human rights, the reliability of financial data and contractual undertakings.

Communication and relationships

The risk that Storskogen's external communication could be inadequate.

Implementation of a communication strategy to ensure that the Company's financial and other communication is reliable, uniform and complete.

Financial risks

Financial risks include risks related to the reliability of the Company's internal and external financial reporting and financial risks such as interest rate risk, liquidity risk, credit risk and currency risk.

Risks

Risk management

Financing

The risk that the availability of capital could decrease or that the cost of capital could increase.

Storskogen's financing and financial risks are managed in accordance with the Company's Finance Policy. Storskogen performs data-driven forecasting of future capital requirements to ensure adequate access to capital. Refinancing risk is reduced by diversifying the debt portfolio as regards maturities and types of debt. Leverage was reduced over the year through an improved cash flow and divestments, which allowed considerable repayments.

Cost control

The risk that Storskogen could fail to maintain cost control in an environment with higher inflation.

Storskogen's business areas monitor costs monthly and take special measures when needed, such as compensating for costs by increasing prices or making other cost savings, for example by using special framework agreements for shared purchases.

Impairment

The risk that goodwill and other assets could become impaired.

Every quarter, Storskogen performs simplified impairment testing with updated forecasts to identify potential impairment losses, in addition to the annual impairment testing that is reviewed by the auditor. The allocation to intangible assets other than goodwill, such as customer relations, has increased gradually, which reduces intangible assets over time due to amortisation.

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Regulatory compliance

Regulatory compliance risks are risks of financial or legal sanctions due to the involvement of Storskogen or Group companies in disputes or of their failure to act in accordance with laws, rules and regulations.

Risks

Risk management

Regulatory compliance

The risk that Storskogen or a business unit could fail to comply with rules and regulations such as the Market Abuse Regulation, the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), provisions on sanctions or work environment requirements, which could lead to costs and reputational damage.

Storskogen has implemented several policy documents and internal processes to ensure that all requirements on the Group are met. In 2023, a training programme for business units was launched on trade sanctions, embargoes and export control, and other training is also provided, such as on GDPR.

Business ethics and sustainability governance

The risk that employees will not comply with laws, rules and regulations or Storskogen's Code of Conduct, which may include corruption, fraud and bribery.

All business units in the Group are adopting the Code of Conduct and policies on Anti-Corruption, anti-money laundering and sanctions. All business units participate in training on relevant policies and governance documents to increase awareness and practical application. Storskogen also has a whistleblowing function for business units with up to 250 employees which allows anonymous reporting of irregularities. Business units with more than 250 employees have their own whistleblowing functions.

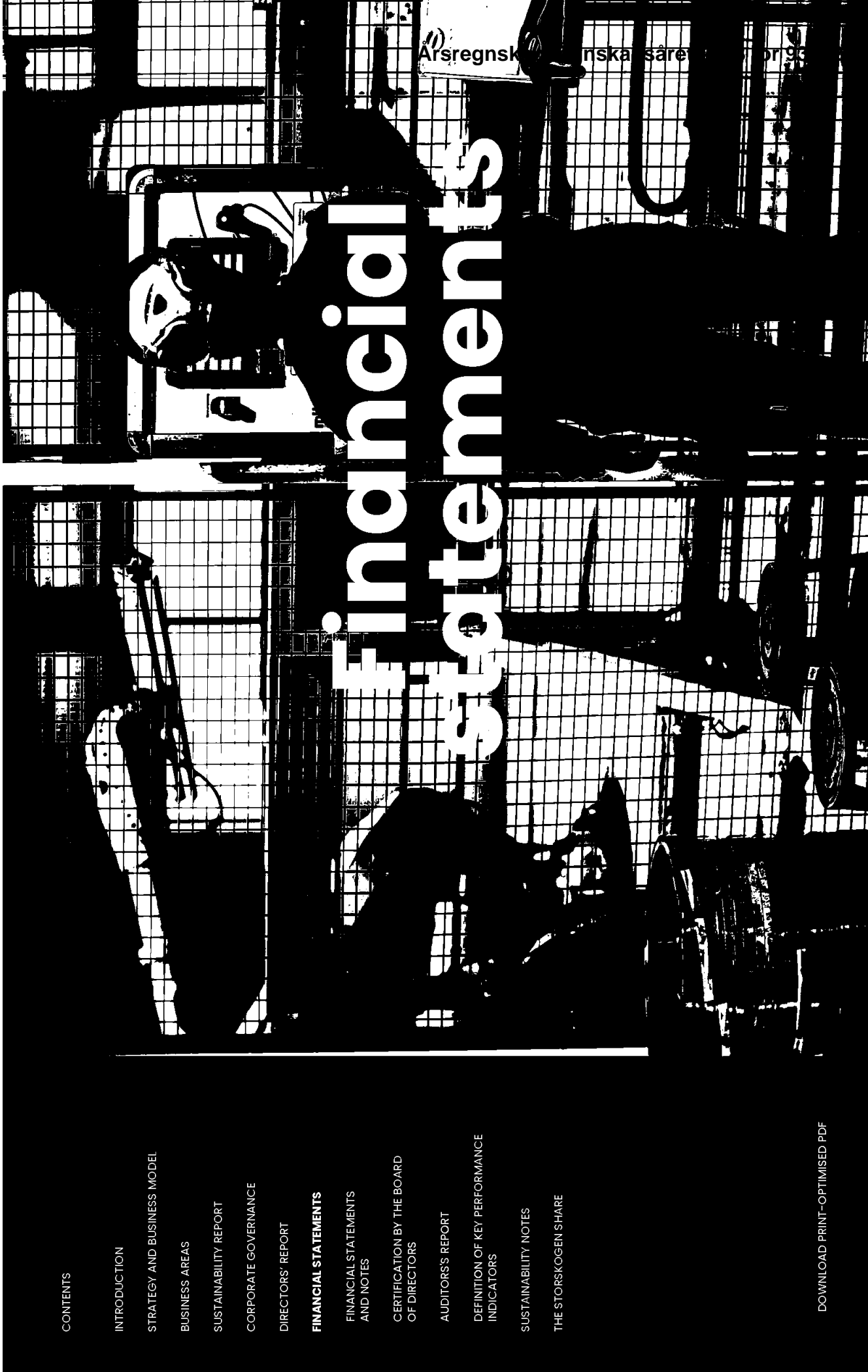
Disputes

The risk of significant disputes with customers, suppliers or other business partners may lead to costs and reputational damage.

Disputes are followed up on a quarterly basis and any significant disputes are followed up by the Audit Committee. Disputes are carefully evaluated to ensure that Storskogen, where appropriate, takes responsibility. All business units in the Group undertake to comply with Storskogen's Code of Conduct. If deviations from the Code of Conduct are identified, Storskogen takes all reasonable measures to ensure that the deviation ceases.

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CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	1 January–31 December, SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Net sales		3, 4	36,006	34,250
Cost of goods and services sold		7–10	-28,690	-27,475
Gross profit			7,316	6,775
Selling expenses		7–10	-3,247	-2,990
Administrative expenses		7–10	-2,093	-2,032
Other operating income		11	1,086	1,393
Other operating expenses		11	-616	-634
Operating profit			2,446	2,613
Financial income			198	479
Financial expenses			-1,323	-980
Net financial items		12	-1,125	-502
Profit before tax			1,321	2,111
Income tax		13	-377	-510
Profit for the year			944	1,592
Profit for the year attributable to:				
Owners of the Parent Company			778	1,436
Non-controlling interests			166	157
Basic and diluted earnings per share, SEK		Note	2023	2022
Basic earnings per share, series A and B		33	0.47	0.86
Diluted earnings per share, series A and B		33	0.46	0.86

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	1 January–31 December, SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Profit for the year			944	1,592
Other comprehensive income				
Items that will not be transferred to the income statement				
Re-measurements of defined benefit pension plans			-4	-4
Total items that will not be transferred to the income statement			-4	-4
Items that have been or may be transferred to profit or loss for the year				
Translation differences, foreign operations			7	7
Gains/losses on holdings of derivatives for cash flow hedging			-6	-6
Total items that have been or may be transferred to profit or loss for the year			1	1
Other comprehensive income			1	1
Comprehensive income for the year, net of tax			945	1,593
Comprehensive income for the year, net of tax, attributable to:				
Owners of the Parent Company			733	1,436
Non-controlling interests			15	15
Comprehensive income for the year, net of tax			748	1,451

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	Note	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Assets			
Intangible assets	14	24,982	25,566
Property, plant and equipment	15	3,717	3,604
Right-of-use assets	28	1,674	1,701
Financial investments		9	8
Non-current receivables		54	72
Pension obligation assets	22	4	9
Deferred tax assets	13	157	133
Total non-current assets		30,597	31,093
Inventories	16	4,522	5,203
Tax assets		474	475
Trade receivables	18	4,441	4,940
Contract assets	4	1,568	1,651
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	17	609	622
Other receivables		397	474
Current investments	26	0	1
Cash and cash equivalents	19	1,560	3,022
Total current assets		13,572	16,389
Total assets		44,169	47,482

SEK m	Note	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Equity			
Share capital	20		
Other contributed capital			
Reserves	20		
Retained earnings including profit for the year			
Equity attributable to owners of the Parent Company		20,443	20,443
Non-controlling interests			
Total equity		20,443	20,443
Liabilities			
Interest-bearing non-current liabilities	21		
Non-current lease liabilities	21,28		
Pension provisions	22		
Other non-current liabilities	24		
Provisions	23		
Deferred tax liabilities	13		
Total non-current liabilities		15,210	15,210
Interest-bearing current liabilities	21		
Current lease liabilities	21,28		
Contract liabilities	4		
Trade payables			
Tax liabilities			
Other liabilities	24		
Accrued expenses and deferred income	25		
Provisions	23		
Total current liabilities		8,529	8,529
Total liabilities		23,739	23,739
Total equity and liabilities		44,169	44,169

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK m	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent Company					Non-controlling interests
	Share capital	Other contributed capital	Translation reserve	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings incl. profit for the year	
Opening balance, 1 January 2023	1	13,106	575	-10	5,923	34
Comprehensive income for the year						
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	778	166
Remeasurements of defined benefit pension plans	-	-	-	-	-45	0
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	84	-81	-	-11
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	84	-81	734	155
Transactions with the Group's owners						
Contributions from and value transfers to owners						
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-133	-108
Conversion of loans in connection with acquisitions of companies	0	71	-	-	-	-
Transaction costs on issue of shares, after tax	-	0	-	-	-	-
Contributed capital from issued share options	-	-	-	-	4	-
Share-based payment transactions	-	-	-	-	37	-
Put options attributable to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	124	-60
Total contributions from and value transfers to owners	0	71	-	-	32	-167
Changes in ownership of subsidiaries						
Acquisition of non-controlling interest, existing control	-	-	-	-	0	-191
Acquisition of business with non-controlling interest, no previous control	-	-	-	-	-	191
Divestment of business with non-controlling interest, loss of control	-	-	-	-	-	-34
Divestment of non-controlling interest, control remains	-	-	-	-	1	14
Total changes in ownership of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	2	-20
Total transactions with the Group's owners	0	71	-	-	33	-187
Closing balance, 31 December 2023	1	13,177	659	-91	6,690	2

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CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY, CONT.

SEK m	Equity attributable to owners of the Parent Company					Non-controlling interests	Total
	Share capital	Other contributed capital	Translation reserve	Hedging reserve	Retained earnings incl. profit for the year		
Opening balance, 1 January 2022	1	12,939	77	6	2,373	1,193	15,395
Adjustment of opening balance, equity ¹⁾	-	-	-	-	1,169	-1,169	1,169
Opening balance, equity, after correction¹⁾	1	12,939	77	6	3,542	24	16,564
Comprehensive income for the year							
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	1,436	157	1,436
Remeasurements of defined benefit pension plans	-	-	-	-	148	2	148
Other comprehensive income for the year	-	-	498	-16	-	67	482
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	498	-16	1,584	226	2,066
Transactions with the Group's owners							
Contributions from and value transfers to owners							
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-	-116	-123	-116
Share issue, non-cash	0	168	-	-	-	-	168
Transaction costs on issue of shares, after tax	-	0	-	-	-	-	0
Share-based payment transactions	-	-	-	-	30	-	30
Put options attributable to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	1,050	-1,739	1,050
Total contributions from and value transfers to owners	0	167	-	-	964	-1,862	1,131
Changes in ownership of subsidiaries							
Acquisition of non-controlling interest, existing control	-	-	-	-	-169	-17	-169
Acquisition of business with non-controlling interest, no previous control	-	-	-	-	-	1,622	-
Divestment of non-controlling interest, control remains	-	-	-	-	2	42	2
Total changes in ownership of subsidiaries	-	-	-	-	-168	1,646	-168
Total transactions with the Group's owners	0	167	-	-	796	-216	964
Closing balance, 31 December 2022	1	13,106	575	-10	5,923	34	19,595

¹⁾ The distribution of the opening balance as at 1 January 2022 was adjusted due to the correction of an error from a previous financial year. See the 2022 Annual Report for a more detailed account of the background to the correction impact on the Group's total equity or on the other financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Operating activities			
Profit before tax		1,321	2,111
Adjustment for non-cash items	32	2,057	1,351
Income tax paid		-814	-690
Cash flow from operating activities before changes in working capital		2,563	2,772
Increase (-)/decrease (+) in inventories		630	-682
Increase (-)/decrease (+) in operating receivables		243	-583
Increase (+)/decrease (-) in operating liabilities		-74	122
Cash flow from operating activities		3,361	1,628
Investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-733	-666
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		163	74
Purchase of intangible assets		-98	-63
Acquisition of subsidiary/business, net effect on liquidity	5	-987	-9,047
Divestment of subsidiary/business, net effect on liquidity	6	770	-
Acquisition of minority interests		-190	-187
Proceeds from sale of minority interests		15	41
Disposals of financial assets		94	44
Cash flow from investing activities		-965	-9,802

SEK m	Note	2022
Financing activities		
Transaction costs on issue of shares		
Contributed capital from issued share options		
Borrowings	21	2,122
Repayment of loans		-522
Repayment of lease liability		-56
Dividends to owners of the Parent Company		-13
Dividends to non-controlling interests		-10
Other financing activities		-
Cash flow from financing activities		-3,877
Cash flow for the year		-1,488
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	19	3,022
Exchange rate difference in cash and cash equivalents		
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		1,566

PARENT COMPANY STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS

	1 January–31 December, SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Net sales		35	161	156
Administrative expenses			-310	-323
Other operating income			0	0
Other operating expenses			0	0
Operating profit			-148	-166
Profit/loss from participations in Group companies		43	328	-
Interest income and similar profit/loss items		44	1,655	1,469
Interest expenses and similar profit/loss items		45	-1,206	-775
Profit/loss after financial items			628	527
Appropriations		46	46	0
Profit before tax			674	527
Tax		39	13	-43
Profit for the year			687	485

PARENT COMPANY STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	1 January–31 December, SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Profit for the year			687	485
Comprehensive income for the year			687	485

PARENT COMPANY BALANCE SHEET

SEK m	Note	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Assets			
Non-current assets			
Intangible assets		0	0
Property, plant and equipment		1	1
Financial assets			
Participations in Group companies	48	8,878	4,777
Receivables from Group companies	36, 50	19,578	23,526
Other non-current receivables		38	41
Total financial assets		28,494	28,343
Total non-current assets		28,495	28,344
Current assets			
Current receivables			
Receivables from Group companies	36, 50	3,918	3,918
Other receivables		47	30
Prepaid expenses and accrued income		15	8
Total current receivables		3,980	3,956
Cash and bank balances		739	1,168
Total current assets		4,719	5,124
Total assets		33,214	33,469
Equity and liabilities			
Equity			
Restricted equity			
Share capital			
Unrestricted equity			
Retained earnings			4,01
Share premium reserve			13,18
Profit for the year			68
Total equity			17,85
Untaxed reserves			
Accumulated excess depreciation			
Total untaxed reserves			
Provisions			
Other provisions for pensions and similar commitments			
Total provisions			
Non-current liabilities			
Liabilities to credit institutions	40		9,77
Total non-current liabilities			9,77
Current liabilities			
Liabilities to credit institutions		40	45
Trade payables		36	1
Liabilities to Group companies		36	4,78
Tax liabilities			4
Other current liabilities		41	14
Accrued expenses and deferred income		42	10
Total current liabilities		5,54	5,54
Total equity and liabilities		33,214	33,214

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PARENT COMPANY STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

SEK m	Restricted equity			Unrestricted equity		Profit for the year
	Share capital	Ongoing new issue	Shareholder contribution	Retained earnings	Share premium reserve	
Opening balance, 1 January 2023	1	-	-	4,132	13,106	-
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	687
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	687
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	687
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-133	-	-
Conversion of loans in connection with acquisitions of companies	-	-	-	-	71	-
Contributed capital from issued share options	-	-	-	-	4	-
Share-based payment transactions	-	-	-	19	-	-
Closing balance, 31 December 2023	1	-	-	4,019	13,181	687

SEK m	Restricted equity			Unrestricted equity		Profit for the year
	Share capital	Ongoing new issue	Shareholder contribution ¹⁾	Retained earnings	Share premium reserve	
Opening balance, 1 January 2022	1	-	3,140	607	12,838	-
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	485
Profit for the year	-	-	-	-	-	485
Comprehensive income for the year	-	-	-	-	-	485
Shareholder contribution	-	-	-3,140	3,140	-	-
Dividends paid	-	-	-	-116	-	-
Share issue, non-cash	0	-	-	-	168	-
Share-based payment transactions	-	-	-	17	-	-
Closing balance, 31 December 2022	1	-	-	3,647	13,106	485

1) The unconditional shareholders' contribution of SEK 3,140 million that Storskogen Group AB received in connection with its founding was transferred to retained earnings in 2022.

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PARENT COMPANY CASH FLOW STATEMENT

SEK m	Note	2023	2022
Operating activities			
Profit before tax		674	527
Adjustment for non-cash items	52	190	-524
Dividends received from subsidiaries		-	502
Income tax paid		-11	-5
		853	500
Increase (-)/decrease (+) in operating receivables		-5	-43
Increase (+)/decrease (-) in operating liabilities		26	-4
Cash flow from operating activities		874	453
Investing activities			
Shareholders' contributions provided		-	-628
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-1
Lending to Group companies		99	-9,211
Net change in deposits/borrowings, cash pool		1,791	-1,163
Other change in financial assets		-20	-1
Cash flow from investing activities		1,870	-11,005
Financing activities			
Proceeds from issues of shares		4	-
Transaction costs on issue of shares		0	0
Borrowings		2,000	10,660
Repayment of loans		-5,044	-3,800
Dividends paid		-133	-116
Cash flow from financing activities		-3,173	6,744
Cash flow for the year		-429	-3,908
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		1,168	4,976
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year		739	1,168

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NOTE 1 MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**The Group's accounting policies****BASIS FOR PREPARATION**

The consolidated accounts were prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) as adopted by the European Union (EU). The Group also applies the Swedish Annual Accounts Act (1995:1554) and IFRS 1 Supplementary Accounting Rules for Groups, issued by the Swedish Corporate Reporting Board.

The Board of Directors (the Board) adopted this document on 25 March 2024. The financial statements will be adopted at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 8 May 2024.

Pursuant to German provisions in Sections 264 Abs 3 and 264b of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch, HGB), there is no requirement to publish annual reports for individual subsidiaries (both referring to companies and partnerships) in Germany, provided the entities are consolidated on a higher level in another EU member state. To meet the requirements on companies pursuant to 264 Abs 3 of the HGB, Storskogen Group has provided a guarantee for future financial years of any commitments made by the subsidiary until 31 December 2023. This resolution will be published in official German registers in accordance with Section 325 of the HGB. It was also determined that the exemptions in Sections 264 Abs 3 and 264b of the HGB are applicable to the directors' report and the publication of the annual accounts of the subsidiaries in the official German register.

The German subsidiaries listed below, which either have the legal form of a company or a partnership, make use of the exemptions according to the above description, which are provided in Sections 264 Abs 3 and 264b HGB.

Company/business**Registered office**

A&K Die Fische Küche GmbH	Recklinghausen
Brünner-Anilker GmbH	Waldshut-Tiengen
Casino Menservice GmbH	Wuppertal
Christ & Wirth Haustechnik GmbH	Zwenkau
DIMABAY Digital GmbH	Berlin
DIMABAY GmbH	Berlin
DS SafetyWear Arbeitsschutzprodukte GmbH	Lohmar
Eppstein Technologies GmbH	Eppstein
EppsteinFalls GmbH	Eppstein
EppsteinFalls Holding GmbH	Eppstein
Faltium Holding GmbH	Eppstein
Hans Kammerer GmbH	Wachtendank
HK Immobilien GmbH	Munich
LNS Deutschland GmbH	Leonberg
Nutrium GmbH	Cuxhaven
PBT Germany GmbH	Siegen
Raliert GmbH & Co KG	Altbach
Schaufler GmbH	Laichingen
Schaufler Tooling GmbH & Co KG	Laichingen
SF Tooling Group GmbH	Laichingen
SO-COIN Leit- und Steuerungstechnik GmbH	Bannheim
Stahlbau Verwaltungs-GmbH	Altbach
Storskogen Deutschland GmbH	Munich
Sudwind Lebensmittel GmbH	Cuxhaven
Weidinger GmbH	Malsach
Wingert Foods Export GmbH	Cuxhaven
Wingert Foods GmbH	Cuxhaven

Unless otherwise stated, the accounting policies described below have been applied consistently over the reporting periods and for all companies that are included in the financial statements. Unless otherwise stated, the financial statements were prepared based on the historical cost convention.

FUNCTIONAL CURRENCY AND REPORTING CURRENCY

The Parent Company's functional currency is the Swedish krona, which is also the reporting currency of the Group. This means that the financial statements are presented in Swedish kronor in this report and expressed in million Swedish kronor (SEK million) unless otherwise stated. Roundings may occur.

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Note 1. Material accounting policies, *cont.*

Revenue from service engagements

The Group's revenue from service engagements refers to longer and shorter assignments, including consultancy, contracting and transport services. There are both framework agreements and individual agreements in the case of framework agreements, the purchase order in combination with the framework agreement constitutes the contract with the customer. As the Group's contracts include both goods and services, these are generally not deemed to be distinct within the context of the contract, as they are highly interdependent or highly interrelated or because the Group integrates the promised goods and services into a bundle that is purchased by the customer. Consequently, such contracts are generally considered to include a single performance obligation. The exception is if the contract includes the sale of a good and the installation of the same good, in which case these are handled as separate performance obligations. Performance obligations are either satisfied over time or at a point in time depending on the nature of the contract. Service engagements are recognised over time, as the customer simultaneously receives and consumes the benefits provided by the service as the entity performs. Revenue is also recognised over time if the Group creates or enhances an asset that the customer already controls, which is common for the Group's contracting services. Revenue from services that are recognised over time is based on the progress towards completion of each performance obligation. This revenue is then based on the proportion of costs spent compared with the total estimated costs for each performance obligation. The transaction price may comprise both fixed and variable elements. In some cases, the Group does not create an asset with an alternative use, as it is customised. If the Group is entitled to consideration for its performance, including a margin, during the entire process, revenue is recognised over time also for these obligations. If part of the transaction price is variable, only the part of the amount for which there is no significant risk of a reversal at a later stage will be included. The transaction price is updated continuously if the circumstances on which the estimate is based should change.

Onerous contracts must be dealt with when an expected loss arises and it is probable that the total costs of the contract will exceed the total revenue; this loss will then be expensed immediately.

Service engagements that are recognised over time in accordance with the above are invoiced during the month when the work is performed and generally has a payment term of 30 to 90 days. Other assignments for which revenue is recognised over time are invoiced based on agreed milestones, which are achieved upon completion of certain steps. The invoice generally has a payment term from 30 to 90 days.

Variable remuneration

Certain contracts with customers may contain a right of return, dealer discounts or quantity discounts. If it is not possible to make a reliable calculation of the revenue, the Group will postpone the revenue until the uncertainty has been resolved. Such liabilities are estimated when the contract is concluded and updated thereafter.

Variable consideration is recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount will not occur in the future. Such an assessment can be based on historical data and forecasts.

Right of return

When a contract with a customer includes the right to return the product within a certain period, the Group recognises this right of return based on the expected value method. The revenue that refers to the expected return will be postponed and recognised in the balance sheet, under Other liabilities. A corresponding adjustment will be in Cost of goods sold and recognised in the balance sheet, under inventories.

LEASES

The Group as lessee Right-of-use assets

Right-of-use assets are measured at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment adjustments for any remeasurement of the lease liability, except for currency transitions. The cost of an asset comprises the amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs, any prepayments made at or before the commencement date of the lease, less any incentives received, and the cost of拆卸 or dismantling the asset, which ranges from one to 20 years. Provided the Group is not reasonably certain that the underlying asset will be assumed at the end of the lease, the right-of-use asset will be depreciated on a straight-line basis over the lease term. The Group determines the useful life of a right-of-use asset based on the estimated period during which the asset will generate income. The Group management considers when determining economic life and depreciation periods, such as historical experiences, the market conditions and the selling price that may be received if the asset is divested.

Lease liabilities

At the commencement date, the Group measures the lease liability at the present value of the payments that are to be paid during the lease term. The cost of variable lease payments is included in operating expenses in the period in which they are incurred. The lease term is the non-cancellable period as well as any periods covered by an option to extend the lease that the Group is reasonably certain to exercise that option.

To calculate the present value of the lease payments, the Group uses the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be readily determined, and if not, an assessment of the incremental borrowing rate at the commencement date is used.

Application of practical exemptions

The Group applies the practical exemptions for short-term leases and leases for which the unit of low value. Short-term leases are defined as leases with an initial lease term of 12 months or less and any options to extend the lease. In the Group, leases of low value assets include lease payments for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets and expenses incurred in operating straight-line basis over the lease term.

FINANCIAL INCOME AND EXPENSES

Financial income consists of interest income from invested funds, dividend income and gains on the sale of financial instruments measured at fair value in profit or loss, as well as such profits from hedging instruments measured in profit or loss for the year.

Interest income from financial instruments is recognised according to the effective interest method. Interest income is recognised when the right to receive the dividend has been established.

Financial expenses include interest expenses on loans and lease liabilities. The effect of a revaluation of financial assets and liabilities is recognised in profit or loss. In the Group, the effect of a revaluation of financial assets and liabilities that were allocated to periods over the term of the loan, the effective interest method is used. Losses from value changes on financial assets valued through profit or loss, and such losses on hedging instruments that are reported in profit or loss through profit or loss, and such losses on hedging instruments that are reported in profit or loss through profit or loss, are recognised in profit or loss using the effective interest method, except to the extent that they are directly attributable to the purchase, construction or production of assets that take considerable time to complete for the intended use or for sale, in which case they are included in the cost of the asset. Exchange rate gains and losses are reported net.

Note 1. Material accounting policies, *cont.*

FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

A financial instrument is any form of agreement that gives rise to a financial asset for one company and a financial liability for another company. Financial instruments that are reported as assets in the balance sheet include shares, trade receivables, other receivables and cash and cash equivalents. Those that are reported as liabilities include trade payables, contingent considerations and other liabilities.

Classification and measurement

Financial assets
The Group's financial assets are recognised at amortised cost, except for derivative instruments, which are recognised at fair value in net financial income, unless hedge accounting is applied. See Note 27. Financial assets and liabilities. Fair value is determined according to the description in Note 26.

Equity instruments classified at fair value through profit or loss if held for trading. In such cases, remeasurements are recognised in net financial items.

Financial liabilities

The Group's financial liabilities are classified at amortised cost or at fair value through profit or loss. Financial liabilities recognised at amortised cost are initially measured at fair value including transaction costs. After initial recognition, they are measured using the effective interest method. The Group's financial assets are recognised at amortised cost, except for liabilities related to contingent consideration, which are recognised at fair value, and derivative instruments, which are recognised at fair value in net financial income, unless hedge accounting is applied. See Note 27. Financial assets and liabilities. Fair value is determined according to the description in Note 26.

