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Annual accounts, Management Report and Report of the *réviseur d'entreprises agréé* as at 30 June 2024

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# Management Report for the year ended 30 June 2024

Dear Shareholders,

The Board of Directors has the pleasure to submit its annual report for the financial year ended 30 June 2024.

General economic and financial outlook

The latest World Economic Outlook prepared by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) shows for 2024 a global growth forecast of around 3.2%, positive but slightly down from 2023, which had stood at 3.3%, impacted by the cooling of trade in the world economic system following the Russian-Ukrainian conflict and other trade restrictions related to the current geopolitical situation.

Growth forecasts for 2025 are projected to be stable at 3.3%, where growth will develop differently in two blocks: that of the advanced economies, stationary at 1.7%-1.8% but with green development plans to decarbonise the main industrial activities, and that of the emerging economies, stable at 4.3%, with weaker domestic consumption in China and India but growing in the other EMEA countries.

The world economy is expected to show a still stable trend for 2024, with the US at 2.6% and the EU at 0.9%, and the emerging countries at 4.3%, with China growing at 5.4%, where European countries have overcome the difficulties caused by the energy crisis (triggered by the conflict between Russia and Ukraine) but are still suffering from a slowdown linked to inflation that is still high in service prices and less so in commodity prices, and which is struggling to reduce to the 2% target set by the ECB.

In 2025, the average growth rate expected for advanced countries will be stable but still held back by the high interest rates set by the major central banks, which are expected to decline gradually only later in the year. Growth will be stronger in emerging countries driven by the realisation of economic plans designed to make the activities of the productive fabric more sustainable and improve wealthcare services for the community.

For the second half of 2024 and for the whole of 2025, growth is therefore expected to remain stable but with increasing difficulties if appropriate government policies for a green transition of industry and transport are not concretely implemented by reducing the use of fossil fuels and promoting efficient recycling practices of natural resources.

The objectives of the newly-established EU Commission and, in perspective, also those of the next US government to support the domestic economy by 2025 with the use of NextGenerationUE funds transposed into the NRPs of each individual state, while the US will push for a green turn with the government's Inflaction Reduction Act (IRA) programme supporting companies that innovate and invest in sustainability and renewable energy, seem clear.

The EU, but also the US and China, are increasingly planning their economic agendas to better cope with global change and to achieve by 2050 the sustainable development goals set by the United Nations Global Compact and confirmed by the last COP28 climate conference.

The transition to a decarbonised economy will require the development of a fiscal policy with strong investment plans incentivised by the governments of the world's leading economies and financed by the major supranational financial organisations

#### **Evolution of the business**

The PFS activity (art 28-4 of the law of 5 April 1993, as amended) started on 20 June 2018 has been pursued during period from 1 July 2023 until 30 June 2024.

During the financial year, the Company continued to manage its assets, arising from its own funds in accordance with the Investment Policy and Risk Tolerance Statement (limits) adopted by the Board of Directors. The Company's basic investment categories can be represented by:

- 1) Cash Placement transactions: current accounts, cash deposits, loan granting (Group Companies and third parties) and Euro Guaranteed Fund.
- 2) Transferable Securities transactions:

Although initial expectations suggested greater uncertainty the year just ended was characterized by limited volatility on the main macro variables to which the company is on the whole exposed. Interest rates almost stable although

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slightly down from the levels of the previous period, credit spreads generally narrowing and a stable EUR/USD ratio exchange rate.

It expects a paradigm shift, however, in the two macro areas (EUR and USD) to which the Company's assets are exposed. Generally declining and gradually retreating inflation in Central Banks' targets, low economic growth, suggest significant changes in monetary policies. The Company expects interest rates to further reduce, at least on the short part of the IRS curve. This will lead to more volatility on the EUR/USD exchange rate as we are already experiencing in the first months of the new fiscal year.

It is difficult to predict the outcomes of both geopolitical conflicts (Ukraine and Palestine) and the next American presidential elections for next year.

These outcomes have impacted and will impact the fair value of the assets in the portfolio, for which reason the management implemented hedging strategies both on the interest rate side and on the cross rates side. These strategies require constant attention and periodic reviews by management.

The Investment Policy and Risk Tolerance Statement has been periodically re-assessed in the course of the financial year in accordance with Company's procedures. The Company in the financial period adopted a very conservative approach to new exposures, new investments, credit spreads and interest rates.

Due to the aforementioned crisis factors (inflationary pressures generated by increases in energy costs, expectations of interest rate increase and consequent widening of Credit Spreads) the valuation of assets held in the portfolio was negatively impacted.

The Company supported by the Risk, Credit and Investment, Compliance Committee, continued to analyse possible investment alternatives, including the development of new loan granting to third parties (that are clients or suppliers of the Group). For the financial year there are no substantial changes of the investment policy. Loan to third parties remains for the amount of EUR 90 million.

#### Regulatory reporting

The regulatory reporting applicable to the Company as a PFS has been submitted during the financial year according to the related regulatory requirements.

#### Financial results

The notable evolutions are as follows:

The total loan granting activity decrease from EUR 174.215 million to EUR 90.000 million as follows:

During the year, the Company received full reimbursement in accordance with the loan agreements

- In October 2023, the Company received the full reimbursement for a total of 60.000 million of the loans granted to one Italian Company (one loan) and one Croatian Company (3 loans) belonging to the Group by anticipation in respect to the final maturity and all the related interests have been paid.
- In February 2024, the existing loans amounting to EUR 4.215 million (2 loans) and allowed to an Italian Company belonging to the Group have been full reimbursed by anticipation and all the related interests have been paid.

The loan activities during the financial year has been as follows:

- The loan granted to customer classified as third party, in relationship with the Danieli Group, a financial institution ultimately owned by the Italian State has been renewed for a total amount of EUR 90 million (2023: EUR 90 million). As of 30 June 2024, the loan has been drawn
- The Company allowed also the extension of the maturity to one existing loan granted to an Italian company belonging to Danieli Group.

As at 30 June 2024, for all the loan activities, there is no off-balance sheet.

The financial year closes with a net profit of EUR 37.808.027 (2023: net profit of EUR 28.260.212).

The financial year 2023/2024 has been characterised by the following three main trends, which impacted the activity of the Company directly:

- The evolution of the EUR/USD exchange rate: a stable trend over the year that gave value to the hedging structures implemented during 2023,

- The reduced volatility on financial markets and Credit Spreads tightening,

 The sustained level of interest rates on the short end of the IRS curve, which favoured appreciable yields with low credit risk exposure.

The trend in the financial markets did not make it necessary to change the Risk Tolerance during 2023, while the Risk Appetite, although without substantial changes, was subject to periodic adjustments in relation to the expectations expressed by management and shared within the corporate bodies.

Corporate policies defining Risk Tolerance parameters supported, throughout the financial year, investments in the Money Market asset class (Term Deposits with leading bank counterparties).

The context of high interest rates on the short end of the curve, as outlined above, definitely favoured the Money Market asset, whereby the management anticipating changes in the monetary policies of the central banks led to attempts to lengthen the duration of exposures.

During the latter part of the financial year, strategies were implemented to lengthen the Modify Duration of the bonds in the portfolio. At the same time, the previous bonds in the portfolio performed well, recovering part of the losses caused by interest rate increases in previous years.

The active management of exchange rate risk exposure (with reference to USD exposures) allowed the Company to sterilise the effects of exchange rate fluctuations through appropriate hedging policies.

The Company has no branches in Luxembourg and abroad.

#### Expected performance in 2023/24

The Company will continue the management of its own funds through the allocation and placement of its liquidity between a carefully selection of financial counterparts in continuity with previous year. The Company targets to maintain investments in its portfolio represented by Cash Placement Transaction and Transferable Securities Transaction. The overall limit on Transferable Securities will stay close to EUR 510 million, representing the limit set by the "Own Fund Company Procedure".

Loans and advances to customers belonging to the Danieli Group will presumably grow in line with the development of the group business activity.

The Company will continue to develop the loan granting activities with third parties.

The Company, in addition to the existing facility, will continue the keep the exposure to securities lending operations with a maximum limit of EUR 100 million.

