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The annual financial statements and the Combined Management Report of Aurubis AG for fiscal year 2018/19 are published in the electronic Federal Gazette (Bundesanzeiger).

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Balance Sheet

as at September 30, 2019

Assets

in € thousand	Note	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Fixed assets			
Purchased concessions, industrial property rights, and similar rights and assets, and licenses for such rights and assets		101,514	102,882
Goodwill		0	0
Payments on account		7,110	8,511
Intangible assets		108,624	111,393
Land and buildings		189,952	161,525
Technical equipment and machinery		229,166	230,911
Other equipment, factory and office equipment		27,884	20,246
Payments on account and assets under construction		91,061	76,920
Property, plant, and equipment		538,063	489,602
Share interests in affiliated companies		1,493,700	1,488,901
Investments		2	2
Securities classified as fixed assets		11,243	29,876
Other loans		9	18
Financial fixed assets		1,504,954	1,518,797
	1	2,151,641	2,119,792
Current assets			
Raw materials and supplies		224,907	295,309
Work in process		479,679	454,011
Finished goods, merchandise		110,338	72,840
Payments on account		24	0
Inventories	2	814,948	822,160
Trade accounts receivable		256,753	180,286
Receivables from affiliated companies		330,128	245,444
Receivables from companies in which investments are held		274	66
Other assets		44,355	17,104
Receivables and other assets	3	631,510	442,900
Cash and bank balances	4	411,552	423,580
		1,858,010	1,688,640
Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		552	515
Total assets		4,010,203	3,808,947

Equity and liabilities

in € thousand	Note	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Equity			
Subscribed capital			
– Conditional capital € 57,545 thousand (previous year: € 57,545 thousand)		115,089	115,089
Additional paid-in capital		349,086	349,086
Revenue reserves			
Legal reserve		6,391	6,391
Other revenue reserves		967,394	905,094
Unappropriated earnings		127,591	134,828
	5	1,565,551	1,510,488
Provisions and accrued liabilities			
Pension provisions and similar obligations		176,637	155,085
Provisions for taxes		8,906	16,111
Other provisions and accruals		125,057	113,106
	6	310,600	284,302
Liabilities			
Bank borrowings			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 150,483 thousand (previous year: € 30,098 thousand)		267,327	278,348
Advance payments received on orders			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 2,984 thousand (previous year: € 4,597 thousand)		2,984	4,597
Trade accounts payable			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 530,109 thousand (previous year: € 469,241 thousand)		530,109	469,242
Payables to affiliated companies			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 476,042 thousand (previous year: € 442,300 thousand)		1,316,992	1,242,300
Payables to companies in which investments are held			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 0 thousand (previous year: € 52 thousand)		0	52
Other liabilities			
– of which for taxes: € 4,147 thousand (previous year: € 3,795 thousand)			
– of which for social security obligations: € 4,561 thousand (previous year: € 6,314 thousand)			
– of which with a residual term up to one year: € 15,522 thousand (previous year: € 19,394 thousand)		15,522	19,394
	7	2,132,934	2,013,933
Deferred income		1,118	224
Total equity and liabilities		4,010,203	3,808,947

Income Statement

from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019

in € thousand	Note	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Revenues	10	8,199,877	7,967,664
Increase in inventories of finished goods and work in process		62,993	14,774
Own work capitalized	11	15,636	15,604
Other operating income	12	52,077	81,559
Cost of materials:	13		
a) Cost of raw materials, supplies, and merchandise		7,484,976	7,228,817
b) Cost of purchased services		288,587	244,859
		7,773,563	7,473,676
Personnel expenses:	14		
a) Wages and salaries		221,302	211,551
b) Social security contributions, pension and other benefit expenses – of which for pensions: € 3,451 thousand (previous year: € -3,714 thousand)		43,628	33,764
		264,930	245,315
Depreciation of property, plant, and equipment and amortization of intangible assets	15	53,098	51,495
Other operating expenses	16	132,210	162,668
Income from investments and write-ups of interests in affiliated companies – of which from affiliated companies: € 98,803 thousand (previous year: € 51,685 thousand)	17	98,803	51,685
Income and reversals of impairment losses from other securities and loans reported under financial fixed assets	18	402	2,327
Other interest and similar income – of which from affiliated companies: € 8,681 thousand (previous year: € 7,174 thousand)	19	10,472	9,096
Write-downs of financial assets and securities classified as current assets	20	18,663	51
Interest and similar expenses – of which to affiliated companies: € 3,784 thousand (previous year: € 3,348 thousand)	21	40,924	38,277
Income taxes	22	31,074	50,081
Earnings after income taxes		125,798	121,146
Other taxes		1,052	1,486
Net income for the year		124,746	119,660
Profit brought forward from the prior year		65,145	74,968
Allocations to other revenue reserves		62,300	59,800
Unappropriated earnings		127,591	134,828

Notes to the Financial Statements

General Disclosures

The financial statements of Aurubis AG, Hamburg, for the fiscal year from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the German Commercial Code (Handelsgesetzbuch, HGB) for large corporations and the relevant provisions of the German Stock Corporation Act (Aktiengesetz, AktG) and are prepared in thousands of euros. The income statement has been prepared using the nature of expense format.

The annual financial statements of Aurubis AG, the Aurubis consolidated financial statements and the Combined Management Report for Aurubis AG and the Aurubis Group for fiscal year 2018/19 are published together with the report of the Supervisory Board and the suggested appropriation of earnings in the Federal Gazette (Bundesanzeiger) at www.bundesanzeiger.de. The declaration required under Section 161 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) has been issued by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board and has been made permanently accessible to the shareholders on the company's website.

Aurubis AG, headquartered in Hamburg, Germany, is registered with the District Court of Hamburg under Commercial Register number HR B No. 1775.

Accounting Policies

FIXED ASSETS

Intangible assets are recognized at their costs of acquisition or generation and are amortized on a scheduled pro rata temporis basis. The costs of generation include directly allocable costs and a proportionate share of overheads. Scheduled amortization is charged on a straight-line basis over their expected useful lives of between three and eight years.

Property, plant, and equipment are measured at acquisition or construction cost. The construction cost of self-constructed assets includes directly allocable costs and a proportionate share of overheads. Movable fixed assets are generally depreciated on a straight-line basis over their normal operational useful life.

The following useful lives were mainly applied:

Buildings	25 to 40 years
Site installations	10 to 25 years
Technical equipment and machinery	5 to 20 years
Factory and office equipment	3 to 20 years

Based on tax regulations, assets costing individually up to € 250 are fully depreciated in the year of acquisition. A collective item has been set up for low-value assets with individual acquisition or construction costs of between € 250 and € 1,000. This collective item is depreciated over a period of five years. Impairment losses are recorded if assets need to be recognized at a lower value. Spare parts and maintenance equipment assets that are used for longer than one period are recorded as items of property, plant, and equipment.

Financial fixed assets are stated at acquisition cost or their lower fair value. Rights under pension liability insurance policies for Executive Board members are netted with the provisions for pension entitlement.

CURRENT ASSETS

Inventories are measured at acquisition/production cost or at current market values as at the balance sheet date, if lower. Production cost includes all direct costs attributable to the production process, as well as a systematically allocated share of the production-related overheads.

The acquisition costs of copper concentrates and raw materials for recycling are calculated by deducting the treatment and refining charges negotiated with the supplier from the purchase price of the metal. Treatment and refining charges are fees typical for the industry that are charged for processing ore concentrates and raw materials for recycling into copper and precious metals.

Work in process is measured by initially measuring the metal content. The equivalent cost of the processing that is still required for production of the fine metal is deducted from this figure. In this manner, the costs incurred during the production process are successively recognized as a component of the total production cost. This procedure applies to metal production.

In the case of copper products, both the metal components and the costs incurred for further processing the copper into special formats – such as wire rod, shapes, and rolled products – are taken into consideration for the measurement of finished goods by applying a calculated surcharge.

Metal inventories are accounted for using the LIFO method.

Receivables and other assets are generally recognized at their nominal value. Aurubis monitors all risks associated with receivables. If circumstances become known which lead to a conclusion that any particular receivables are subject to risks that exceed the normal credit risk, then such risks are taken into account by Aurubis by setting up specific and general allowances.