Derivatives and hedge accounting

To ensure future contracted cash flows in projects where the revenue is in a foreign currency, i.e. a currency other than the company's functional currency, the company has entered into currency forward contracts to hedge the currency risk. The Group applies hedge accounting in the form of cash flow hedges. The effective portion of the changes in the fair value of the hedging instrument is recognised in Other comprehensive income and accumulated in the hedging reserve in equity. The gain or loss associated with any ineffective portion shall be recognised immediately in operating profit or loss. Any accumulated amounts in equity are reclassified to profit or loss via Other comprehensive income in the periods when the hedged item affects profit or loss, such as when the revenue is recognised, and it is recognised as part of the revenue. When a hedging instrument expires or is sold or when the hedge no longer meets the requirements for hedge accounting, accumulated gains or losses remain in equity. These are entered in profit or loss when the hedged transaction is finally recognised in profit or loss. If a hedged transaction is no longer anticipated, the accumulated gains or losses are immediately reclassified from equity to profit or loss.

Storskogen has entered into ISDA (International Swaps and Derivatives Association) master agreements with the counterparties to the Group's derivative contracts. This means that in the event of a serious financial event, such as default, the parties to the agreement are allowed to offset receivables against liabilities. Derivatives that have been concluded with ISDA counterparty are accounted for gross in the balance sheet.

Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets, other than those that are classified at fair value through profit or loss and equity instruments measured at fair value through Other comprehensive income, are subject to impairment related to expected credit losses. The simplified approach is applied to trade receivables, lease receivables and contract assets. According to the simplified approach, a loss allowance is recognised for the lifetime expected credit losses for the receivable or asset. Other items that are included in expected credit losses are subject to an impairment model in

three stages. For more details on the methods applied when calculating expected credit losses see Note 28. Financial risks. Financial assets measured at amortised cost are recognised net of the gross allowance. Changes in the loss allowance are recognised in operating profit or financial performance on the nature of the underlying asset.

PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The Group recognises property, plant and equipment at cost less accumulated depreciation on losses. Gains or losses arising from the disposal of an asset constitute the difference between the asset's carrying value, less direct selling expenses. Gains and losses are recognised as other income/expenses. The following depreciation policies are applied:

Depreciation is carried out on a straight-line basis over the asset's estimated useful life. Land is not depreciated. Every part of an item of property, plant or equipment with an acquisition value that is significant is depreciated separately. For the Group, this chiefly refers to buildings divided into elements such as structure, pipework, façades, roofs, lifts, ventilation equipment, etc.

The estimated useful lives are:

- Buildings 20–50 years
- Machinery, fixtures and fittings and cars 3–10 years
- Other equipment, furniture and fittings 3–10 years
- Art indefinite

The depreciation methods used, residual values and useful lives are reviewed annually.

INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Goodwill

Goodwill is stated at cost less any accumulated impairment. Goodwill is allocated to cash-generating units as referred to as verticals, further information on impairment testing and the Group available in Note 14.

Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets that have been acquired by the Group comprise customer relationships, licences, technology, patents and rights and are recognised at cost less accumulated amortisation and impairment.

Amortisation policies

Amortisation is recognised in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of assets unless the useful lives are considered indefinite. The useful lives of assets are reassessed at the end of each reporting period. Intangible assets with a definite useful life are amortised from the point at which they are available for use.

The estimated useful lives are:

- Goodwill indefinite
- Trademarks indefinite or 3–10 years
- Rights 3–10 years
- Customer relationships 2–15 years
- Capitalised development costs 5–7 years
- Technology 3–10 years

Note 1: Material accounting policies, *cont.*

Impairment of tangible and intangible assets

The Group's recognised assets are tested for impairment on each reporting date. Goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life or that are not yet ready for use are tested for impairment at year-end and as soon as indications arise that the asset in question has decreased in value. If an impairment loss is indicated, the recoverable amount of the asset is calculated.

An impairment loss is recognised when an asset or cash-generating unit's (group of units') carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in Other operating expenses. If an impairment loss has been identified for a cash-generating unit (group of units), the impairment loss shall primarily be allocated to goodwill. Then, the impairment loss will be allocated pro rata to the other assets of the unit (group of units).

INVENTORIES

Inventories are recognised based on the first-in, first-out (FIFO) formula. Raw materials and purchased finished and semi-finished goods are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Produced finished and semi-finished goods are stated at the lower of production cost (including an appropriate proportion of indirect costs of production) and net realisable value.

Market terms are applied to intra-Group trade. If the estimated net realisable value is lower than cost, a provision is made for stock obsolescence.

REMUNERATION TO EMPLOYEES

The Group has several pension plans, both defined benefit plans and defined contribution plans. The present value of the pension obligation and the cost of the Group's defined benefit pension plans are determined based on advice from an independent, professionally qualified actuary, based on the projected unit credit method.

Defined benefit-related obligations are recognised net as a provision in the balance sheet, i.e. after deductions for the value of any plan assets.

Other pension systems in the Group are defined contribution plans and mainly refer to old-age pension. These pension premiums are salary-related and expensed regularly. See also Note 22.

Incentive programmes

The Company has an outstanding warrant programme for certain senior executives and other key individuals in the Group. The warrants were issued to the participants at a market value determined according to the Black-Scholes formula. If the warrants are exercised in the future, the Parent Company will receive proceeds corresponding to the strike price. New shares will be issued, and the proceeds will be reported as an increase in equity.

The Company also has a share savings programme and an employee stock option programme, which give certain senior executives and other key individuals the opportunity to acquire shares in Storskogen. The share savings programme is recognised in accordance with IFRS 2 Share-based Payment. The compensation costs reported during the vesting period is based on the fair value of the Storskogen share at the grant date, taking into account performance and market conditions, with a corresponding adjustment of equity. At every reporting date during the vesting period, the expected number of granted shares is estimated, and the effect of a possible change in the previous assessment of the performance conditions and the development of the Storskogen share (market conditions) is reported in profit or loss with a corresponding adjustment of equity. Thereafter, a provision is made for estimated social security contributions related to the share programme.

For further information on the incentive programmes, see Note 9.

NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS IN 2023

Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements (Disclosure of accounting policies)
The changes mean that the requirement in IAS 1 to disclose significant accounting policies has been replaced by a requirement to disclose material accounting policies. The IASB's IFRS Practices Statement 2, 'Materiality', was updated at the same time with guidelines and examples intended to illustrate the application of the new requirement. The purpose is to achieve real change in practice, rather than a mere effective communication in financial reports.

These changes have resulted in a reduction of the amount of text related to standardised disclosure of accounting policy disclosures and the addition of more company-specific disclosures.

Amendments to IAS 12 Income taxes

The changes clarify that the exemption, which states that deferred tax is not recognised for liabilities that arise from the initial recognition of an asset or liability, does not apply to transactions that result in the recognition of an asset and a liability, such as right-of-use assets and lease liabilities.

These amendments mean that deferred tax related to right-of-use assets and lease liabilities is recognised. The amounts for deferred tax liabilities related to right-of-use assets and deferred tax on lease liabilities are provided in Note 13 Tax.

Amendments to IAS 12 Income Taxes (the OECD's Pillar Two rules)

In December 2021, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) published 'Tax Challenges Arising from the Digitalisation of the Economy – Global Anti-Base Erosion (Pillar Two) Inclusive Framework on BEPS'. These rules were devised to ensure that large multinational enterprises are subject to the rules pay a minimum level of tax on the income arising during the reporting period in jurisdictions where they operate. The rules must be transposed into national legislation based on a specific approach.

The amendments include:

- a mandatory temporary exemption for reporting and disclosing deferred tax assets and liabilities pursuant to Pillar Two;
- Disclosure requirements for affected companies that helps users of financial statements understand a company's exposure to Pillar Two income taxes arising from that legislation. Disclosures on key estimates and assumptions on Pillar Two income taxes are required for financial years starting 1 January 2023. These amendments do not have a retrospective effect on the Group's financial reports.

The Group applies the exemption for reporting and disclosing deferred tax assets and liabilities pursuant to Pillar Two.

Other than that, a number of limited amendments to IAS 8 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, according to which companies should differentiate between changes in accounting estimates and changes in accounting estimates and assumptions, and the new standard, IAS 17 Insurance contracts, have been published and entered into force on 1 January 2023. These amendments do not have a retrospective effect on the Group's financial reports.

NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS YET TO BE APPLIED BY THE GROUP

Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements (Classification of liabilities)

In January 2020, the IASB published amendments to IAS 1 regarding the classification of liabilities as current or non-current, particularly if there are covenants. The purpose of the amendments is to clarify the meaning of the right to defer settlement of a liability.

- that this right must exist at the end of the reporting period;
- that classification is unaffected by the likelihood that the entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability; and
- when the terms and conditions of a convertible debt instrument do not affect classification as derivatives.

Note 1. Material accounting policies, cont.

The amendments to IAS 1 also clarify that circumstances on the reporting date form the basis for the classification of a liability and that management's expectations on whether a covenant will be breached in the future are irrelevant to the classification.

According to the IASB, both amendments shall be applied retrospectively for financial years beginning on 1 January 2024 or later. These amendments have been adopted by the EU.

The Group has financial covenants in the agreement for the credit facility and actively monitors the space for these covenants. The Group is expected to comply with its financial covenants as at 31 Dec 2024. Consequently, this amendment is not expected to affect the Group's financial statements in the period when it is initially applied. However, the Group will consider and evaluate these amendments when entering into new credit agreements.

Limited amendments to IFRS 16 Leases have been published and will enter into force in or after January 2024, regarding the recognition of a lease liability in a sale and leaseback transactions, and IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows and IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Information on disclosure requirements for supply chain finance arrangements. The Group does not believe that these amendments will affect the Group or the Parent Company's financial reports.

The Parent Company's accounting policies

The Parent Company prepared its annual accounts in accordance with the Swedish Annual Accounts Act (1995:1564) and the Swedish Corporate Reporting Board's recommendation RFR 2 – Accounting for legal entities. Statements issued by the Swedish Financial Reporting Board regarding listed companies are also applied. RFR 2 means that the Parent Company in the annual report for the legal entity shall apply all EU-approved IFRS standards and statements as far as possible within the framework of the Annual Accounts Act and the Pension Obligations Vesting Act (*Frysgrundslagen*) while taking into consideration the relationship between accounting and taxation. The recommendation stipulates which exceptions and additions to IFRS shall be applied.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE ACCOUNTING POLICIES OF THE GROUP AND PARENT COMPANY

The differences between the Group and the Parent Company's accounting policies are shown below. The accounting policies described below for the Parent Company have been applied consistently to all periods presented in the Parent Company's financial statements.

Classifications and presentation

For the Parent Company, a statement of profit or loss and a statement of other comprehensive income are presented, whereas for the Group, these two reports, taken together, constitute an income statement and a statement of other comprehensive income. Also, the reports that for the Group are referred to as the balance sheet and cash flow statement are referred to as the balance sheet and the cash flow statement for the Parent Company. For the Parent Company, the statement of profit or loss and the balance sheet are presented according to the layout provided in the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, whereas the statement of other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the cash flow statement are based on IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements and IAS 7 Statement of Cash Flows. The differences in the Parent Company's statements compared with the Group's statements chiefly comprise the recognition of financial income and expenses, non-current assets, equity and the existence of provisions as its own heading in the balance sheet.

Subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures

In the Parent Company, participations in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures are recognised according to the historical cost convention. This means that transaction costs are included in the recognised value of participations in subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures. In the consolidated accounts, transaction costs attributable to subsidiaries are recognised directly in profit or loss.

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Contingent considerations are measured based on the probability that the consideration will change in the provision/receivable are added to/deducted from the cost. In the consolidated accounts, contingent considerations are recognised at fair value with value changes recognised in profit or loss. Bargain purchases that correspond to future expected losses and costs are reversed in the when such losses and costs arise. Bargain purchases arising for other reasons are recognised at value that do not exceed the fair value of acquired identifiable non-monetary assets. The parent value is taken up as income immediately. The part that does not exceed the fair value of acquired non-monetary assets is taken up as income in a systematic manner over a period that is estimated remaining weighted useful life of the acquired identifiable assets that can be amortised or deconsolidated accounts, bargain purchases are recognised directly in profit or loss.

Financial instruments, hedge accounting and derecognition from the balance sheet

Due to the connection between reporting and taxation, the Parent Company as a legal entity with the rules on financial instruments in IFRS 9. Instead, the Parent Company applies the historical information pursuant to the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. In the Parent Company, non-current financial instruments are measured at cost and current financial assets are measured according to the lower method, except for SEK 17 million (0) in unrealised gains on foreign exchange derivatives that were some of the intra-Group transactions and were recognised as such, with the application of an expected credit losses according to IFRS 9 for assets that are debt instruments. For other financial instruments is based on market values.

Anticipated dividends

Anticipated dividends from subsidiaries are recognised if the Parent Company has the sole right to receive the dividends and has determined the size of the dividend before publishing its financial statements.

Assets being leased

In the Parent Company, all lease payments are expensed on a straight-line basis over the term

Borrowing costs

In the Parent Company, borrowing costs are charged to profit or loss in the period to which the borrowing costs are capitalised for assets.

Tax

In the Parent Company, untaxed reserves are recognised in the balance sheet, without any deferred tax liabilities, unlike in the consolidated accounts. Similarly, the Parent Company does not report the appropriations to deferred tax expenses.

Group contributions

Group contributions are recognised as appropriations.

Net sales

The Parent Company's net sales comprise only management services invoiced to the Group.

NOTES – GROUP

NOTE 2 ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS IN THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Preparation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS requires the Board and Group management to make assessments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the accounting policies and figures reported for assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The actual outcome may deviate from these estimates and judgments. Estimates and assumptions are reviewed regularly. Changes in estimates are reported in the period in which they are made if they only affect that period, or in the period in which they are made and in future periods, if the change affects both the period concerned and future periods.

SIGNIFICANT JUDGEMENTS

If Storskogen does not acquire 100 percent of the shares in a subsidiary, Storskogen and the minority shareholders enter into a put and call option agreement for purchasing any non-controlling interests, i.e. minority options. The purchase price when the option is exercised is generally based on an agreed future performance measure multiplied by a valuation multiple that is adjusted to reflect the net indebtedness of the entity. This value is recognised in Other non-current and current liabilities.

The Company does not consider that the uncertainty in estimates and judgments entail a significant risk of a material adjustment of the carrying amount of the asset or liability within the next financial year.

OTHER ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTIES

The most material sources of estimation uncertainty in the judgments and assumptions made when the consolidated accounts were prepared are presented below. Changes in assumptions may have significant effect on the financial reports in the period when the assumptions were changed.

Recognition of deferred tax assets

The assessment of the extent to which deferred tax assets can be recognised is based on an assessment of the probability that future taxable profit will be available against which the unused tax losses or cumulated tax credits can be utilised, see Note 13. Critical assessments are also required when assessing the impact of certain legal or financial limitations or uncertainties in various tax jurisdictions.

Impairment of non-financial assets and goodwill

When testing for impairment, the recoverable amount of each asset or cash-generating unit is calculated based on expected future cash flows and an appropriate discount rate for the cash flow. There are uncertainties related to the assumptions of future cash flows and the determination of an appropriate discount rate, see Note 14.

Option to purchase non-controlling interests

Initial recognition is based on an appropriate discount rate. This is remeasured at every reporting date. The uncertainty in this remeasurement is related to the discount rate used and the future profitability, see Note 24.

The useful life of depreciable or amortisable assets

Each reporting date, a review is made of the determined useful lives of depreciable or amortisable assets based on the period of time over which an asset is expected to be used by the Group. The uncertainty in these assessments is due to technical obsolescence that may change the use of the asset.

Inventories

Each balance sheet date, the net realisable value of the inventories is calculated, considering information available. The future selling price may be affected by future technology and other changes that may reduce future selling prices.

Business combinations

Measurement of acquired intangible assets

When the fair value is calculated, valuation techniques are used for the specific assets and liabilities acquired in a business combination, see Note 5. Most importantly, the fair value of contingent liabilities depends on the outcome of several variables, including the profitability of the acquired company.

NOTE 3 OPERATING SEGMENTS

The Group's operations are divided into different business areas depending on the operations and structure. These business areas are Trade, Industry and Services. The Group management as the chief operating decision maker that reviews the operations' performance makes a allocation of resources based on the goods produced and sold and the services provided by the business areas constitute the Group's operating segments.

The Trade business area focuses on companies with strong brands in their markets, mostly wholesalers with their own and external brands. Trade is divided into four verticals: Home and Beauty, Sports, Clothing and Accessories, Niche Businesses. Trade comprises 32 percent of sales and accounted for 28 percent (28) of sales in 2023.

The Industry business area focuses on traditional B2B industrial companies in heavy or mechanical manufacturing and automation. Industry is divided into three verticals: Automating Industrial Products, Industry comprises 39 business units (39) and accounted for 40 percent (39) of sales.

The Services business area focuses on service companies with strong positions in specific verticals divided into seven verticals: Contracting Services, Infrastructure, Installation, Logistics, Engineering Services, as well as HR and Competence. Services comprises 58 business units (58) and accounted for 33 percent (33) of sales in 2023.

Transfer pricing in the Group is on market terms. The accounting policies used in the various business areas are the same as those described in Note 1 Material accounting policies.

Note 3 Operating segments, cont.

FOLLOW-UP BY SEGMENT, 2023

SEK m	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations	Group Total
Revenue from external customers	10,048	14,662	11,346	-50	36,006
Cost of goods and services sold	-8,079	-1,406	-8,981	-223	-28,689
Gross profit	1,969	3,257	2,365	-275	7,316
Selling expenses	-1,107	-1,088	-977	-74	-3,247
Administrative expenses	-443	-971	-746	67	-2,093
Other operating income	318	447	310	11	1,086
Other operating expenses	-188	-287	-140	-1	-616
Operating profit	549	1,357	812	-272	2,446
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	237	324	300	1	861
Segment profit/loss (EBITA)	786	1,681	1,111	-271	3,307
Reconciliation of profit/loss before tax					
Segment profit/loss (EBITA)	786	1,681	1,111	-271	3,307
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	-237	-324	-300	-1	-861
Financial income					188
Financial expenses					-1,323
Profit before tax					1,321

Net sales by geographical market, SEK m	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations	Revenue from external customers
Sweden	5,129	4,029	8,234	-50	17,341
Denmark	317	371	512	-	1,200
Finland	236	248	78	-	562
Germany	469	2,022	409	-	2,900
Other countries within the EU	678	1,763	83	-	2,513
Norway	1,525	695	906	-	3,116
Switzerland	552	587	732	-	1,870
United Kingdom	1,122	2,029	269	-	3,420
USA	0	1,775	14	-	1,789
Other countries outside the EU	20	1,164	110	-	1,294
Total	10,048	14,662	11,346	-50	36,006

Note 3 Operating segments, cont.

FOLLOW-UP BY SEGMENT, 2022

SEK m	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations	Group Total
Revenue from external customers	9,637	13,288	1,351	-29	34,250
Cost of goods and services sold	-7,808	-10,489	-8,940	-237	-27,475
Gross profit	1,829	2,798	2,411	-263	6,775
Selling expenses	-910	-969	-939	-72	-2,880
Administrative expenses	-419	-863	-742	-9	-2,032
Other operating income	561	613	205	14	1,393
Other operating expenses	-178	-366	-89	-1	-634
Operating profit	884	1,214	846	-330	2,613
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	188	257	246	1	693
Segment profit/loss (EBITA)	1,072	1,471	1,092	-329	3,305
Reconciliation of profit/loss before tax					
Segment profit/loss (EBITA)	1,072	1,471	1,092	-329	3,305
Amortisation and impairment of intangible assets	-188	-257	-246	-1	-693
Financial income					478
Financial expenses					-980
Profit before tax					2,111

Net sales by geographical market, SEK m	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations	Revenue from external customers
Sweden	5,297	3,910	9,083	-26	18,264
Denmark	256	287	315	-	868
Finland	249	347	72	-	667
Germany	416	1,823	281	-	2,530
Other countries within the EU	617	1,610	82	-	2,308
Norway	1,067	646	786	-	2,499
Switzerland	582	415	564	-	1,561
United Kingdom	1,143	1,562	77	-	2,782
USA	1	1,711	15	-	1,727
Other countries outside the EU	10	967	76	-	1,053
Total	9,637	13,288	11,351	-26	34,250

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Assets and liabilities, SEK m	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations
Assets	13,328	18,403	14,241	
Liabilities	2,875	4,761	4,073	
Assets by geographical location, SEK m	8,469	6,943	9,895	
Sweden	871	3,104	1,219	
Switzerland	1,732	2,929	235	
United Kingdom	659	1,696	408	
Germany	1,197	478	856	
Norway	85	644	1,520	
Denmark	316	2,611	108	
Total	13,328	18,403	14,241	

Investments by segment, SEK m

Investments in intangible assets	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations
Investments in property, plant and equipment	27	32	4	
Total	120	396	200	

Amortisation and depreciation by segment, SEK m

Amortisation of intangible assets	Trade	Industry	Services	Group operations and eliminations
Amortisation of intangible assets	-188	-257	-246	
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	-62	-184	-15	
Total	-250	-441	-403	

NOTE 4 REVENUE FROM CONTRACTS WITH CUSTOMERS

Information per vertical, SEK m	2023	2022
Total, Trade segment	10,048	9,637
Home and Living	2,949	3,378
Niche Businesses	2,969	3,021
Health and Beauty	2,802	1,866
Sport, Clothing and Accessories	1,340	1,385
Elimination within business area	-11	-22
Total, Industry segment	14,662	13,288
Contracting Services	969	913
Infrastructure	2,400	2,273
Installation	3,529	3,635
Logistics	1,184	1,257
Engineering Services	1,610	1,772
Digital Services	715	643
HR and Competence	967	879
Elimination within business area	-27	-20
Total, Services segment	11,346	11,351
Intra-Group sales, segment	-50	-26
Total	36,006	34,250

Time of revenue recognition, SEK m	2023			Group total
	Trade	Industry	Services	
Goods and services transferred at a point in time	6,740	11,872	7,200	28,861
Goods and services transferred over time	308	2,690	4,146	7,144
Total	10,048	14,662	11,346	36,006

Time of revenue recognition, SEK m	2022			Group total
	Trade	Industry	Services	
Goods and services transferred at a point in time	9,157	10,840	6,480	26,562
Goods and services transferred over time	480	2,348	4,861	7,688
Total	9,637	13,288	11,351	34,250

Performance obligations

The Group's sales, both related to the sale of goods and service engagements, are generally fully payable on the date of sale. The Group's performance obligations are part of contracts with an original expected duration of one year or less. In accordance with the rules in IFRS 15:22, the Group discloses the transaction price of these unsatisfied obligations.

Contract assets, SEK m

Opening balance	
Significant changes in the contract balances due to business combinations	
Changes attributable to ordinary activities	
Closing balance	

Contract assets comprise accrued revenue to which the Company's right is conditional upon the performance under the contract. Once the Company's right to consideration becomes unconditional, it is recognised as a trade receivable.

Contract liabilities, SEK m

Opening balance	
Significant changes in the contract balances due to business combinations	
Changes attributable to ordinary activities	
Closing balance	

A contract liability refers to advance payments from customers where performance obligations have not yet been satisfied. Contract liabilities are recognised as revenue once the performance obligations in the contract have been satisfied.

StorSkogen applies the exemption that is part of a contract that is completed within a year or revenue that is recognised with the amount that the Group has to date when the Group has the right to consideration from a customer with an amount that directly or indirectly represents the value to the customer of the Group's performance to date.

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NOTE 5 BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**The Group's acquisitions in 2023**

Acquisition	Operations	Completion	Total assets, SEK m ¹⁾
2023			
Hoga Kusten Teknik Resurs AB	Provider of consulting services, equipment and technologies for the wood processing industry	January	33
Legjnor AB	Construction, planning, manufacturing and sales of automation and measurement equipment for the sawmill industry	January	40
HSV Hasterholms Sot & Vent AB, including fellow subsidiaries	Chimney sweeping and ventilation services	January	5
AC Electrical Services Group Ltd, including subsidiaries	Offers a range of electrical services to commercial, industrial and domestic customers	April	326
Modern Design AS, including subsidiaries	Chain of hair salons	April	36
Guardio Safety AB	Distributor of helmets and hearing protection	May	8
Align Products Sdn. Bhd	Add-on acquisition to Wibe Group	June	0
Swiss Medical Jobs GmbH	Add-on acquisition to recruitment agency Vakus Personal	July	8
Möller Klima-Katte GmbH	Ventilation, add-on acquisition to Christ & Wirth	July	25
Go Tele AS	Fibre installation	October	8
The Physics Café Pte. Ltd.	Private tuition services in Singapore	October	29
Nolyx AB	Development and implementation of electric control equipment for the sawmill industry	December	13
Total			532

1) In 2023 and 2022, this refers to total assets at the carrying value on the acquisition date.

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Note 5 Business combinations, cont.

The Group's acquisitions in 2022

Acquisition	Operations	Completion	Total assets, SEK m ¹⁾
2022			
Fremco A/S, including subsidiaries	Development and production of optic fibre blowing machines	January	41
Trailstics Maskinservice AB	Industrial services and maintenance	January	8
2M2 Group AB, including subsidiaries	Trade in products in the House & Garden segment with several own brands	January	73
Budettan AB	Logistics services in Skåne, Småland and Blekinge, Sweden	January	27
L.J. Sot Aktiebolag	Chimney sweeping and ventilation services	January	2
Marbybyggarna i Skellefteå AB	Digging and excavation work, chiefly within fibre and power solutions	January	21
Dansforum i Göteborg AB, including subsidiaries	Post-secondary education other than universities	January	19
EVAB Gruppen AB, including subsidiaries	Installation work in electricity, plumbing, safety and electrical technology	January	54
Tornado Group Ltd, including subsidiaries	Supplier of premium animal fences	January	251
A&K Die Frische Küche GmbH, including subsidiaries	Manufacturer and distributor of meals on wheels for food service institutions	January	125
LNS Holding SA, including subsidiaries	Automation solutions for feeding and removal of raw materials on production lines	January	1,382
Nimbus Gruppen AS, including subsidiaries	Complete solutions for fibre networks	February	54
El & Natverksmontage i Stockholm AB (ENAB)	Maintenance and contracting services in electrical installations	February	9
Hudkhus AB	House manufacturer that designs and sells prefabricated timber houses	February	25
ViaAnalyze AB	Seller of tools for visitor counting, sales reporting and visualisation to resellers	February	2
Brandprojektering Sverige AB, including subsidiaries	Consulting company in fire protection and risk management	February	15
Karriärkonsulten Sverige AB	Recruitment services, temping agency services, sale of training and training materials	February	22
Christ & Wirth Haustechnik GmbH	Full-service provider of building installation services. Specialist in heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) and sanitary systems	February	86
Hedson Technologies International AB, including subsidiaries	Markets premium products in hardening, fitting and washing systems for the automotive industry	March	177
Niira Consult Aktiebolag	Supplier and developer of consulting services in blasting technology, environmental monitoring and support software in Sweden	March	193
Extra UK Ltd, including subsidiaries	Distributor of premium bicycle parts and accessories	March	236
Stop Start Transport Ltd	Logistics, warehousing and distribution in the United Kingdom	March	30
Vokus Personal AG	Recruitment of healthcare professionals in Switzerland	March	82
Dimabay GmbH, including subsidiaries	German marketing agency that offers marketing services, more specifically coupons and media inserts	March	124
INGENØRNE A/S, including subsidiaries	Danish full-service engineering consultancy	March	580
VSH Holding AB (Sveawise), including subsidiaries	Consulting services and software licenses in IT automation	April	45
PR Home of Scandinavia AB, including subsidiaries	Trade in products in home lighting and home textiles	April	58
Session MAP AB	Distributor of haircare products	April	55
DETABECOMAT Automation AB (DETAB)	Development and sale of systems for feeding products to packaging processes, robots and other process machines	April	10
Dafra Försäljning Aktiebolag	Distributor and wholesaler of brands in kitchen supplies	April	16
Tysse Mekaniske Verksted AS, including fellow subsidiaries	Norwegian manufacturer and supplier of trailers and boat trailers	April	171
Matterhorn Sverige AB	Sale of outerwear under its own brand, Matterhorn	April	36
JO Sport i Hudiksvall AB	Distributor within the alpine, outdoor, cycling and sports segments to resellers in Sweden	April	121

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Note 5 Business combinations, cont.