Despite the recent statements issued by the Governing Council of the European Central Bank and by the Federal Reserve FOMC, continue to state current monetary policies to persist for a sufficiently long period top ensure that inflations returns to its 2% target, the general consensus is that the time is ripe for an easing of monetary policies as inflation is on a path that should allow the respective targets to be reached in the course of the first half on 2025 and there being more than one concern regarding the sustainability of economic growth.

The Management therefore expect that during the next financial year there will be a significant reduction in rates across the entire interest rate curve and in particular on the front part of it. The Corporate Asset Class that will suffer the greatest consequences will be the money market. The sector that will be progressively impacted by this expected change in monetary policies is the money market. That being said, over the last few months we have tried to lengthen the average duration of exposures in order to minimize the impact

Summarising in 2024/2025, the Company is expecting:

- Transferable Securities: to keep the overall exposure within the limits set by the Own Fund Investment Policy set at EUR 510 million nominal and Modify duration will remain in a range between 3y and 4y.
- To keep a prudential investment approach in consideration of uncertainties in respect of economic growth, and geopolitical issues which could cause credit spreads to widen
- Keep monitoring the USD exposure and ready to implement an active hedging on USD exposures. with structures similar to those tested with great success in the financial year just ended
- Monitor the possibility of implementing interest rate risk hedging structures, with particular reference to the USD, similar to those in place on the EUR side.

#### **Employees and Management**

The composition of the Company's management and staff of the Company is detailed in Note 18 of the annual accounts.

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During the financial years ended as at 30 June 2024 and 2023, there was no deferred remuneration, vested or unvested, awarded or paid-out and reduced through performance adjustment. Remunerations are only paid in cash and there was no individual being remunerated EUR 1 million or more per financial year.

#### **Risk Management Organization**

Within the Company, the Authorized Management has the ultimate responsibility for the risk taking while the Board of Directors is responsible for setting, documenting and communicating to the Authorized Management its risk strategy for risk taking and risk management. Considering the size of the Company, the nature of its business the risk management framework of the Company will remain substantially unchanged during the next years despite the change of part of the Company's business. The Risk Management is reorganized in a manner to involve, through the Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee, the two members of the Authorized Management, one member of the Board and one member of the Treasury Department of the Parent Company.

The Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee is responsible, among others, for anticipating, identifying, measuring, monitoring and reporting all the risks the Company is or may be exposed to. It also regularly monitors the compliance with limits (credit and market) considered by the Market and Finance Department to operate.

#### **Risk Appetite and Tolerance**

By taking into consideration the nature of the Company's business, which for a significant part, consist in managing assets arising from its own funds, the Board of Directors and the Authorized Management have adopted a conservative approach which, through the establishment of a clear Investment Policy and a Risk Tolerance Statement (limits) linked to this policy, is designated firstly to safeguard the activity of the Company and secondly to address the Company's investment strategy and to meet its business developments and objectives in terms of investments return.

#### Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of suffering losses as a result of customers and counterparties not being able to meet their obligations towards the Company as they become due and payable. The credit risk definition adopted by the Company includes country risk and counterparty risk.

The Company has a prudent approach in building its credit and structural securities portfolio. For the time being, credits provided to customers are composed of loans granted to companies belonging to the Danieli Group and of one loan granted to a financial entity being in relationship with the Danieli Group and being ultimately owned by the Italian State.

The loan granting and risk management policy has been updated and aligned with the business activity of the Company as a Professional performing lending operations. Moreover, the Company held amounts deposited with credit institutions or insurance counterparties. The Company's structural securities portfolio is composed of securities issued by issuers having at least an Investment Grade Rating assessed by a nominated ECAI.

The Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee is responsible for doing a due diligent evaluation of the counterparties before initial approval by the Board of Directors.

#### Impaired and Past Due Assets and Provisions

Specific provisions are made against loans and advances when, in the opinion of the Board of Directors and the Authorized Management, recovery in full is doubtful. For this purpose, each overdue exceeding 30 days shall be reported to the members of the Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee. As at 30 June 2023 the management decided to record an additional impairment of EUR 730.000 impairment for an US Dollar investment in a Credit Suisse Fund made on 27 January 2021. The total of the impairment on this investment amount to EUR 1,5 million representing 50% of the remaining investment. The impairment was motivated by the Credit Suisse Asset Management decision to put in liquidation of the Fund in March 2021. On June 2024 the Company accepted an offer for the redemption of 100% of the shares held in Credit Suisse Virtuoso Sicav – SIF and reversed a part of the existing impairment.

The Company had no other impaired asset for which a specific or general provision has been raised. The Company has not incurred any material write-off of bad debts or made any recovery of amounts previously written off during the year to 30 June 2024.

### Settlement and Free Delivery Risk

Regarding Settlement Risk, the Company execute transactions related to securities or foreign currencies only for its own account so that an eventual price difference on unsettled transactions will result rather in an opportunity cost than in an out-of-pocket loss. In order to manage Free Delivery Risk, the Company imposes delivery versus payment process to make settlement on transactions. In addition, the Company monitors pending transactions by type of

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products. The exposure to Settlement Risk is therefore considered as being minimal. As at 30 June 2024, there is no pending transactions.

#### **Concentration Risk**

Concentration risk is the risk of losses due to unbalanced positions towards counterparties or customers. Concentration risk can be linked to group activity concentration, but also to economic sector or localization. The Company controls its concentration risk through large exposures analysis which is performed on a regular basis.

#### Market Risk & Foreign exchange Risk

# Market Risk other than Foreign Exchange Risk

The Company's objectives are to maintain a structural securities portfolio so that the Company does not plan to engage in proprietary trading activities and will therefore normally not directly be exposed to market risk other than to foreign exchange risk by reason of assets held in USD through its securities portfolio.

# Foreign Exchange Risk is the risk incurred by the Company as a result of the variation of exchange rates

The Company is exposed to Foreign Exchange Risk by reason of assets held in USD and mainly related to its structural securities portfolio. The risks related to the Company's exposure in USD respect the limits determined by the Board of Directors in the Risk Tolerance Statement and in the approved Investment Policy. The Company monitors its exposure in USD on a daily basis.

### Interest Rate Risk Arising from Non-trading Activities

The Interest Rate risk arising from non-trading activities (securities portfolio and deposits with other financial counterparties), under the form of impact on interest income or costs (current income impact) or under the form of impact on the fair value of assets and liabilities (patrimonial impact) is subject to limits which have been determined by the Board of Directors and which have been included in the Company's Risk Tolerance Statement.

#### **Liquidity Risk**

The Company's strategy for Liquidity Risk is to observe higher liquidity standards in order to be able to meet any unforeseen payment obligations. Considering the Company's Investment Policy, that foresees to maintain a consistent part of liquidity invested for a period below 6 months, the Authorized Management does not expect to have any material risk in terms of liquidity. In addition, the Company generally uses to maintain adequate reserves of immediately available funds to face its current payment obligations.

# **Operational Risk**

Operational risk in the Company is related, amongst others, to the following areas: mistake in processing of transactions, unplanned loss of personnel, embezzlement and physical destruction of assets (in particular of the EDP system) by a third party or by force majeure. Operational Risk, which includes Outsourcing Risk, has been identified as one of the material risks which the Company is exposed to. The Operational Risk includes Outsourcing Risk and, in particular for the Company, the risk related to the EDP system and IT infrastructure outsourced. The Company controls its operational risk through the internal controls processes implemented.

#### Legal & Compliance Risk

Legal & Compliance risk is the risk of adverse effects for a Company which does not comply with currently prevailing standards. The Compliance Risk can cover a variety of risks such as reputational, legal, litigation and sanctions risks, including some aspects of operating risk as well as regulatory risk.

The Company aims to fully comply with the applicable laws, regulations, policies, procedures and internal Code of Conduct. Emerging regulations are monitored by the members of the Authorized Management and by the Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee. Additional strategies and procedures required to comply with regulations are put in place where necessary. The members of the Authorized Management, "RR" and "RC" and the Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee ensure that the Company complies with AML/CBT regulation and is responsible of the Company's compliance with the legal and regulatory framework. They are also in charge for the centralized monitoring of Customer's Complaints.

#### Reputation Risk

Due to the type of activity and business that the Company will perform during the following year, the Company considers that the risk of a reputation issue, which could directly have an impact on its results, is low. Reputation Risk is managed and monitored by the Authorized Management and the Risk, Credit and Investment Compliance Committee.