Emission rights that have been allocated without payment are recognized at a pro memoria value.

Cash and bank balances are accounted for at their nominal values.

Expenditures incurred before the balance sheet date that represent expenses for a definite period after this date are recognized as **prepaid expenses and deferred charges**.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL

The subscribed capital is accounted for at nominal value.

PROVISIONS AND LIABILITIES

Aurubis AG's **pension obligations** deriving from entitlements and current pensions are calculated at the present value of their settlement amounts by applying the projected unit credit method, using an interest rate of 2.82% and the "Heubeck-Richttafeln 2018 G" mortality tables from Heubeck AG. The interest rate is based on the average market interest rate for the past 10 years, assuming a residual term of 15 years, as published by the German Federal Bank. Expected future increases in pensions and remuneration of 1.6% p.a. and 2.75% p.a., respectively, were also taken into account, as well as a fluctuation probability of 0% to 10%, depending on the age structure.

Pensions are provided to a great extent through pension and support funds whose assets may solely be utilized to satisfy Aurubis AG's pension obligations. Both the pension and support funds receive allocations, as permitted by German tax regulations. Provisions have been set up to cover the unfunded portion of these fund obligations. The same calculation parameters were used for this purpose as were used for the other pension provisions. In determining the provision, the securities held as fund assets are recognized at current market value and leased property is valued by applying a capitalized earnings procedure.

Reinsurance arrangements with life insurance companies exist for the defined contribution plans of the Executive Board members. These are considered to be asset coverage for the related obligations and are measured at fair value. The fair value of the life insurance policies corresponds to the value of the assets for tax purposes.

The company pension plan was converted to the form of a defined contribution plan for employees hired after September 29, 2003. Since then, processing has been carried out by an external pension fund and an insurance company.

The **other provisions and accruals** cover all identifiable risks and uncertain obligations, including potentially onerous transactions; they are recognized in the balance sheet with their settlement amount pursuant to Section 253 (1) sentence 2 clause 2 of the German Commercial Code (HGB). Provisions with a residual term of more than one year were discounted pursuant to Section 253 (2) sentence 1 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) in conjunction with Section 253 (2) sentences 4 and 5 of the German Commercial Code (HGB), applying an average interest rate for the past seven fiscal years, as published by the German Federal Bank. For further information concerning the measurement of anniversary provisions and provisions for transitional allowances, with the exception of the applied interest rate, please refer to the accounting and measurement assumptions explained under "Pension provisions."

The top-up amounts for the provisions for partial retirement are calculated using the FIFO method. The underlying assumptions are identical to those of the provisions previously described.

All **liabilities** are stated at their settlement amounts.

Receipts before the balance sheet date that represent income for a definite period after this date are recognized as **deferred income**.

CURRENCY CONVERSION

Bank balances designated in foreign currencies are measured at the mean rate of exchange as at the balance sheet date.

Current foreign currency receivables and payables (with a term of up to one year) are accounted for at the exchange rate at the time they occur, taking into consideration any gains and losses deriving from rate changes as at the balance sheet date. Non-current foreign currency receivables and payables (with a term of over one year) are recognized at the exchange rate at the time they occur, taking into consideration any losses deriving from rate changes as at the balance sheet date.

Income and expenses deriving from the realization of foreign currency receivables and payables are recognized in other operating income and expenses.

DEFERRED TAXES

Deferred tax assets and liabilities derive from temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets, liabilities, prepaid expenses, deferred charges, and deferred income as recognized for statutory accounting purposes and those recognized for tax-based accounting purposes, as well as from tax loss carryforwards.

Any overall tax burden is recognized in the balance sheet as a deferred tax liability. Any overall tax relief may be recognized in the balance sheet as a deferred tax asset. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset against one another for balance sheet disclosure purposes.

Deferred taxes are computed based on a rate of 32.42%, which is the expected income tax rate at the time the temporary differences reverse (15.83% for corporate income tax including the solidarity surcharge and 16.59% for trade tax).

In fiscal year 2018/19, Aurubis AG had a net surplus of deferred tax assets. This was mainly due to temporary differences between the carrying amounts of inventories, pension provisions, and other provisions and accruals as recognized for statutory accounting purposes and those recognized for tax-based accounting purposes.

Deferred taxes are not included in tax expense due to the exercise of the option available under Section 274 (1) sentence 2 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) not to recognize any surplus of deferred tax assets over deferred tax liabilities.

As at the balance sheet date on September 30, 2019, the following amounts were determined:

in € thousand	Opening balance 10/1/2018	Change in 2018/19	Closing balance 9/30/2019
Deferred tax assets	49,846	4,996	54,842
Deferred tax liabilities	(16,208)	(4,234)	(20,442)
Total	33,638	762	34,400

DERIVATIVES AND MEASUREMENT UNITS

Aurubis AG and the Aurubis Group companies are exposed to currency, interest rate, and commodity price risks in the course of their business. The company deploys derivative financial instruments to hedge these risks. The use of derivative financial instruments is limited to the hedging of the Group's operating business and associated monetary investments and financing transactions.

Currency risks are primarily hedged through the deployment of forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign currency options. Interest rate swaps are particularly used to hedge interest rate risks. Aurubis AG contracts derivative financial instruments with external contractual partners in the context of the hedging of commodity price risks in order to hedge the market prices of raw materials and the energy required for operational business purposes.

The deployment of derivative financial instruments has the objective of reducing, to a large extent, the impacts on earnings and cash flows that can result from changes in exchange rates, interest rates, and commodity prices.

Derivative financial instruments are subject to a price change risk due to the possibility of fluctuations in the underlying parameters such as currencies, interest rates, and commodity prices. In the process, use is made of the possibility to compensate losses in value due to contrary effects deriving from the hedged items.

The nominal volume of the derivative financial instruments is determined as the sum of all purchase and sales contracts. The market values of forward foreign currency contracts are determined on the basis of current European Central Bank reference rates, taking into account the forward premiums or discounts, and those for metal future contracts on the basis of LME price quotations. Foreign exchange options are valued using price quotations or option price models. The market values of the interest hedging transactions are determined by discounting future expected cash flows, using the market interest rates applicable for the remaining term of the financial instruments.

The non-ferrous metal transactions used to hedge the metal prices, as well as the forward exchange contracts connected with these, are included in the measurement of the respective measurement units for each type of metal. These financial instruments therefore also influence the measurement of trade accounts receivable and payable, as well as inventories.

Notes to the Balance Sheet

(1) FIXED ASSETS

Intangible assets include usage rights acquired for consideration, primarily in connection with a long-term electricity supply contract. Intangible assets are amortized on a scheduled basis over their remaining useful lives.

Additions of € 123.8 million were recorded under intangible assets and property, plant, and equipment. Investments in property, plant, and equipment primarily comprise investments connected to the planned shutdown of primary copper production in Hamburg, the construction of a new Innovation and Training Center in Hamburg, and the overhaul of the electrolytic refining facility (tankhouse) at the Lünen site. In addition, impairment losses of € 6.2 million on property were reversed, as the reason for the impairment losses no longer applied. The investments in the Future Complex Metallurgy (FCM) project in the fiscal year, amounting to € 13.7 million, were fully recognized in profit or loss as a cost, together with the amounts invested in the previous year, resulting in a total cost of € 22.9 million, after the termination of the project was announced. The cost of derecognition of the project is disclosed under other operating expenses [Q page 5](#).

A schedule showing the share interests disclosed as financial assets is shown on [Q page 24](#) of these notes to the financial statements. Aurubis recognized the share interests in Aurubis America Holding Inc., as well as incidental expenses for the planned acquisition of Metallo Group Holding NV, as assets during the fiscal year. These investments amounted to € 1.8 million. Furthermore, a previously recognized impairment loss of € 3.0 million against the carrying amount of the investment in Aurubis Italia was reversed. The carrying amount of securities classified as fixed assets as at September 30, 2018 was € 29.9 million, compared to a fair value of € 11.2 million as at the current balance sheet date. An impairment loss of € 18.7 million was accordingly recognized on this basis.

The changes in fixed assets are shown on [Q pages 22 and 23](#) of the notes to the financial statements.

