## CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2020

# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT (\*)

(THOUSAND EUROS)	NOTE	2020	2019
Revenues	5	1,250,191	1,182,528
Other income	6	19,405	23,159
Purchases	7	(21,510)	(21,250)
Personnel	8	(621,362)	(578,263)
Service costs	9	(419,235)	(414,077)
Amortization, depreciation and write-downs	10	(42,441)	(37,239)
Other operating and non-recurring (cost)/income	11	4,484	466
Operating income		169,531	155,324
(Loss)/gain on investments	12	1,240	11,364
Financial income/(expenses)	13	(8,717)	(5,268)
Income before taxes		162,054	161,419
Income taxes	14	(37,848)	(44,829)
Net income		124,206	116,590
Non-controlling interest	•	(608)	(2,732)
Group net result		123,598	113,858
Earnings per share and diluted	15	3.30	3.04

<sup>(\*)</sup> Pursuant to Consob Regulation No. 15519 of 27 July 2006, the effects of related-party transactions on the Consolidated statement of income are reported in the Annexed tables herein and fully described in Note 38.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(THOUSAND EUROS)	NOTE	2020	2019
Profit of the period (A)		124,206	116,590
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Actuarial gains/(losses) from employee benefit plans		(887)	(3,043)
Total Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss, net of tax (B1):	28	(887)	(3,043)
Other comprehensive income that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:			
Gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges		1,089	(1,157)
Gains/(losses) on exchange differences on translating foreign operations		(14,254)	4,347
Total Other comprehensive income that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss, net of tax (B2):		(13,165)	3,190
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax (B) = (B1) + (B2):	28	(14,052)	147
Total comprehensive income (A)+(B)		110,154	116,737
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Owners of the parent		109,546	114,005
Non-controlling interests	•	608	2,732

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION (\*)

(THOUSAND EUROS)	NOTE	31/12/2020	31/12/2019
Tangible assets	17	51,782	48,298
Goodwill	18	330,749	267,541
Intangible assets	19	25,758	13,676
RoU Assets	20	137,645	90,569
Equity investments	21	56,421	56,991
Other financial assets	22	9,577	7,567
Deferred tax assets	23	52,921	33,527
Non-current assets		664,852	518,170
Inventories	24	79,784	75,328
Trade receivables	25	344,700	432,240
Other receivables and current assets	26	81,306	39,566
Financial assets	22	2,108	1,666
Cash and cash equivalents	22, 27	333,819	240,943
Current assets		841,716	789,743
TOTAL ASSETS		1,506,568	1,307,913
Share Capital		4,863	4,863
Other reserves		546,578	465,000
Net result of the period		123,598	113,858
Group shareholders' equity	28	675,039	583,722
Non-controlling interest	28	918	3,339
NET EQUITY	28	675,957	587,061
Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out	29	53,010	38,395
Financial liabilities	30	20,387	26,857
Financial liabilities from RoU	30	118,796	71,710
Employee benefits	31	46,112	43,355
Deferred tax liabilities	32	16,117	19,810
Provisions	33	10,753	8,897
Non-current liabilities		265,174	209,025
Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out	29	18,370	13,073
Financial liabilities	30	13,629	18,557
Financial liabilities from RoU	30	24,453	20,454
Trade payables	34	114,149	119,951
Other current liabilities	35	394,110	339,113
Provisions	33	724	680
Current liabilities		565,437	511,828
TOTAL LIABILITIES		830,611	720,853
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		1,506,568	1,307,913

(\*)Pursuant to Consob Regulation No. 15519 of 27 July 2006, the effects of related-party transactions on the Statement of Financial Position are reported in the annexed Tables and further described in Note 38.

# Consolidated Financial Statements as at 31 December 2020

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

(THOUSAND EUROS)	SHARE CAPITAL	TREASURY SHARES	CAPITAL RESERVES	EARNING RESERVES	CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE	TRANSLATION RESERVE	RESERVE FOR ACTUARIAL GAINS/(LOSSES)	NON- CONTROLLING INTERESTS	TOTAL
On 1 January 2019	4,863	(25)	72,836	421,950	(1,372)	(10,081)	(2,874)	1,315	486,612
Dividends distributed	-	-	-	(16,883)	-	-	-	(787)	(17,620)
Increase for acquisition of treasury shares	-	-	50,000	(50,000)	-	-	-	-	-
Total profit (loss)	-	-	-	113,858	(1,157)	4,347	(3,043)	2,732	116,737
Other changes	-	-	-	1,253	-	-	-	79	1,332
On 31 December 2019	4,863	(25)	122,836	470,228	(2,529)	(5,735)	(5,916)	3,339	587,061
(THOUSAND EUROS)	SHARE CAPITAL	TREASURY SHARES	CAPITAL RESERVES	EARNING RESERVES	CASH FLOW HEDGE RESERVE	TRANSLATION RESERVE	RESERVE FOR ACTUARIAL GAINS/(LOSSES)	NON- CONTROLLING INTERESTS	TOTAL
On 1 January 2020	4,863	(25)	122,836	470,228	(2,529)	(5,735)	(5,916)	3,339	587,061
Dividends distributed	-	-	-	(20,093)	-	-	-	(798)	(20,891)
Increase for acquisition of treasury shares	-	-	76,697	(76,697)	-	-	-	-	-
Total profit (loss)	-	-	-	123,598	1,089	(14,254)	(887)	608	110,154
Other changes	-	-	-	1,865	-	-	-	(2,231)	(366)
On 31 December 2020	4,863	(25)	199,533	498,899	(1,440)	(19,989)	(6,803)	918	675,957

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019
Group net income	123,598	113,858
Income taxes	37,848	44,829
Amortization and depreciation	42,441	37,239
Other non-monetary expenses/(income)	(9,417)	(10,351)
Change in inventories	(4,455)	1,733
Change in trade receivables	87,540	6,185
Change in trade payables	(5,802)	(7,108)
Change in other assets and liabilities	2,738	55,532
51Income tax paid	(44,829)	(38,230)
Interest paid	(788)	(1,175)
Interest collected	154	281
Net cash flows from operating activities (A)	229,028	202,793
Payments for tangible and intangible assets	(16,366)	(16,600)
Payments for financial assets	(3,019)	(3,399)
Payments for RoU assets	-	(23,850)
Payments for the acquisition of subsidiaries net of cash acquired	(57,166)	(12,157)
Net cash flows from investment activities (B)	(76,550)	(56,006)
Dividends paid	(20,891)	(17,620)
In payments from loans	1,457	2,800
Financial liabilities for leasing	(26,506)	2,386
Repayment of loans	(13,609)	(17,264)
Net cash flows from financing activities (C)	(59,549)	(29,698)
Net cash flows (D) = (A+B+C)	92,929	117,090
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of period	239,571	122,481
Cash and cash equivalents at period end	332,500	239,571
Total change in cash and cash equivalents (D)	92,929	117,090
DETAIL OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period:	239,571	122,481
Cash and cash equivalents	240,943	128,060
Bank overdrafts	(1,372)	(5,578)
Cash and cash equivalents at period end:	332,500	239,571
Cash and cash equivalents	333,819	240,943
Bank overdrafts	(1,320)	(1,372)

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#### **NOTE 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION**

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#### NOTE 2 - ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES AND BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH INTERNATIONAL ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board and endorsed by the European Union. The designation "IFRS" also includes all valid International Accounting Standards ("IAS"), as well as all interpretations of the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"), formerly the Standing Interpretations Committee ("SIC"). Following the coming into force of European Regulation No. 1606 of July 2002, starting from 1 January, 2005, the Reply Group adopted International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Consob regulations regarding the format of financial statements, in application of Art. 9 of Legislative Decree 38/2005 and other CONSOB regulations and instructions concerning financial statements.

#### **GENERAL PRINCIPLES**

The consolidated financial statement is prepared on the basis of the historic cost principle, modified as requested for the appraisal of some financial instruments for which the fair value criterion is adopted in accordance with IFRS 9.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the going concern assumption. In this respect, despite operating in a difficult economic and financial environment, the Group's assessment is that no material uncertainties (as defined in paragraph 25 of IAS 1) exist with regards its ability to continue as a going concern. These consolidated financial statements are expressed in thousands of Euros and are compared to the consolidated financial statements of the previous year prepared in accordance with the same principles. Further indication related to the format of the financial statements respect to IAS 1 is disclosed here within as well as information related to significant accounting principles and evaluation criteria used in the preparation of the following consolidated report.

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

The consolidated financial statements include statement of income, statement of comprehensive income, statement of financial position, statement of changes in shareholders' equity, statement of cash flows and the explanatory notes.

The income statement format adopted by the Group classifies costs according to their nature, which is deemed to properly represent the Group's business.

The Statement of financial position is prepared according to the distinction between current and non-current assets and liabilities. The statement of cash flows is presented using the indirect method.

The most significant items are disclosed in a specific note in which details related to the composition and changes compared to the previous year are provided.

It should be noted that in order to comply with the indications contained in Consob Resolution no. 15519 of 27 July 2006 "as to the format of the financial statements", additional statements: income statement and statement of financial position have been added showing the amounts of related party transactions.

### BASIS OF CONSOLIDATION SUBSIDIARIES

The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements as at 31 December of each year and consolidated on a line-by-line basis.

The Consolidated Financial Statements comprise the financial statements of the parent Company Reply S.p.A. and those of its subsidiaries, being those entities over which the Company has control, either directly or indirectly, through exposure or rights to their variable returns and the ability to affect those returns through its power over the investees. To have power over an investee, the investor must have existing rights that give it the current ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee, i.e. the activities that significantly affect the investee's returns.

Subsidiaries are consolidated, on the basis of consistent accounting policies, from the date on which control is obtained until the date that control ceases. Assets, liabilities, income and expenses of consolidated subsidiaries are fully recognized with those of the parent in the Consolidated Financial Statements; the parent's investment in each subsidiary is eliminated against the corresponding parent's portion of equity of each subsidiary.

All significant intercompany transactions and balances between group companies are eliminated on consolidation.

Non-controlling interest is stated separately with respect to the Group's net equity. Such Non-controlling interest is determined according to the percentage of the shares held of the fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities of the company at the date of acquisition and post-acquisition adjustments. According to IAS 27, overall loss (including the profit/(loss) for the year) is attributed to the owners of the Parent and minority

interest also when net equity attributable to minority interests has a negative balance.

Difference arising from translation of equity at historical exchange rates and year-end exchange rates are recorded at an appropriate reserve of the consolidated shareholders' equity.

#### TRANSACTIONS ELIMINATED ON CONSOLIDATION

All significant intercompany balances and transactions and any unrealized gains and losses arising from intercompany transactions are eliminated in preparing the consolidated financial statements. Unrealized gains and losses arising from transactions with associates and jointly controlled entities are eliminated to the extent of the company's interest in those entities.

#### **BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

Business combinations are accounted for by applying the acquisition method. The consideration transferred in a business combination is the sum of the acquisition-date fair value of the assets transferred, the liabilities incurred and the equity interests issued by the acquirer. Acquisition-related costs are accounted for as expenses when incurred.

The acquirer shall measure the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed at their acquisition-date fair values, unless another measurement basis is required by IFRSs. The excess of the consideration transferred over the Group's share of the net of the acquisition-date amounts of the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed is recognized, in the balance sheet, as goodwill; conversely, a gain on a bargain purchase is recognized in the profit and loss account.

Minority interest in the company acquired is initially measured to the extent of their shares in the fair value of the assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities recognized.

The accounting of the put and call options on the minority shareholdings of the subsidiary company are recorded according to IAS 32, taking into account therefore, depending on the case, the existence and the determinability of the consideration to the minority shareholders if the option was exercised.

#### **INVESTMENTS IN ASSOCIATE COMPANIES**

An associate is a company over which the Group is in a position to exercise significant influence, but not control, through the participation in the financial and operating policy decisions of the investee.

The results and assets and liabilities of associates are incorporated in the consolidated financial statements using the equity method of accounting, with the exception of investments held for future disposal.

Where a group company transacts with an associate of the Group, unrealized profits and losses are eliminated to the extent of the Group's interest in the relevant associate, except to the extent that unrealized losses provide evidence of an impairment of the asset transferred.

With regard to investments in associated companies held, either directly or indirectly through venture capital or similar entities, in order to realize capital gains, these are carried at fair value. This treatment is permitted by IAS 28 "Investments in Associates", which requires that these investments are excluded from its scope

and are designated, from the time of initial recognition, at fair value through profit or loss and accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9 "Financial instruments: recognition and measurement "and any change therein is recognized in profit and loss.

#### **FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS**

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded at the foreign exchange rate prevailing at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the balance sheet date are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at that date. Exchange differences arising on the settlement of monetary items or on reporting monetary items at rates different from those at which they were initially recorded during the period or in previous financial statements, are recognized in the income statement.

#### **CONSOLIDATION OF FOREIGN ENTITIES**

All assets and liabilities of foreign consolidated companies with a functional currency other than the Euro are translated using the exchange rates in effect at the balance sheet date. Income and expenses are translated at the average exchange rate for the period. Translation differences resulting from the application of this method are classified as equity until the disposal of the investment. Average rates of exchange are used to translate the cash flows of foreign subsidiaries in preparing the consolidated statement of cash flows. Goodwill and fair value adjustments arising on the acquisition of a foreign entity are recorded in the relevant functional currency of the foreign entity and are translated using the period end exchange rate. In the context of IFRS First-time Adoption, the cumulative translation difference arising from the consolidation of foreign operations was set at nil, as permitted by IFRS 1; gains or losses on subsequent disposal of any foreign operation only include accumulated translation differences arising after 1 January 2004.

The following table summarizes the exchange rates used in translating the 2020 and 2019 financial statements of the foreign companies included in consolidation:

	AVERAGE 2020	ON 31 DECEMBER 2020	AVERAGE 2019	ON 31 DECEMBER 2019
GBP	0.8897	0.89903	0.87777	0.8508
Brazilian Real	5.8943	6.3735	4.4134	4.5157
Rumanian Leu	4.8383	4.8683	4.7453	4.783
Belarusian Rubble	2.7928	3.1646	2.3414	2.3687
US Dollar	1.1422	1.2271	1.1195	1.1234
Chinese Yuan	7.8747	8.0225	7.7355	7.8205
Polish Zloty	4.443	4.5597	4.2976	4.2568
Kuna	7.5384	7.5519	7.418	7.4395

#### **TANGIBLE ASSETS**

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, net of accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Goods made up of components, of significant value, that have different useful lives are considered separately when determining depreciation.

Depreciation is charged so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets, over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method, on the following bases:

Buildings	6%
Equipment	15% - 30%
Plants	20% - 40%
Hardware	40%
Furniture and fittings	12% - 24%

The recoverable value of such assets is determined through the principles set out in IAS 36 and outlined in the paragraph "Impairment" herein.

Ordinary maintenance costs are fully expensed as incurred. Incremental maintenance costs are allocated to the asset to which they refer and depreciated over their residual useful lives.

Improvement expenditures on rented property are allocated to the related assets and depreciated over the shorter between the duration of the rent contract or the residual useful lives of the relevant assets.

Assets held under finance leases, which provide the Group with substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership, are recognized as assets of the Group at their fair value or, if lower, at the present value of the minimum lease payments. The corresponding liability to the lessor is included in the financial statement as a debt. The assets are amortized over their estimated useful life or over the duration of the lease contract if lower.

The gain or loss arising on the disposal or retirement of an asset is determined as the difference between the sales proceeds and the carrying amount of the asset and is recognized in income.

#### **GOODWILL**

Goodwill is an intangible asset with an indefinite life, deriving from business combinations recognized using the purchase method, and is recorded to reflect the positive difference between purchase cost and the Group's interest at the time of acquisition, after having recognized all assets, liabilities and identifiable contingent liabilities attributable to both the Group and third parties at their fair value.

Goodwill is not amortized but is (tested for impairment) annually or more frequently if events or changes in circumstances indicate that it might be impaired. After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses.

Impairment losses are recognized immediately as expenses that cannot be recovered in the future. On disposal of a subsidiary or associate, the attributable amount of unamortized goodwill is included in the determination of the profit or loss on disposal.

#### **ROU ASSETS**

According to IFRS 16, the accounting representation of leases (which do not establish the provision of services) takes place through the inclusion in the financial position of a financial liability, represented by the present value of future rents, against the inclusion in the assets of the 'right of use of the leased asset'. Leases that were previously accounted for under IAS 17 as financial leases, have not changed compared to the current accounting representation, in full continuity with the past.