#### Allocation of results

In consideration of the financial results registered during the year under review, the Board of Directors proposes to the Shareholders the following allocation of the results of the financial year ended on 30 June 2024:

	EUR
Financial result as of 30 June 2024	37.808.027
Profit/loss brought forward	
Total	37.808.027
Allocation to the legal reserve	(1.890.401)
Allocation to results brought forward	(35.917.626)
Balance	(444)

#### Significant subsequent events

The redemption of the investment in Credit Suisse Vertuoso has been effective on 09 August 2024 with the reimbursement of the full unit as per the offer subscribed on June 2024.

On 20 December 2021, the OECD/G20 Inclusive Framework (IF) on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS), released Model Global Anti-Base Erosion (GloBE) rules (Model Rules) under Pillar Two. These Model Rules set forth the "common approach" for a Global Minimum Tax at 15% for multinational enterprises with a turnover of more than EUR750 million. Luxembourg enacted the Pillar 2 rules effective 1.1.2024 transposing the EU Minimum tax Pillar 2 Directive EU2022/2523 into domestic law.

As part of the Danieli Group of Companies, The Company is subject to the Globe rules. It is not expected that the Globe rules will have a financial impact for the Company in 2024.

On the interest rate and credit risk exposure, there are no events or new considerations to report.

There are no significant direct exposures to Russia risk and Palestine risk, the Company is in full compliance with European and Luxembourg directives regarding restrictions on activities with Russian counterparties.

The effectiveness changes in monetary and fiscal policies are on the whole more well-defined than in recent months, Risks on economic outlook remain.

There are no concerns about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

There are no other significant events subsequent to the year-end that might affect the results or disclosures presented in the annual accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Luxembourg/20 September 2024

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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To the Board of Directors of Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. 126 rue Cents, L-1319 Luxembourg

REPORT OF THE REVISEUR D'ENTREPRISES AGREE

**Report on the Audit of the Annual Accounts** 

Opinion

We have audited the annual accounts of Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. (the "Company"), which comprise the balance sheet as at June 30, 2024 and the profit and loss account for the year then ended, and notes to the annual accounts, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying annual accounts give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company as at June 30, 2024 and of the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of the annual accounts.

**Basis for Opinion** 

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 on the audit profession (Law of 23 July 2016) and with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) as adopted for Luxembourg by the "Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier" (CSSF). Our responsibilities under the Law of 23 July 2016 and ISAs as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF are further described in the "Responsibilities of the "Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé" for the Audit of the annual accounts" section of our report. We are also independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF together with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the annual accounts, and have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities under those ethical requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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#### Other Information

The Board of Directors is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information stated in the management report but does not include the annual accounts and our report of the "*Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé*" thereon.

Our opinion on the annual accounts does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the annual accounts, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the annual accounts or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information we are required to report this fact. We have nothing to report.

#### Responsibilities of the Board of Directors of the Company for the annual accounts

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these annual accounts in accordance with Luxembourg legal and regulatory requirements relating to the preparation and presentation of the annual accounts, and for such internal control as the Board of Directors determines is necessary to enable the preparation of annual accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the annual accounts, the Board of Directors is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board of Directors either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Responsibilities of the "Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé" for the Audit of the annual accounts

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual accounts as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a report of the "*Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé*" that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and with ISAs as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these annual accounts.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Law of 23 July 2016 and with ISAs as adopted for Luxembourg by the CSSF, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the annual accounts, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are
  appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of
  the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Board of Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Board of Directors use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report of the "Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé" to the related disclosures in the annual accounts or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report of the "Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé". However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the annual accounts, including the disclosures, and whether the annual accounts represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Report on	Other Legal	l and Regulatory	Requirements

The management report is consistent with the annual accounts and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.
For Deloitte Audit, <i>Cabinet de Révision Agréé</i>

Raphaël Charlier, *Réviseur d'Entreprises Agréé* Partner

Luxembourg, September 20, 2024

# Balance Sheet As at 30 June 2024

ASSETS (EUR)	Note(s)	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
Tangible assets	3	539.964	548.065
Financial assets	4	2.145.514	1.521.914
- Investments held as fixed assets		2.145.514	1.521.914
Current assets	5, 6,7	688.830.424	727.373.114
- Amounts owed by affiliated undertakings	5	90.000.000	174.215.000
becoming due and payable within one year		50.000.000	51.715.000
becoming due and payable after more than one year		40.000.000	122.500.000
- Other debtors	6	217.932.158	324.522.248
becoming due and payable within one year	6(a)	217.932.158	191.150.209
becoming due and payable after more than one year	6(b)		133.372.039
- Investments	7	380.898.266	228.635.866
Cash at bank and in hand	8	470.095.192	357.097.443
Prepayments and accrued income	9	57.325	50.686
TOTAL ASSETS		1.161.668.419	1.086.591.222

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these annual accounts.

# Balance sheet (continued) As at 30 June 2024

CAPITAL, RESERVES AND LIABILITIES (EUR)	Note(s)	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
Subscribed capital	10	400.000.000	400.000.000
Share premium account	11	637.800.000	637.800.000
Reserves	12	43.447.483	41.240.615
- Legal reserve		5.373.179	5.262.836
- Other available reserves		27.144.383	5.715.305
- Other not available reserves		10.929.921	30.262.474
Loss brought forward	13		(26.053.344)
Profit /(Loss) for the financial year	13	37.808.027	28.260.212
Provisions	14	94.851	78.514
- Other provisions	•••	94.851	78.514
Creditors	15	42.518.058	5.265.225
- Amounts owed to credit institutions			
becoming due and payable within one year		25.665.271	154
- Trade creditors			
becoming due and payable within one year		187.683	278.001
- Other creditors			
Tax authorities		16.630.369	4.954.860
Social security authorities		34.735	32.210
TOTAL CAPITAL, RESERVES AND LIABILITIES		1.161.668.419	1.086.591.222
OFF-BALANCE SHEET ITEMS (EUR)	Note(s)	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
Commitments on derivatives – forward accumulator	25	324.166.154	
Commitments on derivatives – interest rate swap	25	80.000.000	
Commitments on investment	25	5.000.000	
TOTAL		409.166.154	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these annual accounts.

# Profit and loss account

For the year ended 30 June 2024

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (EUR)	Note(s)	2024	2023
Other operating income	16	7.320	7.320
Other external expenses	17	(814.511)	(1.055.207)
Staff costs	18	(710.766)	(612.563)
- Wages and salaries		(674.854)	(580.047)
- Social security costs		(35.912)	(32.516)
- of which: pensions		(28.554)	(28.706)
Value adjustment	19	570.050	(738.101)
- Value adjustment in respect to tangible assets	19.1	(8.101)	(8.101)
- Value adjustment in respect to financial fixed assets	19.2	578.151	(730.000)
Other operating expenses	20	(107.648)	(159.939)
Net financial result	21	14.929.490	13.812.591
Value adjustment in respect to investments held as current assets		21.093.522	(12.299.916)
- (Loss)/Gain on disposal of transferable securities		(2.577.498)	2.390.043
- Net financial results (Loss)/Gain on derivatives		(3.586.534)	23.722.464
Interest receivable and similar income	22	40.812.798	22.311.466
- From affiliated undertakings		9.681.098	5.256.882
- Interest on fixed-income securities		11.016.626	5.053.119
<ul> <li>Other interest and similar income not included in other captions</li> </ul>		20.115.074	12.001.465
Interest payable and similar expenses	23	(1.641.648)	(20.595)
- Other interest and similar expenses		(1.641.648)	(20.595)
(Loss)/Profit on ordinary activities before tax		53.045.085	33.544.972
Tax on profit on ordinary activities		(13.250.949)	(2.160.169)
Profit or loss on ordinary activities after tax		39.794.136	31.384.804
Other taxes not shown under the preceding items	24	(1.986.109)	(3.124.592)
PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR		37.808.027	28.260.212

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these annual accounts.

# Notes to the annual accounts As at 30 June 2024

#### Note 1 - General

# 1.1. Corporate matters

Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. (the "Company") or ("DFS") was incorporated in Luxembourg on 18 June 1997 as "société anonyme" and under the name of Danflat International S.A..

Following an extraordinary shareholder's meeting ("EGM") held on 26 May 2009, the Company changed its name in Danfin International S.A..