(2) INVENTORIES

in € thousand	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Raw materials and supplies	224,907	295,309
Work in process	479,679	454,011
Finished goods, merchandise	110,338	72,840
Payments on account	24	0
Total	814,948	822,160

Inventories reduced by a total of € 7.2 million in the fiscal year. While raw materials decreased by € 70.4 million due to a decrease in copper-bearing concentrates, work in process increased by € 25.7 million and finished goods increased by € 37.5 million. The higher value for inventories of work in process and finished goods is attributable to an increase in inventories of copper-bearing intermediate and finished products as at the balance sheet date.

Write-downs to lower market value as at the balance sheet date, amounting to € 8.4 million, relate only to minor metals.

The difference between the current market value as at the reporting date and our measurement, using the LIFO method, amounted to € 906.8 million.

(3) RECEIVABLES AND OTHER ASSETS

in € thousand	Residual term		Total
	less than 1 year	more than 1 year	9/30/2019
Trade accounts receivable	256,753	0	256,753
Receivables from affiliated companies	300,128	30,000	330,128
Receivables from companies in which investments are held	274	0	274
Other assets	44,355	0	44,355
	601,510	30,000	631,510

in € thousand	Residual term		Total
	less than 1 year	more than 1 year	9/30/2018
Trade accounts receivable	180,286	0	180,286
Receivables from affiliated companies	215,444	30,000	245,444
Receivables from companies in which investments are held	66	0	66
Other assets	17,104	0	17,104
	412,900	30,000	442,900

Trade accounts receivable increased by € 76.5 million compared to the previous year, from € 180.3 million to € 256.8 million. The increase is primarily due to higher receivables in the precious metals and rod product groups. At the same time, the number of receivables sold within the scope of factoring agreements increased by € 4.3 million and amounted to € 147.9 million as at the balance sheet date (previous year: € 152.5 million). The factoring arrangements are used to finance the receivables.

Receivables from affiliated companies and from companies in which investments are held, amounting to € 330.4 million in total, are made up of trade accounts receivable of € 6.1 million (previous year: € 6.2 million) and receivables deriving from financial transactions of € 324.3 million (previous year: € 239.2 million).

Almost all of the outstanding trade accounts receivable had been settled by the time of preparation of the financial statements.

Other assets primarily include tax receivables in the amount of € 9.9 million, a receivable of € 20 million from Wieland-Werke deriving from the prohibited sale of Segment FRP, as well as claims for damages and security deposits for brokers.

(4) CASH AND BANK BALANCES

This item includes cash on hand, balances at banks, and commercial paper with a term of up to one month.

(5) EQUITY

The share capital amounted to € 115,089,210.88 and is divided into 44,956,723 no-par-value shares, each with a notional amount of € 2.56.

The Executive Board is authorized, subject to the approval of the Supervisory Board, to increase the company's share capital by February 23, 2021, by up to € 57,544,604.16 once or in several installments.

The share capital has been conditionally increased by up to € 57,544,604.16 by issuing up to 22,478,361 new no-par-value shares with a proportionate notional amount per share of € 2.56 of the share capital (conditional capital). It will be used to grant shares to the holders or creditors of conversion and/or option rights from convertible bonds, bonds with warrants, profit participation rights or participating bonds (or combinations of these instruments) that can be issued by March 1, 2022.

An amount of € 62,300,000.00 has been allocated from the net income for the year to other revenue reserves. The required legal reserve of € 6,391,148.51, amounting to 10 % of the subscribed capital, is included in the revenue reserves. The remaining amount of the equity is made up by the share premium that is disclosed as additional paid-in capital.

The transition to the discount rate for the pension provision pursuant to Section 253 (6) sentence 1 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) results in a difference of € 35.7 million. This amount is subject to a dividend distribution restriction pursuant to Section 253 (6) sentence 2 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) if no other free reserves are available.

The unappropriated earnings as at September 30, 2019 include the profit of € 65,145,084.22 brought forward from the prior year.

(6) PROVISIONS AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

in € thousand	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Pension provisions and similar obligations	176,637	155,085
Provisions for taxes	8,906	16,111
Personnel-related	79,790	78,419
Maintenance	1,383	1,545
Environmental protection measures	7,826	7,747
Sundry provisions and accruals	36,058	25,395
Other provisions and accruals	125,057	113,106
	310,600	284,302

As in the prior year, the pension provisions were measured at the present value of their settlement amount by applying the projected unit credit method, taking into account expected future increases in pensions and remuneration.

As at the September 30, 2019 reporting date, the company used the new "Richttafeln 2018 G" from Heubeck AG published on October 4, 2018. The transition effect from this amounts to € 2.6 million.

The following parameters also served as the basis for calculating the pension obligations:

Discount rate	2.82 %
Expected income development	2.75 %
Expected pension development	1.60 %
Staff fluctuation rate (varies depending on the age structure)	0.00 % to 10.00 %

The difference between the measurement of the pension provision applying the 10-year average interest rate and applying the 7-year average interest rate pursuant to Section 253 (6) sentence 1 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) amounts to € 35.7 million. Profits may only be distributed if the freely available reserve plus any retained profit carried forward, or less any loss carryforward, which remains after the distribution, corresponds at a minimum to this difference.

Expenses deriving from the pension scheme are included in personnel costs. The interest expense deriving from the obligation and any income arising from the change in the present value of the coverage assets are accounted for in the financial result. Any expenses deriving from interest rate changes are also included in the financial result.

Expenses of € 28.4 million, deriving from the unwinding of discount on the pension obligations, include € 20.4 million in expenses due to the change in the discount rate.

To the extent that the pension obligations for Executive Board members and employees have been reinsured, the fair value of the reinsurance claims is offset against them. In this context, fair value of the fund assets was € 90.2 million as at the reporting date (previous year: € 89.0 million) and their amortized cost was € 58.0 million (previous year: € 58.2 million). Thus, the amount required to settle the total pension obligations was € 266.8 million as at the balance sheet date (previous year: € 244.1 million).

The decrease in provisions for taxes is mainly due to the utilization of a provision set up in the previous year for anticipated tax arrears, resulting from a tax field audit.

The increase in personnel-related provisions results from higher provisions for transitional and anniversary payments to employees, due to lower discounting interest rates. The coverage funding for the personnel-related provisions amounted to € 6.8 million as at the reporting date (previous year: € 5.8 million) and corresponded to their amortized cost. These were netted with the related settlement amounts.

The provision for deferred maintenance relates to scheduled repairs for the first three months after the balance sheet date.

The sundry provisions and accruals primarily contain provisions for impending losses from onerous contracts, as well as accruals for outstanding invoices. The increase in sundry provisions and accruals is due to increased accruals for outstanding invoices.

(7) LIABILITIES

in € thousand	Residual term			Total
	less than 1 year	1 to 5 years	more than 5 years	9/30/2019
Bank borrowings	150,483	113,425	3,419	267,327
Advance payments received on orders	2,984	0	0	2,984
Trade accounts payable	530,109	0	0	530,109
Payables to affiliated companies	476,042	840,950	0	1,316,992
Payables to companies in which investments are held	0	0	0	0
Other liabilities	15,522	0	0	15,522
– of which for taxes	4,147	0	0	4,147
– of which for social security contributions	4,561	0	0	4,561
	1,175,140	954,375	3,419	2,132,934

in € thousand	Residual term			Total
	less than 1 year	1 to 5 years	more than 5 years	9/30/2018
Bank borrowings	30,098	244,550	3,700	278,348
Advance payments received on orders	4,597	0	0	4,597
Trade accounts payable	469,242	0	0	469,242
Payables to affiliated companies	442,300	800,000	0	1,242,300
Payables to companies in which investments are held	52	0	0	52
Other liabilities	19,394	0	0	19,394
– of which for taxes	3,795	0	0	3,795
– of which for social security contributions	6,314	0	0	6,314
	965,683	1,044,550	3,700	2,013,933

Bank borrowings declined by € 11.0 million in comparison to the previous year as a result of repayment agreements associated with the loans.

Trade accounts payable increased by € 60.9 million to € 530.1 million (previous year: € 469.2 million) due to concentrate deliveries that were paid after the reporting date.

In addition to trade accounts payable of € 111.0 million (previous year: € 113.8 million), payables to affiliated companies of € 1,317 million include payables of € 1,206.0 million deriving from financial transactions with subsidiaries (previous year: € 1,128.5 million).