Acquisition	Operations	Completion	Total assets, SEK m ¹	Net sales, year 2022, SEK m ¹
Rackstadstorn AB	Wholesaler of sports and leisure items	May	35	
Danborng A/S, including subsidiaries	Specialist in trenchless pipe installations in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Germany	May	43	
Golv a Mattvaruhuset i Göteborg AB	Reseller of floors and carpets	May	9	
Faboco Sanctuary Ltd	Manufacturer of steel windows, doors, screens and partitions	May	70	
Scandinavian Cosmetics Group, including subsidiaries	Sales, marketing and distribution of beauty products in the Nordic region	May	596	
Thermica AS	Specialist in construction of logistic buildings in Norway	May	166	
Contain Svenska AB (Contilog)	Container logistics in the Nordic region and Europe	June	18	
Elfabriken Sverige AB	Electrical installation services	June	9	
Acreto AB	Distributor, marketer and reseller of various brands	June	239	
Projekstrateg Sverige AB	Services in design, measurement technology, digital twins and VR/AR applications	June	6	
Höganas Trappfällor AB	Wholesaler of painted and veneered wooden mouldings for indoor use	June	13	
J&D Pierce (Contracts) Ltd, including subsidiaries	Fabrication and site erection of structural steelwork in the United Kingdom	June	1,071	
Vox Hair Concept AS, including subsidiaries	Chain of hair salons	July	80	
XoodBox Pte. Ltd, including subsidiaries	Provider of digital marketing and graphic design	July	27	
Lucky Harpan AB	Contractors in construction, welding and repair work	July	0	
Hans Lätqvist Engineering AB	Automation company that manufactures robot solutions for Swedish industry	July	40	
CMTI Pte. Ltd, (CMTI), including subsidiaries	Installation of wire harnesses, cable assemblies and electro-mechanical assemblies in South-East Asia	October	218	
Energistyreri Kronoberg AB	Provider of control systems to property owners to optimise energy consumption and comfort	October	2	
Curtin Gruppen Norge AS, including subsidiaries	Distributor of haircare products and the exclusive Norwegian distributor of brands such as Cutrin, Moroccani, REE, Paul Mitchell and Special1	October	155	
VIFAB, Verkstadsindustri Fastighet AB	Company that owns a building	October	15	
Eneron Oy	Software for collecting, measuring and analysing energy consumption in buildings	November	0	
Total			6,991	

¹) In 2023 and 2022, this refers to total assets at the carrying value on the acquisition date.

For a summary of the holding in percent that was acquired, see Note 31 Participations in Group companies. In all instances, Storstegen obtained control in all acquired companies on the acquisition date.

Note 5 Business combinations, cont.

PURCHASE PRICE ALLOCATIONS, ACQUISITIONS MADE IN 2023

The acquisitions are presented at an aggregated level, by segment, as the relative amounts for the individual acquisitions are not deemed to be material, except for the acquisitions of AC Electrical Services and The Physics Café, which are therefore presented both separately and as part of the Services segment.

SEK m	Fair value on the acquisition date			Total
	Trade	Industry	Services	
Intangible assets	23	56	303	383
Other non-current assets	8	8	10	25
Deferred tax assets	0	-	-	0
Inventories	11	22	2	35
Other current assets (excluding inventories and cash and cash equivalents)	6	23	186	225
Cash and cash equivalents	17	33	200	250
Deferred tax liabilities	-4	-14	-71	-90
Liabilities to creditors	-3	-	-6	-9
Other liabilities	-30	-48	-77	-155
Acquired net assets	28	79	557	664
Goodwill	48	75	217	340
Non-controlling interests	-4	-17	-170	-191
Total	71	138	603	812
Purchase price, including contingent consideration but excluding transaction costs				
consisting of				
Cash payment	42	120	437	599
Contingent consideration, not yet paid	30	17	34	80
Payment in the form of convertibles	-	-	133	133
Total	71	138	603	812
Cash flow from the acquisition of subsidiaries				
Cash payment (included in investing activities)	-42	-120	-437	-599
Acquired cash and cash equivalents (included in investing activities)	17	33	200	250
Total effect on investing activities	-25	-87	-237	-349
Transaction costs from acquisitions (included in operating activities)	-1	-2	-5	-8
Net outflow, cash and cash equivalents	-26	-90	-242	-358

SIGNIFICANT ACQUISITIONS IN 2023

SEK m	Fair value on the acquisition date	
	AC Electrical Services Group Ltd	The Physics Café
Intangible assets	212	-
Other non-current assets	4	-
Deferred tax assets	-	-
Inventories	1	-
Other current assets (excluding inventories and cash and cash equivalents)	172	-
Cash and cash equivalents	149	-
Deferred tax liabilities	-54	-
Liabilities to creditors	-	-
Other liabilities	-22	-
Acquired net assets	462	
Goodwill	80	
Non-controlling interests	-11	
Total	442	
Purchase price, including contingent consideration but excluding transaction costs		
consisting of		
Cash payment	309	
Contingent consideration, not yet paid	-	
Payment in the form of convertibles	133	
Total	442	
Cash flow from the acquisition of subsidiaries		
Cash payment (included in investing activities)	-309	
Acquired cash and cash equivalents (included in investing activities)	149	
Total effect on investing activities	-161	
Transaction costs from acquisitions (included in operating activities)	-2	
Net outflow, cash and cash equivalents	-162	

Note 5 Business combinations, cont.

Purchase price and assessments

The purchase price for the year's acquisitions totalled SEK 872 million, SEK 340 million of which was recognised in goodwill, including adjustments of preliminary purchase price allocations from the previous year. The effect of business combinations on the Group's cash and cash equivalents was SEK 349 million. In addition to the business combinations mentioned above, cash flows from Acquisition of subsidiary business in the Cash flow statement, which were SEK 989 million, were also affected by the payment of SEK 636 million in contingent considerations for acquisitions made in previous years. If all the year's acquisitions had been completed on 1 January 2023, the contribution to the Group's net sales would have been SEK 680 million and the effect on the Group's profit after tax would have been SEK 105 million. No significant changes were made in the Group's purchase price allocations regarding the previous year's acquisitions.

Purchase price allocations for acquisitions made as of the first quarter 2023 and up to and including the fourth quarter 2023 are preliminary, as the Group has not yet obtained final information from the acquired companies. The acquisition method of accounting was used for all acquisitions.

Origin of the amounts in the item Acquisition of subsidiary/business, net effect on liquidity in the Consolidated cash flow statement

SEK m	Impact of acquisitions made on investing activities in 2023	Payment of contingent consideration, acquisitions made in previous years	Acquisition of subsidiary/business, net effect on liquidity
	-349	-636	-986

Goodwill

In business combinations where the consideration transferred exceeds the fair value of the acquired assets and liabilities that are reported separately, the difference is recognised as goodwill. The goodwill value is primarily justified by the companies' future earnings capacity. On 31 December 2023, the Group's total goodwill was SEK 18,763 million (18,989). The Group's goodwill is tested for impairment when needed, but at least annually, per cash-generating unit. Impairment testing was performed in the fourth quarter, and no impairment losses were identified. For more information about impairment testing, see Note 14, Intangible assets.

No part of the Group's goodwill is deemed to be tax deductible.

Changes in the Group's goodwill	Opening balance	Acquisitions	Impairment	Divestments	Currency effects	Closing balance
Goodwill	18,989	340	-	-612	45	18,763

Other identified surplus values

Any values that have been allocated to intangible assets, such as customer relationships and trademarks, were measured at the discounted value of future cash flows. Customer relationships are generally amortised over a period between three and ten years. The amortisation period is based on historical information on customer turnover, competition in the market, the degree of interaction with the customer's operations and the significance of after-market services, such as maintenance and guarantees. Trademarks are not amortised regularly unless they have a definite useful life. Trademarks that are not amortised regularly are tested for impairment annually and whenever there is an indication of impairment, in accordance with IAS 36. Other surplus values identified in acquisitions over the year or in previous years, comprise buildings, technology, licences and inventories. Buildings are generally depreciated over 25 years, technology and licences are generally amortised over a period of three to ten years, while inventories are depreciated based on the turnover rate of the inventories.

The annual estimated amortisation of intangible assets for the year's acquisitions was approximately SEK 23 million (252).

Acquisition-related expenses

Acquisition-related expenses refer to fees to advisers in connection with due diligence. These expenses are included in administrative expenses in profit or loss. Total acquisition-related expenses for acquisitions completed over the year were SEK 9 million (72).

Contingent considerations

Contingent considerations or earnouts are consideration that is generally based on the performance of an acquired company in the next few years, either as a binary outcome if a certain performance is achieved, or as a ladder, where the outcome increases with the level of profits achieved in the acquired unit over a defined future accounting period. In general, contingent consideration is paid when the condition is met one to three years after the acquisition date. On the transaction date, the contingent consideration fair value is calculated by using the present value of the probable outcome, using a discount rate of 11%. The probable outcome is based on the Group's forecasts for each entity and is dependent on the performance of the companies, with a fixed maximum level. The discounted value of contingent consideration for the year's acquisitions was SEK 60 million (702), and the total liability for discounted contingents was SEK 320 million (897) on 31 December 2023.

Measurement of trade receivables

No significant difference was identified between the fair value of the trade receivables in relation to contract amounts.

Non-controlling interests

The Group recognised non-controlling interests at fair value based on full goodwill based on the market value, which was deemed to be the same as the purchase price in each acquisition.

Acquisition-related disclosures

All acquisitions over the year were acquisitions of shares; no net asset acquisitions were made in the holdings in the acquired companies, see Note 31.

Acquisitions after year-end

For information on acquisitions made after the end of the financial year 2023, see Note 34.

Effect of acquisitions on the Consolidated Income statement and the Consolidated statement of comprehensive income, SEK m

Effect after the acquisition date, included in the Group's profit or loss	Trade	Industry	Services
Sales	82	6	6
Profit for the year	-6	9	9

Effect if the acquisitions had been completed on 1 January

Sales	110	30	24
Profit for the year	-9	1	1

SIGNIFICANT ACQUISITIONS IN 2022

SEK m	Fair value on the acquisition date				LMS Holding SA - included in industry	Scandinavian Cosmetics - included in Trade	J & D Pierce - included in industry
	Intangible assets	Trade	Industry	Services			
Intangible assets	2,240	1,730	832	3,802	529	458	279
Other non-current assets	72	1,038	142	1,252	422	32	366
Deferred tax assets	5	34	13	52	21	3	-
Inventories	728	773	17	1,518	519	163	26
Other current assets (excluding inventories and cash and cash equivalents)	619	1,482	1,027	3,138	391	205	607
Cash and cash equivalents	397	408	303	1,108	182	149	71
Deferred tax liabilities	-280	-433	-242	-956	-142	-97	-85
Liabilities to creditors	-523	-442	-37	-1,002	-256	-419	-51
Other liabilities	-827	-1,056	-10,84	-2,967	-407	-252	-324
Acquired net assets	1,431	3,544	971	5,946	1,260	243	889
Goodwill	2,053	2,282	2,024	6,368	688	667	420
Non-controlling interests	-527	-655	-439	-1,622	-	-38	-262
Total	2,957	5,180	2,555	10,692	1,928	872	1,048
Purchase price, including contingent consideration but excluding transaction costs							
consisting of							
Cash payment	2,437	4,981	2,314	9,743	1,792	872	1,048
Contingent consideration, not yet paid	440	189	73	702	136	-	-
Share issue, non-cash	-	-	168	168	-	-	-
Payment in the form of convertibles	80	-	-	80	-	-	-
	2,957	5,180	2,555	10,692	1,928	872	1,048
Cash flow from the acquisition of subsidiaries							
Cash payment (included in investing activities)	-2,437	-4,981	-2,314	-9,743	-1,792	-872	-1,048
Acquired cash and cash equivalents (included in investing activities)	397	408	303	1,108	182	149	71
Total effect on investing activities	-2,040	-4,583	-2,012	-8,635	-1,610	-723	-976
Transaction costs from acquisitions (included in operating activities)	-26	-24	-22	-72	-9 ¹⁾	-10	-5
Net outflow, cash and cash equivalents	-2,066	-4,607	-2,033	-8,707	-1,619	-733	-982

1) Of which SEK 8 million refers to costs that affected the income statement and cash flow in 2021.

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Note 5 Business combinations, cont.

Effect of acquisitions on the Consolidated Income statement and the Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, SEK m

Effect after the acquisition date, included in the Group's profit or loss

	Trade	Industry	Services	Total
Sales	2,073	4,616	2,089	8,779
Profit for the year	145	389	245	789
Effect if the acquisitions had been completed on 1 January				
Sales	3,189	5,924	2,803	11,916
Profit for the year	190	487	266	922

NOTE 6 BUSINESS DIVESTMENTS

The Group's divestments in 2023. There were no significant divestments in 2022.

Divestments	Month of divestment	Annual net sales, SEK m	Number of employees at divestment	Business area
Medklok AG	February	50	15	Trade
Skiastatus AB, including subsidiaries	May	285	69	Trade
Hilpert Electronics AG, including subsidiaries	May	167	19	Trade
Deikateckningen AB	May	27	2	Trade
Dextry Group AB, including subsidiaries	June	743	612	Services
Operations in the subsidiary Brunner-Anilker	August	87	32	Services
EVIAB Gruppen AB, including subsidiaries	September	216	81	Services
EI & Projektering Veitlanda AB	September	102	54	Services
Växjö Elmontage AB, including subsidiaries	September	128	59	Services
Svenska Turngångargruppen AB	September	44	16	Services
PerGus Maskinormedling AB	December	25	-	Services
Total		1,875	959	

Divestments

In 2023, 11 divestments were made of subsidiaries and business units in the Trade and Services business areas. The divested businesses had combined annual sales of SEK 1,875 m.

From 1 January 2023 to the divestment date, the divested businesses contributed net sales of SEK 947 m and an operating loss of SEK 110 m to the Group's profit for 2023. The total purchase price received was SEK 925 million, of which the part received as cash and cash equivalents was SEK 588 million. The net effect on the Group's cash flow including repayment of loans and divested cash and cash equivalents was SEK 770 million. The capital loss had an effect of SEK -41 million on the Group's operating profit.

SEK m**Carrying value of divested assets and liabilities**

Goodwill and other intangible assets
Buildings, land and equipment
Deferred tax assets and other non-current receivables
Inventories and other current receivables
Cash and cash equivalents
Non-controlling interests
Deferred tax liabilities and other non-current liabilities
Current liabilities
Divested net assets

NOTE 7 AMORTISATION AND DEPRECIATION**Amortisation and depreciation by function, SEK m**

Cost of goods and services sold
Selling expenses
Administrative expenses

Total amortisation and depreciation**Amortisation and depreciation by asset class, SEK m**

Intangible assets
Land and buildings
Machinery, cars and equipment
Right-of-use assets

Total amortisation and depreciation

NOTE 3 OPERATING EXPENSES

SEK m	2023	2022
Raw materials and consumables	-19,422	-19,003
Other external expenses	-1,160	-1,161
Staff costs	-6,495	-5,937
Amortisation and depreciation	-1,587	-1,348
Impairment of other intangible assets	0	0
Loss allowance for expected credit losses	-26	-26
Included in the cost of goods and services sold	-28,690	-27,475
Other external expenses	-1,414	-1,236
Staff costs	-1,539	-1,405
Amortisation and depreciation	-284	-248
Impairment of other intangible assets	0	0
Included in selling expenses	-3,247	-2,890
Other external expenses	-1,535	-1,513
Staff costs	-523	-487
Amortisation and depreciation	-36	-32
Included in administrative expenses	-2,093	-2,032
Other external expenses	-616	-634
Included in other operating expenses	-616	-634

NOTE 9 EMPLOYEES, STAFF COSTS AND REMUNERATION TO SENIOR EXECUTIVES

2023, SEK thousand	CEO, Board and senior executives	Other employees	Total
Salaries and remuneration (of which bonuses, etc.)	55,896	6,298,775	6,354,671
Social security costs (of which pension costs)	(1,632)	(166,771)	(168,403)
	22,931	190,998	193,929
	(8,658)	(432,402)	(441,060)
Total	78,827	6,207,743	6,286,570

SALARIES AND OTHER REMUNERATION, BY SENIOR EXECUTIVES AND OTHER EMPLOYEES**Number of people and gender distribution on the Board and in the Group management**

Board of Directors	Other senior executives
5	7
Total	12

31 Dec 2023

Women

men

2022, SEK thousand

Salaries and remuneration (of which bonuses, etc.)	46,387	5,689
Social security costs (of which pension costs)	(4,348)	(135)
	18,414	171
	(6,556)	(39)
Total	64,801	7,488

CEO, Board and senior executives

46,387	5,689
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(4,348)	(135)
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18,414	171
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(6,556)	(39)
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64,801	7,488
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Average number of employees, number of persons and gender distribution, by country

	Total	Of which women	Of which men
Sweden	6,429	1,636	4,793
United Kingdom	1,029	137	891
Germany	938	184	755
Norway	868	489	379
Switzerland	453	121	332
USA	347	59	288
Poland	315	113	202
Denmark	297	79	218
Other countries	978	325	654
	11,654	3,142	8,512
In the EU, excluding Sweden	1,833	420	1,413
Outside the EU	3,391	1,086	2,305

President and CEO

Remuneration to the CEO consists of a fixed salary, pension and benefits. No variable remuneration was paid to the CEO in 2023 and 2022. Daniel Kaplan resigned as CEO on 19 February 2024. Pursuant to the agreement, full salary, pension and other employment benefits are payable during the notice period and compensation for the non-competitive provision is payable for six months after the end of the employment period.

Group management

Remuneration to Group management consists of fixed and variable salary, pension and benefits based on performance. Variable remuneration consists of bonuses based on work performance.

Incentive programmes

As of 2021, the Company has implemented several share-based remuneration programmes and key individuals in the Group warrant programmes (2021 and 2023), share savings programmes (2022 and 2023), and employee stock option programmes (2022 and 2023). The programmes are designed to motivate and retain key employees and to align their interests with the long-term value creation and increasing the motivation to meet or exceed the Company's goals. The maximum number of B shares that can be subscribed for by the participants in the programmes is 100 million B shares. The purpose of the incentive programmes includes encouraging shareholding among the Company's employees, facilitating recruitment, retaining skilled employees and the common interest between employees and the Company's shareholders, promoting the term value creation and increasing the motivation to meet or exceed the Company's goals.

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Warrant programme

Storskogens warrant programmes are intended for certain senior executives and other key individuals in the Group. There are 83 participants in total. The number of warrants offered to each participant depends on their position and responsibilities at Storskogen. The maximum number of warrants permitted to be exercised is 100 million B shares. Each warrant entitles the holder to subscribe for one B share in the Company during the subscription period. Participants are offered the warrants which is determined based on the Black-Scholes formula. The subscription price also includes a premium of 10 percent of the subscription price. The complete terms and conditions of the warrants are provided in the table below. The Company reserves the right to repurchase warrants, such as when the participant exercises the warrants, with the Company is terminated.

Employee stock option programme

The employee stock option programme is aimed at senior executives and other key individuals in the Group. The number of employee stock options offered to each participant depends on the participant's position and responsibilities at Storskogen, and the number of options available depends on how well performance has been met, i.e. an increase between 50 and 100 percent in adjusted EBITA for the minimum exercise period during the vesting period. The options are subject to continued employment and a volume-weighted average price of the Company's B share on Nasdaq Stockholm on the date of the opportunity to acquire one B share in Storskogen per employee stock option. The volume-weighted average price of the Company's B share on Nasdaq Stockholm on the date of the opportunity to acquire one B share in Storskogen per employee stock option is determined within a period of ten banking days immediately before the options are granted. 100 senior key individuals at Group level participate in the employee stock option programme. To exercise the warrants, participants must purchase the warrants at the cost of the warrants, which is SEK 19,663,017. Warrants were issued to the Company.

Note 9 Employees, staff costs and remuneration to senior executives, cont.

Remuneration to the Board and senior executives, 2023, SEK thousand	Basic salary and bonus	Board fees ¹⁾	Share-based remuneration	Pension costs	Social security costs	Total
Annette Braain Ramppe, Chair of the Board	-	656	-	-	206	862
Alexander Bjergård, Board member (included in senior executives)	4,366	-	1,110	900	1,778	8,154
Bengt Braun, Board member ²⁾	-	175	-	-	18	193
Louise Heberg, Board member	-	515	-	-	162	677
Johan Thorell, Board member	-	584	-	-	183	767
Robert Belkic, Board member ³⁾	-	300	-	-	94	395
Daniel Kaplan, CEO ⁴⁾	7,311	-	2,164	1,471	3,014	13,959
Other senior executives, 6 people	32,016	-	6,689	6,289	8,815	53,820
Total remuneration to the Board and senior executives	43,683	2,230	9,972	8,659	14,271	78,827
Remuneration to the Board and senior executives, 2022, SEK thousand	Basic salary and bonus	Board fees ¹⁾	Share-based remuneration	Pension costs	Social security costs	Total
Elisabeth Thana Ringqvist, Chair of the Board	-	425	-	-	133	558
Annette Braain Ramppe, Chair of the Board	-	1,075	-	-	338	1,413
Alexander Bjergård, Board member (included in senior executives)	3,639	-	866	762	1,329	6,596
Bengt Braun, Board member	-	415	-	-	42	457
Louise Heberg, Board member	-	485	-	-	146	631
Johan Thorell, Board member	-	515	-	-	193	808
Daniel Kaplan, CEO	7,075	-	1,687	1,440	2,573	12,775
Other senior executives, 6 people ⁴⁾	25,249	-	4,877	4,354	7,104	41,584
Total remuneration to the Board and senior executives	35,963	2,995	7,429	6,556	11,858	64,801

1) Robert Belkic was elected to, and Bengt Braun resigned from, the Board at the 2023 AGM.

2) Daniel Kaplan resigned as CEO on 19 February 2024. Pursuant to the employment agreement, full salary, pension and other employment benefits are payable during the notice period of 12 months. Compensation for the non-competitive provision is payable for six months after the end of the employment. The cost is recognised in the interim report for the first quarter 2024.

3) Expensed board fees in 2022, part of the Board fees for 2023 were prepaid (and expensed).

4) Philip Lofgren is included in senior executives as of 7 October 2022.

POLICIES FOR REMUNERATION TO THE BOARD AND GROUP MANAGEMENT

Board members

According to a resolution by the shareholders, the Board received remuneration in 2023 and 2022 for their assignments on the Board and the Committees.

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NOTE 10 REMUNERATION TO THE AUDITORS

SEK m	2023	2022
Ernst & Young AB		
Audit assignment	32	31
Audit activities outside the audit assignment	1	1
Tax advice	-	1
Other assignments	3	8
Total	36	41
Other auditors		
Audit assignment	11	14
Other assignments	9	7
Total	20	21

The audit assignment includes the statutory audit of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts as well as the administration of the company by the Board and CEO and other audits and reviews carried out under an agreement or contract. This includes other duties that is incumbent upon the Company's auditor to perform as well as advice and other assistance prompted by observations during such a review or in the performance of other such duties.

NOTE 11 OTHER OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES

SEK m	2023	2022
Other operating income		
Gains from the sale of non-current assets	61	39
Foreign exchange gains	277	310
Revaluation of contingent considerations	184	581
Received Government/public grants	36	67
Capitalised costs	4	19
Invoiced expenses	38	86
Freight revenue	106	131
Capital gains from divestment of subsidiary	148	-
Advertising revenue	19	13
Other	203	147
Total	1,086	1,393
Other operating expenses		
Foreign exchange losses	-311	-284
Capital loss on divestment of subsidiary	-189	-5
Loss on the sale of non-current assets	-7	-6
Revaluation of contingent considerations	-71	-325
Other	-38	-14
Total	-616	-634

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NOTE 12 NET FINANCIAL ITEMS

SEK m	2023	2022
Assets at amortised cost		
Interest income, other financial assets		
Total interest income according to the effective interest method		
Other financial income		
Exchange rate fluctuations		
Other		
Financial income		
Liabilities at amortised cost		
Interest expense, liabilities for bank and bond loans and to other credit institutions		
Interest expense, lease liabilities		
Interest expense, other financial liabilities		
Total interest expenses according to the effective interest method		
Other financial expenses		
Exchange rate fluctuations		
Other		
Financial expenses		
Net financial items		

NOTE 13 TAX**Recognised in the consolidated income statement and consolidated statement of comprehensive income**

SEK m	2023	2022
Current tax expense (-)		
Tax expense for the year	-565	-630
Adjustment of tax related to previous years	33	-8
Total	-532	-639
Deferred tax expense (-) / tax income (+)		
Deferred tax relating to temporary differences	165	176
Deferred tax due to changed tax rates	0	-57
Deferred tax income in taxable values in loss carryforwards capitalised during the year	11	13
Deferred tax expense due to the utilisation of previously capitalised taxable values in loss carryforwards	-18	-12
Adjustment of deferred tax related to previous years	-4	-1
Total	155	119
Total recognised tax expense in the Group	-377	-519

1) In 2022, changes in tax rates had an effect of SEK -57 million on profit or loss related to the tax rate change that was enacted in October 2022.

Arsregnskap regnskapsåret 2023 for 935820995**Reconciliation of effective tax**

	2023	SEK m
Profit before tax		1,321
Tax at the tax rate applicable to the Parent Company	20.6%	-272
Effect of other tax rates for foreign subsidiaries	0.9%	-12
Net non-deductible expenses/non-taxable income	6.1%	-81
Utilisation of previous/new unmeasured loss carryforwards	2.8%	-37
Tax related to previous years	-2.2%	29
Effect of changes in tax rates (and tax rules) ¹⁾	0.0%	-
Tax reduction for equipment	-0.1%	1
Other	0.4%	-6
Reported effective tax	28.6%	-377

Change in deferred taxes on temporary differences and loss carryforwards

2023, SEK m	Balance as at 1 Jan 2023	Recognised in profit for the year	Recognised in other comprehensive income	Business combinations/divestments	Exchange rate differences
Property, plant and equipment	-268	-10	-	6	-1
Right-of-use assets	-341	8	-	-	0
Intangible assets	-1,342	173	-	-76	13
Financial assets	1	-	-	-	0
Inventories	1	-6	-	0	-1
Trade receivables	0	-1	-	0	0
Interest-bearing liabilities	-	-10	23	-	-
Pension provision	-7	-2	13	-	0
Provisions	-7	7	0	5	-1
Untaxed reserves	-89	10	-	-6	0
Lease liabilities	353	-3	-	-	0
Other	-58	-4	-2	0	-2
Capitalisation/Utilisation of tax loss carryforwards	34	-7	-	-2	0
	-1,732	155	34	-73	6

Note B3 Tax, cont.

Change in deferred taxes on temporary differences and loss carryforwards

2022, SEK m	Balance as at 1 Jan 2022	Recognised in profit for the year	Recognised in other comprehensive income	Business combinations/divestments	Exchange rate differences
Property, plant and equipment	-143	-18	-	-88	-8
Right-of-use assets	-216	-122	-	-	-3
Intangible assets	-614	77	1	-755	-51
Financial assets	1	-	-	0	0
Inventories	0	11	-	-8	-1
Trade receivables	-2	2	-	1	-1
Pension provision	28	1	-38	1	2
Provisions	-10	2	0	3	-1
Untaxed reserves	-122	37	-	-14	-
Lease liabilities	222	128	-	-	4
Other	-5	1	3	-57	-1
Capitalisation of tax loss carryforwards	8	1	-	24	1
	-855	119	-34	-803	-59

Tax losses carryforward amounted to SEK 704 million (541), of which SEK 22 million are expected to expire in four years, SEK 427 million are expected to expire in five to ten years, and SEK 256 million can be carried forward indefinitely.

Tax loss carryforward primarily pertains to companies in Switzerland and Japan, where no deferred tax asset has been recognised for the majority of the tax loss carryforwards.

Unrecognized deferred tax assets amounted to SEK 113 million, of which SEK 7 million are expected to expire in four years, SEK 83 million are expected to expire in five to ten years, and SEK 24 million is not limited in time.

Top-up tax

Through a new law, Lag (2023:875) om tilläggsatt för företags stora koncerner, Sweden implemented Council Directive (EU) 2022/2523 on ensuring a global minimum level of taxation for multinational enterprise groups and large-scale domestic groups in the Union. The Act enters into force with effect on the financial year beginning after 31 December 2023.

The rules aim to ensure that Groups with revenue in excess of EUR 750 million shall have a minimum tax rate of at least 15 percent in each tax jurisdiction in which it operates, including Sweden.

Transitional safe harbour rules have been introduced based on the Group's country-by-country reporting obligations. If the criteria are met, no top-up tax will be charged for the tax jurisdiction in question in order to make a full calculation, otherwise required under the rules.

The Group has aggregated revenues in excess of EUR 750 million. Based on the preliminary calculation for 2023, it has been assessed that one minor jurisdiction may fall outside the scope of the safe harbour rules. However, the top-up tax is not expected to have a material impact on the Group's financial statements.