The Company applied in 2013 for an authorization to carry out banking activities within the meaning of Article 2 (1) of the law of 5 April 1993 on the financial sector, as amended. On 23 December 2013, the EGM decided, among other, to change the corporate name of the Company into Danieli Banking Corporation S.A., and to completely restate the articles of association of the Company in order to adapt the structure of the Company to its future banking activity.

At the beginning of the year 2018, the Company decided to start the process of giving-up the banking licence and applied for an authorization to exercise the activity as Professional of the Financial Sector ("PFS").

As a result of the foregoing, the EGM held on 18 May 2018 decided to change the Company's corporate object and the Company's name into Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. ("DFS"). With effective date 18 May 2018 the Company has been cancelled from the CSSF's official list of credit institutions.

On 20 June 2018, the Company received from the Ministry of Finance of the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg the authorization to exercise the activity as Professional of the Financial Sector (PFS) and more specifically as Professional performing lending operations according to article 28-4 of the Law of 5 April 1993 on financial sector, as amended ("LFS").

On 29 January 2019, the Company took part in the reverse merger absorbing Danieli International S.A. (hereinafter the "Absorbed Company") with registered office in 126, rue Cents L-1319 Luxembourg. The object of the reverse merger has been an internal restructuring of the Group with the sole aim of simplifying the control chain of the Company. The entire assets and liabilities of the Absorbed Company has been transferred to Danieli Finance Solutions S.A..

The registered office and the central administration of Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. located at 126, rue Cents, L-1319 Luxembourg. The DFS' financial year starts on July 1 and ends on June 30 of each year.

The Company belongs to the Danieli Group. The parent Company of Danieli Group is Danieli & C. Officine Meccaniche S.p.A. ("D&C" / "Parent Company") having its registered office in Italy, via Nazionale, 41, Buttrio, Province of Udine which controls the Company, through its Luxembourg subsidiary Danieli International S.A., a "société anonyme" having its registered office at 126, rue Cents, L-1319 Luxembourg.

D&C is listed on the Milan Stock Exchange. Founded in 1914, the Danieli Group is one of the main actors worldwide involved in the design, manufacture and sale of plants and equipment for the steel industry by offering a range of machinery that covers the entire production process, from the management of the primary process (iron ore) to the production of the finished product. The Danieli Group is also a primary actor in the production of special steels through its two operating factories in Italy and Croatia.

### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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### Note 1 – General (continued)

The Company's annual accounts are included in the consolidated annual accounts of D&C. The consolidated annual accounts of D&C are prepared in conformity with the IAS ("International Accounting Standards") and IFRS ("International Financial Reporting Standards"), as adopted by the EU rules. They are available at the registered office of D&C and of the Company.

The Company does not hold any participations and consequently does not need to prepare consolidated annual accounts.

# 1.2. Nature of the Company's business

Danieli Finance Solutions S.A. is authorized to carry out all activities as Professionals performing lending operations according to article 28-4 as defined by the law of 5 April 1993 on the financial sector (LFS), as amended and is consequently submitted to the supervision of the Luxembourg Supervisory Authority the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier ("CSSF").

The Company's business consists of the granting credit facilities and/or loans on its own behalf mainly with the companies belonging to the "Danieli Group" as well as with public counterparts in accordance with article 28-4 of the LFS. The purpose of the Company's activity is also to invest in fixed-income instruments, cash placements with institutions. DFS carries out all the prior loan agreements granted to companies belonging to the "Danieli Group" and other entities.

# Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies

#### 2.1. Basis of presentation

These annual accounts have been prepared in conformity with the legal and accounting principles generally accepted in the financial sector in the Grand-Duchy of Luxembourg. The accounting policies and the valuation principles are determined and applied by the Board of Directors, except those which are defined by law and by the Luxembourg Supervisory Authority, the *Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier*.

The books and records of the Company are kept in euro ("EUR"), which is the currency of the Company's capital.

#### 2.2. Date of recording of transactions in the balance sheet

Assets and liabilities are recorded on the balance sheet on the transaction.

#### 2.3. Foreign currencies

The Company has adopted a multicurrency accounting system, as a result of which assets and liabilities are recorded in the currencies in which they were created. For the preparation of the annual accounts, amounts in foreign currencies are translated into EUR with the following criteria:

- Foreign currency transactions are translated at the exchange rate prevailing on the date of the transaction;
- Assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than EUR are translated into EUR at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date. The unrealized and realized gain or loss arising from such translation is recorded in the profit and loss account;

#### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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### Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

 The elements of the profit and loss account are translated into EUR on the basis of the exchange rates prevailing at date of the transaction.

The year-end exchange rates of the main currencies used by the Company as of 30 June 2024 and 2023 are as follows:

	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
1 EUR	1,0705USD	1,0866 USD
1 EUR	11,3595 SEK	11,8055 SEK

#### 2.4 Tangible assets

The assets are recognized at cost. Amortization is recognized in the profit and loss account for each financial period. The amortization has been calculated based on 50 years for the building and 20 years for improvements. Lands are not depreciated.

#### 2.5 Financial assets

The investment held as fixed assets are stated at cost. Should other than temporary decline occurs in the value of the investments, the carrying value is reduced to recognise such decline. Reductions in the carrying value are reversed should there be an increase in the value of the investments or should the reasons for the reductions no longer exist.

#### 2.6. Current assets

### a) Amount owed by affiliated undertakings

Loans and credit facilities to companies belonging to the Danieli Group, i.e. related parties, are stated at disbursement value less repayments and any value adjustments required.

The policy of the Company is to set up specific value adjustments for doubtful and irrecoverable debts in accordance with the circumstances and for amounts determined by the Authorized Management of the Company and approved by the Board of Directors. Value adjustments, if any, are deducted from the asset items to which they relate. These value adjustments are not maintained if the reasons for which the value adjustments were made have ceased to apply.

As of 30 June 2024, the loans and facilities were solely granted in EUR. Therefore, the Company is not subject to currency risk.

### b) Other debtors

 Credit facilities and placements with financial entities outside the Danieli Group are stated at disbursement value less repayments and, if applicable, value adjustments, which are set up similarly to the policy highlighted above.

#### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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### Note 2 – Summary of significant accounting policies (continued)

#### c) Other investments

The Company owns a portfolio which is held to establish a particular asset structure and is used as a secondary source of liquidity. Debt securities and other fixed-income securities included in the Company's portfolio are recorded in the balance sheet initially at their acquisition cost, including the expenses incidental thereto. At year-end, they are valuated at the lower of their acquisition cost or their market value. The value adjustment, corresponding to the negative difference between the market value and the acquisition cost, is not maintained if the reasons for which it was recorded no longer exist.

# d) Financial derivatives

The Company's commitments deriving from financial derivatives linked to exchange rate and interest rate are recorded on the transaction date as off-balance sheet items.

When applicable, the accumulation and the interest payable and interest receivable appear on the balance sheet respectively under the caption "other debtors" and "creditors".

At the year-end, where necessary a provision is made in respect of unrealised losses resulting from the revaluation of the Company's commitments at market value while the unrealized gains are not recognised (principle of prudence).

#### 2.7 Prepayments and accrued income

This asset items includes expenditures incurred during the financial year but relating to a subsequent financial year. The Company recognizes accrual for expected income related to the present annual accounts.

#### 2.8. Accruals

Income and expenses received or incurred before the balance sheet date but attributable to a subsequent financial year are shown under the assets item "Prepayments and accrued income" or the liabilities item "accruals and deferred income". The liabilities item "accruals and deferred income" also includes accrued interests on amounts due to customers whereas the assets item "prepayments and accrued income" also include accrued interests on loans, advances, debt securities and other fixed-income securities.

### 2.9. Taxes

The Company is subject to Corporate Income Tax, Municipal Business Tax and Net Wealth Tax in Luxembourg. Taxes are accounted for into the profit and loss account on an accrual's basis and not in the year in which payment occurs. Accordingly, provisions for taxation have been recorded for the financial years for which no final assessments have been issued by the tax authorities.

Tax provisions are disclosed in the caption "Tax Authorities" while tax advances are included in the caption "Other debtors".

#### 2.10. Provisions

Provisions may be established. They are intended to cover losses which are certain or likely to be incurred based on available reliable information and are clearly defined in nature, but are, at the balance sheet date, uncertain as to the amount or as to the date on which they will arise.

# Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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# 2.11. Revenues/charges

The Company recognized in profit and loss account the revenues relating to the financial year in respect of which the accounts are drawn up and which must be taken into account irrespective of the date of receipt. The activities on fixed-income securities, cash placement generate interests and for which accruals have been recognized.

# Note 3 – Tangible assets

Tangible assets				30/06/2024
Gross value	<u>,                                      </u>	•	·	EUR
	Lands	Improvements Lands	Building	Total
Gross value as at 1 July 2023	315.008	24.024	570.321	909.353
Gross value as at 30/06/2024	315.008	24.024	570.321	909.353
Value adjustments	<u> </u>	·	·	
Gross value as at 1 July 2023		(19.820)	(341.468)	(361.288)
Cumulative value adjustments at the end of the financial year		(1.201)	(6.900)	(8.101)
Total value adjustments		(21.021)	(348.368)	(369.389)
Net book value at end of the financial year	315.008	3.003	221.953	539.964

# Note 4 - Financial assets

Book value of the investment				30/06/2024
Cost	· · · · · ·	·	<u>-</u>	EUR
At the beginning of the year	2.710.593			2.710.593
Decreases during the year				
Gross value as at 30/06/2024	2.710.593			2.710.593

Value adjustments	Foreign Exchange	Value Adjustments	
At the beginning of the year	311.321	<b>(</b> 1.500.000)	(1.188.679)
Reversal adjustment previous year	(311.321)	578.151	266.830
Value adjustment during the financial year	356.770		356.770
Total value adjustments at the end of the financial year	356.770	(921.849)	(565.079)
Net book value at end of the financial year	<u> </u>		2.145.514

On 27 January 2021, the Company invested 10 million of US dollar on Credit Suisse Virtuoso Sicav - SIF.

In early March 2021, the Company received a communication from Credit Suisse Asset Management regarding its decision to suspend redemptions and subscriptions in all its Supply Chain Finance Funds and to liquidate them. Credit Suisse justified its decision on reduced availability in insurance coverage for new investment and uncertainty with respect to valuation of some of the funds' asset.

In 2024, the Company record any repayment. These liquidation proceeds were made in proportion of the investments. The investment at the end of June 2024 is USD 3.283.612 (2023: USD 3.283.612).

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### Note 4 – Financial assets (continued)

Based on the information included into the report made public by Credit Suisse and the confirmation that insurance claims have been filed on the applicable notes subscribed by the Fund, the Company performed an analysis for the determination of its residual exposure to the Fund.

Therefore, on 30 June 2023, based on the information provided by the Fund, which indicated that work on direct recoveries, litigation and insurance was in progress, the Company accordingly decided to record an impairment of EUR 730.000, in consequence the total impairment amounted to EUR 1.500.000 corresponding to 50 percent of the remaining investment. This total impairment reflected a prudent valuation of its investment.

In June 2024, the Company received an offer addressed to the shareholders of Credit Suisse Virtuoso Sicav – SIF for the redemption of 100% of the shares held. The offer price was set at 90% of the value of the last NAV determinate on 25 February 2021. Thus, the expected amount is approximatively USD 2.296.772 payable to the Company in the next months and before the end of the year 2024.

### Note 5 – Amounts owed by affiliated undertakings

Amount owed by affiliated undertakings	30/06/2024		30/06/2023	
Geographic Breakdown	EUR	%	EUR	%
Italy	90.000.000	100,00%	144.215.000	82,78%
Other countries		0,00%	30.000.000	17,22%
Total	90.000.000	100,00%	174.215.000	100,00%

#### a) Italy

On June 2017 and July 2020, the Company has allowed loan for a total amount of EUR 4.215.000 to an Italian Group Company for financing the construction of a building which will be used by the borrower for the performance of its corporate object.

On 07 February 2023, the loans have been reimbursed entirely before the maturity in June 2024 and July 2027 and the related notice of interest has been paid. No outstanding is existing as at 30 June 2024.

In October 2021, the Company granted a loan for an amount of EUR 30.000.000 to an Italian Group Company whom corporate purpose is the performance of steel, metallurgical and mechanical activities as well as complementary, accessory, related and derivative activities such as the production of aggregates for high-durability asphalt and aggregates for construction. This credit facility which initially has a maturity date on 31 March 2023 has been renewed and granted until 31 March 2025.

On 26 October 2023, the related party reimbursed in full the loan and the notice of interest has been paid.

On 14 September 2022, the Company allowed to the Parent Company a loan for an amount of EUR 50.000.000 for working capital needs. The credit facility has been entirely drawdown. The loan will mature on 15 September 2024.

On 25 November 2022, the Company increased its loan activity granting a loan for EUR 10.000.000 with maturity 31/12/2029 to an Italian Group Company who's the corporate purposes are the promotion and development of real estate activities both in Italy and abroad and the assumption as a non-prevailing activity of shares and participations, including equity interests, in other companies and to participate in associations, consortia, groupings.

On May 2023, the Company granted an amount of EUR 50.000.000 for an additional financing of the working capital with maturity 30 June 2024.

On 20 December 2023, the Company received a partial reimbursement for an amount of EUR 20.000.000 of this loan and thus the remaining principal for all the loan of this related counterparty amounts to EUR 30.000.000.

#### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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# Note 5 – Amounts owed by affiliated undertakings (continued)

End of June 2024, the Company has accepted to renew the loan until 30 June 2026 and the terms and conditions remain the same. At the end of financial the total exposure for this customer is EUR 40.000.000.

As at 30 June 2024, the total balance of the loan allowed to the Italian Group Companies amounts to EUR 90.000.000.

#### b) Other countries

As at 30 June 2023, the Company had a total exposure of loan for an amount of EUR 30.000.000 with a Group Company whom activities are to manufacture and provide steel blooms and seamless pipes to oil and gas, petrochemical, shipbuilding, mechanical, and construction sectors worldwide. It provides carbon steel seamless pipes, construction and boiler seamless pipes, line pipes, and casings and commercialize its products in the United States, the Middle East, North Africa and Europe.

All the three loans have been reimbursed entirely before the final maturity as allowed by the facilities letters. All the notices of interest have been paid and no more off-balance or/and outstanding amount amounts are existing with this customer.

At 30 June 2024, the Company has not recorded any outstanding amount related to the above-mentioned loans and any provision for credit risk.

For all the credit facilities renewed the economic conditions have been updated accordingly with the increase of the rate interests.

At the end of the financial year, all the loans have been entirely drawn and no off-balance sheet has been recorded.

### Note 6 - Other debtors

As of 30 June 2024, and 2023, other debtors are composed as follows:

#### a) Other Debtors less than on year:

Other Debtors	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
Less than one year	EUR	EUR
Accrued interests on insurance product		443.115
Advances for Net Wealth Tax	1.388.304	
Advances for Corporate Income Tax and Municipality Business Tax	2.737.020	2.766.140
Loan granted to third parties	90.000.000	90.662.980
Receivable from the Social Security Office	16.987	9.284
Receivable from securities lending activities	97.538.156	97.244.315
Receivable from derivatives contracts – forward accumulators	25.106.998	
Receivable from derivatives contracts – swap rates	1.122.570	
Receivable from related partie	7.320	
VAT receivable	14.803	24.375
Total	217.932.158	191.150.209

### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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### Note 6 – Other debtors (continued)

#### a.1) Loan granted to third parties:

On 14 December 2021, the Company granted, in addition to the new extension of the loan until 31 December 2022 to a financial entity, outside the Danieli Group but being in relationship with the Group and being ultimately owned by the Italian State with the same terms and conditions, which was drawn on 22 December 2021 in its entirety, bringing the amount of the loan to EUR 90.000.000.

In September 2022, the Company has modified, by reason of circumstance affecting the Euro Interbank market the rate applicable to the counterparties.

The loan which matured on 31 December 2023 has been renewed until 31 December 2024 in the terms and conditions fixed on October 2023 concerning the interest rate which is Euribor 1 Month instead of Euribor 3 months.

#### a.2) Securities lending activities

On August 2019, the Company entered into a Securities Lending Agreement with Barclays Bank Ireland PLC. The loan will terminate upon request of either the borrower or the lender (the Company) with notice given not less than 185 calendar days from the notice.

During the financial year, some bonds have been matured and replaced.

On 06 May 2024, the Company has recalled some bonds for its financial strategy and replaced them.