(8) DERIVATIVES AND MEASUREMENT UNITS

DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS USED TO HEDGE CURRENCY RISKS

Aurubis AG uses forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign currency options to hedge currency risks. A focus of the hedging measures is to hedge the risk of changes in value deriving from futures transactions (hedged transactions). This is achieved using macro-hedges. Aurubis AG concluded forward foreign exchange contracts with a nominal volume of € 643.7 million to hedge currency risks from LME exchange transactions designated in USD. They have a residual term of up to eight months. Their positive fair market value as at the balance sheet date amounted to € 10.2 million. They are matched by changes in value from the hedged items included in the measurement unit in the same amount.

They are accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method, and as a result were not recognized in the balance sheet. The effectiveness of the measurement unit is determined by comparing the net position of the hedged transactions included in the macro-hedge with the net position of the forward foreign exchange contracts included in the portfolio. Ineffectiveness is recorded if a net loss results from the cumulated changes in value of the underlying transactions and the cumulated changes in value of the hedges. In this case, a provision for anticipated losses is set up in the amount of the net loss. Net gains are not accounted for.

Forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign currency options in the form of micro-hedges were concluded to hedge highly probable revenues from treatment and refining charges, copper premiums, and product surcharges designated in USD against the risk of changes in the cash flow. They have a residual term of up to 24 months, a nominal volume of € 176.3 million, and a net negative market value of € 5.9 million. They are matched by changes in value from the hedged items included in the measurement unit in the same amount. The expected volume of treatment charge revenues, copper premiums, and product surcharges in USD is based on an annual budget reflecting expected business trends, which is authorized by the company's management. Thus, a high probability that these transactions will occur can be presumed. A comparison of hedged and actual revenues designated in USD for earlier years has demonstrated that it is highly unlikely that the volumes hedged in advance will exceed the planned revenues as a result of the hedging strategy.

They are accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method. As a result, the portion of the changes in value included in the measurement unit was not recognized in the balance sheet. The effectiveness of the measurement unit is determined by using the cumulative dollar-offset method.

Further measurement units were set up separately for each currency pair in the form of portfolio hedges to hedge currency risks at Group companies deriving from traded-on forward foreign exchange contracts and foreign currency options, as well as for forward foreign exchange contracts concluded to hedge the open currency risk position determined on each day of trading.

The latter items hedge the respective net risk position for a day of trading on the exchanges so that a 1:1 allocation to the respective hedged transactions (e.g., trade accounts receivable and trade accounts payable, advance payments made and received) is not possible.

For the EUR/USD currency pair, this portfolio held traded-on foreign currency options with a residual term of up to twelve months. They include the respective purchase and sale options for US\$ 26.5 million with an equivalent value of € 21.7 million.

They are accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method. Since the foreign currency options included in this measurement unit are in each case 1:1 mirrored transactions, the portion of the changes in value included in the measurement unit was not recognized in the balance sheet. Furthermore, in this portfolio, forward foreign exchange contracts with a residual term of up to 24 months existed for this currency pair. Respective USD purchases and sales of US\$ 730.9 million are counterbalanced by contracted EUR purchases of € 649.3 million and EUR sales of € 650.6 million within this measurement unit. They are accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method.

The effectiveness of the measurement unit is determined for the positions concluded in foreign currency by matching these with the contracted EUR amounts that are to be later used to process the forward foreign exchange contracts. Additional measurement units for other currency pairs that do not represent a significant risk position for the company were immaterial.

Provisions of € 2.8 million have been set up to cover anticipated losses from forward exchange transactions. There were no derivative financial instruments used to hedge interest rate fluctuation risks during the fiscal year.

DERIVATIVE FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS USED TO HEDGE METAL AND OTHER PRICE RISKS

Aurubis AG used futures contracts to hedge metal price risks. These mainly relate to copper.

A main focus of the hedging measures is to hedge price-fixed, pending purchase and sales delivery transactions against the risk of changes in value due to a change in the metal price. This is achieved using a macro-hedge. Aurubis AG concluded LME futures contracts with a nominal volume of € 1.7 billion in order to hedge metal price risks deriving from pending delivery transactions. They have a residual term of up to 15 months. Their net positive fair market value as at the balance sheet date amounted to € 8.7 million. To the extent that this is not offset by changes in the value of the hedged items included in the measurement unit in the same amount, this is taken into account in the measurement of the delivery purchases and sales also included in the measurement unit which have already been delivered but not price-fixed. The closed position is accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method. The effectiveness of the measurement unit is determined by comparing the volumes and prices of the hedged items and hedging instruments included in the macro-hedge.

Provisions of € 0.6 million have been set up to cover anticipated losses from metal delivery transactions.

Aurubis AG uses commodity futures and commodity swaps to hedge other price risks.

In the context of hedging other price risks, variable price components included in the procurement of electricity were particularly hedged in the form of micro-hedges against the risk of changes in cash flows. Commodity futures and commodity swaps existed with a residual term of up to 27 months and a nominal volume of € 7.7 million and a net positive market value of € 1.4 million. They are matched by changes in value from the hedged items included in the measurement unit in the same amount. They are accounted for by applying the net hedge presentation method. As a result, they were not recognized in the balance sheet. Evidence of the effectiveness of the measurement unit is provided in that the critical contract terms for the hedged item and the hedging instrument are an exact match (critical terms match).

The measurement of part of a long-term electricity supply contract with a nominal volume of € 223.1 million led to a positive net fair value of € 16.7 million at the balance sheet date. The fair value is calculated using the discounted cash flow method. The derivative is not included in a measurement unit and is accounted for according to the imparity principle. If the derivative shows a negative fair value as at the balance sheet date, it is recorded under other provisions and accruals.

(9) CONTINGENT LIABILITIES AND OTHER FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

in € million	9/30/2019	9/30/2018
Contingent liabilities		
Letters of comfort	1.2	8.2
– of which for affiliated companies	1.2	8.2
Other financial commitments		
Capital expenditure commitments	56.6	65.2
Sundry other financial commitments	111.4	115.2
	169.2	188.6

The nominal values disclosed for contingent liabilities did not lead to recognition as liabilities, as a claim is not expected due to the contractual partners' economic development.

Other financial commitments of € 81.6 million relate to long-term transport and handling agreements with a residual term of eight years (previous year: € 90.5 million). Other financial commitments of € 13.2 million relate to long-term tank storage handling agreements with a residual term of seven years (previous year: € 15.4 million).

An agreement remains in place with an energy utility for the cost-based procurement of electricity over a term of 30 years. The agreement for one billion kilowatt hours of electricity per annum commenced in 2010. Based on the last fiscal year, the expense will amount to € 54 million. In addition, there is a long-term agreement for the supply of oxygen.

Notes to the Income Statement

(10) REVENUES

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Analysis by product group		
Copper cathodes	929,609	1,040,147
Wire rod	3,211,813	3,132,205
Shapes	833,282	973,670
Precious metals	2,898,807	2,466,216
Sulfuric acid	53,327	49,280
Other	273,039	306,146
	8,199,877	7,967,664

In the year reported, 55.2% of the revenues were generated in the German market, 33.9% in other European countries, 5.3% in Asia, 2.1% in North America, and 3.5% in other countries. The higher revenues are primarily attributable to higher precious metal prices.

The revenues for wire rod and shapes also include revenues for so-called "Wandelkathoden" (copper on account), which are delivered in the requested sizes following receipt of the customers' specifications.

TRANSACTIONS NOT INCLUDED IN THE BALANCE SHEET

Off-balance-sheet transactions exist for Aurubis AG in the form of factoring agreements, amounting to € 148.2 million, and in the form of a pension fund for which the fair value of assets is higher than the settlement amounts and that is therefore not recognized in the balance sheet.

(11) OWN WORK CAPITALIZED

Own work capitalized amounting to € 15.6 million (previous year: € 15.6 million) mainly includes personnel and material costs in connection with the construction of property, plant, and equipment and the generation of intangible assets.