Recognition of deferred tax

Pursuant to Article 88A of the reporting standard IAS 12 Income Taxes, which was produced in Sweden, deferred tax assets should only be recognised if it is probable that the tax will be used. This is applied until further notice, deferred items related to top-up tax shall not be recognised. This is the otherwise applicable principles for the recognition of deferred tax. The Group will apply the principles therefore not recognise deferred items related to top-up tax to the extent that such items arise.

NOTE 14 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

	Accumulated cost, SEK m	Capitalised expenditure	Rights and other	Goodwill	Trademarks	Customer relationships
Opening balance, 1 Jan 2022	83	168	12,266	1,031	2,353	
Business combinations	30	235	6,368	1,089	2,448	
Investments	33	26	0	0	3	
Divestment of subsidiary/business	-	-	-4	-	-	-
Disposals and retirements	-18	-15	-	-	-	0
Reclassifications	14	-6	0	-	-	-
Exchange rate differences for the year	7	32	430	79	158	
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2022	148	440	19,061	2,198	4,962	
Opening balance, 1 Jan 2023	148	440	19,061	2,198	4,962	
Business combinations	2	31	340	59	290	
Investments	40	57	-	-	-	-
Divestment of subsidiary/business	-22	-16	-645	-9	-71	-
Disposals and retirements	0	-6	0	-	-	0
Reclassifications	3	7	0	-	-	0
Exchange rate differences for the year	0	10	54	27	23	
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2023	172	524	18,809	2,275	5,205	
Accumulated amortisation and impairment, SEK m						
Opening balance, 1 Jan 2022	-26	-24	-72	-10	-24	
Impairment for the year	0	-	-	-	-	
Amortisation for the year	-26	-67	-	-8	-	
Divestments	18	14	-	-	-	
Reclassifications	-2	12	-	-	-	
Exchange rate differences for the year	-6	-12	-1	-1	-1	
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2022	-42	-76	-72	-19	-19	
Opening balance, 1 Jan 2023	-42	-76	-72	-19	-19	
Impairment for the year	0	-	-	-	-	
Amortisation for the year	-27	-89	-	-10	-	
Divestment of subsidiary/business	16	10	25	6	27	
Disposals and retirements	-	4	-	0	0	
Reclassifications	12	-5	0	0	16	
Exchange rate differences for the year	0	-4	0	-1	4	
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2023	-41	-160	-47	-24	-170	
Carrying amounts, SEK m						
As at 31 Dec 2022	106	364	18,989	2,179	3,929	
As at 31 Dec 2023	131	364	18,782	2,251	3,674	

Note 14 Intangible assets, cont.

IMPAIRMENT TESTING OF CASH-GENERATING UNITS THAT INCLUDE GOODWILL

Goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are tested for impairment by cash-generating unit, which in 2023 comprised 14 verticals (14) that were aggregated into segments according to the following:

Goodwill and trademarks

	2023		2022	
	Carrying amount, SEK m	Goodwill, Trademarks	Goodwill, Trademarks	Goodwill, Trademarks
Contracting Services	485	7	521	8
Infrastructure	1,453	11	1,474	11
Installation	1,367	177	1,682	165
Logistics	833	4	832	4
Engineering Services	1,200	54	1,215	55
Digital Services	941	44	942	44
HR and Competence	926	147	832	66
Total, Services segment	7,185	444	7,488	352
Automation	1,910	277	1,781	300
Industrial Technology	2,077	131	2,068	130
Products	2,289	783	2,247	783
Total, Industry segment	6,256	1,191	6,086	1,213
Home and Living	1,714	284	1,773	284
Niche Businesses	1,055	102	1,097	105
Health and Beauty	1,534	148	1,506	143
Sport, Clothing and Accessories	1,020	81	1,018	81
Total, Trade segment	5,322	614	5,395	613
Total	18,763	2,250	18,989	2,178

When tested for impairment in 2023, the Group's recognised goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life were allocated to 14 verticals with subsidiaries that were considered to constitute cash-generating units. As at the end of 2023, the Trade segment had four verticals, the Industry segment had three verticals and the Services segment had seven verticals. Goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are tested annually for impairment, per cash-generating unit, and their recoverable amounts, i.e. their value in use, are calculated.

VALUE IN USE

The value in use is the Group's share of the present value of the future cash flows expected to be received from the units. The cash flow projections are based on reasonable and supportable assumptions that will exist, and great weight is given to external evidence. The cash flow projections are based on the most recent forecasts approved by management, which are based on the subsidiaries' budgets and forecasts and aggregated and aggregated into the budget for the following year and a forecast for four years. Cash flows for the period are calculated based on an assumption of a long-term growth rate of 2 percent per year. Projected future cash flows do not include payments made or received in the financing period. Estimated value in use is compared with the unit's carrying value. Important assumptions in the calculation of value in use include the discount rate, growth rate, adjusted EBITA margin, development of working capital needs. Various assumptions were used, as each vertical in itself is an independent unit with unique characteristics. Important assumptions are described below.

IMPORTANT ASSUMPTIONS IN THE CALCULATION OF THE VALUE IN USE PER VERTICAL

The present value of future cash flows, after tax, per vertical was calculated using a discount rate that was chosen to calculate the present value of free cash flow. The discount rate reflects current market conditions, the time value of money and the specific risks specific to each vertical. The discount rate does not include the risk of non-performance when the future cash flows were estimated. The calculation of the discount rate is based on the Company's weighted average cost of capital, its incremental borrowing rate and other market rates, independently of Storskog's capital structure.

The discount rate (pre-tax) used varies between segments in the industry segment, it was 8.5 percent for the Trade segment, it was 9.5 percent (9.0), and in the Services segment, it was 9.5 percent for all the forecast periods, an adjusted EBITA margin was assumed for each vertical that was adapted to previous periods and to specific expectations.

The calculation shows that the value in use exceeds the carrying value in all verticals. No impairment was identified.

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

The value in use in each vertical depends on assumptions made in the calculation of discount margin between the value in use and the carrying value was approximately SEK 1,900 million above assumptions. A sensitivity analysis shows that the value of goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life can be defended for all verticals, even if the long-term growth rate were one percentage point lower, the adjusted EBITA margin would be one percentage point lower or the discount rate were one percentage point higher. An isolated change in long-term growth by one percentage point would affect the value in use by approximately SEK 2,800 million, and a corresponding change in the adjusted discount rate by approximately SEK 2,300 million, and a corresponding change in the discount rate effect of approximately SEK 5,800 million. If all these effects simultaneously determined by one percentage point, the value in use would decrease by SEK 9,500 million and the remaining margin between the value in use and the carrying amount would be approximately SEK 5,700 million.

NOTE 19 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

SEK m

31 Dec

Cash and cash equivalents

Total according to the balance sheet

Cash and cash equivalents are subject to an allowance for expected credit losses. Loss allowed unless the amounts are considered to be immaterial. See Note 27.

NOTE 20 EQUITY**SHARE CAPITAL**

As at 31 December 2023, the registered share capital was 148 million A shares with a quotient value of SEK 0.00015) and 1,521 million B shares with a quotient value of SEK 0.00015) per share (0.00015) and 1,521 million B shares with a quotient value of SEK 0.00015) per share (0.00015) confer ten votes per share and the B shares confer one vote per share.
As at 31 December 2023, the registered share capital was SEK 851,434 (848,518).

Number of shares

	31 Dec 2023	
	A shares	B shares
Subscribed for and paid shares	148,001,374	1,515,782,321
Issued as at 1 Jan	–	–
Share issue, non-cash	–	–
Reduction through a redemption of treasury shares	–	–
Conversion of loans in connection with acquisitions of companies	–	5,714,226
Issued as at 31 December	148,001,374	1,521,476,547

Pursuant to provisions in the Company's Articles of Association, there are no preferential rights for share in series A and series B confers the same right to a share of the Company's assets and profits. At the beginning of 2022, Storskogen had 17 million treasury shares. These were treasury shares that for the over-riding option in connection with the IPO in 2021. In 2022, all treasury shares were

NOTE 16 INVENTORIES

SEK m

31 Dec 2023

31 Dec 2022

Raw materials and consumables

2,459

2,801

Work in progress

244

229

Finished goods and goods for resale

1,724

1,984

Advance payments to suppliers

85

89

Total**4,522****5,203**

Fair value measurements for business combinations had an effect of SEK 0 million (56) on profit for the year, of which SEK 0 million (56) was attributable to the industry segment.

NOTE 17 PREPAID EXPENSES AND ACCRUED INCOME

SEK m

31 Dec 2023

31 Dec 2022

Prepaid insurance

35

36

Prepaid expenses for computers and software

45

33

Prepaid licence costs

19

11

Prepaid goods and services

66

58

Accrued, non-invoiced income

277

289

Accrued supplier bonus

56

94

Other prepaid expenses and accrued income

111

101

Total**609****622****NOTE 18 TRADE RECEIVABLES**

SEK m

31 Dec 2023

31 Dec 2022

Trade receivables

4,511

5,009

Allowance for expected credit losses

-70

-69

Total**4,441****4,940**

For a description of the allowance for expected credit losses, see Note 27.

NOTE 21 INTEREST-BEARING LIABILITIES

The Group's interest-bearing liabilities are listed below. For additional information on the impact of the Company's exposure to interest rate risk and the risk of exchange rate fluctuations, see Note 22.

SEK m	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Non-current liabilities		
Interest-bearing liabilities, carrying amount		
Maturity within 2 years	575	77
Maturity within 2–5 years	84	498
Maturity in 5 years or later		
Lease liabilities, carrying amount		
Maturity within 2–5 years	659	575
Maturity in 5 years or later		
Total carrying amount		
Current liabilities		
Liabilities to credit institutions		
Hire/purchase agreements		
Lease liabilities		
Total		

Note 20 Equity, cont.

Dividends

After the reporting date, the Board proposed a dividend of SEK 150 million to the Company's shareholders for the financial year 2023, which is SEK 0.09 per share for A and B shares. The dividend is subject to approval at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 8 May 2024.

RESERVES

SEK m	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Translation reserve		
Opening translation reserve	575	77
Transition effects for the year	84	498
Closing translation reserve	659	575
Hedging reserve		
Opening hedging reserve	-10	6
Revaluations recognised in Other comprehensive income, the majority share	-102	-20
Tax attributable to revaluations for the year, the majority share	21	4
Closing hedging reserve	-91	-10
Total reserves	568	565

Translation reserve

The translation reserve includes all exchange rate differences that arise when translating financial statements from foreign operations that prepared their financial statements in a currency other than the currency in which the consolidated financial statements are presented. The Parent Company and the Group present their financial statements in Swedish kronor.

Hedging reserve

The hedging reserve comprises the effective portion of the cumulative net change in the fair value of an instrument used for cash flow hedging related to hedged transactions that have not yet occurred.

Retained earnings including profit for the year

Retained earnings comprise the previous year's retained earnings and profit after the deduction of dividends paid during the year and options to repurchase own shares. Retained earnings also include value changes related to the remeasurement of defined benefit pension plans and associated tax.

NOTE 22 PENSIONS

The Group has both defined benefit and defined contribution pension plans. The most significant defined benefit plans are in Sweden and Switzerland and chiefly refer to old-age pension. The present value of the pension obligation and the cost of the Group's defined benefit pension plans are determined based on advice from an independent, professionally qualified actuary based on the projected unit credit method. Other pension systems in the Group are defined contribution plans and mainly refer to old-age pension. These pension premiums are salary-related and expensed regularly.

DEFINED BENEFIT PENSIONS

Defined pension plans primarily include old-age pension, but disability pensions and various insurance policies are also included. In Sweden, pension commitments are secured through PRI, which is a mutual insurance company that provides credit insurance and pension administration services. The size of the pension depends on final salary and years in the plan. Pension obligations in Switzerland are secured through funds in retirement benefit plans. Benefits are earned based on age, salary and years in the plan. The plan is financed by contributions made by the employee and the employer. The plan's assets are invested in eligible insurance policies, bonds, shares, real estate and cash.

The defined benefit plans are not the Group's main solution; they merely supplement the defined contribution plans. Of the Group's current subsidiaries, WIBE has the largest defined benefit pension obligation and its net pension liability is SEK 10 million (95) and refers to provisions in Sweden. Artern's net and SEK 22 million (14) in Switzerland. WIBE and Artern in Switzerland account for 50 percent (55) of the defined benefit pension liability. In 2024, it is expected that the costs for all defined benefit pension plans will amount to SEK 38 million (49). In 2024, it is estimated that SEK 26 million (5) will be paid in premium payments. As at 31 December 2023, the average duration of the pension obligations in WIBE was 16.7 years (16.9).

The pension obligation for white-collar workers in Sweden (ITP) is partly secured through insurance in Sweden. The pension plan that is secured in Alecia is reported as a defined contribution plan, as the Group has obtained sufficient data to report its share of the pension plan as a defined benefit plan. The surplus may be distributed to the policyholders and/or the insured. At the end of 2023, Alecia's surplus of its collective consolidation ratio was preliminary set to 167 percent (172). The collective consolidation ratio of Alecia's assets as a percentage of the insurance obligations calculated according to actuarial calculations and assumptions, which are not consistent with AS 19. Premiums paid to the insurance company amounted to SEK 38 million (49). In 2024, it is estimated that SEK 26 million (5) will be paid in premium payments. As at 31 December 2023, the average duration of the pension obligations in WIBE was 16.7 years (16.9).

Amounts recognised in the consolidated balance sheet

SEK m	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022		
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Present value of pension obligation	149	712	43	139	657	52
Fair value of plan assets	-3	-657	-7	-3	-658	-13
Limitation of recoverable surplus	-	10	-	-	22	-
Net liability presented in the balance sheet	145	69	36	136	30	39
Net asset presented in the balance sheet	-	-4	-	-	-9	-
Net change in pension obligation						
	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022		
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Net at the beginning of the year	136	21	39	188	73	20
Business combinations/divestments	-	-6	-	-	62	25
Net cost	9	24	2	5	32	2
Payments	-7	-24	-5	-7	-24	-2
Actuarial gains/losses in Other comprehensive income	8	48	0	-50	-130	-7
Exchange rate difference	-	2	0	-	8	2
Net at year-end	145	65	36	136	21	39

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Note 22 Pensions, cont.

Amounts recognised in the consolidated income statement, defined benefit pensions

SEK m	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022		
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Costs related to service in the current period	3	24	1	3	34	2
Costs related to service in previous periods	-	0	-	-	-3	-
Redemption/reclassification to defined contribution pensions	-	-	-	-2	-	-
Net interest income	5	0	1	3	1	0
Recognised in profit or loss	9	24	2	5	32	2
Recognised in Other comprehensive income	8	48	0	-50	-130	-7
Total	17	72	2	-45	-98	1

Change in the present value of defined benefit obligations

SEK m	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022		
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Defined benefit pension obligation at the beginning of the period	139	657	52	189	456	26
Business combinations/divestments	-	-68	-	1	263	30
Costs related to service in the current period	3	23	1	4	32	2
Costs related to service in previous periods	-	0	-	-	-3	-
Interest expense	5	13	1	3	3	0
Actuarial losses (+)/gains (-)	8	57	0	-50	-172	-7
Contributions from the plan's participants	-	23	-1	-	21	-1
Payments from the plan	-	-32	-10	-7	-19	0
Redemption/reclassification to defined contribution pensions	-	-	-	-2	-	-
Exchange rate difference	-	40	-1	-	76	3
Defined benefit pension obligation at the end of the period	149	712	43	139	657	52
Total	157	904	42	138	683	55

Of the total actuarial gains and losses, the change due to demographic assumptions was SEK 0.3 million (2.2), financial assumptions was SEK 6.4 million (-232) and experience-based adjustments was SEK 4 million (0).

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Note 22 Pensions, cont.

Changes in the fair value of plan assets

SEK m	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022			
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Total	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Fair value of assets at the beginning of the period	3	659	13	675	1	383	7
Business combinations	-	-63	-	-63	1	201	5
Return beyond expectations	-	-6	0	-6	-	-22	0
Interest income	-	14	0	14	-	2	0
Contribution from employer	-	24	0	24	-	24	1
Contributions from employees	-	23	-	23	-	21	-
Payments from the plan	-	-32	-6	-38	-	-18	0
Administrative fees	-	-2	-	-2	1	-2	-
Exchange rate difference	-	40	0	40	-	70	1
Fair value of assets at the end of the period	3	657	7	667	3	659	13

Plan assets comprise the following:

%	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022			
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Total	Sweden	Switzerland	Other
Assets invested with insurance companies	0	15	0	15	0	23	1
Assets invested in shares	-	28	-	28	-	23	-
Assets invested in bonds	-	26	-	26	-	25	-
Assets invested in real estate	-	19	-	19	-	17	-
Assets invested in cash and cash equivalents	-	3	1	4	-	3	1
Other investments	-	8	-	8	-	7	-
Total	0	99	1	100	0	98	2

Of the assets, SEK 442 million (443) are listed assets.

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Note 22 Pensions, cont.

Important actuarial assumptions

	31 Dec 2023			31 Dec 2022		
	Sweden	Switzerland	Other	Sweden	Switzerland	Switzerland
Main actuarial assumptions used on the reporting date:						
Discount rate, %	3.5	1.5	2.74	4.0	2.2	2.2
Inflation, %	1.8	1.25	2.16	2.1	1.8	1.8
Expected salary increases, %	3.4	1.7	1.55	3.5	2.2	2.2
Mortality assumptions						
Actuarial tables used	DUS23	100% x BYG 2020 GT	Primarily RT Heubeck 2018-G but also RG-48 and Taiwan Individual Annuity Table	Primarily DUS21 but also DUS21_Ob11M	100% x BYG 2020 GT	100% x BYG 2020 GT

The assumptions for Other are shown as weighted average values based on the closing balance of the net liability.

Mortality assumptions in the most significant plans

	31 Dec 2023		31 Dec 2022	
	Women	Men	Women	Men
WIBE (Sweden), life expectancy at the age of 65:				
Current pensioners, born in the 1950s	24.4	22.3	24.4	22.2
Future pensioners, born in the 1970s	25.6	24.3	26.4	23.8
Artum (Switzerland), life expectancy at retirement age, men at the age of 65, women at the age of 64:				
Current pensioners, currently 65 years old	24.6	22.8	25.5	22.7
Future pensioners, currently 45 years old	26.6	25.1	27.5	25.0

Sensitivity analysis

The table below shows the effect on the value of the pension obligations in the event of an isolated change in each assumption.

SEK m	Change in assumption, %	Effect on value, SEK m
WIBE (Sweden)		
Discount rate	-0.5	8
Future salary increases	-0.5	-1
Inflation	-0.5	-7
Life expectancy	-1 year	4
Artum (Switzerland)		
Discount rate	-0.5	5
Future salary increases	-0.5	3
Inflation	-0.5	9
Life expectancy	-1 year	6

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31 Dec 2022

NOTE 23 PROVISIONS

SEK m	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Provisions that are non-current liabilities		
Restructuring costs	-	1
Severance pay, furlough pay	1	1
Guarantee commitments	63	61
Restoration costs	8	6
Onerous contracts	1	1
Other	19	17
Total	92	87

SEK m	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Total carrying amount at the beginning of the period	87	87
Acquisitions	-1	29
Provisions made during the period	34	31
Amounts claimed during the period	-12	-32
Unused amounts reversed during the period	-15	-34
Increase in discounted amounts during the period	-	2
Transition difference	-1	5
Total carrying amount at the end of the period	92	87
Of which non-current portion of provisions	54	44
Of which current portion of provisions	38	43

Guarantees and restoration costs
Provisions made for guarantees for products and services are based on calculations made using historical data or, in specific cases, based on individual assessments.

Other
Includes provisions that are not classified as guarantees and restoration expenses, such as remuneration to employees.

NOTE 24 OTHER LIABILITIES

SEK m	31 Dec
Other non-current liabilities	
Contingent considerations ¹⁾	
Option to purchase non-controlling interests	
Other	
Total	
Other current liabilities	
VAT liability	
Employee withholding tax	
Factoring	
Contingent considerations ¹⁾	
Option to purchase non-controlling interests	
Liability grants received	
Liability to employees	
Convertible	
Advance payments from customers	
Other	
Total	

1) For more information on contingent considerations, see Note 26, Financial Instruments.

Changes in options to purchase non-controlling interests, SEK m

2023 Opening balance	Acquisitions	Divestments	Paid	Revaluation/
1991	113	-25	-180	3

See Note 1 for further information on the measurement methodology for options to purchase interests. For a maturity analysis of current and non-current liabilities, see note 2.

NOTE 25 ACCRUED EXPENSES AND DEFERRED INCOME

SEK m	31 Dec
ACCRUED EXPENSES AND DEFERRED INCOME	
Accrued personnel costs	
Accrued pension costs	
Accrued social security contributions	
Accrued interest expenses	
Accrued consultancy fees	
Accrued customer bonuses	
Accrued cost of materials	
Deferred income	
Other accrued expenses	
Total	

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NOTE 26 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****As at 31 Dec 2023****SEK m**

	Financial assets/liabilities at amortised cost	Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through other comprehensive income
Financial assets			
Financial investments	–	9	–
Non-current receivables	52	–	2
Trade receivables	4,441	–	–
Other receivables	975	–	32
Current investments	–	0	–
Cash and cash equivalents	1,560	–	–
Total	7,027	9	35

Financial liabilities

Contingent consideration	–	320	–
Liabilities to credit institutions	5,281	–	79
Bonds	4,972	–	–
Other non-current liabilities	42	–	–
Hire/purchase agreements	293	–	–
Trade payables	2,271	–	–
Other current liabilities	2,763	–	–
Total	15,622	320	79

The assets' maximum credit risk consists of the net amounts of the reported values in the table above. The Group has not received any pledged collateral for net financial assets.

As at 31 Dec 2022**SEK m**

	Financial assets/liabilities at amortised cost	Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through profit or loss	Financial assets/liabilities at fair value through other comprehensive income
Financial assets			
Financial investments	–	8	–
Non-current receivables	33	–	39
Trade receivables	4,940	–	–
Other receivables	1,056	–	40
Current investments	–	1	–
Cash and cash equivalents	3,022	–	–
Total	9,051	9	79

Financial liabilities

Contingent consideration	–	987	–
Liabilities to credit institutions	7,133	–	64
Bonds	5,916	–	–
Other non-current liabilities	26	–	–
Hire/purchase agreements	263	–	–
Trade payables	2,563	–	–
Other current liabilities	2,836	43	–
Total	18,782	1,040	64

The assets' maximum credit risk consists of the net amounts of the reported values in the table above. The Group has not received any pledged collateral for net financial assets.

For information on the Group's lease liabilities, see Note 28.

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FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT
Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The table below shows financial instruments measured at fair value, based on how the classification in the fair value hierarchy was made. The different levels are defined as follows:

- Level 1 Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities
- Level 2 Observable inputs for the asset or liability other than the quoted market prices included in level 1, either directly (i.e. as quoted market prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from quoted market prices)
- Level 3 Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (i.e. unobservable inputs)

FAIR VALUE FOR DISCLOSURE PURPOSES

For assets and liabilities measured at amortised cost, the carrying value is considered to be a good approximation of the fair value.
Considering the short interest rate fixation periods and maturities of the items, estimates show that there is no significant difference between amortised cost and fair value.

THE GROUP'S MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT FAIR VALUE

As at 31 Dec 2023

SEK m	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	OTHER ¹⁾	TOTAL	Difference between fair and carrying value, related to quoted bonds
Financial assets						
Financial investments	-	-	-	9	9	-
Non-current receivables	-	2	-	52	54	-
Trade receivables	-	-	-	4,441	4,441	-
Other receivables	-	32	-	975	1,007	-
Current investments	0	-	-	-	0	-
Cash and cash equivalents	1,560	-	-	-	1,560	-
Total	1,560	35	-	5,476	7,071	-
Financial liabilities						
Contingent consideration	-	-	320	-	320	-
Liabilities to credit institutions	-	79	-	5,281	5,359	-
Bonds	-	5,065	-	4,972	4,972	-93
Other non-current liabilities	-	-	-	42	42	-
Hire/purchase agreements	-	-	-	283	283	-
Trade payables	-	-	-	2,271	2,271	-
Other current liabilities	-	-	-	2,763	2,763	-
Total	-	5,144	320	10,650	16,021	-93

As at 31 Dec 2022

FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT
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THE GROUP'S MEASUREMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AT FAIR VALUE

As at 31 Dec 2023

SEK m	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	OTHER ¹⁾	TOTAL	Difference between fair and carrying value, related to quoted bonds
Financial assets						
Financial investments	-	-	-	8	8	-
Non-current receivables	-	39	-	33	72	-
Trade receivables	-	-	-	4,940	4,940	-
Other receivables	-	40	-	10,556	10,596	-
Current investments	1	-	-	-	1	-
Cash and cash equivalents	3,022	-	-	-	3,022	-
Total	3,023	79	-	6,037	9,139	-
Financial liabilities						
Contingent consideration	-	-	987	-	987	-
Liabilities to credit institutions	-	64	-	7,133	7,197	-
Bonds	-	4,753	-	-	4,753	-
Other non-current liabilities	-	-	-	26	26	-
Hire/purchase agreements	-	-	-	2,663	2,663	-
Trade payables	-	-	-	2,563	2,563	-
Other current liabilities	-	43	-	2,834	2,877	-
Total	-	4,859	987	12,822	18,676	-

1) To allow a reconciliation between items in the balance sheet, financial instruments that were not measured at fair value and other assets and liabilities that were included in the balance sheet items were included in Other.

Derivatives included in level 2 were measured at fair value based on documented information from the market.

Bonds and convertibles in level 2 were measured at fair value as derived from quoted market prices.

Changes in financial liabilities in Level 3, SEK m

Opening balance	Acquisitions	Revaluation/ discounting	Closed
987	80	-636	431
936	702	-412	1,226

Considering that the Group has numerous contingent considerations and that there are considerable changes in terms and conditions, forecasts for the future and maturities, a sensitivity analysis is not performed. The fair value of the contingent considerations is calculated based on the expected outflow of cash or other resources to settle the liability for the contingent considerations by SEK +/-1 million.

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See Note 5 regarding changes due to acquisitions.

NOTE 27 FINANCIAL RISKS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group strives for structured and effective financial risk management in accordance with the Finance Policy adopted by the Board. Nevertheless, the Company's profit and cash flow are affected both by changes in the external environment and by the Group's own actions. The Company's risk management aims to visualise and analyse the risks faced by the Group and, to the extent possible, prevent and limit any negative effects.

Through its operations, the Group is exposed to various kinds of financial risks – credit risk, market risk (interest rate risk, currency risk and other price risk), liquidity risk and refinancing risk. The Group's finance function has the overarching responsibility for the Group's risk management efforts, which includes financial risks. Risk management includes identifying, assessing and evaluating the risks faced by the Group. Priority is given to the risks that are determined to have the most negative impact on the Group according to an overall assessment of potential impacts, probability and consequences. The Group's overarching goals for financial risks are to ensure the short-term and long-term supply of capital, a capital structure that is stable in the long term and has a granulated maturity structure, and low risk exposure.

CREDIT RISK

Credit risks are the risk that the Group's counterparty to a financial instrument defaults on its obligations, causing a financial loss for the Group. The Group's credit risk is primarily caused by receivables from customers, advance payments to suppliers and investments of cash and cash equivalents. On every reporting date, the Group evaluates the credit risk of existing exposures while considering forward-looking factors. An assessment is made when the Group is exposed to credit risk.

The Group has made an allowance for expected credit losses from trade receivables. In addition to trade receivables, the Group monitors the need for provisions for other financial instruments, such as cash and equivalents. If the amounts are deemed to be significant, an allowance for expected credit losses is made also for these financial instruments.

Credit risk related to trade receivables and contract assets (simplified method for credit risk)
The Group is chiefly exposed to credit risk in connection with trade receivables. The Group aims to manage credit risk continuously. Credit risks arise both in the daily operating activities and in financial trade receivables are spread across numerous customers, which reduces the credit risk. Credit risk is managed locally, at the company level. Financing activities are also exposed to so-called counterparty risk. The reasons for this exposure include investment of liquidity, borrowings and derivative instruments. The Group has adopted guidelines to ensure that products and services are sold to customers with a credit rating and that the credit risk is possible to mitigate when needed, such as through advance payment terms or other credit enhancements. Payment terms are generally between 30 and 90 days. The counterparty's historic credit losses are small compared with the Group's sales: 0 percent (2022: 0 percent).