Contracts that are within the scope of IFRS 16 relate mainly to:

land and buildings for office use;

long term car-rental.

With reference to the options and exemptions provided by IFRS 16, the Group has made the following choices: IFRS 16 is not generally applied to intangible assets, short-term contracts (i.e. less than 12 months) and low unit value:

rights of use and financial liabilities relating to leasing contracts are classified under specific items in the financial position;

any component relating to the services included in the leasing fees is generally excluded from IFRS 16.

#### OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Intangible fixed assets are those lacking an identifiable physical aspect, are controlled by the company and are capable of generating future economic benefits.

Other purchased and internally-generated intangible assets are recognized as assets in accordance with IAS 38 – Intangible Assets, where it is probable that the use of the asset will generate future economic benefits and where the costs of the asset can be determined reliably.

Such assets are measured at purchase or manufacturing cost and amortized on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives, if these assets have finite useful lives.

Other intangible assets acquired as part of an acquisition of a business are capitalized separately from goodwill if their fair value can be measured reliably.

In case of intangible fixed assets purchased for which availability for use and relevant payments are deferred beyond normal terms, the purchase value and the relevant liabilities are discounted by recording the implicit financial charges in their original price.

Expenditure on research activities is recognized as an expense in the period in which it is incurred.

Development costs can be capitalized on condition that they can be measured reliably and that evidence is provided that the asset will generate future economic benefits.

An internally-generated intangible asset arising from the Group's e-business development (such as informatics solutions) is recognized only if all of the following conditions are met:

an asset is created that can be identified (such as software and new processes);

it is probable that the asset created will generate future economic benefits;

the development cost of the asset can be measured reliably.

These assets are amortized when launched or when available for use. Until then, and on condition that the above terms are respected, such assets are recognized as construction in progress. Amortization is determined on a straight line basis over the relevant useful lives on the following basis:

Development costs	33%
Software	33%
Customer list (PPA)	10%

When an internally-generated intangible asset cannot be recorded at balance sheet, development costs are recognized in the statement of income in the period in which they are incurred.

#### **INTANGIBLE ASSETS WITH INDEFINITE USEFUL LIVES**

Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives consist principally of acquired trademarks which have no legal, contractual, competitive, economic, or other factors that limit their useful lives. Intangible assets with indefinite useful lives are not amortized; in accordance with IAS 36 criteria, are tested for impairment annually or more frequently whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired. Any impairment losses are not subject to subsequent reversals.

#### **IMPAIRMENT**

At each balance sheet date, the Group reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any). Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Group estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is tested for impairment annually or more frequently, whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of fair value, less disposal costs and its value in use. In assessing its value in use, the pre-tax estimated future cash flows are discounted at their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. Its value in use is determined net of tax in that this method produces values largely equivalent to those obtained by discounting cash flows net of tax at a pre-tax discount rate derived, through

an iteration, from the result of the post-tax assessment. The assessment is carried out for the individual asset or for the smallest identifiable group of cash generating assets deriving from ongoing use, the so-called Cash generating unit.

If the recoverable amount of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognized as an expense immediately.

Where the value of the Cash generating unit, inclusive of goodwill, is higher than the recoverable value, the difference is subject to impairment and attributable firstly to goodwill; any exceeding difference is attributed on a pro-quota basis to the assets of the Cash generating unit.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset, (or cash-generating unit), with the exception of goodwill, is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but so that the increased carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized as income immediately, unless the relevant asset is carried at a revalued amount, in which case the reversal of the impairment loss is treated as a revaluation increase

#### **INVESTMENTS IN OTHER COMPANIES**

Investments in other companies that are available-for-sale financial assets are measured at fair value, when this can be reliably determined. Gains or Losses arising from change in fair value are recognized in Other comprehensive income/(losses) until the assets are sold or are impaired, at that time, the cumulative Other comprehensive income/(losses) are recognized in the Income Statement. Investments in other companies for which fair value is not available are stated at cost less any impairment losses.

Dividends received are included in Other income/(expenses) from investments.

In the event of write-down for impairment, the cost is recognized in the income statement; the original value is restored in subsequent years if the assumptions for the write-down no longer exist.

The risk resulting from possible losses beyond equity is entered in a specific provision for risks to the extent to which the Parent Company is committed to fulfil its legal or implicit obligations towards the associated company or to cover its losses.

#### **CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT FINANCIAL ASSETS**

Financial assets are classified, on the basis of both contractual cash flow characteristics and the entity's business model for managing them, in the following categories:

- (i) financial assets measured at amortized cost;
- (ii) financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (hereinafter also OCI);
- (iii) financial assets measured at fair value through profit or loss.

At initial recognition, a financial asset is measured at its fair value; at initial recognition, trade receivables that do not have a significant financing component are measured at their transaction price. After initial recognition, financial assets whose contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding are measured at amortized cost if they are held within a business model whose objective is to hold financial assets in order to collect contractual cash flows (the so-called hold to collect business model). For financial assets measured at amortized cost, interest income determined using the effective interest rate, foreign exchange differences and any impairment losses (see the accounting policy for "Impairment of financial assets") are recognized in the profit and loss account.

Conversely, financial assets that are debt instruments are measured at fair value through OCI (hereinafter also FVTOCI) if they are held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets (the so-called hold to collect and sell business model). In these cases:

- (i) interest income determined using the effective interest rate, foreign exchange differences and any impairment losses (see the accounting policy for "Impairment of financial assets") are recognized in the profit and loss account;
- (ii) changes in fair value of the instruments are recognized in equity, within other comprehensive income.

The accumulated changes in fair value, recognized in the equity reserve related to other comprehensive income, is reclassified to the profit and loss account when the financial asset is derecognized. A financial asset represented by a debt instrument that is neither measured at amortized cost nor at FVTOCI, is measured at fair value through profit or loss (hereinafter FVTPL); financial assets held for trading fall into this category. Interest income on assets held for trading contributes to the fair value measurement of the instrument and is recognized in "Finance income (expense)", within "Net finance income (expense) from financial assets held for trading".

When the purchase or sale of a financial asset is under a contract whose terms require delivery of the asset within the time frame established generally by regulation or convention in the marketplace concerned, the transaction is accounted for on the settlement date.

#### TRANSFER OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The Group removes financial assets from its balance sheet when, and only when, the contractual rights to the cash flows from the assets expire or the Group transfers the financial asset. In the case of transfer of the financial asset

- if the entity substantially transfers all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial
  asset, the Group removes the asset from the balance sheet and recognizes separately as
  assets or liabilities any rights and obligations created or retained with the transfer;
- if the Group substantially retains all the risks and rewards of ownership of financial assets, it continues to recognize the financial asset;

- if the Group neither transfers nor substantially retains all the risks and rewards of ownership
  of the financial asset, it determines whether or not it has retained control of the financial
  asset. In this case:
  - > if the Group has not retained control, it removes the asset from its balance sheet and separately recognizes as assets or liabilities any rights and obligations created or retained in the transfer;
  - > if the Group has retained control, it continues to recognize the financial asset to the extent of its residual involvement in the financial asset

At the time of removal of financial assets from the balance sheet, the difference between the carrying value of assets and the fees received or receivable for the transfer of the assets is recognized in the income statement.

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

Work in progress mainly comprise construction contracts; when the result of a specific order can be reliably estimated, proceeds and costs referable to the related order are indicated as proceeds and costs respectively in relation to the state of progress of activities on the date of closure of the financial statement, based on the relationship between costs sustained for activities taking place up to the date of the financial statement and total costs estimated from the order, except for that which is not considered as representative of the state of progress of the order.

Variations in contract work, claims and incentive payments are included to the extent that they have been agreed with the customer.

Where the outcome of a construction contract cannot be estimated reliably, contract revenue is recognized to the extent of contract costs that it is probable will be recoverable. Contract costs are recognized as expenses in the period in which they are incurred.

When it is probable that the total contract costs will exceed total contract revenue, the expected loss is recognized as an expense immediately. Any advance payments are subtracted from the value of work in progress within the limits of the contract revenues accrued; the exceeding amounts are accounted as liabilities.

Product inventories are stated at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Cost comprises direct material and, where applicable, direct labour costs and those overheads that have been incurred in bringing the inventories to their present location and condition. Cost is calculated using the weighted average method.

#### TRADE PAYABLES AND RECEIVABLES AND OTHER CURRENT ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Trade receivables are held within a business model whose objective is achieved by both collecting contractual cash flows and selling financial assets.

At initial recognition they are measured at fair value adjusted for transaction costs and subsequently measured at amortized cost determined using the effective interest rate, to account for foreign exchange differences and any impairment losses.

At each reporting date, all financial assets, with the exception of those measured at fair value through profit and loss, are analysed for any impairment indicators.

Under IFRS 9, an entity calculates the allowance for credit losses by considering on a discounted basis the cash shortfalls it would incur in various default scenarios for prescribed future periods and multiplying the shortfalls by the probability of each scenario occurring. The allowance is the sum of these probability weighted outcomes. Because every loan and receivable carries with it some risk of default, every such asset has an expected loss attached to it from the moment of its origination or acquisition.

Trade payables and other liabilities are measured at amortized cost.

Receivables and payables denominated in non EMU currencies are stated at the exchange rate at period end provided by the European Central Bank.

#### CASH

The item cash and cash equivalents includes cash, banks, reimbursable deposits on demand and other short term financial investments readily convertible in cash and are not subject to significant risks in terms of change in value.

#### **TREASURY SHARES**

Treasury shares are presented as a deduction from equity. The original cost of treasury shares and proceeds of any subsequent sale are presented as movements in equity.

#### FINANCIAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY INVESTMENTS

Financial liabilities and equity instruments issued by the Group are presented according to their substance arising from their contractual obligations and in accordance with the definitions of financial liabilities and equity instruments. The latter are defined as those contractual obligations that give the right to benefit in the residual interests of the Group's assets after having deducted its liabilities.

Financial liabilities, other than derivative instruments, are presented initially at fair value of the sums collected, corrected to any transaction costs directly attributable, and subsequently valued at amortized cost using the effective interest criterion. For short-term liabilities, such as commercial debts, the amortized cost actually coincides with the nominal value.

The accounting standards adopted for specific financial liabilities or equity instruments are outlined below:

Bank borrowings

Interest-bearing bank loans and overdrafts are recorded at the proceeds received, net of direct issue costs

and subsequently stated at its amortized cost, using the prevailing market interest rate method.

Equity instruments

Equity instruments issued by the Group are stated at the proceeds received, net of direct issuance costs.

Non-current financial liabilities.

Liabilities are stated according to the amortization cost.

#### **DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND OTHER HEDGING TRANSACTIONS**

In accordance with IFRS 9, derivative financial instruments qualify for hedge accounting only when at the inception of the hedge there is formal designation and sufficient documentation that the hedge is highly effective and that its effectiveness can be reliably measured. The hedge must be highly effective throughout the different financial reporting periods for which it was designated.

All derivative financial instruments are measured in accordance with IFRS 9 at fair value.

Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that are designated and effective as hedges of future cash flows relating to the Group's contractual commitments and forecast transactions are recognized directly in Shareholders' equity, while any ineffective portion is recognized immediately in the Income Statement.

If the hedged company commitment or forecasted transaction results in the recognition of an asset or liability, then, at the time the asset or liability is recognized, associated gains or losses on the derivative that had previously been recognized in equity are included in the initial measurement of the asset or liability. For hedges that do not result in the recognition of an asset or a liability, amounts deferred in equity are recognized in the income statement in the same period in which the hedge commitment or forecasted transaction affects net profit or loss, for example, when the future sale actually occurs.

For effective hedging against a change in fair value, the hedged item is adjusted by the changes in fair value attributable to the risk hedged with a balancing entry in the Income Statement. Gains and losses arising from the measurement of the derivative are also recognized at the income statement.

Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments that no longer qualify as hedge accounting are recognized in the Income Statement of the period in which they arise.

Hedge accounting is discontinued when the hedging instrument expires or is sold, terminated, or exercised or no longer qualifies for hedge accounting. At that time, any cumulative gain or loss on the hedging instrument recognized in equity is retained in equity until the forecasted transaction is no longer expected to occur; the net cumulative gain or loss recognized in equity is transferred to the net profit or loss for the period. Implicit derivatives included in other financial instruments or in other contractual obligations are treated as separate derivatives, when their risks and characteristics are not strictly related to the underlying contractual obligation and the latter are not stated at fair value with recognition of gains and losses in the Income Statement.

#### **EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

The scheme underlying the employee severance indemnity of the Italian Group companies (the TFR) was classified as a defined benefit plan up until 31 December 2006. The legislation regarding this scheme was amended by Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006 (the "2007 Finance Law") and subsequent decrees and regulations issued in the first part of 2007. In view of these changes, and with specific reference to those regarding companies with at least 50 employees, this scheme only continues to be classified as a defined benefit plan in the Consolidated financial statements for those benefits accruing up to 31 December 2006 (and not yet settled by the balance sheet date), while after that date the scheme is classified as a defined contribution plan.

For Italian companies with less than 50 employees, severance pay ("TFR") remains a "post-employment benefit", of the "defined benefit plan" type, who's already matured amount must be planned to estimate the amount to settle at the time of annulment of working relations and subsequently updated, using the "Projected unit credit method". Such actuarial methodology is based on an assumption of demographic and financial nature in order to carry out a reasonable estimate of the amount of benefits that each employee had already matured based on his employment performances.

Through actuarial valuation, current service costs are recognized as "personnel expenses" in the Income Statement and represent the amount of rights matured by employees at the reporting date, and the interest cost is recognized as "Financial gains or losses" and represents the figurative expenditure the Company would bear by securing a market loan for an amount corresponding to the Employee Termination Indemnities ("TFR").

Actuarial income and losses that reflect the effects resulting from changes in the actuarial assumptions used are directly recognized in Shareholders' equity without being ever included in the consolidated income statement.

#### **PENSION PLANS**

According to local conditions and practices, some employees of the Group benefit from pension plans of defined benefits and/or a defined contribution.

In the presence of defined contribution plans, the annual cost is recorded at the income statement when the service cost is executed.

The Group's obligation to fund defined benefit pension plans and the annual cost recognized in the Income Statement is determined on an actuarial basis using the "ongoing single premiums" method. The portion of net cumulative actuarial gains and losses which exceeds the greater of 10% of the present value of the defined benefit obligation and 10% of the fair value of plan assets at the end of the previous year is amortized over the average remaining service lives of the employees.

The post-employment benefit obligation recognized in the Balance Sheet represents the present value of the defined benefit obligation as adjusted for unrecognized actuarial gains and losses, arising from the application of the corridor method and past service costs to be recognized in future years, reduced by the fair value of plan assets.

#### SHARE-BASED PAYMENT PLANS

The Group has applied the standard set out by IFRS 2 "Share-based payment". Share-based payments are measured at fair value at granting date. Such amount is recognized in the Income Statement, with a balancing entry in Shareholders' equity, on a straight-line basis over the "vesting period". The fair value of the option, measured at the granting date, is measured through actuarial calculations, taking into account the terms and conditions of the options granted. Following the exercise of the options assigned in previous years, the Group has no more stock option plans.

For cash-settled share-based payment transactions, the Group measures the goods and services acquired and the liability incurred at the fair value of the liability. Until the liability is settled, the Group is required to remeasure the fair value of the liability at each reporting date and at the date of settlement, with the changes in value recognized in profit or loss for the period.

#### **PROVISIONS AND RESERVES FOR RISKS**

Provisions for risks and liabilities are costs and liabilities having an established nature and the existence of which is certain or probable that at the reporting date the amount cannot be determined or the occurrence of which is uncertain. Such provisions are recognized when a commitment actually exists arising from past events of legal or contractual nature or arising from statements or company conduct that determine valid expectations from the persons involved (implicit obligations).

Provisions are recognized when the Group has a present commitment arising from a past event and it is probable that it will be required to fulfil the commitment. Provisions are accrued at the best estimate of the expenditure required to settle the liability at the balance sheet date, and are discounted when the effect is significant.

#### **REVENUE RECOGNITION**

Revenues represent the gross flows of economic benefits for the year deriving from the performance of the ordinary business.