(12) OTHER OPERATING INCOME

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Income deriving from the reversal of provisions	3,572	849
Gains on disposal of property, plant, and equipment	0	91
Cost reimbursements	900	1,651
Compensation and damages	18	302
Other income	47,587	78,666
	52,077	81,559

Other operating income includes € 5.0 million (previous year: € 3.5 million) of income relating to prior periods. Amongst other items, this includes income from the reversal of unutilized provisions and income deriving from damage compensation claims. Other income includes gains of € 15.2 million deriving from the measurement and realization of foreign currency receivables and payables (previous year: € 74.6 million), income of € 20 million deriving from the prohibited sale of Segment Flat Rolled Products (FRP), and reversals of impairment losses of € 6.2 million previously recognized against property.

(13) COST OF MATERIALS

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Raw materials, supplies, and merchandise	7,484,976	7,228,817
Cost of purchased services	288,587	244,859
	7,773,563	7,473,676

The cost of materials increased by € 299.9 million, mainly due to metal prices, in a manner corresponding to the increase in revenues. The cost of materials ratio was nearly unchanged at 93.9% (previous year: 93.4%).

(14) PERSONNEL EXPENSES

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Wages and salaries	221,302	211,551
Social security contributions, pension and other benefit expenses	43,628	33,764
– of which for pensions	3,451	(3,714)
	264,930	245,315

The increase in personnel expenses in the fiscal year reported is mainly attributable to an increase in wages and salaries. The increase was primarily caused by increases in collective wage tariff agreement rates, as well as an increase in the number of employees. The lower pension expenses are mainly due to changes in the actuarial assumptions used to calculate the pension provisions.

The average number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2018/19	2017/18
Blue collar	1,774	1,662
White collar	1,233	1,120
Apprentices	238	190
	3,245	2,972

(15) DEPRECIATION OF PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT AND AMORTIZATION OF INTANGIBLE ASSETS

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortization of intangible assets increased, by a total of € 1.6 million compared to the previous year, to € 53.1 million, mainly in the areas of technical equipment and machinery, buildings, and office equipment. The depreciation of property, plant and equipment and amortization of intangible assets of € 59.3 million disclosed in the table showing changes in fixed assets includes the write-down of investments made in connection with an electricity supply contract, amounting to € 6.2 million, which is disclosed under the cost of materials.

(16) OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

Other operating expenses of € 132.2 million (previous year: € 162.7 million) primarily include administrative and marketing expenses, fees, insurance, rents, and leasing expenses.

In addition, other operating expenses include losses of € 19.2 million deriving from the measurement and realization of foreign currency receivables and payables (previous year: € 74.0 million), extraordinary impacts of € 22.9 million deriving from the discontinuation of the internal investment project Future Complex Metallurgy (FCM), and other expenses relating to prior periods of € 7.6 million (previous year: € 4.4 million).

(17) INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS AND WRITE-UPS OF SHARE INTERESTS IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Income from investments	95,803	51,682
– of which from affiliated companies	95,803	51,682
Write-ups of share interests in affiliated companies	3,000	3
	98,803	51,685

The income from investments comprises € 81.0 million from investments abroad and € 14.8 million from investments in Germany.

(18) INCOME AND REVERSALS OF IMPAIRMENT LOSSES FROM OTHER SECURITIES AND LOANS REPORTED UNDER FINANCIAL FIXED ASSETS

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Income and reversals of impairment losses from other securities and loans reported under financial fixed assets	402	2,327

The income from other securities and loans comprises dividend income of € 0.4 million from Salzgitter AG.

(19) OTHER INTEREST AND SIMILAR INCOME

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Other interest and similar income	10,472	9,096
– of which from affiliated companies	8,681	7,174
	10,472	9,096

(20) WRITE-DOWNS OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND SECURITIES CLASSIFIED AS CURRENT ASSETS

Write-downs of financial assets and securities classified as current assets primarily relate to the remeasurement of securities with the relevant quoted exchange price as at the reporting date. This led to a write-down of € 18.6 million (previous year: write-up of € 2.3 million).

(21) INTEREST AND SIMILAR EXPENSES

in € thousand	2018/19	2017/18
Interest and similar expenses	40,924	38,277
– of which to affiliated companies	3,784	3,348
	40,924	38,277

Interest expense includes expenses from the unwinding of discount on other provisions in the amount of € 0.7 million (previous year: € 0.8 million).

Furthermore, interest and similar expenses include interest components of € 28.4 million included in the allocation to the pension provisions (previous year: € 23.5 million).

(22) INCOME TAXES

The results of ordinary business activity are burdened by income taxes of € 31.1 million (previous year: € 50.1 million).

Other Disclosures

DECLARATION OF CONFORMITY WITH THE GERMAN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE CODE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 161 OF THE GERMAN STOCK CORPORATION ACT (AKTG)

The declaration required under Section 161 of the German Stock Corporation Act (AktG) has been issued by the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board and has been made permanently accessible to the shareholders on the company's website.

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NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 160 (1) NO. 8 OF THE GERMAN STOCK CORPORATION ACT (AKTG)

Up to the date of preparation of the financial statements, Aurubis AG had received the following voting rights notifications from shareholders with respect to exceeding and falling below the relevant notification thresholds, in accordance with Section 33 (1) of the German Securities Trading Act (WpHG):

Shareholders	Thres- hold in %	Stake in %	Relevant threshold date	Date of publication
UBS AG, Zurich, Switzerland	< 5	4.99	3/4/2013	3/20/2013
Allianz Global Investors GmbH, Frankfurt am M.	< 5	4.870	7/13/2017	7/17/2017
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	< 3	2.997	10/31/2018	11/6/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	> 3	3.04	11/1/2018	11/7/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	< 3	2.98	11/9/2018	11/15/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	> 3	3.02	11/14/2018	11/20/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	< 3	2.999	11/15/2018	11/21/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	> 3	3.004	11/19/2018	11/23/2018
BlackRock, Inc., Wilmington, DE, USA ²	< 3	2.95	11/20/2018	11/26/2018
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.80	8/30/2019	9/6/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.14	9/9/2019	9/16/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.99	10/10/2019	10/18/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.01	10/11/2019	10/18/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.93	10/15/2019	10/22/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.01	10/16/2019	10/23/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.98	10/17/2019	10/24/2019

Shareholders	Thres- hold in %	Stake in %	Relevant threshold date	Date of publication
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.01	10/21/2019	10/25/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.88	10/24/2019	11/1/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.02	10/25/2019	11/1/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	< 3	2.86	10/29/2019	11/5/2019
Dimensional Holdings Inc., Austin, Texas; USA ²	> 3	3.15	10/30/2019	11/6/2019
Norges Bank, Oslo, Norway ¹	> 3	3.01	12/17/2018	12/19/2018
Norges Bank, Oslo, Norway ¹	< 3	2.96	12/18/2018	12/20/2018
Rossmann Beteiligungs GmbH, Burgwedel, DE ³	> 5	5.01	8/22/2019	8/23/2019
Salzgitter Mannesmann GmbH, Salzgitter ⁴	> 25	25.00	12/12/2018	12/13/2018
Salzgitter Mannesmann GmbH, Salzgitter ⁴			pursuant to Section 43 of the German Securities Trading Act (WpHG)	12/19/2018
Silchester International Investors LLP, London, UK	> 3	3.09	5/7/2019	5/9/2019
Silchester International Investors LLP, London, UK	> 5	5.17	6/24/2019	6/26/2019
Silchester International Investors International Value Equity Trust, Wilmington, DE, USA	> 3	3.01	7/26/2019	8/7/2019
Silchester International Investors LLP, London, UK+	> 10	10.03	10/4/2019	10/9/2019

¹ The shares are attributable to the state of Norway, represented by its Ministry of Finance; the transaction was conducted via the Norges Bank.

² Held directly or indirectly through subsidiaries.

³ Held directly and indirectly (including financial instruments)

⁴ The shares are attributable to Salzgitter AG, Salzgitter.

+ Report including the 3.01% of Silchester International Investor International Value Equity Trust, Wilmington, DE, USA.

Aurubis AG directly holds 730,088 shares (1.2%) of Salzgitter AG.

The voting rights notifications are available at www.aurubis.com/en/about-aurubis/corporate-governance/voting-rights-notifications.