The Group applies the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses for trade receivables that an allowance is made for expected credit losses for the remaining maturity, which is less than one year for all receivables. The Group applies a "historical loss rate" to all trade receivables is applied in combination with other known information and forward-looking factors, including individual customers and the management's assessment of the impact from economic cycles.

If factors indicate a suspension of payments, an individual assessment will be made to measure credit loss in addition to the loss rate. The Group will write off a receivable if it no longer expects active measures to collect payment have ended.

Age analysis, trade receivables

	31 Dec 2023		31 Dec 2022	
	Gross	Impairment	Net	Gross
Not past due trade receivables	3,586	–	3,586	4,069
Past due trade receivables:				
1–90 days	767	–	767	768
>91 days	148	–70	78	172
Total	4,511	–70	4,441	5,009

The credit quality of receivables that are less than 90 days past due is considered to be good based on historically low credit losses.

Note 27 Financial risks and risk management, cont.

Expected credit losses for trade receivables (according to the simplified method), SEK m

	2023	2022
Opening carrying amount	-69	-48
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-22
Reversal of previous allowances	21	7
Impairment	-3	2
Amounts written off (confirmed credit losses)	5	15
Credit loss allowance for the year	-23	-25
Recovered amounts, previously written off	-	1
Translation/exchange rate differences	-1	2
Closing carrying amount	-70	-69

CASH AND CASHEQUIVALENTS

The Group's credit losses also arise from investments of cash and cash equivalents. The Group aims to monitor credit risk related to investments continuously. For deposits to be made in bank accounts, the counterparty must have a credit rating of at least A/A2 according to Standard & Poor or Moody's.

Allowance for expected credit losses (general model)

Financial assets that are subject to a loss allowance for expected credit losses according to the general model include other receivables and cash and cash equivalents. According to the general model, credit risk is measured for the next 12 months. The Group applies a ratings-based method where expected credit losses are measured as the product of the probability of default, loss given default and exposure in the event of default. Other known information and forward-looking factors for assessing expected credit losses are also considered. As at the reporting date, no significant increase in credit risk was deemed to exist for any receivable or asset. The assessment is based on whether there is a significant deterioration in credit ratings. In the event of a significant increase in credit risk, the credit risk is measured for the remaining term of the exposure.

Credit risk exposure

The Group's trade receivables are spread across several different customers, and there is no concentration to individual counterparties. The Company's significant credit risk concentration that are subject to the loss allowance for expected credit losses are presented below.

Credit risk exposure (gross) as at 31 Dec 2023

The Group's credit risk exposure consists of trade receivables and cash and cash equivalents with a gross value of SEK 4,511 million (5,009) comprise receivables from companies without a SEK 1,560 million (3,022) in cash and cash equivalents are deposited with financial institutions with a rating (AA-). It is deemed that there has not been any significant increase in credit risk for any financial assets.

MARKET RISK

Market risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows from a financial instrument will fluctuate or change in market prices. According to IFRS, market risk comprises three types of risk: interest rate and other price risk. The market risks that mainly affect the Group are interest rate risk and

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate or change in market interest rates. The Group is chiefly exposed to market rate risk related to the borrowings at variable interest. At the end of the reporting date, the most significant loans from credit institutions with variable interest. To manage interest rate risk, interest rate derivatives are used to hedge the periods of borrowings. According to the current policy, the aim is for the average fixed interest rate to be between six months and three years. As at 31 December 2023, the average fixed interest rate was 7.7%.

Considering the loan structure as at the reporting date and the interest rate changes that have taken place, a change in interest rates of 1 percentage point would have an effect of SEK 0.90 on the

The table below specifies the terms, conditions and repayment terms of each interest-bearing liability:

SEK m	Currency	Maturity	Interest rate	%	31 Dec 2023
Liabilities to credit institutions	SEK	2024-2025	Variable/SIBOR 3M	Margin: 2.8-3.75%	1,361
Bond loans	SEK	2025-2027	Variable/SIBOR 3M	Margin: 3.0-6.9%	4,072
Hire/purchase agreements	SEK	2023-2027	Variable/fixe	Margin: 1.3-5.0%	1,033
Lease liabilities	SEK	^{b)}	Variable/fixe	^{b)}	1,092
Total					12,558

^{b)} The Group leases production equipment under a number of different leases with varying interest rates and maturity structures.

Note 27 Financial risks and risk management, cont.

Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates. To ensure future contracted cash flows in projects where the revenue is in a foreign currency, the Group has entered into currency forward contracts to hedge the currency risk. The Group is exposed to various types of currency risks, including from the Group's sales and purchases in foreign currencies. These currency risks consist partly of the risk of fluctuations in the value of financial instruments, trade receivables or trade payables, and partly of the currency risk in expected and contracted payment flows. These risks are referred to as transaction exposure. The Group's profit for the year includes exchange rate differences of SEK -34 million (+27) in operating profit and SEK -36 million (8) in net financial items.

Of the year's reported operating profit of SEK 2,446 million (2,613), approximately 44 percent (37) was in a functional currency other than SEK. The exposure in EUR was the greatest, at 11 percent (10), which means that a change of 1 percent in the Euro exchange rate compared to the Swedish krona would have an effect of SEK +/-3 million (3) on the operating profit.

Currency risks also arise from the transition of assets and liabilities in foreign subsidiaries into the Group's functional currency, which is referred to as translation exposure. An effect of SEK 73 million (566) is included in comprehensive income. The greatest translation exposure is to CHF (20 percent of the net assets), to NOK (6 percent) and to GBP (5 percent), while 83 percent of the net assets are found in companies that have SEK as their reporting currency. According to a sensitivity analysis, a change of 1 percent in CHF, all other things being equal, would have an effect of SEK 41 SEK million on the translation reserve. The corresponding figure is SEK 12 million for NOK and SEK 9 million for GBP.

DERIVATIVES THAT ARE SUBJECT TO HEDGE ACCOUNTING, CASH FLOW HEDGE

The Group applies hedge accounting in the form of cash flow hedges. When a hedging transaction is entered into, the relationship between the hedging instrument and the hedged item is documented, along with the risk

management, objective and strategy. The determined hedge ratio between the hedging instrument and the hedged item is based on the hedge ratios of the actual hedges; the hedge ratio is 1:1 for all hedges designed to be effective, i.e. there is an expectation of an economic relationship as the hedging instrument changes in fair value or cash flows if there is a risk in the hedged item. The economic relationship established through a qualitative assessment of critical terms in the hedging relationship. Such ineffectiveness comprise the effect of the parties' credit standing in the valuation of the hedging instrument and the hedged cash flows. Impefectly matched cash flows between the hedging instrument and the hedged cash flows determined that the sources of hedge ineffectiveness are not significant, considering the credit parties and as agreed cash flows in projects are hedged.

Currency derivatives

To ensure future contracted cash flows in projects where the revenue is in a foreign currency, entered into currency forward contracts to hedge the currency risk. Since April 2020, the Group accounting in the form of cash flow hedges in relation to currencies. Per the reporting date on the accumulated effect on the cash flow hedged currency derivatives in the hedging reserve million (-10) after tax.

Interest rate derivatives

When the Group borrows at variable interest and changes the interest rate exposure by entering swaps, according to which it is agreed that variable interest will be received and fixed interest hedging relationship is classified as a cash flow hedge. When hedge accounting is applied, the change in the value of the hedging instrument is recognised in Other comprehensive income. Derivatives that constitute hedged transactions are matched to individual loans in the Group's accounting in October 2023. Per the reporting date on 31 December 2023, the accumulated effect of flow-hedged interest rate derivatives in the hedging reserve in equity was SEK -9 million after tax shows that a change of +/- 1 percent in variable market rates would have an impact of approximately million on the hedging reserve in equity after tax.

Hedging of future cash flows (cash flow hedging)

SEK m	Nominal amount	Carrying amount	Balance sheet item	Hedging instrument
2023				Changes in fair value for the effective part of the hedging instrument
	21	-2	Interest-bearing current liabilities	2
	3,250	-64	Interest-bearing non-current liabilities	4
2022				4
	170	-14	Interest-bearing current liabilities	4

Maturity analysis**Hedging instruments at year-end (cash flow hedging)**

	Maturity				Total
	-1 year	1-3 years	3-5 years		
Interest rate derivatives, variable to fixed interest, SEK, nominal amount	-	1,500	1,750		3,250
Average fixed interest	-	3.63%	2.75%		3.16%
Currency forward contracts, nominal amounts, SEK m	21	-	-		21
Average hedged forward rate, EUR/SEK	10.26	-	-		10.26

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Currency forward contracts, nominal amounts, SEK m
Average hedged forward rate, EUR/SEK

Reconciliation of hedging reserve and translation reserve in equity

SEK m	2023 Hedging reserve	2023 Translation reserve	2022 Hedging reserve	2022 Translation reserve
Opening carrying amount	-10	653	7	87
Items added over the period, recognised in Other comprehensive Income	-103	97	-14	566
Tax	21	-24	-2	-
Total items added over the year, recognised in Other comprehensive income	-81	73	-16	566
Closing book value	-81	726	-10	653
Of which, ongoing hedges	-82	-	-14	-

Liquidity risk and re-financing risk

Liquidity risks is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Company manages liquidity risk through continuous follow-up of the operations and by maintaining a cash pool structure that ensures that the companies' credit needs are met. The Group continuously forecasts future cash-flows based on various scenarios to ensure that financing occurs in a timely fashion.

The risks mitigated by the Group's good liquidity reserves, which are readily available. In addition to equity, the Group's operations are essentially financed via loans and credit facilities totalling SEK 17,718 million (20,094). The Group's covenants refer to interest-bearing net debt/adjusted EBITDA, which was satisfied on the reporting date by a good margin. At year-end, the total credit amount consisted of SEK 10,986 million (11,128) in a revolving credit facility, of which SEK 6,572 million (7,000) was unutilised, and SEK 4,972 million (5,961) in bond loans. The total liquidity reserve, consisting of cash and cash equivalents, current investments and overdraft facilities, was SEK 8,132 million (10,022) as at the reporting date.

Re-financing risk refers to the risk that financing for acquisitions or development cannot be retained, extended, expanded or re-financed, or that such financing can only occur on terms that are unfavourable to the Group. The need for re-financing is regularly reviewed by the Group and the Board to ensure financing of the Company's

expansion and investments. The goal is to ensure that the Group has continuous access to external financing without a significant increase in the cost of borrowing. The re-financing risk is reduced by ensuring the re-financing process is structured and begins in a timely fashion. For larger loans, the process is three to nine months before the due date. The re-financing risk is also limited by spreading the tied up in the loan portfolio over time. The average period of capital tied-ups currently is a year.

The Group's contractual and undiscounted interest payments and repayments of financial instruments are included in the table below. Financial instruments with variable interest rates were calculated using the reporting date. Liabilities were included in the period at the earliest point when repayment

Maturity analysis, SEK m	31 Dec 2023				incl. int
	<1 years	1-5 years	5 years		
Liabilities to credit institutions (including bonds)	867	11,530	6		1
Lease liabilities	546	951	461		
Other non-current liabilities	-	1814	-		-
Trade payables	2,271	-	-		-
Other current liabilities	1,373	-	-		-
Total	5,057	14,294	467		1,076

Maturity analysis, SEK m	31 Dec 2022				incl. int
	<1 years	1-5 years	5 years		
Liabilities to credit institutions (including bonds)	730	13,698	7		1
Lease liabilities	425	915	5		
Other non-current liabilities	-	2,343	-		-
Trade payables	2,563	-	-		-
Other current liabilities	1,616	-	-		-
Total	5,334	16,956	12		1,076

The agreement for the syndicated loan includes covenants regarding interest-bearing net debt or loss (adjusted EBITDA) and equity/assets ratio that must be satisfied to avoid an increasing, interest-bearing net debt/adjusted EBITDA must not exceed 3.5 x. Storskogen has not the covenants in 2023 or before.

Storskogen's credit agreements/lines of credit:

SEK m	Amount	Utilis.	Am
Revolving credit facility	11,096	4,516	
Total	11,096	4,516	4,516

Note 27 Financial risks and risk management, cont.

CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

According to the Finance Policy adopted by the Board, the Group shall manage its financing activities with proper control and orderly financing conditions. This ensures that Storskogen retains the confidence of investors, creditors and other stakeholders, and lays the foundation for the continued development of the operations. Based on a balancing of return and financial stability, the long-term target for interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA was set at 2.0–3.0 x. The adjustment to this target forms part of the strategic planning and the level of indebtedness is monitored on an ongoing basis in the internal reporting to management and the Board. According to the Group's bank covenants, interest-bearing net debt is measured in relation to Adjusted RTM EBITDA, i.e. as if Storskogen had owned all companies that were owned as at 31 December 2023 for the last 12 months. For further information on the Group's Adjusted RTM EBITDA, see the section Definition of key performance indicators.

Adjusted RTM EBITDA

SEK m	2023	2022
Adjusted RTM EBITDA	4,305	4,658
Interest-bearing net debt		
Interest-bearing liabilities	15,282	
Less cash and cash equivalents, current investments and financial assets	-1,623	-3,022
Interest-bearing net debt¹⁾	10,902	12,260

Leverage ratio

Leverage ratio (interest-bearing net debt/adjusted RTM EBITDA)	2.5	2.6
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¹⁾ In this calculation, financial liabilities only refer to non-current and current interest-bearing liabilities, excluding future minority options and contingent considerations.

Adjusted RTM EBITDA

Operating profit (EBIT) before amortisation, depreciation and impairment, but excluding items affecting comparability. Adjusted RTM EBITDA is calculated as adjusted EBITDA recorded in the previous 12-month period adjusted for the contribution from businesses contractually acquired by the Group in that 12-month period. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities. EBITDA serves as a complement to operating profit. Adjusted EBITDA facilitates comparisons of EBITDA between periods.

SEK m

	2023	2022
Operating profit	2,465	2,805
Items affecting comparability ¹⁾	-69	-118
RTM amortisation and depreciation	1,970	1,870
RTM impairment of intangible assets	0	0
Adjusted RTM EBITDA	4,305	4,658

¹⁾ Items affecting comparability in 2023 and 2022 include the remeasurement of contingent considerations, amortisation or depreciation of revaluations at fair value of acquisitions, stamp duty on foreign business combinations, central restructuring costs and capital gains/losses on business investments. Items affecting comparability are excluded to facilitate comparisons between periods. For a compilation of items affecting comparability, see the section Definition of key performance indicators.

NOTE 28 LEASES

RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS

SEK m	Premises	Machinery and vehicles	Total
Opening balance, 1 Jan 2022	893	316	1,209
New leases	779	274	1,053
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	-335	-196	-531
Terminated leases	-38	-15	-53
Revaluation of leases	-19	8	-10
Interest expense on lease liabilities	-	-	-
Lease payments	-	-	-
Translation differences	27	6	33
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2022	1,307	383	1,701
New leases	388	247	635
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	-377	-208	-585
Terminated leases	-60	-39	-99
Revaluation of leases	23	19	42
Interest expense on lease liabilities	-	-	-
Lease payments	-	-	-
Translation differences	-15	-3	-19
Closing balance, 31 Dec 2023	1,266	408	1,674

The amounts recognised in the consolidated income statement for the year for lease activities are as follows:

SEK m

Depreciation of right-of-use assets	
Interest expense on lease liabilities	
Expense related to short-term leases	
Expense related to leases of low-value assets	
Effect on profit or loss of terminated leases	
Total	

Cash outflow related to leases was SEK 676 million (632). For a maturity analysis of leases, see

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NOTE 29 ASSETS PLEDGED AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

SEK m

Assets pledged*Assets pledged as security for own liabilities and provisions*

Property mortgages

Floating charges

Assets with retention of title

Other

Total*Other pledged assets and collateral*

Bank guarantee with the client as the beneficiary

Total**Total assets pledged****Contingent liabilities**

Suretyships, other

Total contingent liabilities

The predominant portion of the bank guarantees were issued to clients in connection with projects. For historical information, the risk that the guarantees will be used is low.

NOTE 30 TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES

A list of the Group's subsidiaries, which are also related parties to the Group, is provided in Note 8. All transactions between Storskogen Group AB (publ) and its subsidiaries were on market terms. All transactions with related parties were on market terms.

For information on remuneration to senior executives, see Note 9. Employees, staff costs and senior executives.

Storskogen Group AB (publ)'s holdings in direct and indirect subsidiaries that are included in the consolidated accounts are listed below.

Specification of group holdings

Company	Corporate identity number	Registered office	Share of capital/votes		Registered office	Corporate identity number	Company	Registered office
			31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022				
Storskogen Group AB (publ)	559223-8684	Stockholm, Sweden	Parent company	Parent company	Stockholm, Sweden	2021414327	Storskogen Singapore Pte. Ltd	Singapore, Singapore
Storskogen Group International AB	559248-2144	Stockholm, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	Stockholm, Sweden	199407655W	CMTI Pte. Ltd	Singapore, Singapore
Storskogen Schweiz AG	CHE-348450254	Zurich, Switzerland	100.0%	100.0%	Zurich, Switzerland	2014040477D	The Physics Cafe Pte Ltd	Singapore, Singapore
Storskogen Schweiz Management AG	CHE-252503639	Zurich, Switzerland	100.0%	100.0%	Zurich, Switzerland	200406647E	XOD Box Pte Ltd	Singapore, Singapore
LNS Holding SA	CHE-116025868	Neuchâtel, Switzerland	100.0%	100.0%	Neuchâtel, Switzerland	13142215	Storskogen UK Limited	London, United Kingdom
PerfectHair AG	CH-020.3032.319-8	Wallisellen, Switzerland	84.1%	75.0%	Wallisellen, Switzerland	09 989 395	AC Electrical Services Group Ltd	Blackpool, United Kingdom
Vokus Personal AG	345876556	Zurich, Switzerland	85.7%	85.7%	Zurich, Switzerland	30 019 18	Extra UK Ltd	Northampton, United Kingdom
Storskogen Deutschland GmbH	HRB 276478	Munich, Germany	100.0%	100.0%	Munich, Germany	06 552 860	Fabco Sanctuary Ltd	London, United Kingdom
A&K Die Frische Küche GmbH	HRB 7911	Recklinghausen, Germany	100.0%	100.0%	Recklinghausen, Germany	SC 174.690	J&D Pierce Ltd	Glengarnock, United Kingdom
Christ & Wirth Haustechnik GmbH	HRB 17814	Zwenkau, Germany	80.0%	80.0%	Zwenkau, Germany	2 108 701	Julian Bowen Ltd	Kirky-in-Ashfield, United Kingdom
DIMABAY GmbH	HRB 155446	Berlin, Germany	100.0%	74.9%	Berlin, Germany	12 071 237	SGS Tool Group Ltd	Derby, United Kingdom
Hans Kämmerer GmbH	HRB 1753	Wachtendonk, Germany	85.0%	85.0%	Wachtendonk, Germany	13 763 831	Stop Start Transport Ltd	Worcester, United Kingdom
HK Immobilien GmbH	HRB 85212	Hamburg, Germany	100.0%	100.0%	Hamburg, Germany	05 240 005	Tornado Group Ltd	Milton, United Kingdom
Roloff GmbH & Co. KG	212/48	Altbach, Germany	95.1%	95.1%	Altbach, Germany	32-0678895	Storskogen US, LLC	Delaware, USA
SF Tooling Group GmbH	88 689 675	Laichingen, Germany	85.0%	85.0%	Laichingen, Germany	556803-3012	Storskogen Industrier AB	Stockholm, Sweden
Wedinger GmbH	811 262 551	Germinden, Germany	100.0%	100.0%	Germinden, Germany	556393-7969	Berco Produktion i Skellefteå AB	Skellefteå, Sweden
Storskogen Danmark ApS	42 150 290	Copenhagen, Denmark	100.0%	100.0%	Copenhagen, Denmark	556474-2764	Gullängets Mekanska Verkstad AB	Ornskoldsvik, Sweden
Danboring AS	19 623 106	Kjellerup, Denmark	90.1%	75.0%	Kjellerup, Denmark	556244-8349	IMS Maskinteknik AB	Enköping, Sweden
Danmatic Automated Bakery Systems A/S	12 509 707	Viborg, Denmark	75.0%	75.0%	Viborg, Denmark	556582-9420	Innovative Logistics Umeå AB	Holmsund, Sweden
Fremco A/S	30 815 416	Frederikshavn, Denmark	84.0%	84.0%	Frederikshavn, Denmark	556671-1437	PV System AB	Tidaholm, Sweden
INGENJØRNE A/S	78 015 217	Esbjerg, Denmark	82.0%	82.0%	Esbjerg, Denmark	556707-8356	TK Logistik AB	Göteborg, Sweden
Storskogen Suomi Oy	3267436-8	Espoo, Finland	100.0%	100.0%	Espoo, Finland	556627-2927	ÄMV Produktion AB	Åsele, Sweden
Storskogen Nederland B.V.	85 849 774	Amsterdam, Netherlands	100.0%	100.0%	Amsterdam, Netherlands	559080-4273	Storskogen 3 Invest AB	Stockholm, Sweden
Storskogen Norge AS	927 075 113	Oslo, Norway	100.0%	100.0%	Oslo, Norway	559080-6763	Storskogen Holding AB	Stockholm, Sweden
Fon Anlegg AS	915 557 368	Sandefjord, Norway	90.1%	90.1%	Sandefjord, Norway	556688-3772	2M2 Group AB	Båstad, Sweden
Nimbus Gruppen AS	927 950 731	Fredrikstad, Norway	90.1%	90.1%	Fredrikstad, Norway	556688-0181	A Lot Decoration Sweden AB	Falköping, Sweden
THERMICA AS	957 833 273	Lierstranda, Norway	80.0%	80.0%	Lierstranda, Norway	556681-5489	Arieta AB	Göteborg, Sweden
Vox Hair Concept AS	956 589 129	Porsgrunn, Norway	80.0%	80.0%	Porsgrunn, Norway	5568951-8011	AES 2012 Holding AB (Brendrup)	Jönköping, Sweden

Company	Corporate identity number	Registered office	Share of capital/votes	31 Dec 2022	31 Dec 2023	Share of capital/votes	Company	Corporate identity number	Registered office	Share of capital/votes	31 Dec. 2022	31 Dec. 2023
ASIO System och Kompetens i Skandinavien AB	556650-2968	Luleå, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	IVCO AB	556791-6811	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Agnesberg Gravtjänst i Kungälv AB ³⁾	556408-5677	Kungälv, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Jata Cargo AB	556642-2885	Malma, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Aktiebolaget Wibe	556034-6485	Mora, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	JO Sport i Hudiksvall AB	556273-2726	Hudiksvall, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Albin Components AB	556312-5656	Kristinehamn, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Jorlab TWS AB	556231-0713	Tranås, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Alfa Kvällsindustri AB	559206-3787	Alfta, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Kumla Handtagsfabrik AB	559156-8331	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
ARAT AB	556822-2687	Kungsbacka, Sweden	99.5%	90.1%	90.1%	Lindberg Stenborg Arkitekter AB	556250-6609	Stockholm, Sweden	99.5%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Ashe Invest AB	559059-3868	Göteborg, Sweden	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%	M J Contractor AB	556482-6804	Uppalands Väsby, Sweden	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%
Bergendahlis El-Gruppen AB	556529-8493	Göteborg, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	NetRed AB	556596-8640	Tidaholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Bombaywars AB	556720-9357	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Newton Kompetensutveckling AB	556464-7989	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
BR Solutions AB	556251-0817	Hälsings Körra, Sweden	96.7%	90.1%	90.1%	Nitra Consult Aktieföretag	556131-5770	Stockholm, Sweden	96.7%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Brandprojektering Sverige AB	556984-7444	Skövde, Sweden	71.2%	70.0%	70.0%	Noas Snickeri i Tibro AB	556389-5290	Tibro, Sweden	71.2%	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%
Buildercam Group AB	559064-1410	Stockholm, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	NORDIC WHEEL & AUTOSUPPLY AB	556824-1807	Kungsbacka, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
ByWe Group AB ³⁾	559382-8232	Västra Frölunda, Sweden	92.0%	92.0%	92.0%	Nummelina AB	556508-8850	Kungsbacka, Sweden	92.0%	92.0%	92.0%	92.0%
Båstad-Gruppen AB	556519-6135	Ängelholm, Sweden	91.0%	91.0%	91.0%	Ockelbo Kabelfabrik AB	556675-2018	Ockelbo, Sweden	91.0%	91.0%	91.0%	91.0%
C.S.Riv och Hålltagning AB	556529-8766	Hälsings Backa, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Pierre Entreprenad i Gavle AB	556582-8784	Gavle, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Derot AB	559088-9639	Stockholm, Sweden	87.1%	84.1%	84.1%	Plåthuset i Malaradalen AB	556311-2050	Enköpings, Sweden	87.1%	84.1%	84.1%	84.1%
Dextry Group AB ³⁾	559051-8345	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Plåthuset Syd AB ³⁾	559059-4304	Enköpings, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Ecochange AB	556239-4618	Norrköping, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	PR Home of Scandinavia AB	556614-9323	Borås, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
El & Projektering Verlanda AB ³⁾	556584-0813	Verlanda, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Primulator AS	918375,643	Oslo, Norway	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Elcommunication Sweden AB	556582-3753	Karlskrona, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Riviera Märksker & Persienner AB	556432-5685	Partille, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Elektrautomatik i Sverige AB	556100-1008	Göteborg, Sweden	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%	Roslagsluteriet AB	559052-2032	Herräng, Sweden	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%
Enival AB	556689-0207	Lund, Sweden	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%	RS Fastigheter i Solvesborg AB	556265-9143	Solvesborg, Sweden	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%	86.0%
EVAB Gruppen AB ³⁾	556724-2267	Orebro, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Skara Transport Group AB	559030-3084	Skara, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Golvgrossisten F och B i Skövde AB ³⁾	556650-8138	Skövde, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Scandia Steel Sweden AB	559272-9320	Stockholm, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Golvgrossisten G och B i Norrköping AB ³⁾	556238-8255	Norrköping, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	Scandinavian Cosmetics Group AB	559209-0533	Malma, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Hans Löfvist Engineering AB	556196-1706	Orebro, Sweden	95.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Session MAP AB	556782-3868	Uddevalla, Sweden	95.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Harrysson Entreprenad Aktieföretag (HEAB)	556273-9762	Hälsings, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	SGD Sveriges Galvdistriktörer AB	556445-3529	Växjö, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%	90.1%
Hedson Technologies International AB	556450-8874	Årvid, Sweden	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%	Skåsta Hus AB ³⁾	556630-0587	Ullångers, Sweden	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%	97.9%
Hudiknus AB	556101-7715	Hudiksvall, Sweden	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%	Smederna Group AB	556415-2568	Tumba, Sweden	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%	70.0%
IDA TA AB	556618-8396	Värnamo, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Solventi Group AB	559138-8789	Stockholm, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Imazzo AB	556196-2951	Västra, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Storholms Internationella Handelskola AB	556578-6497	Stockholm, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
INBECO AB	556294-1558	Älmhult, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	Storholms Rerexpress AB	556676-2711	Skarpnack, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
						Storströgluteriet AB	556525-0049	Orebro, Sweden				
						Strandi Jönköping AB	556385-9187	Jönköping, Sweden				
						Strigo AB	556921-5380	Västervik, Sweden				

Note 3: Participations in Group companies, cont.

Note 31: Participations in Group companies, cont.