Revenue from contracts with customers is recognized on the basis of the following steps pursuant to IFRS 15:

- identifying the contract with the customer: this happens when the parties approve the
  contract and identify their respective rights and obligations. In other words, the contract must
  be legally binding, the rights to receive goods and/or services and the terms of payment can
  be clearly identified and the company considers probably to receive the payment;
- identifying the *performance obligations*: the main performance obligation identified, or transfer goods and/or services to a customer;

- determining the *transaction price*: is the total amount established with the customer, related to the entire contract period;
- allocating the transaction price to each performance obligation;
- recognizing revenue when (or as) a performance obligation is satisfied.

A promised good or service is transferred when (or as) the customer obtains control of it. Control can be transferred over time or at a point in time.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration to which the Group expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring promised goods and/or services to a customer, excluding amounts collected on behalf of third parties. Therefore, revenue is recognized when control over the goods or services is transferred to the customer either a) "over time" or b) "at a point in time". Following are the major types of services and products that the Group provides:

**Turnkey projects**: The Group fulfils its obligations and recognizes revenue "over time", based on the percentage of the accrued costs or the progress of the services provided. The unconditional right to payment by the customer emerges as a result of the accrual of the costs or the underlying progress of each contract.

**Other services**: The Group fulfils its obligations and recognizes revenue "at a point in time" based on the underlying events of the supply of products and services. The unconditional right to receive payment from the customer emerges as a result of these events occurring.

In determining the transaction price, the promised amount of consideration is adjusted for the effects of the time value of money if the timing of payments agreed to by the parties to the contract provides the customer or the entity with a significant benefit of financing the transfer of goods or services to the customer. The promised amount of consideration is not adjusted for the effect of the significant financing component if, at contract inception, it is expected that the period between the transfer of a promised good or service to a customer and when the customer pays for that good or service will be one year or less.

#### **GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

Government grants are recognized in the financial statements when there is reasonable assurance that the company concerned will comply with the conditions for receiving such grants and that the grants themselves will be received. Government grants are recognized as income over the periods necessary to match them with the related costs which they are intended to compensate.

#### **TAXATION**

Income tax represents the sum of the tax currently payable and deferred tax.

The tax currently payable is based on taxable profit for the year. Taxable profit defers from the profit as reported in the income statement because it excludes items of income or expense that are taxable or deductible in other years and it further excludes items that are never taxable or deductible.

Current income tax is entered for each individual company based on an estimate of taxable income in compliance with existing legislation and tax rates or as substantially approved at the period closing date in each country, considering applicable exemptions and tax credit.

Deferred tax is the tax expected to be payable or recoverable on differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and the corresponding tax basis used in the computation of taxable profit, and is accounted for using the balance sheet liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognized for all taxable temporary differences and tax assets are recognized to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilized. Such assets and liabilities are not recognized if the temporary difference arises from goodwill or from the initial recognition (other than in a business combination) of other assets and liabilities in a transaction that affects neither the tax profit nor the accounting profit.

Deferred tax liabilities are recognized for taxable temporary differences arising on investments in subsidiaries and associates and interests arising in joint ventures, except where the Group is able to control the reversal of the temporary difference and it is probable that the temporary difference will not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each balance sheet date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable profit will be available to allow all or part of the asset to be recovered.

Deferred tax is calculated at the tax rates that are expected to apply to the period when the liability is settled or the asset realized. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the deferred tax is also dealt with in equity. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Group intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis. In the event of changes to the accounting value of deferred tax assets and liabilities deriving from a change

in the event of changes to the accounting value of deferred tax assets and liabilities deriving from a change in the applicable tax rates and relevant legislation, the resulting deferred tax amount is entered in income statement, unless it refers to debited or credited amounts previously recognized to Shareholders' equity.

#### **DIVIDENDS**

Dividends are entered in the accounting period in which distribution is approved.

#### **EARNINGS PER SHARE**

Basic earnings per share is calculated with reference to the profit for the period of the Group and the weighted average number of shares outstanding during the year. Treasury shares are excluded from this calculation.

Diluted earnings per share is determined by adjusting the basic earnings per share to take account of the theoretical conversion of all potential shares, being all financial instruments that are potentially convertible into ordinary shares, with diluting effect.

#### **NEW STANDARD ADOPTED**

New standards adopted by the Group and related effects are described in the paragraph "New standards, interpretations and amendments adopted since January 1st, 2020". No other changes beyond those described in the above paragraph.

#### **ESTIMANTIONS CHANGES AND RECLASSIFICATIONS**

It should be noted that at the balance sheet date there are no significant estimates related to uncertain future events and other causes of uncertainty that may cause significant adjustments to the values of assets and liabilities within the following year.

It should further be noted that, for a better representation and comparability, in the preparation of the consolidated financial statements the comparative values of the item Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out have been reclassified for the short-term amount in the caption current liabilities.

#### **USE OF ESTIMATIONS**

The preparation of the Financial Statements and relative notes under IFRS requires that management makes estimates and assumptions based also on subjective judgments, past experiences and assumptions considered reasonable and realistic in relation to the information at the time of estimation. These estimates shall affect items reported in the consolidated financial balance sheet and income statement and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. The results of the financial statements may differ, even significantly, from these estimates as a result of possible changes in the factors considered in the determination of these estimates. Estimates are periodically reviewed.

The estimates are mainly referred to:

- goodwill
- equity investments
- trade receivables
- business combinations and due to minority shareholders
- leasing liabilities and RoU assets
- provisions, contingent liabilities and employee funds
- derivative instruments and equity instruments.

Pursuant to IAS 8 (Accounting Standards, changes in accounting estimates and errors) paragraph 10, in the absence of a principle or interpretation applicable specifically to a certain transaction, Management defines, through subjective assessments, the accounting methodologies to be adopted in order to provide a financial statements that faithfully represent the financial position, the economic result and the financial flows of the Group, reflects the economic substance of the operations, is neutral, drafted on a prudential basis and comprehensive in all relevant aspects.

## NEW STANDARDS, INTERPRETATIONS AND AMENDMENTS ADOPTED SINCE JANUARY 1ST, 2020

The Group adopted for the first time certain amendments to the standards, which are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020. The Group has not early adopted any standards, interpretations or amendments that have been issued but not yet effective.

The nature and the impact of each amendment is described below:

#### **IAS 1 AND IAS 8: DEFINITION OF MATERIALITY**

On November 29, 2019, the European Union has published the Regulation no. 2019/2104 which amended to its definition of material in IAS 1, Presentation of Financial Statements and IAS 8, Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates.

#### AMENDEMENTS TO REFERENCES TO THE CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK IN IFRS STANDARD

On November 29, 2019 the European Union has published the Commission Regulation no. 2019/2075 endorsing 'Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards'.

#### **AMENDMENTS TO IFRS 9, IAS 39 AND IFRS 7**

On January 15, 2020 the European Union has published the Commission Regulation no. 2020/34 that issued Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7).

#### **IFRS 3 - BUSINESS COMBINATIONS**

On April 21 2020 the European Commission published the Commission Regulation no. 2020/551 that issued amendments to IFRS 3 - Business Combinations which change the definition of a business.

#### **COVID-19 RELATED RENT CONCESSIONS (AMENDMENT TO IFRS 16)**

On May 28, 2020, the IASB issued an amendment to IFRS 16 - Leases to make it easier for lessees to account for COVID-19 related rent concessions such as rent holidays and temporary rent reductions. The amendment exempts lessees from having to consider individual lease contracts to determine whether rent concessions

occurring as a direct consequence of the COVID-19 pandemic are lease modifications and allows lessees to account for such rent concessions as if they were not lease modifications.

The adoption of these amendments/interpretations had no impact on the Financial Statements ad December 31. 2020.

#### STANDARDS ISSUED BUT NOT YET EFFECTIVE

The standards and interpretations that are issued, but not yet effective, up to the date of issuance of the Group's financial statements are disclosed below. The Group intends to adopt these standards, if applicable, when they become effective:

Amendments to IAS 1 Presentation of Financial Statements: classification of liabilities as current or non-current: on January 23, 2020, the IASB issued Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current (Amendments to IAS 1), which affects the requirements in IAS 1 for the presentation of liabilities, including clarifying one of the criteria for classifying a liability as non-current. More specifically the amendments issued (i) the conditions existing at the end of the period are those to be used to determine whether there is a right to defer the settlement of a liability; (ii) management expectations regarding events after the balance sheet date are not relevant; (iii) clarify situations which are considered to be the settlement of a liability. The IASB deferred the effective date of this amendment to January 1, 2023.

Amendments to IAS 37 "Onerous Contracts - Cost of Fulfilling a Contract": they specify that the cost of fulfilling a contract comprises the costs that relate directly to the contract, including both the incremental costs of fulfilling that contract and an allocation of other costs that relate directly to fulfilling contracts. These amendments are effective retrospectively from January 1, 2022.

Amendments to IAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment: Proceeds before Intended Use": they prohibit deducting from the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment any proceeds from selling items produced before that asset is available for use and clarifying the meaning of "testing whether an asset is functioning properly". These amendments are effective retrospectively from January 1, 2022.

Amendments to IFRS 3 "Reference to the Conceptual Framework": the amendments to IFRS 3 – Business combinations update a reference in IFRS 3 to the Conceptual Framework for Financial Reporting without changing the accounting requirements for business combinations. These amendments are effective on or after January 1, 2022.

#### Annual Improvements to IFRS Standards 2018- 2020 Cycle

On May 14, 2020 the IASB issued the Annual Improvements to IFRS 2018-2020 Cycle. The most important topics addressed in these amendments are: (i) on IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments clarifying which fees an entity includes when it applies the "10 per cent" test in assessing whether to derecognize a financial liability;

and (ii) on IFRS 16 - Leases removing the illustration of the reimbursement of leasehold improvements. These improvements are effective from January 1, 2022.

**IFRS 17 – Insurance Contracts:** on May 18, 2017 the IASB issued IFRS 17 – Insurance Contracts that will replace IFRS 4 – Insurance contracts. The new principle for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts issued as well as guidance relating to reinsurance contracts held and investment contracts with discretionary participation features issued. The new standard and amendments are effective on or after January 1, 2022.

The Group does not expect any significant effects on its consolidated financial statements deriving from the new Standards/Interpretations.

#### **NOTE 3 - RISK MANAGEMENT**

#### **CREDIT RISK**

For business purposes, specific policies are adopted to assure its clients' solvency.

With regards to financial counterparty risk, the Group does not present significant risk in credit-worthiness or solvency.

#### **LIQUIDITY RISK**

The group is exposed to funding risk if there is difficulty in obtaining finance for operations at any given point in time.

The cash flows, funding requirements and liquidity of the Group companies are monitored and centrally managed under the control of the Group Treasury. The aim is to guarantee the efficiency and effectiveness of the management of current and perspective capital resources (maintaining an adequate level of reserves of liquidity and availability of funds via a suitable amount of committed credit lines).

The difficult economic situation of the markets and of financial markets necessitates special attention being given to the management of the liquidity risk, and in that sense particular emphasis is being placed on measures taken to generate financial resources through operations and maintaining an adequate level of liquid assets. The Group therefore plans to meet its requirements to settle financial liabilities as they fall due and to cover expected capital expenditures by using cash flows from operations and available liquidity, renewing or refinancing bank loans.

#### **EXCHANGE RATE AND INTEREST RATE RISK**

The Group entered into most of its financial instruments in Euros, which is its functional and presentation currency. Although it operates in an international environment, it has a limited exposure to fluctuations in the exchange rates.

The exposure to interest rate risk arises from the need to fund operating activities and M&A investments, as well as the necessity to deploy available liquidity. Changes in market interest rates may have the effect of either increasing or decreasing the Group's net profit/(loss), thereby indirectly affecting the costs and returns of financing and investing transactions.

The interest rate risk to which the Group is exposed derives from bank loans; to mitigate such risks, the Group, when necessary, has used derivative financial instruments designated as "cash flow hedges". The use of such instruments is disciplined by written procedures in line with the Group's risk management strategies that do not contemplate derivative financial instruments for trading purposes.

#### **NOTE 4 - CONSOLIDATION**

Companies included in consolidation are consolidated on a line-by-line basis.

Change in consolidation compared to 31 December 2019 are related to:

- Sagepath LLC, a company acquired in the month of August 2020 under American law of which Reply Inc. holds 70% of share capital, specializing in digital transformation with skills in strategy, design and technology;
- Brightknight SA, a company acquired in the month of September 2020 under Belgium law of which Reply Ltd. holds 100% of share capital, specializing in Robotic Process Automation;
- Airwalk Holdings Ltd. and its subsidiaries, companies acquired in the month of November 2020 under English law of which Reply Ltd. holds 100% of share capital, specializing in innovative services based on design and consulting models declined according to the paradigms of Cloud Computing;
- Mansion House Consulting Ltd. and its subsidiaries, companies acquired in the month
  of December 2020 under English law of which Reply Ltd. holds 100% of share capital,
  specializing in digital transformation in the financial field.

Change in the consolidation does not significantly affect the Group's revenues and profits before tax on 31 December 2020 (approximately 1.1% on consolidated revenues and 0.6% on profits before tax). Furthermore, the list of the Reply Group's companies and equity investments, presented as an annex herein, also includes in consolidation with respect to 31 December 2019 Reply Sarl, carried at cost, in which Reply S.p.A. holds 100% of the share capital.

It is to be noted that on 26 June 2020 Reply sold the investment in Lem.

#### **NOTE 5 - REVENUE**

Revenues from sales and services, including changes in work in progress on orders, amounted to 1,250,191 thousand Euros (1,182,528 thousand Euros in 2019).

This item includes consulting services, fixed price projects, assistance and maintenance services and other minor revenues.

The following table shows the percentage breakdown of revenues by geographic area. Moreover, the breakdown reflects the business management of the Group by Top Management and the allocation approximates the localization of services provided:

REGION (*)	2020	2019
Region 1	67.70%	67.20%
Region 2	21.30%	22.70%
Region 3	11.00%	10.00%
IoT Incubator	0.01%	0.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

(\*)

Region 1: ITA, USA, BRA, POL, ROU, CHN (Nanjing)

Region 2: DEU, CHE, CHN (Beijing), HRV

Region 3: GBR, LUX, BEL, NLD, FRA, BLR

Disclosure required by IFRS 8 ("Operating segment") is provided in Note 36 herein.

#### **NOTE 6 - OTHER REVENUES**

Other revenues, amounted to 19,405 thousand Euros (23,159 thousand Euros in 2019), refer to miscellaneous income, non-recurring income, insurance reimbursement and R&D contributions.

#### **NOTE 7 - PURCHASES**

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019	CHANGE
Software licenses for resale	16,364	12,334	4,030
Hardware for resale	1,053	2,707	(1,654)
Other	4,093	6,209	(2,116)
Total	21,510	21,250	260

Purchases of Software licenses and Hardware licenses for resale are recognized net of any change in inventory.

The item Other includes the purchase of fuel for 1,630 thousand Euros and the purchase of consumption material for 878 thousand Euros.

#### **NOTE 8 - PERSONNEL**

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019	CHANGE
Payroll employees	590,176	541,522	48,653
Executive Directors	31,187	36,740	(5,554)
Total	621.362	578.263	43.099

The increase in the cost of employees, amounting to 43,099 thousand Euros, is attributable to the increase in employees.

Detail of personnel by category is provided below:

(NUMBER)	2020	2019	CHANGE
Directors	320	276	44
Managers	1,115	990	125
Staff	7,624	6,891	733
Total	9.059	8.157	902

On 31 December 2020 the Group had 9,059, employees compared with 8,157 at the end of 2019. Change in consolidation brought an increase of 197 employees.

The average number of employees in 2020 was 8,578 marking an increase with respect to 7,915 in the previous year.

Employees comprise mainly electronic engineers and economic, computer science, and business graduates from the best Universities.

#### **NOTE 9 - SERVICES AND OTHER COSTS**

Services and other costs comprised the following:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019	CHANGE
Commercial and technical consulting	250,455	269,559	(19,104)
Travelling and professional training expenses	20,531	44,167	(23,636)
Other services costs	63,239	69,307	(6,068)
Office expenses	13,266	14,869	(1,603)
Lease and rentals	3,852	4,333	(481)
Other	67,892	11,840	56,051
Total	419,235	414,077	5,158

The change in Services and other costs, amounting to 5,158 thousand Euros, is analytically highlighted in the table above.