FEES AND SERVICES RENDERED BY THE AUDITOR

The following fees were recorded as expenses in fiscal year 2018/19 for services rendered by the auditors:

in € thousand	2018/19
Financial statement auditing services	€ 445 thousand

The fee for the financial statement auditing services rendered by Deloitte GmbH Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft related to the audit of the consolidated financial statements of the Aurubis Group, as well as the separate financial statements of Aurubis AG.

INVESTMENTS

The full list of [Q investments](#) is disclosed on page 24.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On November 19, 2019, the European Commission informed the company that it intended to review Aurubis' planned acquisition of Metallo (referred to as phase II). Aurubis AG expects approval by April 2020 at the latest.

There were no other significant events after the reporting date.

INFORMATION CONCERNING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND THE SUPERVISORY BOARD

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

Roland Harings, Hamburg, since May 20, 2019

Born: June 28, 1963, German citizen
Executive Board Chairman and Director of Industrial Relations since July 1, 2019
Segment Metal Refining & Processing
Deputy Executive Board Chairman from May 20, 2019 until June 30, 2019
Appointed from May 20, 2019 to June 30, 2022

Dr. Thomas Bünger, Lüneburg

Born: July 2, 1968, German citizen
Chief Operating Officer
Appointed from October 1, 2018 until September 30, 2021

- » Aurubis Belgium NV/SA, Brussels, Belgium
Director
- » Aurubis Bulgaria AD, Pirdop, Bulgaria
Board of Directors
- » Aurubis Italia Srl, Avellino, Italy
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Rainer Verhoeven: Hamburg

Born: December 2, 1968, German citizen
Chief Financial Officer
Segment Flat Rolled Products
Appointed from January 1, 2018 until December 31, 2020

- » Aurubis Belgium NV/SA, Brussels, Belgium
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Jürgen Schachler, Hamburg, until June 30, 2019

Born: July 31, 1954, German citizen
Executive Board Chairman and Director of Industrial Relations Segment Metal Refining & Processing
Appointed from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2019

SUPERVISORY BOARD

Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt, Hamburg

Chairman of the Supervisory Board
Chairman of the Deutsche Wildtier Stiftung, Hamburg

- » Encavis AG (formerly Capital Stage AG), Hamburg¹
Member of the Supervisory Board

Stefan Schmidt, Lüdinghausen²

Deputy Chairman of the Supervisory Board since June 12, 2019
Head of Services/Production Manager of Smelting Operations at Aurubis AG, Lünen

Deniz Filiz Acar, Hamburg, since May 3, 2019²

Instructor for Commercial Trainees
Deputy Head of Training in HR Training department

Andrea Bauer, Dortmund

Currently no professional occupation

- » IFA Holding GmbH, Haldensleben, since July 1, 2019
Member of the Advisory Council

Christian Ehrentraut, Lünen, since May 3, 2019²

Deputy Shift Leader in Smelting Operations, KRS/MZO
Works Council member in Lünen, relieved of duty
Deputy Chairman of the General Works Council

Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz Jörg Fuhrmann, Salzgitter

Chairman of the Executive Board of Salzgitter AG, Salzgitter¹

- » Hüttenwerke Krupp Mannesmann GmbH, Duisburg³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Ilseburger Grobblech GmbH, Ilseburg³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Ilseburger Grobblech GmbH, Ilseburg, and Salzgitter Mannesmann Grobblech GmbH, Mülheim an der Ruhr
Chairman of the Joint Advisory Committee
- » KHS GmbH, Dortmund³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Mannesmann Precision Tubes GmbH, Mülheim/Ruhr³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Peiner Träger GmbH, Peine³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board

¹ Stock exchange-listed company.

² Elected by the employees.

³ Group companies of Salzgitter AG.

- » Salzgitter Flachstahl GmbH, Salzgitter³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Salzgitter Mannesmann Grobblech GmbH, Mülheim/Ruhr³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Salzgitter Mannesmann Handel GmbH, Düsseldorf³
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Öffentliche Lebensversicherung Braunschweig, Braunschweig
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » Öffentliche Sachversicherung Braunschweig, Braunschweig
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » TÜV Nord AG, Hannover
Member of the Supervisory Board

Prof. Dr. Karl Friedrich Jakob, Dinslaken

Chairman of the Executive Board of RWTÜV e.V., Essen

- » Albert-Schweitzer-Einrichtungen für Behinderte gGmbH,
Dinslaken
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » RWTÜV GmbH, Essen
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » TÜV Nord AG, Hannover
Chairman of the Supervisory Board
- » Van Ameyde International BV, Rijswijk, Netherlands
Member of the Board of Supervisory Directors
- » Universitätsklinikum Essen, Essen
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » Knappschaft Kliniken GmbH, Bochum
Chairman of the Supervisory Board

Jan Koltze, Hamburg²

District Manager of the Mining, Chemical, and Energy Industrial Union Hamburg/Harburg

- » Beiersdorf AG, Hamburg, since April 17, 2019
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » ESSO Deutschland GmbH, Hamburg, until April 30, 2019
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » ExxonMobil Central Europe Holding GmbH, Hamburg
Member of the Supervisory Board
- » Mxingvest AG, Hamburg, since April 26, 2019
Member of the Supervisory Board

Dr. Stephan Krümmer, Hamburg

Currently no professional occupation

Dr. Elke Lossin, Buchholz in der Nordheide²

Manager of the Analytical Laboratory at Aurubis AG, Hamburg

Dr. Sandra Reich, Gräfelfing

Independent business consultant

- » Chancen eG, Berlin
Member of the Supervisory Board

Melf Singer, Schwarzenbek²

Day shift foreman of the Acid Plant at Aurubis AG, Hamburg

FORMER SUPERVISORY BOARD MEMBERS

Karl-Heinz Hamacher, Stolberg, until December 31, 2018²

Employee at Aurubis Stolberg GmbH & Co. KG, Stolberg
Chairman of the Works Council

Renate Hold-Yilmaz, Hamburg, until April 19, 2019²

Deputy Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board until April 19, 2019
Commercial employee
Previously Chairwoman of the Works Council of Aurubis AG, Hamburg

Ralf Winterfeldt, Hamburg, from January 1, 2019 until April 30, 2019²

Power electronics technician
Former Chairman of the General Works Council of Aurubis AG
Former Deputy Chairman of the Works Council of Aurubis AG, Hamburg

SUPERVISORY BOARD COMMITTEES

Conciliation Committee in accordance with Section 27 (3) of the German Co-determination Act

Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt (Chairman)
Stefan Schmidt (Deputy Chairman) since June 12, 2019
Andrea Bauer
Christian Ehrentraut, since June 12, 2019

Former Supervisory Board members

Renate Hold-Yilmaz (Deputy Chairwoman) until April 19, 2019
Melf Singer until June 12, 2019

¹ Stock exchange-listed company.

² Elected by the employees.

³ Group companies of Salzgitter AG.

Audit Committee

Dr. Stephan Krümmer (Chairman)
 Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz Jörg Fuhrmann
 Jan Koltze
 Dr. Elke Lossin
 Dr. Sandra Reich
 Melf Singer since June 12, 2019

Former Supervisory Board members

Renate Hold-Yilmaz until April 19, 2019

Personnel Committee

Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt (Chairman)
 Deniz Filiz Acar since June 12, 2019
 Andrea Bauer since June 12, 2019
 Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz Jörg Fuhrmann
 Jan Koltze since June 12, 2019
 Stefan Schmidt

Former Supervisory Board members

Karl-Heinz Hamacher until December 31, 2018
 Renate Hold-Yilmaz until April 19, 2019
 Prof. Dr. Karl Friedrich Jakob until June 12, 2019
 Ralf Winterfeldt from January 30, 2019 until April 30, 2019

Nomination Committee

Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt (Chairman)
 Prof. Dr.-Ing. Heinz Jörg Fuhrmann
 Prof. Dr. Karl Friedrich Jakob
 Dr. Stephan Krümmer

Technology Committee since June 12, 2019

Prof. Dr. Karl Friedrich Jakob (Chairman)
 Christian Ehrentraut
 Dr. Stephan Krümmer
 Stefan Schmidt

TOTAL COMPENSATION

The total compensation of the active Executive Board members for fiscal year 2018/19 amounts to € 3,088,525 and, in addition to a fixed component in the amount of € 1,431,739, includes fringe benefits of € 70,630 and a variable component of € 1,261,919.