Company	Corporate identity number	Registered office	Share of capital/votes	
			31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Ståltach Rörmontage i Solvesborg AB	556292-0453	Solvesborg, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Svenska Grindmatriser AB	556256-8839	Linköping, Sweden	95.0%	95.0%
Svenska Klackierer AB	559182-1334	Linghem, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Svenska Tungkyrkargruppen AB ¹⁾	556739-5529	Mora, Sweden	–	100.0%
SwedishTyle AB	556272-5134	Vaggenyd, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Såg- & Betongborring i Uddevalla Aktieförägarlag	556226-4043	Uddevalla, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Södra Infragruppen Sverige AB ²⁾	556815-0667	Kristianstad, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Tepac Entreprenad AB	556646-7980	Stockholm, Sweden	92.0%	92.0%
Tjalimo Gravmaskiner AB	556337-3652	Borensberg, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Tolarp Kyckling AB	559183-5672	Linghem, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
TRELLEGRAV AB	556454-9391	Trelleborg, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
Ulmox AB	556647-0307	Orebro, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Umeå Golvcenter AB ³⁾	556589-2004	Umeå, Sweden	–	100.0%
Vamericas Group AB	559018-4155	Stockholm, Sweden	91.6%	91.6%
Vikingsun AB	556482-4362	Stockholm, Sweden	95.0%	95.0%
VINAB Verkstadsindustri i Norr AB	556680-0832	Gällivare, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
VSH Holding AB (Swedenwise)	556625-6423	Karlstad, Sweden	82.4%	82.4%
Våravskan AB	556880-1939	Falkenberg, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
VästMark Entreprenad AB	556816-5350	Göteborg, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
Vaxjo Elmontage AB ⁴⁾	556522-5983	Vaxjö, Sweden	–	90.1%
Zymbias Logistics Contractor AB	556681-8653	Kumla, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
Örnberg EL Tele & Data AB	556347-0037	Trångslund, Sweden	90.1%	90.1%
Storskogen Utveckling AB	556870-1229	Stockholm, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
AB Kranlyft	556628-4534	Malmö, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Deikateskungen AB ⁵⁾	556656-1360	Stockholm, Sweden	–	100.0%
Jacob Lindh AB	556689-6576	Lund, Sweden	90.1%	97.3%
Tunga Lyft Sverige AB	556713-3243	Arbo, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Tunga Lyft Engineering i Sverige AB	556601-7726	Arbo, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Schalne Ringar AB	556161-6110	Ostersund, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%
Swedfarm AB	556498-9688	Linghem, Sweden	100.0%	100.0%

1) During the 2023 financial year, J.H.I. Sverige AB was merged with Agnesberg Grävjet i Kungälv AB

2) During the 2023 financial year, Alba Hair Group AB, Baldacci AB and Friends AS merged with ByWe Group AB

3) The company was divested in the 2023 financial year

4) Storskogen 3 Invest AB owns 30 percent of Pålhuset Syd AB. The remaining 70 percent is owned by Pålhuset i Målaröden AB, of which is 100 percent held by Storskogen 3 Invest AB

5) In the financial year, Södra Infragruppen Sverige AB made an intra-Group acquisition of Allan Eriksson Mark AB from the Group company Storskogen 3 Invest AB

NOTE 32 SPECIFICATIONS TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

Adjustment for non-cash items

SEK m
Amortisation and depreciation
Fair value of inventories at acquisition
Capital gains/losses
Adjustment in the value of contingent considerations
Unrealised foreign exchange gains/losses
Reversal of capitalised borrowing costs
Change in accrued interest
Unrealised value changes in derivatives
Share-based payment transactions and other items
Total

Over the year, interest received was SEK 7.6 million (2.4) and interest paid was SEK 921 million (44)

Note 32 Specifications to the cash flow statement, cont.

CHANGE IN LIABILITIES FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES

SEK m	1 Jan 2023	Cash flow from financing activities	Non-cash movements		
			Business combinations	Changes in fair value	New leases
Interest-bearing liabilities to credit institutions (incl. bond loans)	13,161	-3,112	-	-	283
Interest-bearing liabilities for hire/purchase agreements	263	21	9	-	-
Lease liabilities	1,654	-563	-	-	-65
Total liabilities from financing activities	15,078	-3,554	9	-	218

NOTE 33 EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is calculated by dividing net profit attributable to the Parent Company's shareholders by the weighted average number of ordinary shares outstanding during the period.
In the calculation of diluted earnings per share, the dilutive effect of potential ordinary shares and the weighted average of the additional shares that would have been outstanding if all potential ordinary shares were converted is considered.

Earnings per share

SEK	2023	2022
Basic earnings per share, series A and B	0.47	0.86
Diluted earnings per share, series A and B	0.46	0.86
Weighted average number of shares used in the calculation of diluted earnings per share	2	2
Total weighted number of shares outstanding	1,683,456	1,683,456

1) Includes a dilutive effect of 16,455,05 (4,575,262) potential shares.

Profit for the year attributable to the holders of ordinary shares in the Parent Company

SEK thousand	2023	2022
Profit for the year attributable to the holders of series A and B shares in the Parent Company	777	777

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NOTE 34 EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING DATE**Events after the end of the financial year**

After the end of the period, three add-on acquisitions were made to the Solvent Group, Nimbus Gruppen and Nitro Consult business units in the Services business area. These acquisitions have combined annual sales of SEK 7 million and EBITA of SEK 1 million.

On 19 February 2024, Storskogen's CEO, Daniel Kaplan, resigned with immediate effect after consultation with the Board. Christer Hansson, EVP, Head of Business Area Trade, was appointed Interim CEO during the recruitment process for a new CEO. Åsa Murphy assumed the role as Interim EVP, Head of Business Area Trade.

On 16 March 2024, Storskogen entered into a binding agreement to refinance the previous revolving credit facility of EUR 1 billion (whereof EUR 357 million was utilised as of 31 December 2023) maturing on 24 September 2025, with an unutilised one-year extension option, and the unsecured syndicated term facility of EUR 300 million (whereof EUR 115 million was outstanding as of 31 December 2023) maturing on 24 March 2025. These were replaced by a smaller unsecured facility agreement with a revolving credit facility of EUR 400 million, with an accordion option of EUR 43 million, and an unsecured syndicated term facility of EUR 330 million. The revolving credit facility has a duration of approximately three years, with an extension option for up to two years, and the syndicated term facility has a two-and-a-half-year duration.

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NOTES – PARENT COMPANY

NOTE 35 NET SALES

SEK m	2023	2022
Revenue from management fees	161	156
Total	161	156

NOTE 36 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Valuation of financial assets and liabilities as at 31 December 2023

SEK m	2023	2022
Financial assets		
Receivables from Group companies	23,486	27,444
Receivables from credit institutions	3	39
Cash and cash equivalents	739	1,168
Other non-current receivables	35	2
Total	24,273	28,653
Financial liabilities		
Liabilities to credit institutions	5,261	7,011
Bonds	4,972	5,961
Liabilities to Group companies	4,788	3,060
Other liabilities	186	101
Trade payables	13	4
Total	15,220	16,137

The carrying amount is a good approximation of the fair value of financial assets and liabilities. Intra-Group derivatives are mainly reflected in an external counterparty (a bank) through external derivatives.

NOTE 37 EMPLOYEES, STAFF COSTS AND REMUNERATION TO SENIOR EXECUTIVE

Salaries and other remuneration broken down by the CEO, Board and other employees

SEK m	CEO	Board of Directors	employees
Salaries and remuneration (of which bonuses, etc.)	9	2	2
Social security costs (of which pension costs)	(-)	(-)	(-)
	4	1	1
	(i)	(-)	(-)
Total	14	3	3

NOTE 38 REMUNERATION TO THE AUDITORS

Salaries and other remuneration broken down by the CEO, Board and other employees

SEK m	CEO	Board of Directors	employees
Salaries and remuneration (of which bonuses, etc.)	9	3	3
Social security costs (of which pension costs)	(-)	(-)	(-)
	4	4	4
	(i)	(-)	(-)
Total	13	4	4

Average number of employees

Sweden	2023	2022
Total	73	39/50

NOTE 38 REMUNERATION TO THE AUDITORS

SEK m	Ernst & Young AB
Audit assignment	
Audit activities outside the audit assignment	
Other assignments	
Total	73

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NOTE 39 TAX

SEK m	2023	2022
Current tax expense (-) / tax income (+)		
Tax expense / tax income for the year	-	-43
Total current tax	-	-43
Deferred tax expense (-) / tax income (+)		
Tax relating to temporary differences	21	-
Adjustment of deferred tax related to previous years	-8	-
Total deferred tax	13	-

Total tax expense recognised in the Parent Company

SEK m	2023		2022	
	SEK m	%	SEK m	%
Reconciliation of effective tax				
Profit before tax	674		527	
Tax at the tax rate applicable to the Parent Company	-139	20.6%	-109	20.6%
Non-deductible costs	-9	-1.3%	-1	-0.2%
Non-deductible income	169	-25.1%	67	-12.7%
Tax related to previous years	-8	1.2%	-	0.0%
Total reported effective tax	13	-4.6%	-43	7.7%

NOTE 40 LIABILITIES TO CREDIT INSTITUTIONS

SEK m	2023	2022
Interest-bearing non-current liabilities		
Bank loans	9,781	12,989
Capitalised borrowing costs	-78	-57
Derivatives	66	-
Total	9,779	12,942
Interest-bearing current liabilities		
Bank loans	444	-
Derivatives	10	30
Total	454	30

In 2023, capitalised borrowing costs of SEK 52 million were added. These will be allocated to periods across the term of each loan.

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NOTE 41 OTHER LIABILITIES

SEK m
Other current liabilities
Employee withholding tax
Convertible
VAT liability
Other
Total

NOTE 42 ACCRUED EXPENSES AND DEFERRED INCOME

SEK m
Accrued salaries
Accrued social security contributions
Accrued interest expenses
Other accrued expenses and prepaid income
Total

NOTE 43 PROFIT/LOSS FROM PARTICIPATIONS IN GROUP COMPANIES

SEK m
Dividends
Total

NOTE 44 INTEREST INCOME AND SIMILAR PROFIT ITEMS

SEK m
Interest income, Group companies
Interest income and similar profit items, other
Total

NOTE 45 INTEREST EXPENSES AND SIMILAR LOSS ITEMS

SEK m
Interest expenses and similar loss items, other
Total

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NOTE 46 APPROPRIATIONS

SEK m	2023	2022
Accelerated depreciation	0	0
Group contributions received	45	–
Total	45	0

NOTE 47 ASSETS PLEDGED

SEK m	2023	2022
Assets pledged		
Assets pledged as security for own liabilities and provisions		
Parent Company guarantees and suretyships	60.4	35.4
Total	60.4	35.4

Refers to security for liabilities to credit institutions.

NOTE 48 PARTICIPATIONS IN GROUP COMPANIES

SEK m	2023	2022
Opening cost	4,777	4,006
Acquisitions/Unconditional shareholder contributions	4,101	771
Closing carrying amount	8,878	4,777

The list below includes shares and participations directly held by the Parent Company. For information about shares and participations indirectly held by the Parent Company, see the Group's Note 3, Participations in Group companies.

Company	Corporate Identity No. No.	Registered office	Equity, 2023	Share of capital and votes	Number of shares (thousand)	Carrying amount 31.12.2023
Storskogen Industrier AB	556803-3012	Stockholm, Sweden	107	100%	1,052	86
Storskogen 3 Invest AB	558080-4273	Stockholm, Sweden	3,588	100%	12,718	2,877
Storskogen Utveckling AB	556970-1229	Stockholm, Sweden	226	100%	2,324	350
Storskogen Group International AB	558248-2144	Stockholm, Sweden	1,021	100%	5,555	5,555
Carrying amount						8,878

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Certification by the Board of Directors

The Board of Directors and the CEO hereby declare that the annual accounts were prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices in Sweden and that the consolidated accounts were prepared in accordance with international financial reporting standards as referred to in Regulation (EC) No 1606/2002 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 July 2002 on the application of international accounting standards. The annual accounts and consolidated accounts give a fair presentation of the Parent Company's and the Group's financial position and performance. The statutory Director's Report for the Parent Company and the

Group provides a fair view of the Parent Company's and the Group's operations, and performance and describes material risks and uncertainties to which the Parent Company and other companies in the Group are exposed.

As stated above, the annual accounts and the consolidated accounts were published by the Board of Directors and the CEO on 25 March 2024. The consolidated statement of profit or loss and balance sheet are subject to adoption at the Annual Meeting, which is planned to be held on 8 May 2024.

Stockholm, 25 March 2024

Annette Brodin Rampe
Chair of the Board

Robert Belkic
Board Member

Louise Hedberg
Board Member

Alexander Björgård
Board Member

Johan Thorell
Board Member

Christer Hansson
CEO

Our audit report was submitted on 25 March 2024
Ernst & Young AB

Åsa Lundvall
Authorised Public Accountant

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Auditor's Report

To the general meeting of the shareholders of Storskogen Group AB (publ), corporate identity number 559223-8694

REPORT ON THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS AND CONSOLIDATED ACCOUNTS

Opinions

We have audited the annual accounts and consolidated accounts of Storskogen Group AB (publ) for the financial year 2023. The annual accounts and consolidated accounts of the company are included on pages 57–128 in this document.

In our opinion, the annual accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act and present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the parent company as of 31 December 2023 and its financial performance and cash flow for the year then ended in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act. The consolidated accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Annual Accounts Act and present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the group as of 31 December 2023 and their financial performance and cash flow for the year then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS Accounting Standards), as adopted by the EU, and the Annual Accounts Act. The statutory administration report is consistent with the other parts of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts.

We therefore recommend that the general meeting of shareholders adopts the income statement and balance sheet for the parent company and the group.

Our opinions in this report on the annual accounts and consolidated accounts are consistent with the content of the additional report that has been submitted to the parent company's audit committee in accordance with the Audit Regulation (537/2014) Article 11.

Basis for opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISA) and generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities section. We are independent of the parent company and the group in accordance with professional ethics for accountants in Sweden and have otherwise fulfilled our ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. This includes that, based on the best of our knowledge and belief, no prohibited services referred to in the Audit Regulation (537/2014) Article 5.1 have been provided to the audited company or, where applicable, its parent company or its controlled companies within the EU.

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

Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters of the audit are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts of the current

period. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of, and in forming our opinion thereon, the annual accounts and consolidated accounts as a whole, but we do not address the matter in that context.

We have fulfilled the responsibilities described in the Auditor's responsibilities section of the financial statements section of our report, including in relation to these matters. Our audit included the performance of procedures designed to respond to our assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements. The results of our audit, including the procedures performed to address the matters below, provide the basis for our opinion on the accompanying financial statements.

Valuation of goodwill

Description

At 31 December 2023, the total value of goodwill amounts to 18 768 million SEK or 18 768 million SEK. Goodwill is the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets acquired. Goodwill is tested for impairment annually and whenever there are indicators of impairment. The test is carried out at the cash-generating unit level. The recoverable amount is the maximum amount that can be recovered from the cash-generating unit. To calculate the recoverable amount, we apply significant judgment and estimates regarding future cash flows, performance and discount rates. The impairment tests for 2023 did not result in any impairment. Disclosures related to the group's accounting principles are provided in Note 1, and accounting estimates and judgements are provided in Note 2 and disclosures related to the impairment test performed is provided in Note 14. Based on the significance of the goodwill and the high degree of management estimate required to perform the tests, we have assessed the accounting of the valuation of goodwill as a key audit matter in our audit.

How our audit addressed this key audit matter

In the audit, we have evaluated the group's process for conducting impairment testing. We have established criteria, we have further examined how the group identifies cash-generating units. With support from our internal valuation specialists, we have evaluated the valuation of goodwill. We have assessed the reasonableness of assumptions and reviewed the use of sensitivity analysis, comparing them to historical outcomes as well as external data and comparing them to industry benchmarks. Finally, we have reviewed the disclosures in the annual report.

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From the matters communicated with the Board of Directors, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts, including the most important assessed risks for material misstatement, and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in the auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes disclosure about the matter.

REPORT ON OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

Report on the audit of the administration and the proposed appropriations of the company's profit or loss

Opinions

In addition to our audit of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts, we have also audited the administration of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of Storskogen Group AB (publ) for the financial year 2023 and the proposed appropriations of the company's profit or loss.

We recommend to the general meeting of shareholders that the profit be appropriated (loss be dealt with) in accordance with the proposal in the statutory administration report and that the members of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director be discharged from liability for the financial year.

A separate list of loans and collateral has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act.

Basis for opinions

We conducted the audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Sweden. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities* section. We are independent of the parent company and the group in accordance with professional ethics for accountants in Sweden and have otherwise fulfilled our 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 opinions.

Responsibilities of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director

The Board of Directors is responsible for the proposal for appropriations of the company's profit or loss. At the proposal of a dividend, this includes an assessment of whether the dividend is justifiable considering the requirements which the company's and the group's type of operations, size and risks place on the size of the parent company's and the group's equity, consolidation requirements, liquidity and position in general.

The Board of Directors is responsible for the company's organization and the administration of the company's affairs. This includes among other things continuous assessment of the company's and the group's financial situation and ensuring that the company's organization is designed so that the accounting, management of assets and the company's financial affairs otherwise are controlled in a reassuring manner. The Managing Director shall manage the ongoing admini-

tration according to the Board of Directors' guidelines and instructions and arrangements and take measures that are necessary to fulfill the company's accounting in accordance with the management of assets in a reassuring manner.

Auditor's responsibility

Our objective concerning the audit of the administration, and thereby our opinion charge from liability, is to obtain audit evidence to assess with a reasonable degree whether any member of the Board of Directors or the Managing Director in any way has undertaken any action or been guilty of any omission which can give rise to a charge from liability, or

- in any other way has acted in contravention of the Companies Act, the Annual Accounts Act, or
- the Articles of Association.

Our objective concerning the audit of the proposed appropriations of the company's profit or loss, and thereby our opinion about this, is to assess with reasonable degree whether the proposal is in accordance with the Companies Act.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that detect actions or omissions that can give rise to liability to the company, or that appropriations of the company's profit or loss are not in accordance with the Companies Act.

As part of an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the examination of the administration and the proposed appropriations of the company's profit or loss based primarily on the audit of the accounts. Additional audit procedures based on our professional judgment with starting point in risk and materiality. The focus of the examination on such actions, areas and relationships that are material to the company's financial statements and where deviations and violations would have particular importance for the company's financial statements. We examine and test decisions undertaken, support for decisions, and other circumstances that are relevant to our opinion concerning disbursements of the company's profit or loss we examined the Board of Directors' reasoned statements and a selection of supporting evidence in order to be able to assess whether the proposal is in accordance with the Companies Act.

The auditor's examination of the ESEF report

Opinion

In addition to our audit of the annual accounts and consolidated accounts, we have also examined the Board of Directors and the Managing Director have prepared the annual accounts and consolidated accounts in a format that enables uniform electronic reporting (report) pursuant to Chapter 16, Section 4(a) of the Swedish Securities Market Act (2007:623) for the financial year 2023.

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Definition of key performance indicators

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Storskogen presents a number of performance measures that are not defined in accordance with IFRS. The Company is of the view that these measures provide valuable supplementary information for investors and the Company's management, as they allow an evaluation of trends and the Company's performance. As not all companies calculate these measures in the same

way, they are not always comparable with those used by other companies. These should therefore not be regarded as replacing measures that are defined in accordance with IFRS. Definitions of the measures used, most of which are alternative performance indicators, are presented below.

Return on equity¹⁾

Profit for the year (including profit/loss from non-controlling interests) as a percentage of total equity (including equity attributable to non-controlling interests). Profit/loss is annualised for the most recent 12-month period and equity is calculated as the average value in the last 12-month period. The purpose is to analyse profitability in relation to equity attributable to the owners of the Parent Company.

SEK m	2023	2022
Profit for the year	944	1,992
Equity	20,322	17,999
Return on equity, %	4.6	8.8

Return on working capital¹⁾

Adjusted EBITA as a percentage of working capital. Working capital is calculated as the average value in the previous 12-month period. The purpose is to analyse profitability in relation to working capital.

SEK m	2023	2022
Adjusted EBITA	3,238	3,143
Working capital	5,853	5,102
Return on working capital, %	55.3	61.6

Return on capital employed¹⁾

Operating profit (EBIT) plus financial income as a percentage of capital employed. EBIT and financial income are calculated annualised for the previous 12-month period, and capital employed is calculated as the average value in the previous 12-month period. The purpose is to analyse profitability in relation to capital employed.

SEK m	2023	2022
Operating profit	2,446	2,613
Financial income	188	479
Operating profit including financial income	2,644	3,091
Capital employed	34,142	30,753
Return on capital employed, %	7.7	10.1

¹⁾ This measure is an alternative performance measure according to the ESMA guidelines.

SEK m	2023	2022
EBITDA¹⁾	20,322	17,999
Operating profit (EBIT) before amortisation and impairment of intangible assets. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities.		
Amortisation of intangible assets		
Impairment of intangible assets		
EBITDA		
EBITDA¹⁾	20,322	17,999
Operating profit (EBIT) before depreciation, amortisation and impairments. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities. EBITDA serves as a complement to operating profit (EBIT).		
Depreciation		
Amortisation and impairment		
EBITDA		
Net financial items²⁾	2,644	3,091
The purpose of this key performance indicator is to present developments in the Group's financing activities. A new presentation of the components in net financial items has been disclosed since the fourth quarter 2023. The prior definition of financial income and expenses included currency effects reported gross. In the new table, currency effects are presented net while financial expenses are presented separately from interest expenses.		
Interest income		
Interest expense		
Financial income		
Exchange rate fluctuations and other		
FINANSNETTO	2,644	3,091

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DEFINITION OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

DEFINITION OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS	2023	2022
Adjusted EBITA¹⁾ Operating profit (EBIT) before amortisation and impairment of intangible assets, but excluding items affecting comparability. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities. Adjusted EBITA facilitates comparisons of EBITA between periods.	2,446	2,613
	-69	-162
	861	693
	0	0
Adjusted EBITA	3,238	3,143
Adjusted EBITA margin¹⁾ Adjusted EBITA as a percentage of net sales. The purpose is to provide a guide to profitability in relation to sales.	2023	2022
	3,238	3,143
	36,006	34,250
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	9.0	9.2
Adjusted EBITDA¹⁾ Operating profit (EBIT) before amortisation, depreciation and impairment, but excluding items affecting comparability. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities. EBITDA serves as a complement to operating profit. Adjusted EBITDA facilitates comparisons of EBITDA between periods.	2,446	2,613
	-69	-162
	1,917	1,628
	0	0
Adjusted EBITDA	4,293	4,079
Adjusted cash conversion¹⁾ Operating cash flow as a percentage of adjusted EBITDA. The purpose is to analyse cash conversion.	2023	2022
	4,293	4,079
	788	-1,143
	-610	-539
Operating cash flow	4,481	2,397
Adjusted EBITDA	4,293	4,079
Adjusted cash conversion, %	104.4	58.8

¹⁾ This measure is an alternative performance measure according to the ESMA guidelines.

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DEFINITION OF KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	SEK m	Note	31 Dec 2023	31 Dec 2022
Net debt¹⁾				
Interest-bearing liabilities (i.e. non-current liabilities, lease liabilities, current lease liabilities and pension provisions)	13,424	21	10,626	13,424
Current lease liabilities and pension provisions (including minority options and future contingent considerations, less financial assets, current investments and cash and cash equivalents. This measure is used to calculate the Group's debt/equity ratio.	1,654	21	1,652	1,654
	205	22	247	205
	997	24	320	997
	1,981	24	1,937	1,981
	-		-63	-
	-1	26	0	-1
	-3,022	19	-1,560	-3,022
Net debt	15,249		13,169	15,249
Organic EBITA growth¹⁾				
Change in EBITA, excluding exchange rate, acquisition and divestment effects and adjusted for Group operations, compared with the same period the previous year. Acquired entities are included in organic EBITA growth once they have been part of the Group for the full comparison period, divested companies are excluded from both periods once they have been divested. The purpose is to analyse underlying growth in operating profit.				
Organic net sales growth (organic growth)¹⁾				
Change in net sales, excluding exchange rate, acquisition and divestment effects, compared with the same period the previous year. Acquired entities are included in organic growth once they have been part of the Group for the full comparison period, divested companies are excluded from both periods once they have been divested. The purpose is to analyse underlying net sales growth.				
Interest coverage ratio¹⁾				
Operating profit plus interest income divided by interest expenses. The purpose is to present earnings in relation to interest expenses, which is a measure of the Group's capacity to cover its interest expenses. The definition of interest expenses previously included other financial expenses. According to the previous definition, the interest coverage ratio for the year would have been 2.3 x (4.5).				
	SEK m		2023	2022
Operating profit	2,613		2,446	2,613
Interest income	2.4		77	2.4
Operating profit including interest income	2,636		2,523	2,636
Interest expense	-509		-1,004	-509
Interest coverage ratio, x	5.2		2.5	5.2
Working capital¹⁾				
Working capital is calculated as current operating receivables (inventories, trade receivables and other non-interest-bearing current receivables) less current operating liabilities (trade payables and other non-interest-bearing current liabilities, excluding future contingent considerations). The components are calculated as the average for the previous 12-month period. The purpose is to analyse the capital tied up in the balance sheet by the Group's operating activities.				
	SEK m		2023	2022
Inventories	4,476		5,019	4,476
Trade receivables	4,461		4,837	4,461
Other current receivables	2,289		2,788	2,289
Trade payables	-2,571		-2,675	-2,571
Other current liabilities	-3,563		-4,127	-3,563
Working capital	5,102		5,853	5,102

1) This measure is an alternative performance measure according to the ESMA guidelines.

	SEK m	31 Dec
Operating margin¹⁾		
Operating profit (EBIT) as a percentage of net sales. The purpose is to provide a guide to profitability in relation to sales.	Operating profit	
	Net sales	
Operating margin, %		
Operating profit (EBIT)		
Net sales less cost of goods and services sold, selling expenses, administrative expenses and income less other operating expenses. The purpose is to assess the Group's operating activities.		
	SEK m	31 Dec
	Net debt	
	Equity	
Debt/equity ratio, x		
Net debt divided by total equity including equity attributable to non-controlling interests. The purpose is to show the size of the debt in relation to equity, i.e. as a measure of capital strength and financial risk. A high debt/equity ratio corresponds to a low equity/assets ratio, while a low debt/equity ratio corresponds to a high equity/assets ratio.		
	SEK m	31 Dec
	Equity	
	Total assets	
Equity/assets ratio, %		
Total equity including equity attributable to non-controlling interests as a percentage of total assets. The purpose is to show the proportion of assets that are financed with equity.		
	SEK m	
	Total assets	
	Non-interest-bearing liabilities	
	Provisions	
Capital employed		
Total assets less non-interest-bearing liabilities and provisions. The components are calculated as the average for the previous 12-month period. The purpose of this measure is to track the amount of capital that is employed in operations and financed by shareholders and lenders.		

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NOTE H1 ABOUT STORSKOGEN'S SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

Storskogen's Sustainability Report contains Storskogen's sustainability results from 1 January to 31 December 2023 and contains the statutory Sustainability Report for 2023 (pursuant to Chapter 6, Sections 10–14 of the Swedish Annual Accounts Act). Consequently, the reporting period is the same as the financial reporting period. This is Storskogen's fourth Sustainability Report, and figures from previous years have not been restated. This report has not been reviewed by any external party. The publishing date of the Report is 2024-04-04.

Storskogen reports sustainability data according to the following reporting initiatives:

- GRI Universal Standards 2021 (Global Reporting Initiative). The Sustainability Report is prepared according to the GRI's most recently updated principles with regard to content and quality. The GRI Index refers to Storskogen's central organisation. See Note H1.4.
- GHG protocol (Greenhouse Gas Protocol). The operations' climate impact in the form of direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions, divided into three categories (Scopes 1–3). See Note H3.

In addition to the reporting initiatives mentioned above, key performance indicators are reported pursuant to Storskogen's own sustainable development targets and key performance indicators.

The notes follow the format of the material topics presented in the Sustainability Report on pp. 32–46. The notes are presented for the central organisation or at the business unit level, depending on the note.

Sustainability data for all business units and Storskogen's central organisation are reported, calculated and compiled on an external sustainability platform. Reporting and calculations related to the EU taxonomy are made in the Group's financial consolidation system.

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Accounting policies are presented under each key performance indicator. The company's accounting policies for acquisitions and divestments are reported below. However, an assessment of whether an acquisition or divestment is significant is made in each case.

Acquisitions

Companies acquired no later than 31 October are included in this year's climate reporting. Climate calculations include the whole year. Companies acquired after 31 October are excluded from the climate reporting.

Divestments

Companies divested after 31 October are included in this year's climate reporting. Climate calculations include the whole year. Companies divested no later than 31 October are excluded from the climate reporting.

REPORTING ENTITIES

Unless otherwise stated, Storskogen's central organisation and the business units with all subsidiaries in data, see the boundaries below.

Reporting entities	2023	2022
Storskogen's central organisation	7	9
Of which, Storskogen Sweden	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Norway	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Denmark	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Singapore	1	1
Of which, Storskogen UK	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Germany	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Switzerland	1	1
Of which, Storskogen Finland	0	1
Of which, Storskogen Netherlands	0	1
Business units¹⁾	130²⁾	137³⁾
Of which, Industry	39	38
Of which, Trade	34	37
Of which, Services	57	62

1) According to the 2023 financial statements, there are 129 units. Deviations refer to the Trade and Services following entities: Skidsarhus Varmad Hemmetra Fastighetsbolag (-1), Byvæ (+2) and Perfekt Fair (+1) as well as Umed, AB (-1). According to the 2022 financial statements, there were 136 units. Reason for deviation is Perfect Fair, and Marwell reported sustainability data as separate units (in the Trade business area), even if they are reported as a single unit in the financial statements.