It is to be noted that the change in the item Other is mainly attributable to an extraordinary accrual that management considered necessary subsequent to the economic effects in relation to COVID-19 with contraentry offsetting working capital items.

The item Other services costs mainly include hosting and cloud services, marketing services, administrative and legal services, telephone and canteen.

Office expenses include services rendered by related parties referred to service contracts for the use of premises, domiciliation and provision of secretarial services for 814 thousand Euros and rent charged by third parties for 1,419 thousand Euros, utility costs for 7,039 thousand Euros, cleaning expenses for 1,965 thousand Euros and maintenance expenses for 730 thousand Euros.

#### **NOTE 10 - AMORTIZATION, DEPRECIATION AND WRITE DOWNS**

Depreciation of tangible assets, calculated on the basis of economic-technical rates determined in relation to the residual useful lives of the assets, resulted in an overall charge as at 31 December 2020 of 10,059 thousand Euros. Details of depreciation are provided in the notes to tangible assets.

Amortization of intangible assets for the year ended 2020 amounted to an overall loss of 5,784 thousand Euros. Details of depreciation are provided in the notes to tangible assets.

Amortization related to RoU assets arising from the adoption of IFRS 16 amounted to 26,598 thousand Euros.

#### NOTE 11 - OTHER OPERATING AND NON-RECURRING INCOME/(EXPENSES)

Other operating and non-recurring net income is related to events and transactions that do not occur in the regular course of business amounted to 4,484 thousand Euros (466 thousand Euros in 2019) and refer to:

- a positive charge of 448 thousand Euros in relation to provisions for risks and charges for contractual, commercial and legal disputes and to provisions made to adjust asset items;
- a positive charge of 4,036 thousand Euros in relation to the fair value adjustment of the liability referred to the deferred consideration for the acquisition of shareholdings in subsidiary companies (Business combination).

#### **NOTE 12 - (LOSS)/GAIN ON INVESTMENTS**

This item amounting to positive 1,240 thousand Euros is related to the fair value adjustments to equity investments in start-up companies made by the Investment company Breed Investments Ltd. and more specifically to:

- positive fair value adjustments for 8,578 thousand Euros;
- impairment of investments in the amount of negative 7,338 thousand Euros.

#### **NOTE 13 - FINANCIAL INCOME/(EXPENSES)**

#### Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019	CHANGE
Financial income	888	533	355
Interest expenses	(1,501)	(1,500)	(1)
Other	(8,103)	(4,301)	(3,801)
Total	(8,717)	(5,268)	(3,448)

Financial gains mainly include interest on bank accounts amounting to 154 thousand Euros and interest on tax refunds amounting to 486 thousand Euros.

Interest expenses mainly include expenses related to loans for M&A operations.

#### The item Other includes:

- the interest expenses arising from the adoption of the new International Accounting Standard IFRS 16 for 2,976 thousand Euros (2,231 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019);
- the Exchange rate differences from the translation of balance sheet items not stated in Euros resulted in a net loss of 161 thousand Euros (positive 192 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019);
- the changes in fair value of financial liabilities pursuant to IFRS 9 recorded a net loss of 4,096 thousand Euros (negative 2,285 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019);
- the net changes in fair value of Convertible Loans including capitalized interest amounting to negative 469 thousand Euros (positive 54 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019).

#### **NOTE 14 - INCOME TAXES**

Income taxes for the financial year ended 2020 amounted to 37,848 thousand Euros and are detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019	CHANGE
IRES and other taxes	60,656	43,028	17,628
IRAP (Italy)	7,876	6,968	908
Current taxes	68,532	49,996	18,536
Deferred tax expenses	(7,277)	2,184	(9,461)
Deferred tax income	(20,459)	(7,200)	(13,259)
Deferred taxes	(27,736)	(5,016)	(22,721)
Corporate tax - previous years	(2,947)	(151)	(2,797)
Total income taxes	37,848	44,829	(6,981)

The tax burden on the result before taxes was equivalent to 23.4% (27.8% in the financial year of 2019).

The reconciliation between the tax charges recorded in the consolidated financial statements and the theoretical tax charge, calculated on the basis of the theoretical tax rate in effect in Italy, is the following:

Profit/(loss) before taxes from continuing operations	162,054	
Theoretical income taxes	38,893	24.0%
Effect of fiscal permanent differences	(9,027)	
Effect of difference between foreign tax rates and the theoretical Italian tax rate	1,503	
Other differences	(1,397)	
Current and deferred income tax recognized in the financial statement excluding IRAP	29,972	18.5%
IRAP current and deferred	7,876	4.9%
Current and deferred income recognized in the financial statements	37,848	23.4%

In order to render the reconciliation between income taxes recognized in the financial statements and theoretical income taxes more meaningful, IRAP tax is not taken into consideration since it has a taxable basis that is different from the result before tax of continuing operations. Theoretical income taxes are therefore calculated by applying only the tax rate in effect in Italy ("IRES"), equal to 24.0%, on the result before tax of continuing operations.

# **NOTE 15 - EARNINGS PER SHARE**

The basic and diluted earnings per share as at 31 December 2020 was calculated on the basis of the Group's net result amounting to 123,598 thousand Euros (113,858 thousand Euros as at 31 December 2019) divided by the weighted average number of shares, net of treasury shares, as at 31 December 2020 which amounted to 37,407,400 (37,407,400 as at 31 December 2019).

(EUROS)	2020	2019
Group net result	123,598,000	113,858,000
Average no. shares	37,407,400	37,407,400
Earnings per share	3.30	3.04

The basic earnings per share is the same of diluted earnings per share because there aren't financial instruments potentially convertible in shares (stock options).

# **NOTE 16 - OTHER INFORMATION**

Disclosure on the transparency of public disbursements required by Article 1, paragraph 125 of Law 124/2017 Pursuant to Article 1, paragraph 125 of Law 124/2017, the Group has received the following public contributions from Italian entities in 2020:

Amounts collected for services rendered

ENTITY	AMOUNT
Azienda regionale per l'innovazione e gli acquisti	12,660
Ente pubblico	7,512
Previdenza sociale	1,453
Agenzia delle entrate-riscossione	1,164
Ministries	1,036
Ente pubblico nazionale di ricerca	945
Foundations	928
Azienda socio sanitaria territoriale	890
Banks	849
Universities	713
Azienda zero	539
Agenzia di tutela della salute regionale	486
Anas s.p.a.	323
Regioni e province	261
Azienda ulss	189
Agenzia trasporto pubblico	149
Agenzia regionale strategica per lo sviluppo ecosostenibile del territorio	65
Agenzia regionale per la protezione dell'ambiente	56
Municipals	46
Arpa-agenzia regionale protezione ambiente	41
Azienda ospedaliero-universitaria	33
Azienda per il trasporto pubblico locale	10
Anpal - agenzia nazionale per le politiche attive del lavoro	5
Total	30,353

## **CONTRIBUTIONS**

ENTITY	AMOUNT
Commission europeenne	1,034
EIT Digital Italy	517
ESA	124
MIUR	449
Programma Operativo Nazionale	659
Regione Piemonte	247
Total	3,031

The beneficiary companies are: Reply S.p.A., Consorzio Reply Public Sector, Santer Reply S.p.A., Eos Reply S.r.I., Storm Reply S.r.I., Tamtamy Reply S.r.I., Discovery S.r.I., Xister S.r.I., Cluster Reply S.r.I., Forge Reply S.r.I., Go Reply S.r.I., Technology Reply S.r.I. and Whitehall Reply S.r.I. For further details, please refer to the individual company's 2020 annual report.

# **NOTE 17 - TANGIBLE ASSETS**

Tangible assets as at 31 December 2020 amounted to 51,782 thousand Euros and are detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Buildings	22,070	20,878	1,192
Plant and machinery	6,219	5,152	1,067
Hardware	6,470	6,403	68
Other	17,022	15,865	1,158
Total	51,782	48,298	3,485

Change in tangible assets during 2020 is summarized below:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	BUILDINGS	PLANT AND MACHINERY	HARDWARE	OTHER	TOTAL
Historical cost	23,733	13,944	41,187	36,775	115,640
Accumulated depreciation	(2,855)	(8,792)	(34,784)	(20,911)	(67,342)
31/12/2019	20,878	5,152	6,403	15,865	48,298
Historical cost					
Increases	1,457	2,987	4,263	5,014	13,722
Disposal	-	(397)	(1,174)	(381)	(1,952)
Change in consolidation	6	(5)	342	930	1,273
Other changes	25	(4)	(182)	(912)	(1,073)
Accumulated depreciation					
Depreciations	(259)	(1,725)	(4,309)	(3,767)	(10,059)
Utilized	-	164	1.107	256	1,528
Change in consolidation	(1)	5	(60)	(347)	(404)
Other changes	(37)	41	81	363	449
Historical cost	25,222	16,526	44,436	41,427	127,610
Accumulated depreciation	(3,152)	(10,307)	(37,965)	(24,405)	(75,828)
31/12/2020	22,070	6,219	6,470	17,022	51,782

During the financial year the Group carried out total investments 13,722 thousand Euros (13,614 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019).

The item Buildings mainly includes:

- the net value of a building owned by the group amounting to 5,034 thousand Euros located in Guetersloh, Germany. In 2020 the Group has invested approximately 218 thousand Euros to extend the office spaces.
- the real estate complex located in Turin and called "ex Caserma De Sonnaz" in the amount of 16,582 thousand Euros, that after proper innovation will be used to host the offices of the Group.

Increase in the item Plant and machinery mainly refers to purchases of general devices and to plant systems for the offices in which the Group operates.

Change in the item Hardware is due to investments made by companies included in Region 1 for 1,997 thousand Euros, 1,822 thousand Euros for purchases made by the companies included in Region 2 and 444 thousand Euros for purchases made by the companies included in Region 3.

The item Other as at 31 December 2020 mainly includes improvements to third party assets and office furniture. The increase of 5,014 thousand Euros mainly refers to the purchase of office furniture for 2,016 thousand Euros and to improvements made to the offices where the Group's companies operate for 2,023 thousand Euros.

Other changes mainly refer to translation differences.

As at 31 December 2020 tangible assets were depreciated by 59.4% of their value, compared to 58.2% at the end of 2019.

## **NOTE 18 - GOODWILL**

This item includes goodwill arising from consolidation of subsidiaries purchased against payment made by some Group companies.

Goodwill in 2020 developed as follows:

## (THOUSAND EUROS)

Paginning halance	267.542
Beginning balance	201,542
Increases	73,395
Other changes	(3,395)
Impairment	-
Total	337,542
Exchange rate differences	(6,793)
Ending balance	330,749

Increase in Goodwill compared to 31 December 2019 owes to:

- the acquisition of Sagepath LLC, a company incorporated under American law of which Reply Inc. holds 70% of share capital specializing in digital transformation with skills in strategy, design and technology;
- the acquisition of Airwalk Holdings Ltd. and its subsidiaries, companies incorporated by Reply Ltd., specializing in innovative services based on design and consulting models declined according to the paradigms of Cloud Computing;
- the acquisition of Mansion House Consulting Ltd. and its subsidiaries, companies incorporated by Reply Ltd., specializing in digital transformation in the financial field.

The Other Changes refer to the allocation of part of goodwill to intangible assets following the completion of Blowfish PPA procedure.

The fair value allocation of assets and liabilities related to Blowfish Group was completed in 2020 with the substantial confirmation of the originally defined values, identifying as a difference only the value of the customer list acquired amounting to 3,395 thousand Euros.

The following table summarizes the calculation of goodwill and the aggregate book value of the companies as at the acquisition date.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	MANSION HOUSE CONSULTING LTD	AIRWALK HOLDINGS LTD.	SAGEPATH LLC	BRIGHTKNIGHT SA	FAIR VALUE (*)
Tangible and intangible assets	14	139	3,193	11	3,358
Trade receivables and other current assets	6,424	3,335	2,811	98	12,667
Cash and cash equivalents	6,585	5,339	1,076	354	13,354
Financial liabilities, net	-	-	(3,423)	-	(3,423)
Trade payables and other current liabilities	(7,275)	(3,361)	(1,386)	(348)	(12,371)
Net assets acquires	5,748	5,451	2,270	116	13,585
Transaction value	27,154	32,000	35,057	551	94,762
Difference allocated to other intangible assets	-	-	7,782	-	7,782
Goodwill	21,405	26,549	25,006	435	73,395

(\*) book value is equal to fair value

The above situation is to be considered final for Sagepath LLC whereas for Airwalk Holdings Ltd., Brightknight SA and Mansion House Consulting Ltd. the allocation of goodwill is temporary, the process will be completed within the limits of 12 months.

Goodwill was allocated to the cash generating units ("CGU"), identified in the Region in which the Group operates. Moreover, the breakdown reflects the business management of the Group by Top Management and is summarized as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	AT 31/12/2019		OTHER CHANGES	TRANSLATION DIFFERENCES	AT 31/12/2020
Region 1	90,737	25,006	-	(3,594)	112,149
Region 2	108,885	-	-	-	108,885
Region 3	67,919	48,389	(3,395)	(3,199)	109,714
Total	267,542	73,395	(3,395)	(6,793)	330,749

Reply has adopted a structured and periodic planning and budgeting system aimed at defining objectives and business strategies in order to draft the annual budget.

The impairment model adopted by the Reply Group is based on future cash flows calculated using the Discounted cash flow analysis.

In applying this model, Management uses different assumptions, which are applied to the single CGU over two years of extrapolation subsequent to the annual budget, in order to estimate:

- increase in revenues,
- increase in operating costs,
- investments,
- change in net capital.

The recoverable value of the CGU, to which the single goodwill is referred, is determined as the highest between the fair value less any selling costs (net selling price) and the present value of the estimated future cash flows expected from the continuous use of the good (value in use). If the recoverable value is higher than the carrying amount of the CGU there is no impairment of the asset; in the contrary case, the model indicates a difference between the carrying amount and the recoverable value as the effect of impairment.

The following assumptions were used in calculating the recoverable value of the Cash Generating Units:

ASSUMPTION	REGION 1	REGION 2	REGION 3
Terminal value growth rates:	1%	1%	1%
Discount rate, net of taxes:	6.20%	4.34%	5.67%
Discount rate, before taxes:	8.20%	6.20%	6.99%
Multiple of EBIT	11.3	11.3	11.3

As to all CGUs subject to the impairment tests at 31 December 2020 no indications emerged that such businesses may have been subject to impairment.

On 31 December 2020 the positive difference between the headroom estimated and the book value of the net invested capital inclusive of the goodwill initially recognized, is equal to 512.9% for Region 1, 278.6% for Region 2 and 87.3% for Region 3.

Reply has also developed a sensitivity analysis of the estimated recoverable value. The Group considers that the growth rate of revenues and the discount rate are key indicators in estimating the fair value and has therefore determined that:

- a decrease of up to 30% of the revenue growth;
- an increase of 100 basis points in the discount rate.

This analysis would not lead to an excess of the carrying value of the CGU compared to its recoverable value, which tends to be significantly higher.

Finally, it is appropriate to note that the estimates and budget data to which the above mentioned parameters have been applied are those determined by management on the basis of past performance and expectations of developments in the markets in which the Group operates, also pursuant to CONSOB and ESMA recommendations, significant attention has been placed on the planning process to account for the possible impacts deriving from the ongoing pandemic, and to the sensitivity analysis of the recoverable value, which is always significantly higher despite a 50% increase in key parameters (reduction of turnover and discount rate). Moreover, estimating the recoverable amount of the Cash-Generating Units requires discretion and the use of estimates by Management. The Group cannot guarantee that there will be no goodwill impairment in future periods. Circumstances and events which could potentially cause further impairment losses are constantly monitored by Reply management. In this regard, it is to be noted that COVID-19 events have been analysed in the section of subsequent events and in the report on operations.