On March 2024, the Company has renegotiated the remuneration and from 08 April 2024, the fee paid by the borrower to the Company is equal to 0,30% on an annual basis instead of 0,27%.

#### a.3) receivable on derivative contracts - Forward Accumulator

On August 2023 and October 2023, the company has entered into transactions linked to currency exchange rates with Barclays Ireland, Société Générale and UniCredit.

The Total Initial Notional Amount in respect of the above-mentioned contracts amounted to USD 400 million. Accrued notional amounts during a Fixing Period will be settled as the end-year 2024.

As at 30 June 2024, the receivable accrued notional amounts EUR 25.106.998 (see notes15 and 25).

The Company realized a gain of these financial derivative contract through the profit and loss account for an amount of EUR 484.697.

The positive market value on the above-mentioned financial derivatives at the year-end 2024 has not been recognized in the profit and loss accounts (see notes 15 and 25).

#### a.4) receivable on derivative contracts - Swap rate

On November 2023 and January 2024, the Company entered into rate swap contracts with two financial counterparties. These contracts will be matured on 2030 and 2031.

The Company is payer of the floating rate Euribor 3 Months as determinate in each swap rate agreement and the financial counterparties is payer once a year of the fixed rate as per agreement.

As at 30 June 2024, the Company recorded a receivable accrued notional amounts EUR 1.122.570 which will be settled at the end of the year 2024 (see notes 15 and 25)

The positive market value on the above-mentioned financial derivatives at the year-end 2024 has not been recognized in the profit and loss accounts (see notes 15 and 25).

# Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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# Note 6 – Other debtors (continued)

# b) Other debtors more than one year

Debtors	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
More than one year	EUR	EUR
Insurances		133.372.039
Total		133.372.039

In the context of the decreasing rates and in consideration of the expectation regarding the future development of the monetary policies that will be implemented by ECB and market forecast about Credit Spreads, the Company has decided to close definitively the insurance policies to ensure an average return.

# Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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# Note 7 - Investments

As of 30 June 2024, and 2023, investments are composed of fixed-income securities held by the Company in its portfolio. Investments may be broken down as follows according to their geographic origin and economic sector:

Other investments Fixed-income securities	30/06/202	24	30/06/202	23	
Geographic breakdown	EUR	%	EUR	%	
Austria	5.383.214	1,41%			
Australia	16.679. 280	4,38%	8.755.811	3,83%	
Belgium			3.020.403	1,32%	
Canada	16.333.656	4,29%	5.487.804	2,40%	
Cayman Islands	1.761.121	0,46%	1.679.573	0,73%	
Czech Republic	814.138	0,21%	3.416.288	1,49%	
Estonia			2.418.863	1,06%	
Denmark	3.644.358	0,96%	8.000.764	3,50%	
Finland	1.229.285	0,32%	1.166.739	0,51%	
France	94.863.732	24,91%	46.555.981	20,36%	
Germany	17.937.080	4,71%	10.392.192	4,55%	
Ireland	1.772.759	0,47%	1.849.589	0,81%	
Italy	20.763.685	5,45%	6.896.234	3,02%	
Japan	10.785.728	2,83%	13.004.210	5,69%	
Luxembourg	9.144.169	2,40%	7.605.761	3,33%	
Netherlands	24.340.570	6,39%	20.330.856	8,89%	
New Zealand	17.684.729	4,64%	7.403.654	3,24%	
Norway	3.139.469	0,82%			
Poland	2.753.578	0,72%			
Russia	1.762.941	0,46%	1.898.582	0,83%	
Singapore	1.301.616	0,34%	1.191.875	0,52%	
South Korea	3.068.722	0,81%	2.882.170	1,26%	
Spain	33.534.102	8,80%	7.145.007	3,13%	
Sweden	9.973.616	2,62%	1.392.367	0,61%	
Switzerland	5.877.858	1,54%			
United Kingdom	24.335.917	6,39%	14.684.533	6,42%	
United States	52.012.945	13,65%	51.456.610	22,50%	
Total	380.898.266	100,00%	228.635.866	100,00%	

# Notes to the annual accounts (continued) As at 30 June 2024

# Note 7 – Investments (continued)

Other investments Fixed income securities	30/06/202	4	30/06/2023		
Economic sector breakdown	EUR	%	EUR	%	
Automotive	11.720.668	3,08%	14.003.238	6,12%	
Chemical	2.610.691	0,69%	2.342.511	1,02%	
Construction	3.000.036	0,79%	2.803.920	1,23%	
Credit Institutions	283.762.367	74,50%	141.703.759	61,98%	
Oils - Energy	10.549.524	2,77%	10.907.219	4,77%	
Financial Services	33.116.967	8,69%	15.914.520	6,96%	
Food and Beverages	296.890	0,08%	284.973	0,12%	
Health care	5.008.546	1,31%	5.674.427	2,48%	
Manufacture	6.067.191	1,59%	10.338.627	4,52%	
Real Estate	10.781.291	2,83%	5.132.070	2,24%	
Retail	2.942.624	0,77%	2.890.868	1,26%	
Services			2.357.541	1,03%	
Technologies	1.363.498	0,36%	7.276.925	3,18%	
Telecommunications	2.198.072	0,58%	2.578.320	1,13%	
Transportation	7.479902	1,96%	4.426.948	1,96%	
Total	380.898.266	100,00%	228.635.866	100,00%	

The movements in the portfolio are as follows:

Movements in the portfolio	30/06/2024	30/06/2023	
Cost	EUR	EUR	
Gross value at the beginning of the year	249.572.167	247.082.309	
Reversal previous year foreign exchange impact	(2.120.652)	(5.778.000)	
Additions	259.806.411	66.745.794	
Decreases	(117.683.224)	(40.626.372)	
Increase from securities lending activities	29.344.722		
Decreases for securities lending activities	(29.020.033)	(19.972.216)	
Foreign exchange impact	3.591.787	2.120.652	
Gross value at the end of the financial year	393.481.180	249.572.167	
Value adjustments	EUR	EUR	
Cumulative value adjustments at the end of the financial year	(15.960.154)	(22.185.317)	
Total value adjustments	(15.960.154)	(22.185.317)	
Net book value at the end of the financial year	377.521.026	227.386.850	

### Notes to the annual accounts (continued)

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### Note 7 – Investments (continued)

At the end of the financial year, the Company booked a net value of its above-mentioned portfolio for a total amount of EUR 377.521.026 (2023: EUR 227.386.850) and accrued interests on the above-mentioned portfolio amounted to EUR 3.377.240 (2023: EUR 1.249.016) representing a total amount of EUR 380.898.266 (2023: EUR 228.635.866).

The value adjustments of the year ended 30 June 2024 amounts to EUR 15.960.154 (2023: EUR 22.185.317).

#### Note 8 - Cash at bank and in hand

As of 30 June 2024, the cash at bank and in hand amounts to EUR 470.095.192 (2023: EUR 357.097.443).

### Note 9 - Prepayments and accrued income

As of 30 June 2024, the caption "prepayments and accrued income" amounts to EUR 57.325 for invoices or costs related to the next financial year (2023: EUR 50.686).

### Note 10 - Subscribed capital

At its incorporation on 18 June 1997, the corporate capital amounted to EUR 50.000 and represented by 500 registered shares with nominal value of EUR 100.

As at 29 June 2001, the extraordinary shareholders' meeting ("EGM") has decided to increase the share capital from EUR 50.000 to EUR 3.000.000 through the issuance of 29.500 new shares of a par value of EUR 100 each.

As at 23 December 2013, the EGM has decided to increase the share capital from EUR 3.000.000 to EUR 400.000.000, through the issuance of 1.970.000 ordinary shares of a par value of EUR 100 each, having the same rights and advantages as the existing ordinary shares and fully subscribed and paid-in and of 2.000.000 mandatory redeemable preferred shares ("MRPS") without voting rights of a par value of EUR 100 each, fully subscribed and paid-in. Following to this capital increase, the subscripted capital of the Company amounted to EUR 400.000.000 and was represented by 2.000.000 ordinary shares and by 2.000.000 mandatory redeemable preferred shares ("MRPS") without voting rights, having a par value of EUR 100 each.