BOUNDARIES

Companies that were acquired by Storskogen after 31 October and were not included in the Sustainability Report due to the Group's accounting policies:

- Nolyx AB (gadd-on acquisition to ARAT in the Industry business area)

Divestments over the year, made after 31 October, are included in this year's climate reporting. Group's accounting policies. Divestments made no later than 31 October, which are therefore reported in the Sustainability Report:

- Medikon AG (a legal entity in the business unit Hilpert AG, in the Trade business area)
- Skada Hus AB, including subsidiaries (a separate business unit in the Trade business area)
- Hilpert Electronics AG, including subsidiaries (in the Trade business area)
- Delikatesskungen AB (a separate business unit in the Trade business area)
- Dextry Group AB, including subsidiaries (formerly Malai Sverige) (a separate business unit in the Trade business area)
- Operations in the subsidiary Brunner-Anliker
- EVA AB Gruppen AB, including subsidiaries (a separate business unit in the Services business area)
- Eli & Projektering Veitanda AB (a separate business unit in the Services business area)
- Vaxjö Eimontage AB, including subsidiaries (a separate business unit in the Services business area)
- Svenska Tungdykargruppen AB (a separate business unit in the Services business area)

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Minimise environmental impact

NOTE #2 CLIMATE-RELATED INFORMATION ACCORDING TO TCFD

Over the year, Storskogen performed an analysis of short-term risks as part of the Company's materiality assessment. Next year, the risk assessment will be supplemented by medium-term and long-term perspectives for more complete climate reporting. To ensure transparent reporting of risks and opportunities that affect Storskogen's profitability, the reporting complies with the recommendations of the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD). The aim is to provide information on the impact of the transition to a society with lower carbon dioxide emissions. Storskogen aims to be distinct and concrete in its reporting and provide a clear picture of the challenges and necessary future-proofing that the Company is facing. The description is based on four areas: governance, strategy, risk management and metrics and targets.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES AND GROUP MANAGEMENT TASKS

The Board has overall responsibility for Storskogen's sustainability governance. The Board's role includes managing strategic areas, such as investments and acquisitions, where also sustainability issues are integrated and dealt with in the scope of Storskogen's overarching risks and opportunities analysis. For further information on Storskogen's governance model, see p. 49 in this report.

On the operational level, climate-related risks and opportunities are actively managed by the CEO, the Head of Sustainability, Group Management and the Group companies. The Head of Sustainability is specifically responsible for ensuring transparent reporting and following up on all aspects related to climate impact. This division of responsibilities achieves structured and effective management of sustainability issues on the strategic and operational levels of the organisation.

STRATEGY

Identified climate-related risks and opportunities

Storskogen has identified various climate-change related risks and opportunities faced by Storskogen's operations and business units. These risks and opportunities differ across the operations. A general industry-wide transition towards fossil-free alternatives create both new opportunities and risks for Storskogen.

Climate-related risks linked to the transition to a more fossil-free economy chiefly involve an increase in energy costs, costs of raw/input materials, reporting requirements for emissions and regulation of products and services. Climate-related opportunities linked to the transition mainly involve increased demand for products and services that enable lower emissions and opportunities linked to more resource-efficient product development and production processes. Most opportunities are related to the companies in the industry and services business area.

Impact on strategy and financial planning

Storskogen's climate-related risks and opportunities analysis is integrated into the overarching risk analysis and forms the basis for strategic decisions. When making acquisitions, Storskogen also strives to include climate analyses in the comprehensive assessment of the acquisition. Potential climate impact and climate change-related costs are incorporated in the valuation of the acquisition.

Resilient strategy and financial planning

Storskogen has not yet made climate-related scenario analyses and has therefore not analysed the resilience of its business strategy, but has nevertheless identified climate-related business opportunities within the strategy. Storskogen and its business units strive to have a positive impact on the customers' climate impact through products and services that promote energy efficiencies. Storskogen's internal focus is on efficient and climate-friendly transportation of goods, general energy efficiencies and purchasing renewable energy.

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RISK MANAGEMENT

Processes to identify and evaluate climate-related risks

The Head of Sustainability has overall responsibility for identifying transitional risks, physical risks related to the climate. This includes keeping the CEO and Group management informed of longer-term changes. Major climate-related risks are integrated and evaluated regularly as part of the annual risk management process. The Head of Sustainability is also responsible for communicating the organisation updated on current climate-related risks and opportunities.

Processes to manage climate-related risks

Climate-related risks are managed as an integrated part of the annual risk assessment together with Storskogen's business units. When relevant risks and opportunities are identified, these are discussed and any necessary measures are taken to minimise negative impact or make use of opportunities.

Integration in the organisation's overarching risk management

Storskogen's risk management system includes a process for identifying, evaluating and managing climate-related risks. The Head of Sustainability ensures that the processes to identify, evaluate and manage related risks are fully integrated into the organisation's overarching risk management structure. In processes, it is ensured that climate-related factors are considered in the same way as other opportunities.

METRICS AND TARGETS

Storskogen has adopted long-term climate targets and defined relevant key performance indicators for careful monitoring of and reporting on the Company's climate initiatives. Storskogen's overarching aim is to reduce carbon dioxide intensity by 50 percent by 2030, with 2020 as the base year. The business units are required to report on their sustainability data on an annual basis, which is followed-up upon regularly by the business area.

To ensure reliability and objectivity in the climate reporting, Storskogen has engaged external consultants to calculate and validate the results. A detailed table of Scope 1 and 2 emissions is presented on information on page 3. Emissions will be available in a separate climate report by Storskogen.

Storskogen reports taxonomy-eligible activities. Taxonomy reporting is used as an important measure and forms the basis for strategic discussions by the boards.

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Note H3 Climate impact, cont.

STORSKOGEN'S CENTRAL ORGANISATION

Greenhouse gas emissions, tonnes CO₂e

Emissions by scope	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
scope 1	0	2,4	4	8	0
scope 2	9	4	13	30	8

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

In Storskogen's central organisation, absolute emissions in Scopes 1 and 2 increased. This was because the reporting for one of the head offices was expanded to include common areas that were not included in the previous year's calculations. The resulting change on the Group level was minor, so the base year has not been restated.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

Of emissions in Scope 1, 83 percent were actual, and the rest were estimated. Of emissions in Scope 2, 91 percent were estimated. The reason for this was that many landlords were unable to provide the actual consumption.

NOTE H4 ENERGY CONSUMPTION

STORSKOGEN'S BUSINESS UNITS

Energy intensity, MWh/SEK m

All business units	2022	2023	2024
Total	2,5	3,0	2,5
Business area Industry	4,7	5,1	5,1
Business area Trade	2,1	2,0	2,1
Business area Services	1,1	1,0	1,1

of which, previously owned

Total

Business area Industry
Business area Trade
Business area Services

of which, new acquisitions

Total

Business area Industry
Business area Trade
Business area Services

Energy consumption, MWh

All business units

All business units	2022	2023	2024
Total	94,015	105,532	94,015
Business area Industry	66,528	74,724	66,528
Business area Trade	14,500	19,574	14,500
Business area Services	11,234	11,234	11,234
of which, renewable electricity	43,800	39,847	43,800
Business area Industry	35,202	32,008	35,202
Business area Trade	4,873	4,603	4,873
Business area Services	3,325	3,236	3,325
of which, fossil-free energy	18,027	19,687	18,027
Business area Industry	10,689	13,728	10,689
Business area Trade	3,413	3,571	3,413
Business area Services	3,925	2,389	3,925
% fossil-free, incl. renewable, of the total	19,158	18,783	19,158

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Note H4 Energy consumption, cont.

	2023	2022
Of which, previously owned		
Total	104,924	69,441
Business area Industry	74,385	48,046
Business area Trade	19,376	12,375
Business area Services	11,164	8,985
Of which, renewable electricity	39,847	38,219
Business area Industry	32,008	30,680
Business area Trade	4,603	3,786
Business area Services	3,236	3,753
Of which, fossil-free energy	19,687	15,582
Business area Industry	13,728	10,755
Business area Trade	3,571	3,560
Business area Services	2,389	1,232
% fossil-free, incl. renewable, of the total	57	77
Of which, new acquisitions	2023	2022
Total	608	25,454
Business area Industry	339	20,482
Business area Trade	189	2,410
Business area Services	70	2,561
Of which, renewable electricity	-	5,431
Business area Industry	-	4,842
Business area Trade	-	488
Business area Services	-	102
Of which, fossil-free energy	-	325
Business area Industry	-	203
Business area Trade	-	17
Business area Services	-	103
% fossil-free, incl. renewable, of the total	0	23

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

Over the year, emission intensity increased while the share of fossil-free energy consumption fell compared to 2022. In 2023, 57 percent of the previously owned business units used fossil-free energy. Business units located in Sweden are more likely to use fossil-free energy than those located abroad. Storskogen continues to research the availability of fossil-free energy in other countries.

Storskogen's target related to fossil-free energy is that all business units shall use at least 80 percent fossil-free electricity by 2025. This target chiefly relates to purchased electricity and not to the total energy consumption illustrated in the table above. The choice to focus on purchased electricity is due to the difficulties sourcing fossil-free alternatives for district heating and cooling. The target is designed with the possibilities for impact in mind.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

Includes electricity, district heating and district cooling for all business units. Energy consumption, renewable and fossil-free electricity due to Storskogen's climate targets. In 2020 and 2021, fossil-free electricity was reported as regular electricity, which means that no comparative MWh figures are available. When target fulfillment is measured, it is the previously owned companies' proportion of fossil-free electricity of the total electricity consumption that counts.

The share of fossil-free electricity incl. renewable electricity for 2021 has been updated due to reporting only including renewable electricity.

STORSKOGEN'S CENTRAL ORGANISATION

Energy consumption, MWh. Proportion in brackets.

	2023	2022
Total	204	85
Of which, renewable electricity	94 (46%)	41 (48%)
Of which, fossil-free energy	0	0

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

The electricity consumption in Germany and United Kingdom is non-renewable, and emission intensity contributes to the majority of the emissions in Scope 2.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

Includes electricity and district heating. Proportion in brackets.

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NOTE H5 TAXONOMY REPORTING

STORSKOGEN'S BUSINESS UNITS

ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVE 1: CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

Sector	Activity	Description of the activity	Assessment of scope and alignment
6. TRANSPORT	6.4. Operation of personal mobility devices, cycle logistics	Selling, purchasing, financing, leasing, renting and operation of personal mobility or transport devices where the propulsion comes from the physical activity of the user, from a zero-emissions motor, or a mix of zero-emissions motor and physical activity. This includes the provision of freight transport services by (cargo) bicycles.	There are companies in the Group that sell or lease bicycles, and electric mopeds. Consequently, they contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other environmental objectives. These activities are therefore to be taxonomy-aligned.
	6.6. Freight transport services by road	Purchase, financing, leasing, rental and operation of vehicles designated as category N1, N2 or N3 falling under the scope of EURO VI, step 6 or its successor, for freight transport services by road.	There are companies in the Group that offer freight transport services in their own vehicles and are taxonomy-eligible. Zero-emissions vehicles contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other environmental objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
	6.13. Infrastructure for personal mobility, cycle logistics	Construction, modernisation, maintenance and operation of infrastructure for personal mobility, including the construction of roads, motorways bridges and tunnels and other infrastructure that are dedicated to pedelecs and bicycles, with or without electric assist.	There are companies in the Group that constructed adventure and cycle lanes and pedestrian zones over the year that are taxonomy-eligible. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other environmental objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
	6.14. Infrastructure for rail transport	Construction, modernisation, operation and maintenance of railways and subways as well as bridges and tunnels, stations, terminals, rail service facilities, safety and traffic management systems including the provision of architectural services, engineering services, drafting services, building inspection services and surveying and mapping services and the like as well as the performance of physical, chemical and other analytical testing of all types of materials and products.	There are companies in the Group that are active in construction, maintenance of railways and other surveying services in the environment that are deemed to be included in the activity. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other environmental objectives. These activities are deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
7. CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES	7.3. Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	Individual renovation measures consisting in installation, maintenance or repair of energy efficiency equipment.	There are companies in the Group that install additional insulation, installation and replacement of energy-efficient light sources, systems and water heating systems (HVAC) and that are therefore included in the activity. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
	7.4. Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in buildings and parking spaces attached to buildings	Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in buildings and parking spaces attached to buildings.	There are companies in the Group that install, maintain and stations for electric vehicles and are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
	7.5. Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring, regulation and controlling energy performance of buildings	Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring, regulation and controlling energy performance of buildings.	There are companies in the Group that offer building automation and installation, maintenance and repair of facades and roofs with solar shading or solar control and are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.
	7.6. Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies, on-site.	There are companies in the Group that perform installation and repair of solar photovoltaic systems, solar collectors, heat exchangers, heat recovery systems and air conditioning systems. These activities are deemed to be taxonomy-aligned. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to any of the other objectives. These activities are therefore deemed to be taxonomy-aligned.

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Note H5 Taxonomy reporting, cont.

Sector	Activity	Description of the activity	Assessment of scope and alignment
8. INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION	8.1 Data processing, hosting and related activities	Strategic, manipulation, management, movement, control, display, switching, interchange, transmission or processing of data through data centres, including edge computing	There are companies in the Group that offer hosting services therefore deemed to be included in this activity. However, they do not meet the 'contributes substantially to environmental objectives' and is therefore not taxonomy-aligned.
9. PROFESSIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ACTIVITIES	9.3 Professional services related to energy performance of buildings	Professional services related to energy performance of buildings.	There are companies in the Group that provide services related to audits and optimisation, energy simulations and advice on performance hosting services for buildings and in this therefore the Group is included in this activity. They contribute substantially to environmental objective 1 and cause no significant harm to environmental objectives. These activities are therefore deemed taxonomy-aligned.

ENVIRONMENTAL OBJECTIVE 4: THE TRANSITION TO A CIRCULAR ECONOMY

Sector	Activity	Description of the activity	Assessment of scope and alignment
3. CONSTRUCTION AND REAL ESTATE ACTIVITIES	3.3 Demolition and wrecking of buildings and other structures	The demolition and wrecking of buildings, roads and runways, railways, bridges, tunnels, waste water treatment works, water treatment works, pipelines, wells and boreholes, power generating plants, chemical plants, dams and reservoirs, mines and quarries, offshore structures, near shore works, ports, waterway works or land reclamation and reclamation.	There are companies in the Group that demolish and wreck other structures and are deemed to be taxonomy-eligible.
	3.4 Maintenance of roads and motorways	Maintenance of streets, roads and motorways, other vehicular and pedestrian ways, surface works on streets, roads, highways, bridges, tunnels, aerodrome runways, taxiways and aprons, defined as all actions undertaken to maintain and restore the serviceability and level of service of roads.	There are companies in the Group that maintain roads and other structures and are deemed to be taxonomy-eligible.
5. SERVICES	5.1 Repair, refurbishment and remanufacturing	Repair, refurbishment and remanufacturing of goods that have been used for their intended purpose before by a customer.	There are companies in the Group that repair products and are deemed to be taxonomy-eligible.
	5.2 Sale of spare parts	The economic activity does not include replacement of consumables, such as printer ink, toner cartridges, lubricants for moving parts or batteries and maintenance.	There are companies in the Group that sell spare parts and are deemed to be taxonomy-eligible.
	5.5 Product-as-a-service and other circular use- and result-oriented service models.	Providing customers (physical person or legal person) with access to products through service models, which are either use-oriented services, where the product is still central, but its ownership remains with the provider and the product is leased, shared, rented or pooled, or result-oriented, where the payment is pre-defined and the agreed result (i.e. pay per service unit) is delivered.	There are companies in the Group that repair products-as-a-service and are deemed to be taxonomy-eligible.

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NOTE H6 EMPLOYEES

STORSKOGEN'S CENTRAL ORGANISATION

Employees by type of employment, gender and region at year-end. Stated as a number.

2023	Sweden	Norway	Denmark	Singapore	United Kingdom	Germany	Switzerland	Finland	Netherlands
Number of permanent employees	72	4	1	3	6	5	10	0	0
Of which, women	41	1	0	1	1	2	3	0	0
Of which, men	31	3	1	2	5	3	7	0	0
Number of full-time employees	72	4	1	3	6	5	8	0	0
Of which, women	41	1	0	1	1	2	1	0	0
Of which, men	31	3	1	2	5	3	7	0	0
Number of workers that are not employees	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Of which, consultants	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2022	Sweden	Norway	Denmark	Singapore	United Kingdom	Germany	Switzerland	Finland	Netherlands
Number of permanent employees	75	4	3	3	8	5	12	1	0
Of which, women	41	1	1	1	1	0	3	1	0
Of which, men	34	3	2	2	7	5	9	0	0
Number of full-time employees	75	4	3	3	8	5	9	1	0
Of which, women	41	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
Of which, men	34	3	2	2	7	5	8	0	0
Number of workers that are not employees	8	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Of which, consultants	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Of which, facility management	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0

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Note H6 Employees, cont.

New hires and terminated employments by age group, gender and region, stated as a number.

2023	New hires	<30 years old			30–50 years old			>50 years old			Total
		which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, men	
Total	2	0	3	1	3	0	3	0	9		
Storskogen	0	0	7	8	2	3	20				
Sweden	2	0	1	1	3	0	7				
Switzerland	0	0	5	4	1	0	10				
Norway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	1	1	0	0	2				
Singapore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
UK	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	1	0	1	2				
Germany	0	0	2	0	0	0	2				
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	2	2				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Finland	0	0	1	0	0	0	1				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Netherlands	0	0	0	0	0	1	0				
Terminated employments	0	0	0	0	1	0	1				

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

The gender distribution at Storskogen's offices in Sweden is even, i.e. in the 40 to 60 percent span, while there is an overrepresentation of men at the other offices. There are two part-time employees, both of whom are employed in Switzerland. There are no non-guaranteed hours employees in the central organisation.

In 2023, nine new employees were hired, and 20 employees left the organisation, which corresponds to an employee turnover of 19 percent (13). In 2023, Storskogen mainly recruited for replacement purposes. A review of the central organisation was carried out over the year. Considering the continued low pace of acquisitions, resources were reduced and redistributed.

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2022	New hires	<30 years old			30–50 years old			>50 years old		
		which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, men	Of which, women	which, men
Total	0	1	3	18	5	7				
Storskogen	0	0	1	5	1	7				
Sweden	0	0	1	12	6	2				
Switzerland	0	0	0	5	2	0				
Norway	0	0	1	0	1	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Denmark	0	0	0	1	1	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Singapore	0	0	0	1	2	1				
Storskogen	0	0	1	1	4	0				
UK	0	1	0	3	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	1	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Finland	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Storskogen	0	0	0	0	1	0				
Netherlands	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Terminated employments	0	0	0	0	0	0				

EMPLOYEE TURNOVER

Storskogen's employee turnover is calculated by dividing the total number of employees who during the specified period by the average number of employees. Turnover includes dismissals, retirement, transfer of work or death.

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NOTE H7 GENDER EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

STORSKOGEN'S BUSINESS UNITS

Gender equality on the Board, in Group management and among the employees, at year-end.

Total	2023	2022	2021	2020
Number of employees at year-end (FTE)	11,976 (11,550)	12,833 (11,152)	8,645 (5,666)	3,565 (3,154)
Of which, women	29%	27%	23%	17%
Of which, men	71%	73%	77%	83%
Proportion of female chairs of business unit boards	25%	20%	17%	12%
Proportion of women on the Board	29%	24%	22%	25%
Proportion of female CEOs of business units (number)	5% (6)	3% (4)	2% (2)	2% (1)
Proportion of companies that have set gender equality targets	38%	23%	19%	-

Industry

	2023	2022	2021	2020
Number of employees, at year-end	5,147	5,276	2,786	1,050
Of which, women	21%	22%	16%	15%
Of which, men	79%	78%	84%	85%
Proportion of female chairs of business unit boards	23%	18%	14%	25%
Proportion of women on the Board	22%	17%	24%	41%
Proportion of female CEOs of business units (number)	3% (1)	0% (0)	0% (0)	0% (0)
Proportion of companies that have set gender equality targets	33%	18%	7%	-

Trade

	2023	2022	2021	2020
Number of employees, at year-end	2,477	2,417	1,555	666
Of which, women	52%	48%	37%	36%
Of which, men	48%	52%	63%	64%
Proportion of female chairs of business unit boards	35%	24%	22%	0%
Proportion of women on the Board	40%	25%	22%	3%
Proportion of female CEOs of business units (number)	6% (2)	5% (2)	0% (0)	0% (0)
Proportion of companies that have set gender equality targets	47%	22%	12%	-

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

Men are overrepresented in all Storskogen's business units and business areas. Despite this, a gender equality can be seen, with an increasing proportion of female employees, both this year and last year. This positive trend is also reflected in the number of female CEOs. All business areas now have a female CEO. The proportion of female chairs of boards is steadily increasing and the proportion that have adopted gender equality targets has increased by as much as 15 percentage points.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

All business units that reported that they have set gender equality targets were included in the gender equality targets. No assessment was made of the target(s) adopted. **Total number of employees**
Total number of employees stated both as the number of individuals regardless of type of employment and recalculated to full-time employees as of 31 December 2023. The proportion of women and men is based on the number of individuals and not the number of full-time employees.

Proportion of women on the boards of the business units

Proportion of women on boards that were Storskogen appointees. This figure includes Storskogen's own boards as well as external people who serve on boards as board members or deputy board members as well as external people who serve on boards as of 31 December 2023. This definition is based on Storskogen's ability to influence the resulting outcome. Previous years, deputy board members and external people are not included in the proportion of women. The proportion of women is calculated per business unit and not per all legal entities.

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Note 17 Gender equality and diversity, cont.

STORKOGEN'S CENTRAL ORGANISATION

Gender equality on the Board, in Group management and among the employees, at year-end.

	2023	2022	2021	2020
Number of employees at year-end (FTE)	101 (69)	112 (10)	74	
Of which, women	49%	43%	46%	-
Of which, men	51%	57%	54%	-
Proportion of women in the Group management	13%	13%	14%	17%
Proportion of women on the Board	40%	40%	40%	33%

Gender equality and diversity among employees, by age and employee category, at year-end.

	Total	< 30 years old	30-50 years old	> 50 years old
2023				
HQ management	8%	0%	4%	4%
Of which, women	13%	-	25%	-
Of which, men	87%	-	75%	100%
HQ senior	43%	0%	28%	14%
Of which, women	40%	-	48%	21%
Of which, men	60%	-	52%	79%
HQ mid	31%	3%	28%	0%
Of which, women	48%	67%	46%	-
Of which, men	52%	33%	54%	-
HQ base	18%	5%	12%	2%
Of which, women	84%	80%	83%	100%
Of which, men	16%	20%	17%	-
Total	100%	8%	72%	20%

	Total	< 30 years old	30-50 years old	> 50 years old
2022				
HQ management	16%	0%	12%	4%
Of which, women	28%	-	38%	-
Of which, men	72%	-	62%	100%
HQ senior	33%	0%	24%	9%
Of which, women	41%	-	56%	-
Of which, men	59%	-	44%	100%
HQ mid	33%	0%	33%	0%
Of which, women	46%	-	46%	-
Of which, men	54%	-	54%	-
HQ base	18%	6%	10%	2%
Of which, women	65%	57%	64%	100%
Of which, men	35%	43%	36%	-
Total	100%	6%	79%	15%

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME
The HQ senior and HQ mid levels, which include the majority of all employees, have an even gender split in the 40-60 percent span. The HQ management level has a lower representation of women (84 percent). HQ base level has a higher representation of women (84 percent).

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES
Unlike last year, HQ management only refers to Group management this year. For this reason, it includes fewer individuals.

Remuneration

Ratio of the basic salary of women to men

HQ management
HQ senior
HQ mid
HQ base

Ratio between the basic salary of the organisation's highest paid individual and the median value for all employees

Annual total compensation ratio
Ratio of annual percentage increase

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

There is a significant difference in the salary situation between Storskogen's different markets, impact on the compensation ratio.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

The organisation's highest-paid employee is the Chief Executive Officer. Unlike in 2022, a median salary has been calculated based on GRI's guidelines for the calculation of the pay-performance ratio of the organisation's highest-paid individual to the median for all employees. In 2022, only the average value was available. This has a certain effect on the comparative figure from previous years; ratio is calculated, (it is now 5.1, instead of 4.1 as previously reported).

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NOTE H8 OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY

STORSKOGEN'S BUSINESS UNITS

Occupational accidents: number of serious occupational accidents and injury frequency rate

	Serious occupational accidents				Injury frequency rate (IFR)			
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2023	2022	2021	2020
Business area Industry	30	57	10	4	0.6	1.2	-	-
Business area Trade	5	0	1	0	0.2	0	-	-
Business area Services	68	77	33	3	1.5	1.6	-	-
Total	103	134	44	7	0.9	1.2	-	-

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

The Services business area had the highest number of serious occupational accidents and the highest injury frequency rate. Business units that are exposed to significant work environment risks are generally ISO 45001 certified. The number of serious occupational accidents was reduced in the industry business area due to structured proactive efforts to identify safety risks and to encourage employees to identify occupational risks before an accident (occupational incident or injury) occurs.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

No work-related fatalities were reported by any business unit over the year (0). Fatal accidents on the way to or from work are not included in the reporting, as we use the Swedish Work Environment Authority's definition.

Number of serious occupational accidents

is defined as accident where one or more people have been injured at the workplace or in a place they have visited at work. Examples of serious injuries are fractures, severe bleeding or damage to internal organs (Swedish Work Environment Authority).

Injury Frequency Rate (IFR)

is calculated as the number of serious injuries reported per 200,000 hours worked.

Responsible business

NOTE H9 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

	2023	2022
Number of Anti-Corruption, sanctions or anti-money laundering policy violations	0	0
Number of Code of Conduct violations	0	0
Number of whistleblower cases	0	0

COMMENTS ON THE OUTCOME

No Anti-Corruption, sanctions, anti-money laundering policy or Code of Conduct violations were reported in the year. In 2023, 15 cases were reported via the system. None of these were legal whistleblower cases. Whistleblower are defined as cases that constitute a breach of the whistleblower act/directive on corruption, one to discrimination, one to HR issues, nine to work environment issues and three cases have been closed.

ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

All cases were reported to an external whistleblower function. Whistleblowing may relate to an irregularity that violates Storskogen's Code of Conduct. Only cases that are legal whistleblower reported as whistleblower cases in the report.

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NOTE H12 TAXONOMY

PROPORTION OF TURNOVER FROM PRODUCTS OR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES – DISCLOSURE COVERING YEAR 2023

Financial year 2023

substantial contribution criteria

DNSh criteria (Does Not Significantly Harm?)

Economic activities (1)	Proportion of turnover, year 2023 (4)		substantial contribution criteria										Minimum safeguards (17)		Proportion of taxonomy-aligned (A.1) or -eligible (A.2) turnover for year 2023 (18)	Category enabling disclosure
	SEK m	%	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N	Y/N		

A. TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

A.1. Environmentally sustainable activities (taxonomy-aligned)

Operation of personal mobility devices, cycle logistics	CCM 6.4	328	0.9%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	1.0%
Freight transport services by road	CCM 6.6	1	0.0%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.0%
Infrastructure for personal mobility, cycle logistics	CCM 6.13	36	0.1%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.1%
Infrastructure for rail transport	CCM 6.14	263	0.7%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.7%
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	CCM 7.3	210	0.6%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.6%
Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in buildings (and parking spaces attached to buildings)	CCM 7.4	20	0.1%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.1%
Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring, regulation and controlling energy performance of buildings	CCM 7.5	88	0.2%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.2%
Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	CCM 7.6	50	0.1%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.1%
Professional services related to energy performance of buildings	CCM 9.3	8	0.0%	Y	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	N/E/L	Y	0.0%
Turnover of environmentally sustainable activities (taxonomy-aligned) (A.1)		1,003	2.8%														Y	3.3%
Of which enabling		673	1.9%														Y	1.9%
Of which transitional		0	0%														Y	0%

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Note H12 Taxonomy, cont.

PROPORTION OF TURNOVER FROM PRODUCTS OR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES – DISCLOSURE COVERING YEAR 2023, cont.