In total, payments for compensation due in the short term amounted to € 2,204,788 (previous year: € 2,278,798) and payments for compensation due in the long term amounted to € 559,500 (previous year: € 870,333).

In addition, expenditures for pension provisions in the amount of € 560,165 (previous year: € 570,000) and for a virtual deferred stock compensation plan in the amount of € 117,392 (previous year: € 93,149) were recognized in the income statement.

A one-time payment of € 1,600,000 was made in the previous year due to the termination of a contract.

Former members of the Executive Board and their surviving dependents received a total of € 2,237,067; € 27,789,965 has been provided for their pension entitlement.

The compensation of the Supervisory Board for fiscal year 2018/19 amounted in total to € 1,511,630.

Details of the individual compensation of the members of the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board are presented and explained in the compensation report.

REPORTABLE SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS**DIRECTORS' DEALINGS**

In accordance with Art. 19 Market Abuse Regulation (EU No. 596/2014), the members of the Executive Board and the Supervisory Board must disclose the acquisition and sale of shares in the company. This does not apply if the total transactions per person do not reach an amount of € 5,000 per calendar year.

One member of the Supervisory Board informed the company that he had acquired or sold no-par-value shares in the company in the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019:

- » Prof. Dr. Fritz Vahrenholt: purchased 2,500 no-par-value shares.

One member of the Executive Board informed the company that he had acquired or sold no-par-value shares in the company in the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019:

- » Mr. Roland Harings: purchased 10,000 no-par-value shares.

Changes in Fixed Assets

for the period from October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019

in € thousand	Costs of acquisition, generation, or construction 10/1/2018	Additions	Disposals	Transfers	Costs of acquisition, generation, or construction 09/30/2019
Purchased concessions, industrial property rights, and similar rights and assets, and licenses for such rights and assets	143,891	2,086	289	4,787	150,475
Goodwill	7,172	0	0	0	7,172
Payments on account	8,511	3,386	0	(4,787)	7,110
Intangible assets	159,574	5,472	289	0	164,757
Land and buildings	468,684	17,082	1,129	16,967	501,604
Technical equipment and machinery	1,017,121	13,924	12,280	19,929	1,038,695
Other equipment, factory and office equipment	67,068	8,024	4,726	5,299	75,665
Payments on account and assets under construction	76,920	79,248	22,911	(42,195)	91,061
Property, plant, and equipment	1,629,793	118,278	41,046	0	1,707,025
Share interests in affiliated companies	1,503,453	1,830	31	0	1,505,252
Investments	2	0	0	0	2
Securities classified as fixed assets	58,287	0	0	0	58,287
Other loans	19	0	10	0	9
Financial fixed assets	1,561,761	1,830	41	0	1,563,550
Fixed assets	3,351,128	125,580	41,376	0	3,435,332

Accumulated depreciation, amortization, and write-downs 10/1/2018	Depreciation, amortization, and write-downs in the current fiscal year	Disposals	Reversals of impairment losses	Accumulated depreciation, amortization, and write-downs 9/30/2019	Carrying amount 9/30/2019	Carrying amount 9/30/2018
41,009	8,239	287	0	48,961	101,514	102,882
7,172	0	0	0	7,172	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	7,110	8,511
48,181	8,239	287	0	56,133	108,624	111,393
307,158	11,384	670	6,220	311,652	189,952	161,525
786,210	34,306	10,987	0	809,529	229,166	230,911
46,822	5,370	4,411	0	47,781	27,884	20,246
0	0	0	0	0	91,061	76,920
1,140,190	51,060	16,068	6,220	1,168,962	538,063	489,602
14,552	31	31	3,000	11,552	1,493,700	1,488,901
0	0	0	0	0	2	2
28,411	18,633	0	0	47,044	11,243	29,876
0	0	0	0	0	9	18
42,963	18,664	31	3,000	58,596	1,504,954	1,518,797
1,231,334	77,963	16,386	9,220	1,283,691	2,151,641	2,119,792

Investments

pursuant to Section 285 No. 11 of the German Commercial Code (HGB) as at September 30, 2019

No.	Company name and registered office	% of capital held directly and indirectly	Held directly by	Equity in € thousand	Annual result in € thousand	Footnote
1	Aurubis AG					
Fully consolidated companies						
2	Aurubis Belgium NV/SA, Brussels	100	1	1,051,395	22,871	*
3	Aurubis Holding Sweden AB, Stockholm	100	2	32,656	7	**/**
4	Aurubis Sweden AB, Finspång	100	3	8,137	-1,380	**/**
5	Aurubis Finland Oy, Pori	100	2	31,767	1,374	*
6	Aurubis Holding USA LLC, Buffalo	100	2	26,911	1,018	**/**
7	Aurubis Buffalo Inc., Buffalo	100	6	50,966	-5,883	**/**
8	Aurubis Netherlands BV, Zutphen	100	2	-891	-7,166	*
9	Aurubis Mortara S.p.a., Mortara	100	2	4,160	63	*
10	Cumerio Austria GmbH, Vienna	100	1	783,803	104,400	*
11	Aurubis Bulgaria AD, Pirdop	99.86	10	388,854	90,652	*
12	Aurubis Engineering EAD, Sofia	100	10	41	5	*
13	Aurubis Italia Srl, Avellino	100	1	10,225	1,405	*
14	Aurubis Stolberg GmbH & Co. KG, Stolberg	100	1	56,319	8,796	*
15	Aurubis U.K. Ltd., Smethwick	100	15	3,053	270	**/**
16	Aurubis Slovakia s.r.o., Dolny Kubin	100	15	858	79	*
17	CABLO Metall-Recycling & Handel GmbH, Fehrbellin	100	1	11,156	2,229	*
18	Peute Baustoff GmbH, Hamburg	100	1	573	305	*
19	RETORTE GmbH Selenium Chemicals & Metals, Röthenbach	100	1	2,658	-490	*
20	E.R.N. Elektro-Recycling NORD GmbH, Hamburg	100	1	2,825	25	*
21	Aurubis Product Sales GmbH, Hamburg	100	1	1,002	225	*
22	Deutsche Giessdraht GmbH, Emmerich	100	1	3,582	1,336	*
Companies accounted for using the equity method						
23	Schwermetall Halbzeugwerk GmbH & Co. KG, Stolberg	50	15	110,663	9,233	*
Non-consolidated companies						
24	Aurubis Switzerland SA, Yverdon-les-Bains	100	1	0	23,470	**/**
25	Aurubis Stolberg Verwaltungs-GmbH, Stolberg	100	1	40	2	***
26	Hüttenbau-Gesellschaft Peute mbH, Hamburg	100	1	87	0	***
27	Aurubis Hong Kong Ltd., Hong Kong	100	2	1,038	-73	**/**
28	Aurubis Metal Products (Shanghai) Co., Ltd, Shanghai	100	27	173	-70	**/**
29	Aurubis Rus LLC, St. Petersburg	100	2	1	-8	**/**
30	Retorte do Brasil, Joinville	51	20	805	68	**/**
31	C.M.R. International N.V., Antwerp	50	1	-2,470	-131	****
32	Schwermetall Halbzeugwerk GmbH, Stolberg	50	15	60	12	***
33	JoSeCo GmbH, Kirchheim/Swabia	50	20	222	48	****
34	Aurubis Middle East FZE, Dubai	100	22	169	19	**/**
35	Aurubis Turkey Kimya Anonim Sirketi, Istanbul	100	11	20	8	**/**
36	Ampashield NV/SA, Herentals	75	2	500	-163	***
37	Aurubis America Holding Inc., Tampa	100	1	966	-2	**/**
38	Aurubis Tampa LLC, Tampa	100	37	-167	-156	**/**

* Disclosed equity and annual result are based on the IFRS reporting package since German statutory or country-specific financial statements are not yet available.

** Local currency converted into EUR at the applicable closing rate or average rate as at September 30, 2019.

*** Disclosed on the basis of the annual financial statements as at September 30, 2019.

**** Disclosed on the basis of the annual financial statements as at September 30, 2018 or the annual financial statements under commercial law or territory-specific law as at December 31, 2018.