# **NOTE 19 - OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

Net intangible assets as at 2020 amounted to 25,758 thousand Euros (13,676 thousand Euros on 31 December 2019) and are detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Development costs	2,259	3,191	(932)
Software	5,704	5,303	401
Trademark	537	537	-
Other intangible assets	17,259	4,646	12,613
Total	25,758	13,676	12,082

Change in intangible assets during 2020 is summarized in the table below:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	DEVELOPMENT COSTS	SOFTWARE	TRADEMARK	OTHER INTANGIBLE ASSETS	TOTAL
Historical cost	29,663	27,880	537	8,312	66,391
Cumulative amortization	(26,471)	(22,576)	-	(3,667)	(52,714)
31/12/2019	3,191	5,303	537	4,646	13,676
Historical cost					
Increases	970	2,443	-	14,813	18,226
Disposals	-	(427)	-	17	(411)
Change in consolidation	24	6	-	(8)	22
Other changes	-	(174)	-	(455)	(629)
Cumulative amortization					
Amortization	(1,920)	(1,835)	-	(2,028)	(5,784)
Utilized	18	397	-	-	415
Change in consolidation	(24)	(3)	-	-	(27)
Other changes	-	(6)	-	275	269
Historical cost	30,656	29,727	537	22,678	83,599
Cumulative amortization	(28,398)	(24,023)	-	(5,420)	(57,840)
31/12/2020	2,259	5,704	537	17,259	25,758

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Development costs refer to software products and are accounted for in accordance with provisions of IAS 38. The item Software mainly refers to software licenses purchased and used internally by the Group companies. This item includes 1,659 thousand Euros related to software development for internal use in 2020.

The item Trademark mainly refers to the value of the "Reply" trademark granted on 9 June 2000 to the Parent Company Reply S.p.A. (at the time Reply Europe Sàrl), in connection with the share capital increase that was resolved and subscribed to by the Parent Company. Such amount is not subject to systematic amortization and the expected future cash flows are deemed adequate.

The item Other intangible assets is related to the consolidation difference (Purchase price allocation) following several Business combinations related to previous years.

The increase refers to the allocation of the consolidation difference, within one year from acquisitions, to intangible assets, described in Note 18.

# **NOTE 20 - ROU ASSETS**

The application of the IFRS 16 accounting standard, in use since 1 January 2019, resulted in the accounting of the book value of the right-of-use asset ("RoU Asset") that is equal to the book value of the liabilities for leasing on the date of first application, net of any accrued income/costs or deferred revenue/expenses related to the lease. The table below shows the RoU Assets divided by category:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2019	NET CHANGES	AMORTIZATION	EXCHANGE DIFFERENCE	31/12/2020
Buildings	80,861	67,131	(20,765)	52	127,279
Vehicles	9,535	5,493	(5,641)	(2)	9,385
Office equipment	173	1,004	(192)	(4)	981
Total	90,569	73,628	(26,598)	46	137,645

The net changes mainly refer to the signing of new financial leasing agreements, resulting in an increase in the value of the right of use, the redetermination of certain liabilities, increases in rents and the renegotiation of existing contracts.

## **NOTE 21 - EQUITY INVESTMENTS**

The item Equity investments amounts to 56,421 thousand Euros and includes for 12 thousand Euros subsidiary companies that were not consolidated as they were not operational at the closing date and for 56,409 thousand Euros investments in start-up companies principally in the IoT field made by the Investment company Breed Investments Ltd.

Note that the investments in equity investments mainly held through an Investment Entity are designated at fair value and accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments: Recognition and Measurement" Through Profit & Loss. The fair value is determined using the International Private Equity and Venture Capital valuation guideline (IPEV) and any change therein is recognized in profit (loss) in the period in which they occurred.

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	VALUE AT 31/12/2019	FOLLOW-ON INVESTMENTS	NET FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES	VALUE AT 31/12/2020
Investments	56,992	587	1,240	(2,409)	56,409

# **FOLLOW-ON INVESTMENTS**

The increase is related to follow-on investments existing at December 31, 2019.

# **NET FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS**

The net fair value adjustment amounting to 1,240 thousand Euros reflects the market values of the last rounds that took place in 2020 on investments already in portfolio.

All fair value assessments shall be part of the hierarchy level 3.

# **NOTE 22 - FINANCIAL ASSETS**

Current and non-current financial assets amounted to a total of 11,685 thousand Euros with compared to 9,233 thousand Euros as at 31 December 2019.

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Short term securities	1,815	1,666	149
Loans to third parties	293	-	293
Current financial assets	2,108	1,666	442
Receivables from insurance companies	3,144	3,183	(39)
Guarantee deposits	1,099	1,189	(90)
Other financial assets	1,848	1,251	597
Convertible loans	3,486	1,944	1,542
Non-current financial assets	9,577	7,567	2,010
Total	11,685	9,233	2,452

The item Receivables from insurance companies mainly refers to the insurance premiums paid against pension plans of some German companies and to directors' severance indemnities.

Convertible loans relate to the option to convert into shares of the following start-up company in the field of IoT, detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	VALUE AT 31/12/2019	INCREASES	CAPITALIZED INTERESTS	NET FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES	VALUE AT 31/12/2020
Convertible loans	1,944	1,926	183	(469)	(98)	3,486

The item Increases is referred to new investments in convertible loans during the year.

Short term securities mainly refer to Time Deposit investments.

Note that the items Receivables from insurance companies, Convertible loans, guarantee deposits and Other financial assets are not shown in the Net financial position.

Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December 2020 are detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Bank accounts	333,765	240,901	92,864
Cash	54	42	12
Total	333,819	240,943	92,876

Cash and cash equivalents is disclosed at Note 27.

# **NOTE 23 - DEFERRED TAX ASSETS**

Deferred tax assets, amounting to 52,921 thousand Euros, of which 15,010 thousand Euros are current, as at 31 December 2020 (33,527 thousand Euros as at 31 December 2019), include the fiscal charge corresponding to the temporary differences originating among the anti-tax result and taxable income relating to entries with deferred deductibility.

Detail of Deferred tax assets is provided at the table below:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2019	ACCRUALS	UTILIZATION	OTHER CHANGES	31/12/2020
Prepaid tax on costs that will become deductible in future years	7,464	2,283	(1,222)	-	8,525
Prepaid tax on greater provisions for doubtful accounts	11,051	15,014	(2,961)	-	23,103
Deferred fiscal deductibility of amortization	1,941	350	(239)	-	2,053
Consolidation adjustments and other items	13,070	7,741	(1,307)	(264)	19,240
Total	33,527	25,388	(5,730)	(264)	52,921

The decision to recognize deferred tax assets is taken by assessing critically whether the conditions exist for the future recoverability of such assets on the basis of expected future results.

There are no deferred tax assets on losses carried forward.

# **NOTE 24 - WORK IN PROGRESS**

Contract work in progress, amounting to 79,784 thousand Euros, is recognized net of a provision amounting to 23,848 detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Contract work in progress	121,551	136,808	(15,257)
Advance payments from customers	(41,767)	(61,480)	19,713
Total	79,784	75,328	4,455

Any advance payments from customers are deducted from the value of the inventories, within the limits of the accrued consideration; the exceeding amounts are accounted as liabilities.

# **NOTE 25 - TRADE RECEIVABLES**

Trade receivables as at 31 December 2020 amounted to 344,700 thousand Euros with a net decrease of 87,540 thousand Euros.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Domestic clients	236,140	320,712	(84,572)
Foreign trade receivables	113,382	119,006	(5,624)
Credit notes to be issued	(11)	(3,598)	3,587
Total	349,510	436,120	(86,610)
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(4,811)	(3,880)	(931)
Total trade receivables	344,700	432,240	(87,540)

Trade receivables are shown net of allowances for doubtful accounts, calculated by using the expected credit loss approach pursuant to IFRS 9, amounting to 4,811 thousand Euros on 31 December 2020 (3,880 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019), and of allowances for COVID (57,435 thousand Euros at 31 December 2020). This latter represents managements best estimate of the effects of the ongoing pandemic on the recoverability of the credit portfolio at the closing date, and has been established using the latest available sectoral research.

The Allowance for doubtful accounts developed in 2020 as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2019	ACCRUALS	UTILIZATION	REVERSAL	31/12/2020
Allowance for doubtful accounts	3,880	1,938	(356)	(652)	4,811

Over-due trade receivables and the corresponding allowance for doubtful accounts, compared to 2019, are summarized in the tables below:

# **AGING AT 31/12/2020**

(THOUSAND EUROS)	TRADE RECEIVABLES	CURRENT	0 - 90 DAYS	91 - 180 DAYS	181 - 360 DAYS	OVER 360 DAYS	TOTAL OVERDUE
Trade receivables	349,510	288,433	46,058	8,605	3,014	3,401	61,078
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(4,811)	(530)	(664)	(327)	(925)	(2,365)	(4,281)
Total trade receivables	344,700	287,903	45,394	8,278	2,089	1,036	56,797

# **AGING AT 31/12/2019**

(THOUSAND EUROS)	TRADE RECEIVABLES	CURRENT	0 - 90 DAYS	91 - 180 DAYS	181 - 360 DAYS	OVER 360 DAYS	TOTAL OVERDUE
Trade receivables	436,120	354,390	65,442	10,752	2,694	2,841	81,730
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(3,880)	(1,022)	(709)	(251)	(549)	(1,349)	(2,858)
Total trade receivables	432,240	353,368	64,733	10,502	2,145	1,492	78,871

The carrying amount of Trade receivables is in line with its fair value.

Trade receivables are all collectible within one year.

# **NOTE 26 - OTHER RECEIVABLES AND CURRENT ASSETS**

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Tax receivables	44,925	10,297	34,628
Advances to employees	78	143	(65)
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	17,551	15,912	1,639
Other receivables	18,752	13,213	5,539
Total	81,306	39,566	41,741

The item Tax receivables mainly includes:

- credits to the Treasury for VAT amounting to 38,571 thousand Euros (4,453 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019);
- income tax prepayments net of the allocated liability amounting to 2,522 thousand Euros (1,600 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019);
- receivables for withholding tax amounting to 1,544 thousand Euros (857 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019).

The change compared to the previous year, mainly attributable to the VAT balance, is a temporary phenomenon due to the dynamics of receiving and posting invoices in the last month of the fiscal year.

The item Other receivables mainly includes the contributions receivable in relation to research projects for 5,232 thousand Euros (6,355 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019) and an advance payment amounting to 9,512 thousand Euros, in relation to the deferred consideration for the purchase of the last tranche of the company's share capital.

# **NOTE 27 - CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS**

The balance of 333,819 thousand Euros, with an increase of 92,876 thousand Euros compared with 31 December 2019, represents cash and cash equivalents as at the end of the year.

Changes in cash and cash equivalents are fully detailed in the Consolidated statement of cash flow.

# **NOTE 28 - SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**

## **SHARE CAPITAL**

On 31 December 2020 the company capital of Reply S.p.A, wholly undersigned and paid up, was amounting to 4,863,486 Euros and is composed of n. 37,411,428 ordinary shares with nominal value of 0.13 Euros each. The number of shares in circulation as at 31 December 2020 totalled 37,407,400 unchanged compared to year-ended 2019.

## **TREASURY SHARES**

The value of the Treasury shares, amounting to 25 thousand Euros, refers to the shares of Reply S.p.A. held by the parent company, that at 31 December 2020 were equal to n. 4,028, unchanged compared to year-ended 2019.

## **CAPITAL RESERVES**

On 31 December 2020 Capital reserves, amounting to 199,533 thousand Euros, were mainly comprised as follows:

- Treasury share reserve amounting to 25 thousand Euros, relating to the shares of Reply S.p.A held by the Parent Company;
- Reserve for the purchase of treasury shares amounting to 199,976 thousand Euros, formed via initial withdrawal from the share premium reserve. By means of a resolution of the Shareholders' Meeting of 21 April 2020 Reply S.p.A. re-authorized it, in accordance with and for the purposes of Article 2357 of the Italian Civil Code, the purchase of a maximum of 200 million Euros of ordinary shares, corresponding to 20% of the share capital, in a lump sum solution or in several solutions within 18 months of the resolution.

#### **EARNING RESERVES**

Earnings reserves amounted to 498,899 thousand Euros and were comprised as follows:

- Reply S.p.A.'s Legal reserve amounted to 973 thousand Euros;
- Retained earnings amounted to 374,329 thousand Euros (retained earnings amounted to 355,397 thousand Euros on 31 December 2019);
- Profits/ attributable to shareholders of the Parent Company amounted to 123,598 thousand Euros (113,858 thousand Euros as on 31 December 2019).

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## OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

Other comprehensive income can be analysed as follows:

(THOUSANDS EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019
Other comprehensive income that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss, net of tax:		
Actuarial gains/(losses) from employee benefit plan	(887)	(3,043)
Total Other comprehensive income that will not be classified subsequently to profit or loss, net of tax (B1):	(887)	(3,043)
Other comprehensive income that may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:		
Gains/(losses) on cash flow hedges	1,089	(1,157)
Gains/(losses) from the translation of assets in foreign currencies	(14,254)	4,347
Total Other comprehensive income that may be classified subsequently to profit or loss, net of tax (B2):	(13,165)	3,190
Total other comprehensive income, net of tax (B) = (B1) + (B2):	(14,052)	147

# NOTE 29 - DUE TO MINORITY SHAREHOLDERS AND EARN-OUT

Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out owed on 31 December 2020 amount to 71,381 thousand Euros (51,468 thousand Euros on 31 December 2019), of which 18,370 thousand Euros are current.

This item refers to the variable consideration defined in the business combination. The distinction between Payables to Minority Shareholders and Earn-Out stems solely from whether or not there is any legal minority interest related to the initial transition.

Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2019	INCREASES	FAIR VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	PAYMENTS	EXCHANGE DIFFERENCES	31/12/2020
Payables to minority shareholders	20,025	10,219	4,483	(6,381)	(1,376)	26,969
Payables for earn-out	31,443	27,683	(7,448)	(6,692)	(573)	44,413
Total due to minority	51,468	37,902	(2,966)	(13,073)	(1,949)	71,381

The increase in this item amounting to 37,902 thousand Euros reflects the best estimate of future considerations for earn-outs in relation to the original contracts signed. In particular:

- in the month of August 2020 Reply Inc. acquired Sagepath Inc., of which holds 70% of share capital, specializing in Digital Transformation, Ecommerce and Digital Customer Experience and provides services to enterprise-class to blue-chip companies (Coca-Cola, Doosan, Georgia-Pacific, Hunter Fan, Krispy Kreme, MarineMax, NAPA AUTO PARTS);
- in the month of November 2020 Reply Ltd. acquired Airwalk Holdings Ltd. and its subsidiaries, of which holds 100% of share capital, specializing in innovative services based on design and consulting models declined according to the paradigms of Cloud Computing;
- in the month of December 2020 Reply Ltd. acquired Mansion Consulting Ltd. and its subsidiaries, of which holds 100% of share capital, specializing in supporting clients in digital transformation in the financial field.

The item Fair value adjustments in 2020 amounted to 2,966 thousand Euros with a balancing entry in Profit and loss, reflects the best estimate in relation to the deferred consideration originally posted at the time of acquisition.

Total payments made amounted to 13,073 thousand Euros and refer to the consideration paid in relation to the original contracts signed at the time of acquisition.

Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out are not included in the net financial position.

# **NOTE 30 - FINANCIAL LIABILITIES**

Detail is as follows:

		31/12/2020			31/12/2019	
(THOUSAND EUROS)	CURRENT	NON-CURRENT	TOTAL	CURRENT	NON-CURRENT	TOTAL
Bank overdrafts	1,320	-	1,320	1,372	-	1,372
Bank loans	10,815	19,735	30,550	16,648	25,846	42,494
Total due to banks	12,135	19,735	31,870	18,020	25,846	43,866
Other financial borrowings	1,495	651	2,146	537	1,011	1,548
IFRS 16 financial liabilities	24,453	118,796	143,250	20,454	71,710	92,164
Total financial liabilities	38,083	139,183	177,266	39,011	98,567	137,578

The following illustrates the distribution of financial liabilities by due date:

		3	1/12/2020			3	31/12/2019	
(THOUSAND EUROS)	DUE IN 12 MONTHS	FROM 1 TO 5 YEARS	OVER 5 YEARS	TOTAL	DUE IN 12 MONTHS	FROM 1 TO 5 YEARS	OVER 5 YEARS	TOTAL
Bank overdrafts	1,320	-	-	1,320	1,372		-	1,372
M&A loans	9,071	500	-	9,571	13,429	8,571	-	22,000
Mortgage loans	1,709	6,836	8,729	17,274	321	6,834	10,440	17,595
Other financial borrowings	1,495	651	-	2,146	537	1,011	-	1,548
IFRS 16 financial liabilities	24,453	81,120	37,677	143,250	20,454	48,485	23,225	92,164
Derivative financial instru- ments	35	734	2,936	3,705	2,899	-	-	2,899
Total	38,083	127,518	11,665	177,266	39,011	64,902	33,665	137,578

M&A financing refers to credit lines to be used for acquisition operations carried directly by Reply S.p.A. or via companies controlled directly or indirectly by the same.