As at 27 June 2016, the EGM has decided to convert the 2.000.000 MRPS into 2.000.000 ordinary shares of a par value of EUR 100 each. Following this conversion, the subscripted capital of DFS amounted to EUR 400.000.000 and was represented by 4.000.000 ordinary shares having a par value of EUR 100 each.

As at 30 June 2018, the subscripted capital of the Company remains unchanged and amounts to EUR 400.000.000 represented by 4.000.000 ordinary shares having a par value of EUR 100 each.

On 29 January 2019, the Company has absorbed its sole shareholder Danieli International S.A., in the aim of a restructuring operation for the Group Danieli. Due to the reverse merger transaction, the "EGM" has decided to cancel the Company's own shares, as result the subscribed capital amounted to EUR 400.000.000 and was represented by 400.000.000 ordinary shares having a par value of EUR 1 each.

As at 30 June 2024, the subscripted capital of the Company remains unchanged and amounts to EUR 400.000.000 represented by 400.000.000 ordinary shares having a par value of EUR 1 each.

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### Note 11 - Share premium account

Before 27 June 2016, the share premium account of the Company was represented by an amount of EUR 15.000.000 which was attached to the 2.000.000 ordinary shares issued by the Company and by an amount of EUR 557.800.000 which was attached to the MRPS shares issued by the Company on 23 December 2013. The EGM held on 27 June 2016 has also decided to convert the share premium attached to the MRPS of an amount of EUR 557.800.000 into a share premium attached to the new ordinary shares issued following the conversion of MRPS. Following this conversion, the total share premium account amounted to EUR 572.800.000.

The EGM held on 28 June 2017 has approved a contribution into the share premium account of the Company of an amount of EUR 65.000.000 made by the sole shareholder of the Company.

As at 30 June 2024, the share premium account remains unchanged and amounts to EUR 637.800.000.

#### Note 12 - Reserves

#### Legal reserve

Under Luxembourg law an amount equal to at least 5% of the annual net profit must be allocated to a legal reserve until this legal reserve equals 10% of the issued share capital. This reserve is not available for distribution.

As at 30 June 2024 the legal reserve amounts to EUR 5.373.179 (2023: EUR 5.262.836). During the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 25 October 2023 for the approval of the annual accounts 2023 of the Company as at 30 June 2023 ha decided to allocate from the Net Profit of the financial year an amount of EUR 110.343 to the legal reserve.

### Special Reserve for Net Wealth Tax credit

Luxembourgish companies are subject to the Net Wealth Tax, which is calculated on the net asset value after adjustments, exceptions and exclusion provided by the net wealth tax law and which considers a rate of 0,5%. The law grants also the possibility to reduce the amount to pay in case some conditions are met: a ceiling, which is the Corporate Income Tax due, and the creation of a special reserve which has to be held for 5 years. The allocations to this special reserve were as follows:

- by the shareholders' meeting held extraordinarily on 27 May 2016 EUR 9.943.825 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2016.
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 26 October 2016 EUR 11.000.000 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2017.
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 25 October 2017 EUR 2.686.000 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2018,
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 24 October 2018 no amount has been allocated to the reserve as the result of the year was a loss,
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 30 October 2019 EUR 5.031.000 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2020,

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### Note 12 – Reserves (continued)

- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 27 October 2020 has resolved to reduce the special reserve for MWT 2020 by an amount of EUR 529.500 and to allocate this amount to results brought forward. As result of the foregoing the special reserve for the NWT 2020 amounts to EUR 4.501.500 and EUR 2.238.868 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2021,
- by the shareholders' meeting held on 27 October 2021 decided to allocate the Special Reserve for Net Wealth Tax Credit amounting to EUR 9.943.825 recorded on 27 May 2016 to the reserve available and EUR 4.228.520 of it has been transfer to the Special Reserve for NWT 2022 which represents an amount of EUR 9.836.106.
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 26 October 2022 no amount has been allocated to the reserve as the result of the year was a loss.
- by, the Annual shareholders' meeting held on 25 October 2023 EUR 2.096.525 from the results brought forward of the Company to a 5-year non-distributable special reserve for NWT 2024 and the shareholders' meeting decided to allocate the Special Reserve for Net Wealth Tax Credit amounting to EUR 11.000.000 recorded 01 January 2017 to the reserve available and EUR 5.785.384 of it has been transfer to the Special Reserve for NWT 2024 which represents an amount of EUR 7.881.909.

# Note 13 - Shareholders' equity

The movements in shareholders' equity may be summarized as follows:

Shareholders' Equity (EUR)	Subscribed capital	Share premium account	Legal reserve	Other available reserves	Other not available reserves*	Loss brought forward	Profit / (Loss) for the financial year	Total
Balance as at 1 July 2023	400.000.000	637.800.000	5.262.836	5.715.305	30.262.474	(26.053.344)	28.260.212	1.081.247.483
Allocation of the result of the previous years			110.343			28.149.869	(28.260.212)	
Allocation to a special reserve for NWT				5.214.616	(3.118.091)	(2.096.525)		
Profit for the financial year							37.808.027	37.808.027
Balance as at 30 June 2024	400.000.000	637.800.000	5.373.179	10.929.921	27.144.383		37.808.027	1.119.055.509

<sup>\*</sup>Special reserve for Net wealth tax credit (see note 12).

The Annual Shareholders' meeting held on 25 October 2023 approved the allocation of the 2023 result.

#### Note 14 - Provisions

As of 30 June 2024, other provisions are mainly composed of the estimated liability for not taken vacation owed to employees and amounts to EUR 94.851 (2023: EUR 78.514).

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#### Note 15 - Creditors

As at 30 June 2024 and 2023, "Creditors" comprise:

Creditors	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
	EUR	EUR
Overdraft on current account	293	154
Payable amount related to derivatives contracts - forward accumulator	24.745.508	
Interest payable related to derivatives contracts - swap rates	420.238	
Market value related to derivatives contracts - swap rates	499.231	
Payable to Direct Tax Authorities	16.625.548	4.904.676
Payable to Social Security Office	34.735	32.210
Insurance commissions		83.960
Suppliers	187.683	194.041
VAT due on supplied services	4.821	50.184
Total	42.518.058	5.265.225

At end-year, the Company recorded some amounts payable in relation with financial derivatives contracts, forward accumulator and rate swap contracts (see note 6 and note 25).

The accrued notional amount payable is relation with Forward accumulator is EUR 24.745.508 corresponding the USD 26.490.066 payable against EUR 25.106.998 (see note 6).

As at 30 June 2024, the Company accrued an amount for interests payable linked to rate swap contract for an amount of EUR 420.238 and recorded the related negative market value for EUR 499.231.

As at 30 June 2024, the "caption payable to Direct Tax Authorities" corresponds to estimation amounts payable for the current fiscal year and previous fiscal years.

As at 30 June 2024, the caption "Suppliers" includes professional and consultancy fees.

#### Note 16 – Other operating income

Due to the reverse Merger on 29 January 2019, the Company has become the owner of the real estate property situated in 126, rue Cent, Luxembourg. Thus, the other operating income for the year ended 30 June 2024 mainly includes the rental revenues from this property.

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#### Note 17 - Other external expenses

As of 30 June 2024, the caption "Other external expenses" amounts to EUR 814.511 (2023: EUR 1.055.207).

Other external expenses	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
	EUR	EUR
Bank Charges	45.554	39.920
Commission and brokerage fees	150.584	468.354
Contribution to professional organisations	111.630	84.923
IT services	267.715	243.014
Maintenance and repairs	15.609	14.753
Miscellaneous external charges	20.067	17.311
Professional fees	193.409	177.327
Postal charges and telecommunication costs	8.356	8.600
Travel expenses	1.586	1.005
Total	814.511	1.055.207

# Note 18 - Staff costs and Management

#### 18.1. Staff Costs

The average number of employees and management during the financial years 2024 and 2023 was:

Staff costs	2024	2023
Authorized Managers (with employment agreement)	2	2
Employees (with full-time employment agreement) *	3	2
Total	5	4

<sup>\*</sup>A new employee has been hired on May 2024.

#### 18.2. Information related to Management

- Members of the Board of Directors received directors' fees totalizing EUR 91.000 (2023: EUR 81.250) (see also note 20).
- No loans or advances were granted to members of the Board of Directors and to the Authorized Managers.
- No guarantees were issued on behalf of members of the Board of Directors and Authorized Managers.