Economic activities (1)	Code (a) (2)	Turnover (3)	Proportion of turnover, year 2023 (4)		substantial contribution criteria										Proportion of taxonomy-aligned (A.2) turnover for year 2023 (8)	Category enabling (9)
			SEK m	%	Climate change mitigation (5)	Climate change adaptation (6)	Water (7)	Pollution (8)	Circular economy (9)	Biodiversity (10)	Climate change mitigation (11)	Climate change adaptation (12)	Water (13)	Pollution (14)		
A.2. Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned activities)																
Demolition and wrecking of buildings and other structures	CE 3.3	202	0.6%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	-
Maintenance of roads and motorways	CE 3.4	23	0.1%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	-
Repair, refurbishment and remanufacturing	CE 5.1	228	0.6%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	-
Sale of spare parts	CE 5.2	184	0.5%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	-
Freight transport services by road	CCM 6.6	98	0.2%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.4%
Infrastructure for personal mobility, cycle logistics	CCM 6.9	4	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.0%
Renovation of existing buildings	CCM 7.2	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.0%
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	CCM 7.3	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.0%
Data processing, hosting	CCM 8.1	11	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.0%
Professional services related to energy performance of buildings	CCM 9.3	8	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	0.0%
Turnover of Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned activities) (A.2)		688	1.9%		0.2%											0.4%
A. Turnover of Taxonomy-eligible activities (A.1+A.2)		1,701	4.7%		3.0%											4.4%
B. TAXONOMY-NON-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES																
Turnover of Taxonomy-non-eligible activities (B)		34,305	95.3%													
Total		36,006	100%													

CCM	Proportion of turnover / Total turnover	
	Taxonomy-aligned per objective	Taxonomy-eligible per objective
CCM	3%	3%
CE	-	2%

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PROPORTION OF CAPEX FROM PRODUCTS OR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES – DISCLOSURE COVERING YEAR 2023

Financial year 2023

substantial contribution criteria

DNSh criteria (‘does Not Significantly Harm’)

Economic activities (1)	Proportion of CapEx, year 2023 (4)		Water (7)		Pollution (8)		Circular economy (9)		Biodiversity (10)		Climate change mitigation (11)		Climate change adaptation (12)		Water (13)		Pollution (14)		Circular economy (15)		Biodiversity (16)		Minimum safeguards (17)		Proportion of taxonomy-aligned activities (A.1) eligible for CapEx, year 2023 (18)
	SEK m	%	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	Y/N	N/EL	

A. TAXONOMY-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

A.1. Environmentally sustainable activities (taxonomy-aligned)

CCM 6.4	13	0.7%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1%	
Operation of personal mobility devices, cycle logistics																									0.0%
Freight transport services by road	0	0.0%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
Infrastructure for personal mobility, cycle logistics	3	0.2%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
Infrastructure for rail transport	10	0.5%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1%	
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	1	0.1%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.1%	
Installation, maintenance and repair of charging stations for electric vehicles in buildings (and parking spaces attached to buildings)	0	0.0%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
Installation, maintenance and repair of instruments and devices for measuring, regulation and controlling energy performance of buildings	0	0.0%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
Installation, maintenance and repair of renewable energy technologies	0	0.0%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
Professional services related to energy performance of buildings	0	0.0%	Y	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	-	Y	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
CapEx of environmentally sustainable activities (taxonomy-aligned) (A.1)	28	1.5%																						0.1%	
Of which enabling	15	0.8%																						0.0%	
Of which transitional	0	0.0%																							0.0%

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PROPORTION OF CAPEX FROM PRODUCTS OR SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH TAXONOMY-ALIGNED ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES – DISCLOSURE COVERING YEAR 2023, cont.

Financial year 2023

substantial contribution criteria

DNSh criteria (Does Not Significantly Harm)

Economic activities (1)	Code (a) (2)	CapEx (3)	Proportion of CapEx, year 2023 (4)		Climate change mitigation (5)	Climate change adaptation (6)	Water (7)	Pollution (8)	Circular economy (9)	Biodiversity (10)	Climate change mitigation (11)	Climate change adaptation (12)	Water (13)	Pollution (14)	Circular economy (15)	Biodiversity (16)	Minimum safeguards (17)	Proportion of taxonomy-aligned CapEx, adding back (A.2) (18)	Category (19)	
			SEK m	%																
A.2. Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned activities)																				
Demolition and wrecking of buildings and other structures	CE 3.3	16	0.9%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Maintenance of roads and motorways	CE 3.4	1	0.1%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Repair, refurbishment and remanufacturing	CE 5.1	4	0.2%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Sale of spare parts	CE 5.2	1	0.1%		N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Freight transport services by road	CCM 6.6	6	0.2%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				1.7%
Infrastructure for personal mobility, cycle logistics	CCM 6.9	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Renovation of existing buildings	CCM 7.2	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Installation, maintenance and repair of energy efficiency equipment	CCM 7.3	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Data processing, hosting	CCM 8.1	7	0.4%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
Professional services related to energy performance of buildings	CCM 9.3	0	0.0%		EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL	N/EL				
CapEx of Taxonomy-eligible but not environmentally sustainable activities (not Taxonomy-aligned activities) (A.2)		35	1.9%	0.7%																
A. CapEx of Taxonomy-eligible activities (A.1+A.2)		63	3.4%	2.2%																
B. TAXONOMY-NON-ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES																				
CapEx of Taxonomy-non-eligible activities (B)		1804	96.6%																	
Total (A + B)		1867	100%																	

1) The Skarstadten business unit is taxonomy-eligible, but as the eligible turnover is intra-Group (within the business unit), we cannot include it. Consequently, its CapEx and OpEx cannot be included, either. The Company is one of the highest CO₂e emitters in the Group. The Company's ambition is to become fossil-free by 2030. As the treatment of turnover, CapEx and OpEx is merely a result of the legal organisation of the business unit, we impact they would have had if they were included in the taxonomy calculation. The total amount of aligned would increase overall in the Group to 2.3 percent.

	Proportion of CapEx / Total CapEx	
	Taxonomy-aligned per objective	Taxonomy-eligible per objective
CCM	1%	2%
CE	—	1%

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NUCLEAR AND FOSSIL GAS RELATED ACTIVITIES

Nuclear energy related activities

- | | | |
|---|--|----|
| 1 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to research, development, demonstration and deployment of innovative electricity generation facilities that produce energy from nuclear processes with minimal waste from the fuel cycle. | NO |
| 2 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction and safe operation of new nuclear installations to produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production, as well as their safety upgrades, using best available technologies. | NO |
| 3 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to safe operation of existing nuclear installations that produce electricity or process heat, including for the purposes of district heating or industrial processes such as hydrogen production from nuclear energy, as well as their safety upgrades. | NO |

Fossil gas related activities

- | | | |
|---|---|----|
| 4 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels. | NO |
| 5 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction or operation of electricity generation facilities that produce electricity using fossil gaseous fuels. | NO |
| 6 | The undertaking carries out, funds or has exposures to construction, refurbishment, and operation of combined heat/cool and power generation facilities using fossil gaseous fuels. | NO |

ACCOUNTING POLICIES, TAXONOMY

Below are the policies applied by Storskogen in the reporting according to the taxonomy.

KPI TURNOVER

Total turnover (the denominator) corresponds to the Group's total sales according to IFRS, see the line item net sales in the income statement on p. 89.

Eligible turnover is obtained by calculating the portion of total turnover generated by the eligible activities identified by Storskogen (see the section Taxonomy reporting), i.e. the numerator, and dividing it by the denominator. Aligned turnover (the numerator) is reported as a proportion of total turnover.

Revenue was mainly allocated to the eligible activities by way of careful estimates and assessments.

KPI CAPITAL EXPENDITURE (CAPEX)

CapEx, as defined in the taxonomy and identified by Storskogen (the denominator), includes investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets excluding goodwill (see the line item investments in Notes 14–15 on p. 101–103), additions from business combinations excluding goodwill (see the line item business combinations in Notes 14–15 on p. 101–103) and additional right-of-use assets (see the line item new leases in Note 28 on p. 117).

Eligible CapEx (the numerator) includes investments that support the business in the identified eligible economic activities. Total eligible CapEx was calculated on the following basis: Direct allocation to an activity was used when an investment had been acquired and used exclusively for the specific activity. Expenses attributable to common assets were allocated based on turnover (per activity) as the distribution key, where it constitutes the best judgement. Where turnover has not been deemed to constitute a suitable allocation key, another method has been used. Surplus values, including other additions to property, plant and equipment and intangible assets from business combinations, were allocated to the numerator based on turnover as the distribution key. Aligned CapEx (the numerator) was calculated in relation to total CapEx.

There are no CapEx plans in accordance with category B at present. According to the taxonomy, CapEx that do not support eligible activities but relate to the purchase of output from taxonomy-aligned economic activities

and individual measures enabling the target activities to become low-carbon or lead to green transitions are also eligible (category C). Storskogen does not believe it is possible at present to obtain the information required to report this.

KPI OPERATING EXPENDITURE (OPEX)

OPEX, as defined in the taxonomy and identified by Storskogen (the denominator), includes direct and indirect (non-capitalised) research and development, building renovation measures, short-term lease and repair of property, plant and equipment and any other direct expenditures relating to the servicing of assets or property, plant and equipment by the company or a third party to whom outsourced that are necessary to ensure the continued and effective functioning of such assets. It may include service agreements or the cost of electricity or diesel in connection with repairs (if separated and identified).

Eligible OPEX (the numerator) are those of the above costs that relate to assets or processes associated with Storskogen's identified eligible economic activities. Eligible OPEX was calculated in relation to the activities through the use of a distribution key (turnover), which is in line with the allocation OPEX (the numerator) was calculated in relation to total OPEX.

As there are no CapEx plans according to category B, there is also no OPEX associated with taxonomically-aligned economic activities and individual measures enabling the target activities low-carbon or lead to greenhouse gas reductions, as well as individual building renovation measures eligible (category C). Storskogen does not believe it is possible at present to obtain the information required to report this.

OTHER INFORMATION

There is no risk of double counting because the allocation of turnover, CapEx and OPEX takes place and the activities themselves are only mapped to one environmental goal each in the accounting and the taxonomy follows the accounting principles for the sustainability report. This means that during the year, after 31 October, is included in this year's climate reporting according to the reporting principles. Investments that took place no later than 31 October are not included in this year's reporting.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND APPLICATION OF THE TAXONOMY

As internal processes improve and there is more guidance and advice on how to interpret the taxonomy, CapEx and OPEX and the proportions of CapEx and OPEX that are taxonomy-eligible will be adjusted. Given the large number of companies that the Group owns and the large number of taxonomy-eligible, within several activities, there are challenges regarding how to collect and report information on taxonomy-eligible activities in a reliable manner. Storskogen will work on internal routines for reporting continues.

NOTE H13 CONTACTS

For additional information on Storskogen's sustainability initiatives and reporting, please contact Arne Sustainability. Contact details are provided on Storskogen's website.

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NOTE H14 GRI INDEX

Statement of use GRI 1 used

Storsteigen has reported in accordance with the GRI Standards for the period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023. GRI 1, Foundation 2021
No sector standard is available at present.

Applicable GRI sector standard(s)

GRI standard	Disclosure	Name of disclosure	Page	Omission
GENERAL DISCLOSURES				
The organisation and its reporting practices				
GRI 2 2021	2-1	Organisational details	4, 127	
	2-2	Entities included in the organisation's sustainability reporting	137	
	2-3	Reporting period, frequency and contact point	137, 157, 163	
	2-4	Restatements of information	137	
	2-5	External assurance	50, 160	
Activities and workers				
GRI 2 2021	2-6	Activities, value chain and other business relationships	4, 9-13, 22, 24, 27, 30	
	2-7	Employees	145-146	
	2-8	Workers who are not employees	145-146	
Governance				
GRI 2 2021	2-9	Governance structure and composition	49-53, 148	
	2-10	Nomination and selection of the highest governance body	49-50	
	2-11	Chair of the highest governance body	53	
	2-12	Role of the highest governance body in overseeing the management of impacts	43, 50-51	
	2-13	Delegation of responsibility for managing impacts	43, 50-52	
	2-14	Role of the highest governance body in sustainability reporting	43, 50-51	
	2-15	Conflicts of interest	48, 51, 127	
	2-16	Communication of critical concerns	43-44, 149	
	2-17	Collective knowledge of the highest governance body	35-36	
	2-18	Evaluation of the performance of the highest governance body	50-51	
	2-19	Remuneration policies	49, 51-52, 61-64	
	2-20	Process to determine remuneration	49, 51-52, 61-64	

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GRI standard	Disclosure	Name of disclosure	Page	Omission
	2-21	Annual total compensation ratio	148	
Strategy, policies and practices				
GRI 2 2021	2-22	Statement on sustainable development strategy	6-7	
	2-23	Policy commitments	18-19, 35, 37-44, 46, 55	
	2-24	Embedding policy commitments	37-44, 46	
	2-25	Processes to remediate negative impacts	43-44	
	2-26	Mechanisms for seeking advice and raising concerns	43-44, 149	
	2-27	Compliance with laws and regulations	39, 44, 46	
	2-28	Membership associations	33	
Stakeholder engagement				
GRI 2 2021	2-29	Approach to stakeholder engagement	34	
	2-30	Collective bargaining agreements	18	
Material topics				
GRI 3 2021	3-1	Process to determine material topics	33	
	3-2	List of material topics	33	

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GRI standard	Disclosure	Name of disclosure	Page	Omission
SPECIFIC DISCLOSURES				
Focus area: Responsible business				
Material topic: Return and good corporate governance				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	43-44	
Own indicator		Proportion of employees in the central organisation who has signed the Code of Conduct	36	
Material topic: Business ethics and Anti-Corruption				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	43-44	
GRI 205: Anti-Corruption 2016	205-1	Operations assessed for risks related to corruption	67	
	205-3	Confirmed incidents of corruption and actions taken	44, 149	
Material topic: Responsible supply chain				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	44	
Own indicator		Proportion of companies in the Group who poses demands on their suppliers	150	
Focus area: Minimise environmental impact				
Material topic: Climate impact				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	37	
GRI 302: Energy 2016	302-1	Energy consumption within the organisation	139, 141-142	
GRI 305: Emissions 2016	305-1	Direct (Scope 1) GHG emissions	139-141	
	305-2	Energy indirect (Scope 2) GHG emissions	139-141	
	305-3	Other indirect (Scope 3) GHG emissions	139	
	305-4	GHG emissions intensity	140	
Material topic: Environmental management				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	39	
Own indicator		Proportion of companies with environmental management systems (ISO 14001 or equivalent)	150	
Focus area: A good employer and neighbour				
Material topic: Attracting and retaining employees				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	18-19, 41-42	
GRI 401: Employment 2016	401-1	New employee hires and employee turnover	145-146	
	401-2	Benefits provided to full-time employees that are not provided to temporary or part-time employees	19	
GRI 404: Training and education 2016	404-3	Percentage of employees receiving regular performance and career development reviews	18-19	

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GRI standard	Disclosure	Name of disclosure	Page	Omission
Material topic: Health and safety				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	42	
GRI 403: Occupational Health and Safety 2018	403-1	Occupational health and safety management system	42	
	403-2	Hazard identification, risk assessment, and incident investigation	42	
	403-3	Occupational health services	42	
	403-4	Worker participation, consultation and communication on occupational health and safety	42	
	403-5	Worker training on occupational health and safety	42	
	403-6	Promotion of worker health	18-19, 42	
	403-7	Prevention and mitigation of occupational health and safety impacts directly linked by business relationships	42	
Material topic: Equality and diversity				
GRI 3 2021	3-3	Management of material topics	41-42	
GRI 405: Diversity and equal opportunity 2016	405-1	Diversity of governance bodies and employees	53-54, 48	
	405-2	Ratio of basic salary and remuneration of women to men	148	
GRI 406: Non-discrimination 2016	406-1	Incidents of discrimination and corrective actions taken	42	

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To the general meeting of the shareholders of Storskogen Group AB (publ),
identity number 559223-8694

Engagement and responsibility

It is the Board of Directors who is responsible for the statutory sustainability
the year 2023 on pages 32-46 and 136-160 and that it has been prepared in
with the Annual Accounts Act

Stockholm, 25 March 2024

The scope of the audit

Our examination has been conducted in accordance with FAR's auditing st
The auditor's opinion regarding the statutory sustainability statement. This
examination of the sustainability statement is different and substantially les
an audit conducted in accordance with International Standards on Auditing
accepted auditing standards in Sweden. We believe that the examination h
with sufficient basis for our opinions.

Storskogen Group AB (publ)
Board of Directors

Opinion

A statutory sustainability statement has been prepared..

Stockholm, 25 March 2024

Ernst & Young AB

Åsa Lundvall
Authorised Public Accountant

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The share

From the first day of trading on 2 January to the last day of trading on 29 December 2023, the Storskogen share price rose by 24.4 percent to SEK 9.27. During the year, 1,333 million shares in total were traded on Nasdaq Stockholm, corresponding to a value of approximately SEK 12.1 billion. Storskogen had 37,638 shareholders at the end of 2023.

Share price performance and trading

From the first day of trading on 2 January 2023 to the last day of trading on 29 December 2023, Storskogen's share price rose by 24.4 percent. The Stockholm Stock Exchange (OMXSP) rose by 15.5 percent during the same period. Between 2 January and 29 December, 1,333 million Storskogen shares in total were traded on Nasdaq Stockholm corresponding to a value of SEK 12.1 billion. On average, approximately 5.3 million shares were traded daily. The turnover rate for Storskogen's B shares on Nasdaq Stockholm was 88 percent between 2 January and 29 December 2023.

Ownership structure

On 29 December, Storskogen had 37,638 shareholders. The largest shareholder in terms of capital was AMF Pension & Fonder, which held 9.0 percent of the capital and 5.0 percent of the votes. The largest shareholder in terms of votes was Daniel Kaplan, who held 14.0 percent of the votes and 4.4 percent of the capital. The ten largest shareholders held 41.2

percent of the capital and 67.3 percent of the votes in Storskogen. The largest shareholder group consisted of Swedish private individuals, who held close to 38 percent of the capital and 66 percent of the votes at the end of 2023. The majority of shareholders were located in Sweden.

Data per share

Earnings per share before/after dilution (SEK)	0.47/0.46
Last closing price (SEK)	9.27
Lowest closing price (SEK)	6.15
Highest closing price (SEK)	13.12
Turnover rate, Nasdaq Stockholm (%)	88
Average daily turnover, Nasdaq Stockholm (thousand shares)	5,311
Share capital (SEK)	85,484
Quotient value ¹⁾ (SEK)	0.00051
Number of outstanding A shares	148,001,374
Number of outstanding B shares	1,521,476,679
Market capitalisation at year-end (SEK m)	15,469

1) Of series A and B.

Largest shareholders

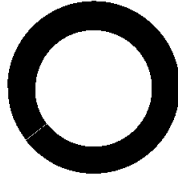
	STORA	STORB	CAP
AMF Pension & Fonder		149,617,749	8.5%
Daniel Kaplan with companies ¹⁾	38,270,140	35,573,380	4.4%
Futur Pension		73,607,469	4.4%
Movestic Livförsäkring AB		70,389,813	4.4%
Sveabank Robur Fonder		69,766,387	4.4%
Alexander Murad Björgråd	37,639,070	22,841,998	3.0%
Ronnie Bergström with companies ²⁾	38,270,254	16,013,504	3.0%
Vanguard		50,506,763	3.0%
Peter Ahlgren	33,921,910	15,714,807	2.1%
Philiun (Karl-Johan Persson)		36,200,000	2.1%
Total largest owners	148,001,374	540,125,670	41.1%
Other		981,351,009	86.8%
Total	148,001,374	1,521,476,679	100.0%

Sources: Monitor by Modular Finance AB

1) Including shares held by Firm Factory AB and Wormbat Investments AB.

2) Including shares held by Angstrom AB.

Ownership by geographical area



Sweden	76.8%
USA	8.1%
Norway	4.3%
Switzerland	0.3%
Other	10.5% (including anonymous ownership)

Ownership by type of



Swedish private individual	86.8%
Swedish institutional owner	41.1%
Foreign institutional owner	11.2%
Other	11.2%
Anonymous ownership	10.5%

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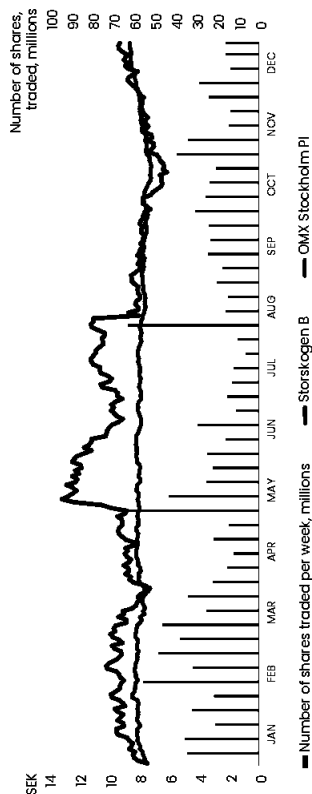
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Share price performance and turnover, 2023



Share capital development, 2023

Date	Event	Change in number of A shares	Change in number of B shares	Number of shares
1 Jan 2023	Opening balance,	-	-	148,001,3
5 Jun 2023	Conversion of convertible	-	6,714,285	148,001,3
As at 31 Dec 2023				148,001,3

Share capital development

On 31 December 2023, the share capital in Storskogen was SEK 851,434. The share capital was divided into 148,001,374 A shares and 1,521,476,679 B shares. The quotient value was SEK 0,00051 per share.

Dividend policy

Storskogen's Board of Directors has adopted a dividend policy that states that dividends shall correspond to 0–20 percent of the annual profit. Holders of B and A shares are equally entitled to dividends. For the financial year 2023, a dividend of SEK 0.09 per share has been proposed. The proposed dividend corresponds to approximately SEK 150 million and 15.9 percent of the total profit for the Group in 2023.

2024 Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Storskogen Group will be held on 8 May 2024 at 10:00. Information on how to register and sign up, on how shareholders can exercise their voting rights or have a matter dealt with at the Annual General Meeting and on proxies and assistants is provided in the notice of the Annual General Meeting. Information is also available on Storskogen's website, storskogen.com.

Dividends

The Board and CEO propose a dividend for 2023 of SEK 0.09 per share, corresponding to SEK 150 million. The proposed record date is 13 May and the payment will be made through Euroclear on 16 May, provided that the resolution is passed by the Annual General Meeting.

Analysts

For information on analysts who cover Storskogen, please visit www.storskogen.com.

Investor contact

If you have queries about Storskogen or wish to receive investor information, please contact ir@storskogen.com.

Financial calendar

4 April 2024	Annual Report 2023
7 May 2024	Interim report Q1 2024
8 May 2024	Annual General Meeting
15 August 2024	Interim report Q2 2024
7 November 2024	Interim report Q3 2024

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Organisation

Central organisation
Storskogen's central operations in Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

Business area
Storskogen's three business areas are Services, Trade and Industry.

Vertical
Storskogen has 14 underlying verticals in the business areas Services (7), Trade (4) and Industry (3). The verticals are specialised in various industries and operations in each business area. A vertical is a component of the Group that engages in business activities from which it may earn revenues and incur expenses and for which discrete financial information is available.

Business units
Storskogen's companies, including their subsidiaries, constitute business units. Storskogen has chosen to highlight business units rather than individual companies or legal entities, as it reflects the level in the organisation where Storskogen supports these companies through board level representation.

Operating segments
Accounting term used to describe Storskogen's business areas (used only in financial statements and notes).

Knowledge Exchange (KX)
Storskogen's platform for collaboration and knowledge sharing between business units.

ESG

Global Reporting Initiative (GRI)
Sustainability reporting standards based on the impacts of organisations on the economy, people and the environment. Also referred to as "impact materiality".

Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GHG)
International standards used to calculate and report on operations' climate impact in the form of direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions, divided into three categories (Scopes 1-3).

Paris Agreement
A global climate agreement that aims to limit global warming by reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi)
A framework providing guidance to companies on how to achieve future-proof growth by specifying the amount by which and how fast they need to reduce their carbon dioxide emissions to meet the targets in the Paris Agreement.

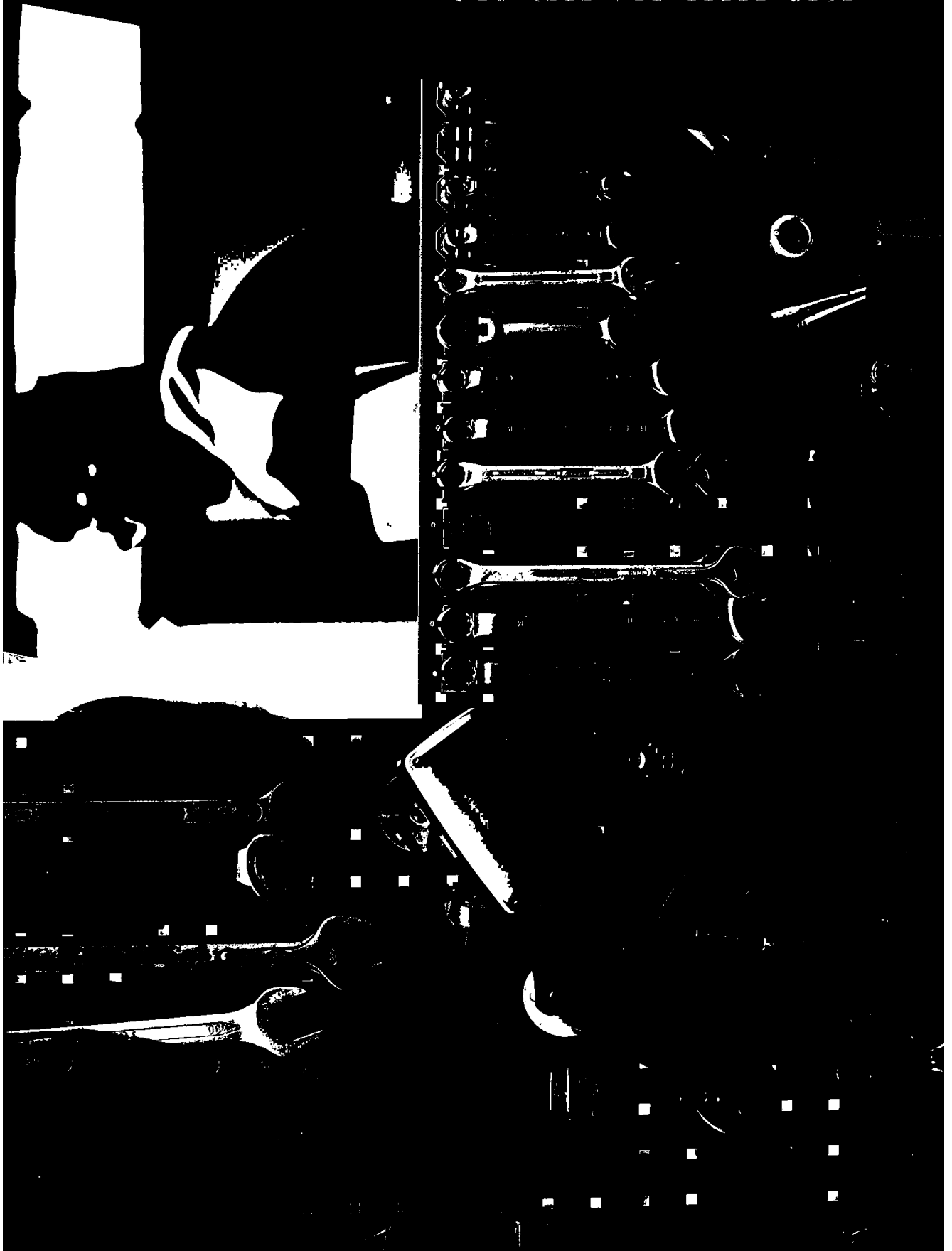
CO₂e, carbon dioxide equivalents
An amount of a specific greenhouse gas expressed as the amount of carbon dioxide that has the same greenhouse effect.

ISO 9001/14001
Internationally accepted standards that include aspects of quality management while ISO 14001 includes aspects of environmental management.

Task Force on Climate-Related Disclosures (TCFD)
A framework that helps organisations and mitigate climate-related risks.

UN Global Compact
The United Nations' international framework on human rights, labour, environment, Anti-Corruption, and Access to Information. The principles are based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the International Labour Organization Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the United Nations Convention on Corruption.

2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
Action plan with 17 targets for a sustainable society for people, prosperity. It is centered around Sustainable Development Goals.



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