Summarized below are the existing contracts entered into for such a purpose:

- On 31 March 2015 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. for a total amount of 30,000 thousand Euros detailed as follows:
  - > Tranche A, amounting to 10,000 thousand Euros, entirely used for the reimbursement of the credit line dated 13 November 2013. The loan is reimbursed on a half-year basis deferred to commence on 30 September 2015. Such credit line is entirely reimbursed at 31 December 2020.
  - > Tranche B, amounting to 20,000 thousand Euros, to be used by 30 December 2016. The loan is reimbursed on a half-year basis deferred to commence on 31 March 2017. Such credit line is entirely reimbursed at 31 December 2020.
- On 30 September 2015 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Unicredit S.p.A. for a total amount of 25,000 thousand Euros to be used by 30 September 2018. On 17 February 2017 a reduction of the credit line to 1,500 thousand Euros was agreed and completely utilized, the loan will be reimbursed on a half year basis deferred to commence on 31 March 2019 and will expire on 30 November 2021. Such credit line was used for 500 thousand Euros at 31 December 2020.

- On 28 July 2016 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. for a total amount of 49,000 thousand Euros to be used by 30 June 2018. The loan will be reimbursed on a half basis deferred to commence on 30 September 2018 and will expire on 30 September 2021. Such credit line was used for 8,571 thousand Euros at 31 December 2020.
- On 17 February 2017 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Unicredit S.p.A. for a total amount of 50,000 thousand Euros to be used by 28 February 2020. As at December 31, 2020 this line had not been used and has been expired on 28 February 2020.
- On 29 October 2019 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. for a total amount of 50,000 thousand Euros to be used by 30 June 2021. The loan will be reimbursed on a half basis deferred to commence on 30 September 2021 and will expire on 30 September 2024. As at December 31, 2020 this line had not been used.
- On 8 May 2020 Reply S.p.A. entered into a line of credit with Unicredit S.p.A. for a total amount of 50,000 thousand Euros to be used by 27 May 2022. As at 31 December 2020 this line had been used for 500 thousand Euros.

Interest rates are also applied according to certain predetermined ratios (Covenants) of economic and financial nature calculated on the consolidated financial statements as at 31 December of each year and/or the consolidated interim report.

As contractually defined, such ratios are as follows:

- Net financial indebtedness/Equity
- Net financial indebtedness/EBITDA

At 31 December 2020 the Covenants under the various contracts were satisfied.

The item Mortgages refers to financing granted to Tool Reply GmbH in 2018 by Commerzbank for a total of 2,500 thousand Euros to be used by 30 June 2028. The loan is reimbursed on a quarter-year basis (at 0.99%).

It should also be noted that on 24 May 2018 Reply S.p.A. undersigned with Unicredit S.p.A. a mortgage loan secured by guarantee for the purchase and renovation of the property De Sonnaz for a total amount of 40,000 thousand Euros and for a maximum duration of 156 months (13 years). The mortgage is disbursed in relation to the progress of the work and within the maximum period of 36 months commencing June 1, 2018. Such credit line was used for 15,300 thousand Euros at 31 December 2020.

The item IFRS 16 financial liabilities is related to the financial lease liabilities at 31 December 2020 related to the adoption of the new Accounting Standard IFRS 16.

The item Derivative financial instruments refers to several loans established with primary financial institutions (Intesa Sanpaolo S.p.A. and Unicredit S.p.A.) to hedge changes in floating interest rates on loans and/or mortgages; the total underlying notional amounts to 60,500 thousand Euros. The effective component of the instrument is stated in the Statement of changes in net equity whereas the ineffective portion of the Derivative instrument is recorded at the income statement.

The carrying amount of Financial liabilities is deemed to be in line with its fair value.

For further details related to the risk management policies please see Note 37.

## **NET FINANCIAL POSITION**

In compliance with Consob regulation issued on 28 July 2006 and in accordance with CESR's Recommendations for the consistent implementation of the European's regulation on Prospectuses issued on 10 February 2005, the Net financial position of the Reply Group at 31 December 2020.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Cash and cash equivalents	333,819	240,943	92,876
Current financial assets	2,108	1,666	442
Total financial assets	335,927	242,609	93,318
ST financial liabilities	(13,629)	(18,557)	4,928
Current IFRS 16 financial liabilities	(24,453)	(20,454)	(3,999)
Non-current financial liabilities	(20,387)	(26,857)	6,470
Non-current IFRS 16 financial liabilities	(118,796)	(71,710)	(47,086)
Total financial liabilities	(177,266)	(137,578)	(39,687)
Total net financial position	158,661	105,031	53,630

For further details with regards to the above table see Note 27 as well as Note 30.

Pursuant to the aforementioned recommendations long term financial assets are not included on the net financial position.

As previously mentioned in Note 29, Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out are not included in the net financial position.

Change in financial liabilities during 2020 is summarized below:

## (THOUSAND EUROS)

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Total financial liabilities 2019	137,578
Bank overdrafts	(1,372)
IRS	(2,899)
Non-current financial liabilities 2019	133,307
IFRS 16 financial liabilities	51,085
Cash flows	(12,152)
Total non-current financial liabilities 2020	172,240
Bank overdrafts	1,320
IRS	3,706
Total financial liabilities 2020	177,266

# **NOTE 31 - EMPLOYEE BENEFITS**

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Employee severance indemnities	32,607	29,385	3,221
Employee pension funds	11,961	12,385	(424)
Directors severance indemnities	1,528	1,569	(41)
Other	16	16	-
Total	46,112	43,355	2,757

## **EMPLOYEE SEVERANCE INDEMNITIES**

The Employee severance indemnity represents the obligation to employees under Italian law (amended by Law 296/06) that has accrued up to 31 December 2006 and that will be settled when the employee leaves the company. In certain circumstances, a portion of the accrued liability may be given to an employee during his working life as an advance. This is an unfunded defined benefit plan, under which the benefits are almost fully accrued, with the sole exception of future revaluations.

The procedure for the determination of the Company's obligation with respect to employees was carried out by an independent actuary according to the following stages:

Projection of the Employee severance indemnity already accrued at the assessment date
and of the portions that will be accrued until when the work relationship is terminated or
when the accrued amounts are partially paid as an advance on the Employee severance
indemnities:

- Discounting, at the valuation date, of the expected cash flows that the company will pay in the future to its own employees;
- Re-proportioning of the discounted performances based on the seniority accrued at
  the valuation date with respect to the expected seniority at the time the company must
  fulfil its obligations. In order to allow for the changes introduced by Law 296/06, the
  re-proportioning was only carried out for employees of companies with fewer than 50
  employees that do not pay Employee severance indemnities into supplementary pension
  schemes.

Reassessment of Employee severance indemnities in accordance with IAS 19 was carried out "ad personam" and on the existing employees, that is analytical calculations were made on each employee in force in the company at the assessment date without considering future work force.

The actuarial valuation model is based on the so called technical bases which represent the demographic, economic and financial assumptions underlying the parameters included in the calculation.

The assumptions adopted can be summarized as follows:

# **DEMOGRAPHIC ASSUMPTIONS**

Mortality	RG 48 survival tables of the Italian population
Inability	INPS tables divided by age and gender
Retirement age	Fulfilment of the minimum requisites provided by the General Mandatory Insurance
Advances on Employee severance indemnities	Annual frequency of advances and employee turnover were assumed from historical data of the company:
	frequency of advances in 2020: 2.50%
	frequency of turnover in 2020: 10%

## **ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ASSUMPTIONS**

Annual discount rate	Average annual rate of 0.8%
Annual growth rate of the Employee severance indemnities	Calculated with reference to the valuation date of primary shares on the stock market in which the company belongs and with reference to the market yield of Federal bonds.
	An annual constant rate equal to 0.34% was used for the year 2020.
Annual increase in salaries	Annual increase in salaries equal to 2.1%
Annual inflation rate	The annual increase of salaries used was calculated in function of the employee qualifications and the Company's market segment, net of inflation, from 1.0% to 1.50%

From a sensitivity analysis concerning the hypotheses related to the parameters involved in the calculation a:

- change in turnover rate by 1%;
- change in the annual rate of inflation by 1.25%;
- change in the annual discount rate by 1.25%

would not have determined a significant effect on the calculation of the liability.

In accordance with IAS 19, Employment severance indemnities at 31 December 2020 are summarized in the table below:

## (THOUSAND EUROS)

Balance at 31/12/2019	29,385
Change in consolidation	(153)
Cost relating to current (service cost) work	5,051
Actuarial gain/loss	773
Interest cost	221
Indemnities paid during the year	(2,670)
Balance at 31/12/2020	32,607

# **EMPLOYEE PENSION FUNDS**

The Pension fund item relates to liability as regards the defined benefit pensions of some German companies and is detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019
Present value of liability	12,348	13,453
Fair value of plan assets	(387)	(1,068)
Net liability	11,961	12,384

The amounts recognized for defined benefit plans is summarized as follows:

## (THOUSAND EUROS)

Present value at year end	12,348
Indemnities paid during the year	(1,083)
Actuarial gains/(losses)	185
Interest cost	98
Service cost	(305)
Present value at beginning of the year	13,453

The assumptions adopted were as follows:

Discount rate	0.4%
Rate of future compensation increases	2.0%
Rate of pension increases	1.0% - 2.0%

# **DIRECTORS SEVERANCE INDEMNITIES**

This amount is related to Directors severance indemnities paid during the year.

Change amounting to 41 thousand Euros refers to the resolution made by the Shareholders Meeting of several subsidiary companies to pay an additional indemnity to some Members of the Board in 2020 and to a partial payment of the indemnity.

# **NOTE 32 - DEFERRED TAX LIABILITIES**

Deferred tax liabilities at 31 December 2020 amounted to 16,117 thousand Euros, of which 8,364 thousand Euros are current, and are referred mainly to the fiscal effects arising from temporary differences deriving from statutory income and taxable income related to deferred deductibility.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019
Deductible items off the books	875	3,077
Other	15,242	16,733
Total	16,117	19,810

The item Other mainly includes the measurement of contract work in progress, employee benefits, capitalization of development costs and reversal of amortization of intangible assets.

Deferred tax liabilities have not been recognized on retained earnings of the subsidiary companies as the Group is able to control the timing of distribution of said earnings and in the near future does not seem likely.

# **NOTE 33 - PROVISIONS**

Provisions amounted to 11,477 thousand Euros (of which 10,753 thousand Euros are non-current).

Change in 2020 is summarized in the table below:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	BALANCE AT 31/12/2019	ACCRUALS	UTILIZATION	REVERSALS	OTHER CHANGES	BALANCE AT 31/12/2020
Fidelity fund	450	260	(63)	3	-	650
Provision for risks	9,127	4,256	(558)	(1,533)	(465)	10,827
Total	9,577	4,516	(621)	(1,530)	(465)	11,477

Employee fidelity provisions refer mainly to provisions made for the employees of some German companies in relation to anniversary bonuses. The liability is determined through actuarial calculations applying a 5.5% rate. The Provision for risks is related to the accrual of the year referred to the update of this estimate and to new legal ongoing controversies, lawsuits with former employees and other liabilities in Italy and abroad. Other changes mainly refer to translation differences.

# **NOTE 34 - TRADE PAYABLES**

Trade payables at 31 December 2020 amounted to 114,149 thousand Euros and are detailed as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Domestic suppliers	93,997	97,719	(3,721)
Foreign suppliers	20,508	22,788	(2,281)
Advances to suppliers	(356)	(556)	201
Total	114,149	119,951	(5,802)

# **NOTE 35 - OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES**

Other current liabilities at 31 December 2020 amounted to 394,110 thousand Euros with an increase of 54,997 thousand Euros with respect to the previous financial year.

## Detail is as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	CHANGE
Income tax payable	30,518	8,750	21,768
VAT payable	27,860	20,651	7,208
Withholding tax and other	8,888	8,163	726
Total due to tax authorities	67,266	37,564	29,702
National social insurance payable	41,491	31,552	9,939
Other	3,333	2,997	336
Total due to social securities	44,824	34,549	10,275
Employee accruals	93,798	90,503	3,295
Other payables	160,616	159,890	726
Accrued expenses and deferred income	27,606	16,608	10,998
Total other payables	282,020	267,001	15,020
Other current liabilities	394,110	339,113	54,997

Due to tax authorities amounting to 67,266 thousand Euros, mainly refers to payables due to tax authorities for withholding tax on employees and professionals' compensation.

Due to social security authorities amounting to 44,824 thousand Euros, is related to both Company and employee's contribution payables.

Other payables at 31 December 2020 amount to 282,020 thousand Euros and mainly include:

- amounts due to employees that at the balance sheet date had not yet been paid;
- remuneration of directors recognised as participation in the profits of the subsidiary companies;
- amount invoiced to customers exceeding the value of the work in progress amounting to 117.731 thousand Euros.

Accrued Expenses and Deferred Income, that increase in 2020 for 10,998 thousand Euros, mainly relate to advance invoicing in relation to T&M consultancy activities to be delivered in the subsequent financial year.

# **NOTE 36 - SEGMENT REPORTING**

Segment reporting has been prepared in accordance with IFRS 8, determined as the area in which the services are executed.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	REGION 1	%	REGION 2	%	REGION 3	%	IOT INCUBATOR	%	INTERSEGMENT	TOTAL 2020	%
Revenues	859,443	100	270,568	100	139,223	100	123	100	(19,165)	1,250,191	100
Operating costs	(718,721)	(83.6)	(217,842)	(80.5)	(124,253)	(89.2)	(603)	(490.4)	19,165	(1,042,255)	(83.4)
Gross operating income	140,721	16.4	52,726	19.5	14,969	10.8	(480)	(390.4)	-	207,936	16.6
Amortization, depreciation and write- downs	(24,989)	(2.9)	(11,162)	(4.1)	(6,271)	(4.5)	(19)	(15.7)	-	(42,441)	(3.4)
Other non- recurring (costs)/income	(3,414)	(0.4)	3,289	1.2	4,161	2.9	-	-	-	4,036	0.3
Operating income	112,318	13.1	44,853	16.6	12,860	9.2	(500)	(406.1)	-	169,531	13.6
Gain/(loss) on investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,241	1.008	-	1,240	-
Financial income/(loss)	(3,036)	(0.4)	(4,196)	(1.6)	(419)	(0.3)	(1,067)	(866.8)	-	(8,717)	(0.7)
Income before taxes	109,282	12.7	40,657	15.0	12,441	8.9	(326)	(264.7)	-	162,054	13.0

(THOUSAND EUROS)	REGION 1	%	REGION 2	%	REGION 3	%	IOT INCUBATOR	%	INTERSEGMENT	TOTAL 2019	%
Revenues	803,803	100	271,324	100	120,513	100	504	100	(13,616)	1,182,528	100
Operating costs	(666,464)	(82.9)	(229,869)	(84.7)	(104,326)	(86.6)	(4,178)	(828.6)	13,616	(991,221)	(83.8)
Gross operating income	137,339	17.1	41,455	15.3	16,188	13.4	(3,674)	(728.6)	-	191,307	16.2
Amortization, depreciation and write- downs	(22,295)	(2.8)	(9,238)	(3.4)	(5,560)	(4.6)	(147)	(29.1)	-	(37,239)	(3.1)
Other non- recurring (costs)/income	-	-	1,673	0.6	(417)	(0.3)	-	-	-	1,256	0.1
Operating income	115,044	14.3	33,890	12.5	10,210	8.5	(3,821)	(757.6)	-	155,324	13.1
Gain/(loss) on investments	-	-	-	-	(28)	-	11,392	2.259.0	-	11,364	1.0
Financial income/(loss)	993	-	(3,344)	(1.2)	(1,515)	(1.3)	(1,402)	(278.0)	-	(5,268)	(0.4)
Income before taxes	116,037	14.4	30,545	11.3	8,668	7.2	6,169	1,223.3	-	161,419	13.7

Breakdown of revenues by type is as follows:

(TYPE)		REGION 1			REGION 2 REGION 3 IOT INCUBATO			
BUSINESS LINE	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019
T&M	17.0%	16.7%	54.8%	51.7%	43.8%	52.0%	-	-
Fixed price projects	83.0%	83.3%	45.2%	48.3%	56.2%	48.0%	-	-
Other business	-	-	-	-	-	-	100.0%	100.0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

The following table provides a breakdown of net invested capital by Region:

(THOUSAND EURO)	REGION 1	REGION 2	REGION 3	IOT INCUBATOR	INTERSEG.	TOTAL 2020
Current operating assets	402,470	81,835	53,361	718	(32,595)	505,790
Current operating liabilities	(395,280)	(87,102)	(62,099)	(15,469)	32,595	(527.,54)
Net working capital (A)	7,191	(5,267)	(8,738)	(14,750)	-	(21,565)
Non-current assets	268,630	187,209	147,488	61,525		664,852
Non-financial liabilities long term	(62,062)	(40,512)	(23,416)	-		(125,991)
Fixed capital (B)	206,568	146,696	124,071	61,525	-	538,860
Net invested capital (A+B)	213,759	141,430	115,333	46,775	-	517,296
(THOUSAND EUROS)	REGION 1	REGION 2	REGION 3	IOT INCUBATOR	INTERSEG.	TOTAL 2019
(THOUSAND EUROS)  Current operating assets	<b>REGION 1</b> 438,195	<b>REGION 2</b> 96,720	<b>REGION 3</b> 47,120		INTERSEG. (35,604)	
,				INCUBATOR		2019
Current operating assets	438,195	96,720	47,120	INCUBATOR 703	(35,604)	<b>2019</b> 547,134
Current operating liabilities	438,195 (369,517)	96,720 (83,370)	47,120 (40,353)	703 (15,180)	(35,604)	<b>2019</b> 547,134 (472,817)
Current operating assets  Current operating liabilities  Net working capital (A)	438,195 (369,517) <b>68,677</b>	96,720 (83,370) <b>13,350</b>	47,120 (40,353) <b>6,767</b>	703 (15,180) (14,477)	(35,604)	2019 547,134 (472,817) 74,317
Current operating assets  Current operating liabilities  Net working capital (A)  Non-current assets	438,195 (369,517) <b>68,677</b> 187,425	96,720 (83,370) <b>13,350</b> 167,229	47,120 (40,353) <b>6,767</b> 103,459	703 (15,180) (14,477)	(35,604)	2019 547,134 (472,817) 74,317 518,170

Breakdown of employees by Region is as follows:

REGION	2020	2019	CHANGE
Region 1	6,319	5,702	617
Region 2	1,775	1,715	60
Region 3	962	737	225
IoT Incubator	3	3	-
Total	9.059	8,157	902

# NOTE 37 - ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES TO FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES

## TYPES OF FINANCIAL RISKS AND CORRESPONDING HEDGING ACTIVITIES

Reply S.p.A. has determined the guide lines in managing financial risks. In order to maximize costs and the resources Reply S.p.A. has centralized all of the groups risk management. Reply S.p.A. has the task of gathering all information concerning possible risk situations and define the corresponding hedge. As described in the section "Risk management", Reply S.p.A. constantly monitors the financial risks to which it is exposed, in order to detect those risks in advance and take the necessary action to mitigate them. The following section provides qualitative and quantitative disclosures on the effect that these risks may have upon the company.

The quantitative data reported in the following do not have any value of a prospective nature, in particular the sensitivity analysis on market risks, is unable to reflect the complexity of the market and its related reaction which may result from every change which may occur.

## **CREDIT RISK**

The maximum credit risk to which the company is theoretically exposed at 31 December 2020 is represented by the carrying amounts stated for financial assets in the balance sheet.

Balances which are objectively uncollectible either in part or for the whole amount are written down on a specific basis if they are individually significant. The amount of the write-down takes into account an estimate of the recoverable cash flows and the date of receipt, the costs of recovery and the fair value of any guarantees received. General provisions are made for receivables which are not written down on a specific basis, determined on the basis of historical experience.

Refer to the note on trade receivables for a quantitate analysis.

#### LIQUIDITY RISK

Reply S.p.A. is exposed to funding risk if there is difficulty in obtaining finance for operations at any given point in time.

The two main factors that determine the company's liquidity situation are on one side the funds generated by or used in operating and investing activities and on the other the debt lending period and its renewal features or the liquidity of the funds employed and market terms and conditions.

As described in the Risk management section, Reply S.p.A has adopted a series of policies and procedures whose purpose is to optimize the management of funds and to reduce the liquidity risk, as follows:

- centralizing the management of receipts and payments, where it may be economical in the context of the local civil, currency and fiscal regulations of the countries in which the company is present;
- · maintaining an adequate level of available liquidity;
- monitoring future liquidity on the basis of business planning.

Management believes that the funds and credit lines currently available, in addition to those funds that will be generated from operating and funding activities, will enable the Group to satisfy its requirements resulting from its investing activities and its working capital needs and to fulfil its obligations to repay its debts at their natural due date

## **CURRENCY RISK**

Reply S.p.A. has a limited exposure to exchange rate risk, therefore the company does not deem necessary hedging exchange rates.

## **INTEREST RATE RISK**

Reply S.p.A. makes use of external funds obtained in the form of financing and invest in monetary and financial market instruments. Changes in market interest rates can affect the cost of the various forms of financing, including the sale of receivables, or the return on investments, and the employment of funds, causing an impact on the level of net financial expenses incurred by the company. To mitigate such risks, the Group, when necessary, has used derivative financial instruments designated as "cash flow hedges".

# **SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS**

In assessing the potential impact of changes in interest rates, the company separates fixed rate financial instruments (for which the impact is assessed in terms of fair value)) from floating rate financial instruments (for which the impact is assessed in terms of cash flows).

Floating rate financial instruments include principally cash and cash equivalents and part of debt.

A hypothetical, unfavourable and instantaneous change of 50 basis points in short-term interest rates at 31 December 2020 applied to floating rate financial assets and liabilities, operations for the sale of receivables and derivatives financial instruments, would have caused increased net expenses before taxes, on an annual basis, of approximately 184 thousand Euros.

This analysis is based on the assumption that there is a general and instantaneous change of 50 basis points in interest rates across homogeneous categories. A homogeneous category is defined on the basis of the currency in which the financial assets and liabilities are denominated.

#### FAIR VALUE ASSESSMENT HIERARCHY LEVELS

The IFRS 13 establishes a fair value hierarchy which classifies the input of evaluation techniques on three levels adopted for the measurement of fair value. Fair value hierarchy attributes maximum priority to prices quoted (not rectified) in active markets for identical assets and liabilities (Level 1 data) and the non-observable minimum input priority (Level 3 data). In some cases, the data used to assess the fair value of assets or liabilities could be classified on three different levels of the fair value hierarchy. In such cases, the evaluation of fair value is wholly classified on the same level of the hierarchy in which input on the lowest level is classified, taking account its importance for the assessment.

The levels used in the hierarchy are:

- Level 1 inputs are prices quoted (not rectified) in markets active for identical assets and liabilities which the entity can access on the date of assessment;
- Level 2 inputs are variable and different from the prices quoted included in Level 1 observable directly or indirectly for assets or liabilities;
- Level 3 inputs are variable and not observable for assets or liabilities.

The following table presents the assets and liabilities which were assessed at fair value on 31 December 2020, according to the fair value hierarchical assessment level.

(THOUSAND EUROS)	NOTE	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Investments	21	-	-	56,409
Convertible loans	22	-	-	3,486
Financial securities	22	1,815	-	-
Total financial assets		1,815	-	59,895
Derivative financial liabilities (IRS)	30	-	3,705	
Liabilities to minority shareholders and earn out	29	-	-	71,381
Total financial liabilities	•	-	3,705	71,381

The valuation of investments in start-up within the Internet of Things (IoT) business, through the acquisition of equity investments and through the issuance of convertible loans, is based on data not directly observable on active stock markets, and therefore falls under the fair value hierarchical Level 3.

The item Financial securities is related to securities listed on the active stock markets and therefore falls under the fair value hierarchical level 1.

To determine the effect of interest rate derivate financial instruments Reply refers to evaluation deriving from third parties (banks and financial institutes). The latter, in the calculation of their estimates made use of data observed on the market directly (interest rates) or indirectly (interest rate interpolation curves observed directly): consequently, for the purposes of IFRS 7 the fair value used by the Group for the exploitation of hedging derivatives contracts in existence as at 31 December 2020 re-enters under the hierarchy profile in level 2.

The fair value of Liabilities to minority shareholders and earn out was determined by Group management on the basis of the sales purchase agreements for the acquisition of the company's shares and on economic parameters based on budgets and plans of the purchased company. As the parameters are not observable on stock markets (directly or indirectly) these liabilities fall under the hierarchy profile in level 3.

As at 31 December 2020, there have not been any transfers within the hierarchy levels.

# **NOTE 38 - TRANSACTIONS WITH RELATED PARTIES**

In accordance with IAS 24 Related parties are Group companies and persons that are able to exercise control, joint control or have significant influence on the Group and on its subsidiaries.

Transactions carried out by the group companies with related parties that as of the reporting date are considered ordinary business and are carried out at normal market conditions.

The main economic and financial transactions with related parties is summarized below.

## (THOUSAND EUROS)

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS	31/12/2020	31/12/2019	NATURE OF TRANSACTION
Trade receivables	183	153	Receivables from professional services
Trade payables and other	258	-	Payables for professional services and official rentals offices
Other payables	7,927	5,210	Payables for emoluments to Directors and Managers with strategic responsibilities and Board of Statutory Auditors
Economic transactions	2020	2019	Nature of transaction
Revenues from professional services	30	158	Receivables from professional services
Services from Parent company and related parties	1,604	1,158	Service contracts relating to office rental and office administration
Personnel	12,592	9,268	Emoluments to Directors and Key Management with strategic responsibilities
Services and other costs	152	122	Emoluments to Statutory Auditors

With reference the Cash flows statement, the above mentioned transactions impact the change in working capital by 2,945 thousand Euros.

#### **REPLY GROUP MAIN ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS**

In accordance with IAS 24, emoluments to Directors, Statutory Auditors and Key Management are also included in transactions with related parties (please see the Annual Report on remuneration).

In accordance with Consob Resolution no. 15519 of 27 July 2006 and Consob communication no. DEM/6064293 of 28 July 2006 the financial statements present the Consolidated Income statement and Balance Sheet showing transactions with related parties separately, together with the percentage incidence with respect to each account caption.

Pursuant to Art. 150, paragraph 1 of the Italian Legislative Decree n. 58 of 24 February 1998, no transactions have been carried out by the members of the Board of Directors that might be in potential conflict of interests with the Company.

## NOTE 39 - EMOLUMENTS TO DIRECTORS, STATUTORY AUDITORS AND KEY MANAGEMENT

The fees of the Directors and statutory Auditors of Reply S.p.A. for carrying out their respective function, including those in other subsidiary companies, are as follows:

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	2019
Executive Directors	7,615	6,804
Statutory auditors	152	122
Total	7,767	6,926

Emoluments to Key management amounted to approximately 4,977 thousand Euros (2,464 thousand Euros at 31 December 2019).

#### **NOTE 40 - GUARANTEES, COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

#### **GUARANTEES**

Guarantees and commitments where existing, have been disclosed at the item to which they refer.

#### **COMMITMENTS**

Note that:

- The Domination Agreement contract undersigned in 2010 between Reply Deutschland AG, dominated company, and Reply S.p.A, dominating company, ceased to exist from the date of legal efficacy of the merger for incorporation of Reply Deutschland AG in Reply S.p.A and with this, the obligations taken on by Reply. It is reported that the judgment of the qualified German Court is still pending for deciding on the suitability of the strike value of the acquisition option of shares on request of the minority shareholders of Reply Deutschland AG at a pre-determined price (8.19 euros). On June 2018, the German court took note of the agreement reached between the parties also affected by the agreement related to the merger of the following point.
- With regard to shareholders who did not join the settlement agreement, in February 2019, the German Court issued a judgment that provides for an increase of 1.81 euros in the price paid per share and an increase of 0.07 euros gross of the dividends paid in 2010-2013. The financial effects on the Group are covered by specific provisions.
- with regards the merger operation for the incorporation of Reply Deutschland AG in Reply S.p.A. the assessment procedures foreseen in the measures of Article 122j of Umwandlungsgesetz find application – German law on extraordinary operations – with reference to the exchange ratio and the corresponding amount in cash.

Within three months from the registration of the merger in the Turin Companies Register, each minority shareholder was able to present a petition for the purpose of commencing, in compliance with German law, before a Judge qualified in Germany – who shall have exclusive jurisdiction – the assessment inherent in the Share Swap ratio and the corresponding amount in cash. All shareholders of Reply Deutschland will have the right to benefit from a possible increase in the exchange ratio determined by the Judge or on the basis of an agreement between the parties, and that is to say independently of their participation in the evaluation procedure. On the contrary, from the possible increase of the corresponding amount in cash determined by the Judge or on the basis of an agreement between the parties only the shareholders who verbally annotated their disagreement in the general meeting in respect of conditions of the law can benefit. In the case where evaluation procedures include a modification of the exchange ratio, every single difference shall be regulated in cash.

At past, some minority shareholders have commenced the aforementioned procedures.

Following exchanges with the minority shareholders and their appointed representative, the Company has reached a settlement agreement where the payment of an additional amount of 4.41 Euros per share of Reply Deutschland was agreed plus legal interest, in addition to the flat-rate reimbursement of proceedings costs. On 18 June 2018, the German court took note of the agreement reached between the parties. The expenses arising from this agreement amounting to approximately 5 million Euros is covered by specific provisions (please see Note 33).

In relation to the above accruals, as a result of the utilizations, the provision for risks has a residual amount of 100 thousand Euros at 31 December 2020.

#### **CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

As an international company, the Group is exposed to numerous legal risks, particularly in the area of product liability, environmental risks and tax matters. The outcome of any current or future proceedings cannot be predicted with certainty. It is therefore possible that legal judgments could give rise to expenses that are not covered, or not fully covered, by insurers' compensation payments and could affect the Group financial position and results.

Instead, when it is probable that an overflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle obligations and this amount can be reliably estimated, the Group recognises specific provision for this purpose.

#### **NOTE 41 - EVENTS SUBSEQUENT TO 31 DECEMBER 2020**

The battle against the Covid-19 pandemic will continue to determine the evolution of the economy at least for the first 6-9 months of 2021. The emergency, at the time this annual report, is still ongoing, with different trends in the countries where Reply is present. Its evolution will depend, to a large extent, on the effectiveness and speed of the vaccination plans that the various countries have begun to activate.

In recent months, despite the difficulties introduced by the various local and national lock-downs, Reply has managed to guarantee the continuity of activities at each customer, thanks to a way of working already long based on advanced tools of individual productivity and, on the massive use of collaboration and development platforms entirely in the cloud.

In particular, between December 2020 and February 2021, when the second wave of the pandemic hit much of the Western world, Reply, thanks to the resilience of its organizational model, compensated, very quickly, for yet another slowdown in activities related to particularly affected sectors such as, transport, manufacturing and tourism.

The Group's financial soundness has also allowed us to continue on the path of growth and development in Europe, England and North America and to enrich with new skills the main offers on the cloud, artificial intelligence, 5g, robotics, e-commerce and connected vehicles.

## NOTE 42 - APPROVAL OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH

The Consolidated financial statements at 31 December 2020 were approved by the Board of Directors on March 15, 2021 which authorized the publication within the terms of law.