# Note 19 - Value adjustment

The caption for the financial year 2024 represents a gain of EUR 570.050 (2023: loss EUR 738.101).

#### 19.1. Value adjustment in respect to tangible assets

Due to the reverse merger on 29 January 2019, the fixed assets have been allocated to the Company and amortization have been recognized in profit and loss account. Refer to note 3 for the breakdown of the value adjustments.

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# Note 19 – Value adjustment (continued)

# 19.2. Value adjustment in respect to financial fixed assets

As at 30 June 2024, the value adjustment on financial assets has been partially reversed for an amount to EUR 578.151 and show a positive value (2023: EUR 730.000) (see note 4).

This reversal of adjustments recorded in 2022 and 2023 in relation to the investment in Credit Suisse Virtuoso Sicav - SIF which is in liquidation is due to the tender redemption at which the company subscribed in June 2024 (see note 4). Thus, the Company is expected a reimbursement within the month of August for an amount of USD 2.296.772.

At the end of the financial year, the remaining impairment recorded for this investment on the assets accounts amounts to EUR 921.849 (2023: 1.500.000).

### Note 20 - Other operating expenses

Other operating expenses during the financial years 2024 and 2023 are detailed as follows:

Other operating expenses	30/06/2024	30/06/2023
	EUR	EUR
Directors' fees	91.000	81.250
Non-deductible VAT	15.738	63.438
Other duties and taxes	910	15.251
Total	107.648	159.939

# Note 21 - Net financial result

As at 30 June 2024, the net financial result is gain and amounts to EUR 14.929.490 (2023: EUR 13.812.591).

The net financial charges of the financial year ended as of 30 June 2024 are mainly due to:

- the net charges of an amount of EUR 21.093.522 (2023: EUR 12.299.916) representing the value adjustments of the financial year in relation to the Company's current assets (i.e. negative impact deriving from market prices on securities and net unrealized foreign exchange gain deriving from the revaluation of the USD versus the EUR at the year-end).
- The net loss of an amount of EUR 2.577.498 (2023: net income EUR 2.390.043) deriving from the sale of securities.
- During the third quarter 2023, the Company subscribed some contracts on financial derivatives –
  forward accumulators and some of them have been early terminated during October 2023 thus the
  Company paid on 11 October 2023 to two financial counterparties some premiums which have been
  recognized in profit and loss accounts for a total amount of EUR 3.572.000.

In October 2023, the Company subscribed new contracts on derivatives – forward accumulators.

All the derivatives contracts -forward accumulators will matured on 31 December 2024.

On these contracts no premium or commission has been paid by the Company.

The Company recorded only the realized gain on the derivatives contracts and the unrealized negative value of them have been recorded in respect with the principle of prudence.

 End of November 2023, the Company entered into derivative contract -swap interest rates with two financial counterparties and will terminate on 2030 and 2031.

The Company paid to the counterparties the floating interest rate each 3 months and will received the fixed interest rate in December 2024.

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# Note 21 - Net financial result (continued)

For the financial year, the accrued interests payable and accrued interest receivable have been recorded in the captions "Interest payable and similar charge" and "interests receivable and similar income".

On these contracts no premium or commission has been paid and as at 30 June 2024 the Company recorded the value adjustment on them.

#### Note 22 - Interest receivable and similar income

As of 30 June 2024, the caption "Interest receivable and similar income" amounts to EUR 40.812.798 (2023: EUR 22.311.466).

The year under review saw rising inflation and higher interest rates. As a result, the Company decided to invest in EUR and USD time deposits with several financial counterparties.

Yields on insurance products also rose in line with interest rates.

Higher interest rates also benefited the Company's lending activities. During the financial year the Company increased its loan activities.

# Note 23 – Interest payable and similar expenses

As of 30 June 2024, the caption "Interest payable and similar income" amounts to EUR 1.641.648 (2023: EUR 20.595).

This is mainly composed by the interests paid during the financial year to the financial counterparties and representing the floating interest payable on the derivatives contracts – interest swap.

This amount is comprehensive of the accrued interest payable calculated as at 30 June 2024 for an amount of EUR 420.238.

#### Note 24 – Other taxes not shown under the preceding items

This caption amounting EUR 1.986.109 (2023: EUR 3.124.592) is mainly composed of the Net Wealth Tax due by the Company as at 1 January 2024, the difference corresponding to the withholding tax paid abroad on interests received for the loan activity of the Company.

## Note 25 - Commitments

#### a) Loan activities

As at 30 June 2024, the Company recognized any commitment in relation with credit facilities granted.

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# Note 25 - Commitments (continued)

#### b) **Derivatives contracts**

At the end-year, the Company has derivative contracts and off-balance-sheet has been recognized.

b.1) Forward Accumulators (contracts on foreign exchange) with 3 financial counterparties:

Financial derivatives	-	-		<del>-</del>	-	•
Operations linked to currency exchange rates	Initial Notional Amount	Notional Residual Amount	Notional Residual Amount	Maturity	Negative market value	Positive market value
	USD	USD	EUR		EUR	EUR
Type of OTC contracts	-	-		•		•
Forward Accumulator USD Sale/EUR Purchase	50.000.000	43.377.483	40.520.769	31/12/2024		160.251
Forward Accumulator USD Sale/EUR Purchase	100.000.000	86.754.967	81.041.538	31/12/2024		1.225.459
Forward Accumulator USD Sale/EUR Purchase	250.000.000	216.887.417	202.603.846	31/12/2024		1.771.224
Total	400.000.000	347.019.867	324.166.153			3.156.934

Under the aforementioned OTC contracts, the Company accumulates on each fixing date within a fixing period until the maturity date an USD accrual notional amount to sell against EUR accrual notional amount to purchase, at a fixed USD/EUR forward exchange rate (strike rate):

- if the EUR/USD Spot rate on each Fixing Date is below the EUR/USD the low barrier thus the low factor is applicable to calculate the accrual notional amount,
- if the EUR/USD Spot rate on each Fixing Date is between the EUR/USD the low barrier and high barrier thus the mid factor is applicable to calculate the accrual notional amount,
- if the EUR/USD Spot rate on each Fixing Date is above the EUR/USD the high barrier thus the high

factor is applicable to calculate the accrual notional amount

The positive market value on the above-mentioned financial derivatives at the year-end 2024 has not been recognized in the profit and loss accounts (see notes 6 and 15).

#### b.2) Interest rate swap:

On November 2023 and January 2024, the Company entered into rate swap contracts with two financial counterparties. These contracts will be matured on 2030 and 2031.

The total notional of these contracts represents an amount of EUR 80 million.

The Company is the payer of the floating rate Euribor 3 Months as determinate in each swap rate agreement and the financial counterparties is the payer once a year of the fixed rate as per agreement.

The positive market value on the above-mentioned rate swap agreement at the year-end 2024 has not been recognized in the profit and loss accounts, only the negative market value and accrued of the interests payable to the financial counterparties and receivable from the financial counterparties have been recorded and the through the profit and loss accounts (see notes 6 and 15).

#### c) Investment activities

On 25 June 2024, the Company entered into a contractual agreement with a financial institution to acquire a credit linked note for an amount of EUR 5.000.000, giving rise to the commitment to deliver the cash in return

The transaction was settled on 10 July 2024, as per contractual agreement.

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# Note 26 - Significant subsequent events

On 09 August 2024, the Company received the redemption, for a total amount of USD 2.289.650 for a countervalue of EUR 2.114.564, of its investment Credit Suisse Virtuoso Sicav – SIF and the disclosure of that event has been indicated in the note 4 of the present annual account.

On 20 December 2021, the OECD/G20 Inclusive Framework (IF) on Base Erosion and Profit Shifting (BEPS), released Model Global Anti-Base Erosion (GloBE) rules (Model Rules) under Pillar Two. These Model Rules set forth the "common approach" for a Global Minimum Tax at 15% for multinational enterprises with a turnover of more than EUR750 million. Luxembourg enacted the Pillar 2 rules effective 1.1.2024 transposing the EU Minimum tax Pillar 2 Directive EU2022/2523 into domestic law.

As part of the Danieli Group of Companies, The Company is subject to the Globe rules. It is not expected that the Globe rules will have a financial impact for the Company in 2024.

There is no other significant subsequent to the year-end that might affect the results or disclosures present in the annual accounts as at and for the year ended 30 June 2024.