## **ANNEXED TABLES**

## CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT PREPARED PURSUANT TO CONSOB RESOLUTION NO. 15519 OF 27 JULY 2006

(THOUSAND EUROS)	2020	OF WHICH WITH RELATED PARTIES	%	2019	OF WHICH WITH RELATED PARTIES	%
Revenues	1,250,191	30	-	1,182,528	158	0.01%
Other income	19,405		•	23,159		
Purchases	(21,510)			(21,250)		
Personnel	(621,362)	(12,592)	2.0%	(578,263)	(9,268)	1.6%
Services and other costs	(419,235)	(1,756)	0.4%	(414,077)	(1,280)	0.3%
Amortization, depreciation and write- downs	(42,441)			(37,239)		
Other operating and non-recurring (cost)/income	4,484			466		
Operating income	169,531			155,324		
(Loss)/gain on investments	1,240			11,364		
Financial income/(expenses)	(8,717)			(5,268)		
Income before taxes	162,054			161,419		
Income taxes	(37,848)		***	(44,829)		
Net income	124,206	······································		116,590		
Non-controlling interest	(608)			(2,732)		
Group net result	123,598			113,858	•	

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION PREPARED PURSUANT TO CONSOB RESOLUTION NO. 15519 OF 27 JULY 2006

(THOUSAND EUROS)	31/12/2020	OF WHICH WITH RELATED PARTIES	%	31/12/2019	OF WHICH WITH RELATED PARTIES	%
Tangible assets	51,782			48,298		
Goodwill	330,749			267,541		
Intangible assets	25,758			13,676		
RoU Assets	137,645			90,569	•	
Equity investments	56,421			56,991		•
Other financial assets	9,577		•	7,567		•••••••••••
Deferred tax assets	52,921	•		33,527		
Non-current assets	664,852	•		518,170	······································	
Inventories	79,784			75,328	•	
Trade receivables	344,700	183	0.05%	432,240	153	0.04%
Other receivables and current assets	81,306			39,566		
Financial assets	2,108			1,666		
Cash and cash equivalents	333,819			240,943		
Current assets	841,716			789,743		
TOTAL ASSETS	1,506,568			1,307,913		
Share Capital	4,863			4,863		
Other reserves	546,578			465,000		
Net result of the period	123,598			113,858		•
Group shareholders' equity	675,039			583,722	•	
Non-controlling interest	918			3,339		
NET EQUITY	675,957		•	587,061		•••••••••••
Due to minority shareholders and Earn-out	53,010			38,395		
Financial liabilities	20,387			26,857		
Financial liabilities from RoU	118,796		-	71,710		
Employee benefits	46,112	•	•	43,355		•
Deferred tax liabilities	16,117		•	19,810		•
Provisions	10,753		•	8,897	•	•
Non-current liabilities	265,174		······	209,025		•••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••

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## **LIST OF COMPANIES AT 31 DECEMBER 2020**

COMPANY NAME	HEADQUARTERS	GROUP INTEREST
Parent company		
Reply S.p.A.	Turin – Corso Francia, 110 - Italy	
Companies consolidated on a line-by-	line basis	
4brands Reply GmbH & CO. KG. (**)	Minden, Germany	51.00%
Air Reply S.r.l. (*)	Turin, Italy	85.00%
Airwalk Holding Ltd.	Kent, United Kingdom	100.00%
Airwalk Consulting Ltd.	Edinburgh, Scotland	100.00%
Airwalk Consulting Ltd. (Hong Kong)	Shueng Wan, Hong Kong	100.00%
AWC Partners Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Alpha Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Arlanis Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Arlanis Reply AG	Potsdam, Germany	100.00%
Aktive Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Atlas Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Autonomous Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Avantage Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Avantage Reply (Belgium) Sprl	Brussels, Belgium	100.00%
Avantage Reply (Luxembourg) Sarl	ltzig, Luxembourg	100.00%
Avantage Reply (Netherlands) BV	Amsterdam, Netherland	100.00%
Avvio Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Avvio Reply S.r.I.	Turin. Italy	100.00%
Blowfish Digital Holdings Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Blue Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Blue Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Bridge Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	60.00%
Business Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Breed Reply Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Breed Reply Investment Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	91.00%
Brightknight SA	Belgium	100.00%
Cluster Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Cluster Reply GmbH & CO. KG (**)	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Cluster Reply Informatica LTDA.	San Paolo, Brazil	100.00%
Cluster Reply Roma S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Comsysto D.O.O.	Zagreb, Croatia	100.00%
ComSysto Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%

Concept Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Concept Reply LLC	Michigan, USA	100.00%
Consorzio Reply Public Sector	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Core Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	90.00%
Data Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Data Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Discovery Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
e*finance consulting Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Ekip Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Elbkind Reply GmbH	Hamburg, Germany	100.00%
Eos Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Envision Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	88.00%
Forge Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
France Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Go Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Go Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Hermes Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Hermes Reply Consulting (Nanjing) Co. Ltd.	China	100.00%
Hermes Reply Polska Zo.O.	Katowice, Poland	100.00%
Implico LLC	Seattle, USA	100.00%
Industrie Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Industrie Reply LLC	Michigan, USA	100.00%
Infinity Reply GmbH	Düsseldorf, Germany	100.00%
IrisCube Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Laife Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Leadvise Reply GmbH	Darmstadt, Germany	100.00%
Like Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Live Reply GmbH	Düsseldorf, Germany	100.00%
Logistics Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Logistics Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Lynx Recruiting Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Macros Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
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Mansion House Consulting Ltd	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Mansion House Consulting PTE Limited	Singapore	100.00%
MHC Holding Us Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Mansion House Consulting Inc.	Wilmington, USA	100.00%
MCG Systems AG	Colony, Germany	100.00%
Modcomp GmbH	Colony, Germany	100.00%
Neveling.net GmbH	Hamburg, Germany	100.00%
Open Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Open Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Pay Reply S.r.l	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Portaltech Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Portaltech Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Portaltech Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Portaltech Reply Süd GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Power Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Power Reply GmbH & CO. KG. (**)	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Protocube Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	70.00%
Red Reply GmbH	Frankfurt, Germany	100.00%
Reply Consulting S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Reply AG	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Reply GmbH	Zurich, Switzerland	100.00%
Reply do Brasil Sistemas de Informatica Ltda	Belo Horizonte, Brazil	100.00%
Reply Inc.	Michigan, USA	100.00%
Reply Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Reply Belgium Sprl	Mont Saint Guibert, Netherland	100.00%
Reply Digital Experience S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Reply France Sarl	Paris, France	100.00%
Reply Luxembourg Sarl	Sandweiler, Luxembourg	100.00%
Reply NL Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Reply Services S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Reply Verwaltung GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Retail Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%

Ringmaster S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	50.00%
Risk Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Riverland Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Sagepath LLC (*)	Atlanta, USA	70.00%
Santer Reply S.p.A.	Milan, Italy	100.00%
Security Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Sense Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	90.00%
Solidsoft Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Spark Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Spark Reply GmbH	Germany	100.00%
Spike Reply GmbH	Colony, Germany	100.00%
Sprint Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Sprint Reply GmbH	Munich, Germany	100.00%
Spot Digital Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100,00%
Storm Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Storm Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Syskoplan Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Syskoplan Reply GmbH & CO. KG	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Sytel Reply Roma S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Sytel Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Target Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
TamTamy Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Technology Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Technology Reply Roma S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Technology Reply S.r.l.	Bucharest, Romania	100.00%
TD Reply GmbH	Berlin, Germany	100.00%
TD Marketing Consultants, Beijing Co. Ltd.	China	100.00%
Threepipe Reply Ltd.	London, United Kingdom	100,00%
Tool Reply GmbH	Guetersloh, Germany	100.00%
Triplesense Reply GmbH	Frankfurt, Germany	100.00%
Valorem LLC (*)	Kansas City, USA	90.00%
Valorem Private Ltd	India	99.99%

Valorem GmbH	Zurich, Switzerland	100.00%
WM Reply Inc.	Illinois, USA	80.00%
WM Reply LLC	Minsk, Belarus	100.00%
WM Reply Ltd	Auckland, NZ	100.00%
WM Reply Ltd. (***)	London, United Kingdom	100.00%
Whitehall Reply S.r.l.	Turin, Italy	100.00%
Xister Reply S.r.I.	Turin, Italy	100.00%

(\*) For these companies an option exists for the acquisition of their minority shares; the exercise of such option in future reporting periods is subject to the achievement of profitability parameters. The accounting reflects Management's best estimate as at the closing date of the 2020 Annual Financial Report.

(\*\*) These companies are exempt from filing statutory financial statements in Germany under the German law § 264b HGB.

(\*\*\*) As permitted under English law, these subsidiary companies have claimed audit exemption under Companies Act 2006: Avvio Reply Ltd Company No. 02865104, Avantage Reply Ltd Company No. 05177605, Lynx Recruitment Ltd Company No. 04289642, Portaltech Reply Ltd Company No. 03999284, Solidsoft Reply Ltd Company No. 02853022, Risk Reply Ltd Company No. 09030959, France Reply Ltd Company No. 08823238, Reply NL Ltd Company No. 09920476 and WM Reply Ltd Company number: 07466050 The parent, Reply S.p.A has given a statement of guarantee under Companies Act Section 479A whereby Reply S.P.A will guarantee all outstanding liabilities to which aforementioned UK registered companies are subject as at 31 December 2020.

### Companies carried at fair value

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Amiko Digital Health Ltd	England	19.68%
CageEye AS	Norway	9.95%
Callsign Inc.	England	3.61%
Canard Drones Ltd	Spain	24.06%
Connecterra BV	Belgium	16.00%
enModus Ltd.	England	19.18%
FoodMarble Digestive Health Ltd	England	18.05%
iNova Design Ltd	England	34.05%
lotic Labs Ltd	England	16.28%
Kokoon Technology Ltd	England	29.53%
Metron Sas	France	10.11%
RazorSecure Ltd	England	32.03%
Senseye Ltd	England	12.58%
Sensoria Inc.	USA	24.00%
TAG Sensors AS	Norway	15.60%
Ubirch GmbH	Germany	18.51%
We Predict Ltd	England	16.64%
Wearable Technologies Ltd	England	18.64%
Yellow Line Parking Ltd	England	9.86%
Zeetta Networks Ltd	England	29.28%

## **Companies carried at cost**

Reply Sarl	Luxembourg	100.00%
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## INFORMATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE 149-DUODECIES ISSUED BY CONSOB

The following table, prepared in accordance with Art. 149-duodecies of Consob's Regulations for Issuers reports the amount of fees charged in 2020 for the audit and audit related services provided by the Independent Auditors and by entities that are part of the Independent Auditors' network.

(EUROS)	SERVICE PROVIDER	GROUP ENTITY	FEE 2020
Audit	PwC S.p.A.	Parent company - Reply S.p.A.	89,552
	PwC S.p.A.	Subsidiaries	386,674
	PwC LLP - US	Subsidiaries	85,000
	PwC GmbH	Subsidiaries	212,775
	Total		774,002
Audit related services	PwC S.p.A.	Parent company - Reply S.p.A <sub>.(1)</sub>	11,200
	PwC S.p.A.	Parent company - Reply S.p.A <sub>.(2)</sub>	32,000
	PwC S.p.A.	Subsidiaries <sub>(1)</sub>	30,176
	Total		73,376
Other services			
	PwC LLP - US	Subsidiaries <sub>(3)</sub>	25,200
Total			872,578

<sup>(1)</sup> Signed tax forms (Modello Unico, IRAP and Form 770)

<sup>(2)</sup> DNF

<sup>(3)</sup> Audit of the interim report of Valorem LLC to determine 2020 earn-out value

# ATTESTATION OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## in accordance with article 154-bis of legislative decree 58/98

The undersigned, Mario Rizzante, in his capacity as Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, and Giuseppe Veneziano, Director responsible for drawing up Reply S.p.A.'s financial statements, hereby attest, pursuant to the provisions of Article 154-bis, paragraphs 3 and 4, of Legislative Decree no. 58 of 24 February 1998:

- suitability with respect to the Company's structure and
- · the effective application

of the administration and accounting procedures applied in the preparation of the Consolidated financial statements for the year ended 2020.

The assessment of the adequacy of administrative and accounting procedures used for the preparation of the statutory financial statements at 31 December 2020 was carried out on the basis of regulations and methodologies defined by Reply prevalently coherent with the Internal Control – Integrated Framework model issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organisations of the Treadway Commission, an internationally-accepted reference framework.

The undersigned also certify that:

3.1 the Consolidated Financial Statement

- have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, as endorsed by the European Union pursuant to Regulation (EC) No. 1606/2002 of the European Parliament and Council, dated 19 July 2002 as well as the measures issued to implement Article 9 of Legislative Decree no. 38/2005;
- · correspond to the amounts shown in the Company's accounts, books and records; and
- provide a fair and correct representation of the financial conditions, results of operations and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated subsidiaries;

3.2 the report on operations includes a reliable operating and financial review of the Company and of the Group as well as a description of the main risks and uncertainties to which they are exposed.

/s/ Mario Rizzante Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Turin, 15 March 2021 /s/ Giuseppe Veneziano Director responsible of drawing up the accounting documents

**Mario Rizzante** 

Giuseppe Veneziano

# REPORT OF THE STATUTORY AUDITORS TO THE SHAREHOLDERS' MEETING

## related to the financial consolidated financial statements as at 31 December 2020

Dear Shareholders,

The Board of Directors is submitting to you the Consolidated Financial Statements as at 31 December 2020 prepared in conformity with the International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), which comprises the Consolidated Income Statement, Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income, Consolidated Statement of Financial Position, Consolidated Changes in Shareholders' Equity, Consolidated Cash Flow Statement, and the Notes to the Financial Statements. The Consolidated Financial Statements as at 31 December 2020 present a consolidated Shareholders' equity amounting to 675,039 thousand Euros, including a consolidated profit of 123,598 thousand Euros.

The Report on Operations adequately illustrates the financial, economic and earnings position, the trend, at a consolidated level, of Reply S.p.A. and its subsidiaries during the financial year and after its end, as well as the breakdown of the principal business lines and the consolidated results.

The consolidation area is determined in such context, which included as at 31 December 2020 in addition to the Parent Company, 134 companies and 1 consortium, all of which consolidated on a line-by-line basis. The controls made by the Independent Auditor PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A. concluded that the amounts reported in the Consolidated Financial Statements as at 31 December 2020 are supported by the Parent Company's accounting records, in the financial statements for the reporting period of the subsidiaries, and in the information that they have formally communicated.

Such financial statements submitted by the subsidiaries to the Parent Company, for purposes of the preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements, prepared by the respective competent corporate bodies, have been reviewed by the bodies and/or persons in charge of the audit of the individual companies, according to their respective legal systems, and by the Independent Auditor in the context of the procedures followed for the audit of the Consolidated Financial Statements.

The Board of Statutory Auditors did not audit the financial statements of such companies. PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A., the company entrusted with the audit of Reply's Consolidated Financial Statements, has issued its report on March 30, 2021 in which it confirms that, in its opinion:

- the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Reply Group as at 31 December 2020 conform to the
  International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) endorsed by the European Union, as well as to the
  measures issued to implement Article 9 of Legislative Decree 38/2005 and, therefore, they were prepared
  with clarity and represent a true and fair view of the financial and economic position, the economic result
  and the cash flows of the Reply Group as at such date,
- the Report on Operations and some of the information pursuant to Article 123-bis, paragraph 4 of Legislative Decree 58/1998 presented in the Report on Corporate Governance and Ownership Structure

are consistent with the Consolidated Financial Statements and are prepared in accordance to the law. PricewaterhouseCoopers S.p.A. has identified the recoverability of goodwill as a Key Audit Matter.

- On the basis of the audits and controls carried out, we certify that: The consolidation area has been determined in a correct manner:
- The consolidation procedures adopted conform to legal requirements and have been properly applied;
- The review of the Report on Operations demonstrated that it is consistent with the consolidated Financial statements:
- All the information used for the consolidation refers to the entire administrative period represented by the financial year 2020;
- The measurement criteria are homogeneous with those used for the previous reporting period;
- Changes in consolidation compared to 31 December 2019 consist in the inclusion of the following companies:
  - > Airwalk Holing Ltd;
  - > Airwalk Consulting Ltd;
  - > Airwalk Consulting Ltd. (Hong Kong);
  - > AWC Partners Ltd;
  - > Autonomous Reply GmbH;
  - > Avvio Reply S.r.l.;
  - > Brightnight SA;
  - > Concept Reply LLC;
  - > Laife Reply GmbH;
  - > Mansion House Consulting Ltd;
  - Mansion House Consulting PTE Limited;
  - > MHC Holding Us Ltd;
  - > Mansion House Consulting Inc.;
  - > Red Reply GmbH;
  - > Sagepath LLC;
  - > WM Reply Ltd (Auckland NZ);

- whereas the following companies are no longer in consolidation:
  - > Avantage Reply Gmbh (incorporated in Syskoplan GmbH);
  - > Lem Reply S.r.l..

Finally, we remind you that our three-year office term has expired and in thanking you for the trust you have given us, we invite you to take the necessary actions.

Genova - Turin, 30 March 2021
THE STATUTORY AUDITORS
(Dott. Giorgio Mosci)
(Dott.ssa Ada Alessandra Garzino Demo)
(Dott. Piergiorgio Re)