PROPOSED APPROPRIATION OF EARNINGS

in € thousand	2018/19
Net income for the year of Aurubis AG	124,745,891.75
Retained profit brought forward from the prior year	65,145,084.22
Allocations to other revenue reserves	62,300,000.00
Unappropriated earnings	127,590,975.97

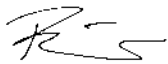
A proposal will be made at the Annual General Meeting that Aurubis AG's unappropriated earnings of € 127.590.975,97 are used to pay a dividend of € 1.25 per no-par-value share (= € 56,195,903.75) and that € 71,395,072.22 be carried forward. The company currently does not hold any own shares. If the number of no-par-value shares changes until the Annual General Meeting, an accordingly adjusted proposal on the distribution of profits will be presented at the Annual General Meeting, with an unchanged proposal for the appropriation of the profit of € 1.25 per no-par-value share with a dividend entitlement.

Hamburg, December 10, 2019

The Executive Board



Roland Harings
(Chairman)



Rainer Verhoeven
(Member)



Thomas Bünger
(Member)

Independent Auditor's Report

To Aurubis AG, Hamburg/Germany

REPORT ON THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OF THE COMBINED MANAGEMENT REPORT

AUDIT OPINIONS

We have audited the annual financial statements of Aurubis AG, Hamburg/Germany, which comprise the balance sheet as at 30 September 2019, and the statement of profit and loss for the financial year from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019, and the notes to the financial statements, including the presentation of the recognition and measurement policies. In addition, we have audited the combined management report of Aurubis AG, Hamburg/Germany, and the Group for the financial year from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019. In accordance with the German legal requirements, we have not audited the content of the corporate governance statement pursuant to Section 289f German Commercial Code (HGB) combined with the consolidated corporate governance statement pursuant to Section 315d German Commercial Code (HGB), which is part of the combined management report, and the separate non-financial report pursuant to Sections 289b (3) and 289c to 289e German Commercial Code (HGB) combined with the consolidated non-financial report pursuant to Sections 315b (3) and 315c German Commercial Code (HGB) referred to in the combined management report.

In our opinion, on the basis of the knowledge obtained in the audit,

- » the accompanying annual financial statements comply, in all material respects, with the requirements of German commercial law applicable to business corporations and give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Company as at 30 September 2019 and of its financial performance for the financial year from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019 in compliance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles, and
- » the accompanying combined management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Company's position. In all material respects, this combined management report is consistent with the annual financial statements, complies with German legal requirements and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. Our audit opinion on the combined management report does not cover the contents of the corporate governance statement combined with the consolidated corporate governance statement specified above, and of the separate non-financial report combined with the consolidated non-financial report.

Pursuant to Section 322 (3) sentence 1 German Commercial Code (HGB), we declare that our audit has not led to any reservations relating to the legal compliance of the annual financial statements and of the combined management report.

BASIS FOR THE AUDIT OPINIONS

We conducted our audit of the annual financial statements and of the combined management report in accordance with Section 317 German Commercial Code (HGB) and the EU Audit Regulation (No. 537/2014; referred to subsequently as "EU Audit Regulation") and in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (IDW). We performed the audit of the annual financial statements in supplementary compliance with the International Standards on Auditing (ISA). Our responsibilities under those requirements, principles and standards are further described in the "Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Annual Financial Statements and of the Combined Management Report" section of our auditor's report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the requirements of European law and German commercial and professional law, and we have fulfilled our other German professional responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. In addition, in accordance with Article 10 (2) point (f) of the EU Audit Regulation, we declare that we have not provided non-audit services prohibited under Article 5 (1) of the EU Audit Regulation. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the combined management report.

KEY AUDIT MATTERS IN THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the annual financial statements for the financial year from 1 October 2018 to 30 September 2019. These matters were addressed in the context of our audit of the annual financial statements as a whole and in forming our audit opinion thereon; we do not provide a separate audit opinion on these matters.

In the following we present the key audit matters we have determined in the course of our audit:

- 1 VALUATION OF SHARES IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES AND OF A RECEIVABLE FROM AN AFFILIATED COMPANY
- 2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – HEDGE ACCOUNTING

Our presentation of these key audit matters has been structured as follows:

- Ⓐ description (including reference to corresponding information in the annual financial statements and in the combined management report)
- Ⓑ auditor's response

1 VALUATION OF SHARES IN AFFILIATED COMPANIES AND OF A RECEIVABLE FROM AN AFFILIATED COMPANY

- Ⓐ As at 30 September 2019, shares in affiliated companies of mEUR 1,493.7 (37% of the balance sheet total) were reported in the annual financial statements of Aurubis AG, and receivables from an affiliated company from the Flat Rolled Products segment totalling mEUR 33.0 were stated under the balance sheet item "receivables from affiliated companies". Write-downs of shares in affiliated companies were reversed by mEUR 3.0 in the financial year 2018/2019 affecting profit or loss. The receivable relates to a loan receivable totalling mEUR 92.3 including accrued interest, which was written down by mEUR 60.0 to the lower fair value in previous years, as well as an other receivable amounting to mEUR 0.7.

Aurubis AG determines the fair values according to the discounted cash flow method, under which the present values of the expected future cash flows resulting from the planning accounts prepared by the executive directors are discounted. The result of the valuations depends on the estimated future cash inflows, in particular the derivation of the perpetual annuity by the executive directors, and the discount and growth rates used in each case. In this light and given the high complexity of the valuation method as well as discretions on the part of the executive directors in view of the valuation, we classified this matter as a key audit matter as part of our audit.

The information provided by the executive directors on the valuation of the shares in affiliated companies and the receivables from affiliated companies are included in the "Recognition and Measurement Policies" and "Notes to the Balance Sheet" sections of the notes to the financial statements.

- Ⓑ Within the scope of our audit, we obtained an understanding of the arrangements and measures designed to ensure a proper planning process, and evaluated whether the valuation technique underlying the determination of the fair values appropriately corresponds to the conceptual requirements conferred by professional standards, and whether the

calculations made under it are correct. We have assessed whether the underlying expected future cash inflows as estimated by executive directors and the capital costs recognised, as a whole, represent a proper basis for valuation. Among other factors, our assessment is based on a direct comparison with general and industry-specific market expectations and explanations given by the executive directors concerning the significant value drivers and assumptions underlying the planning. We have examined whether the fair values, as determined in this way, were subject to an accurate direct comparison with the respective book values in order to determine whether any write-downs or reversals of such write-downs need to be recognised.

2 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS – HEDGE ACCOUNTING

- Ⓐ Aurubis AG has concluded a large number of contracts for various derivative financial instruments. These serve to hedge risks in connection with foreign exchange rates, interest rates and commodity prices arising from ordinary business activities in connection with external contractors and group companies based on the hedging policy defined by the executive directors and documented in the relevant internal guidelines. The aim of using derivative financial instruments is to mitigate volatility in relation to earnings and cash flows resulting from changes in exchange rates – mainly in respect to revenue and the cost of materials denominated in foreign currencies –, in interest rates underlying the floating-rate financing facilities, and in the copper price in the context of purchasing and selling metal.

The nominal volume of the derivative instruments concluded with external contractors totals bEUR 2.5 as at 30 September 2019. The Company has concluded offsetting derivatives with a nominal value of mEUR 967 with group companies. The determination of the fair values of the derivative financial instruments takes into account the market information (market values) at the measurement date. As at 30 September 2019, these amount to mEUR 7.7 net, of which an amount of mEUR 3.4 is recognised as a provision. To the extent possible, hedging relationships are recognised in connection with the respective underlying transactions pursuant to Section 254 German Commercial Code (HGB), as a result of which the hedging instruments, in applying the net hedge presentation method (Einfrierungsmethode), will not be reflected in the balance sheet over the duration of the hedging relationship to the extent that the hedging relationship remains effective. In our opinion and in light of the high complexity and the number of transactions as well as the extensive requirements concerning the accounting and disclosures to be made in the notes to the financial statements, these matters were considered significant in our audit.

The information provided by the Company concerning the recognition of derivative financial instruments and hedge accounting are included under the recognition and measurement policies in section 8 of the notes to the balance sheet and the notes to the financial statements, as well as in the reporting on opportunities and risks of the combined management report.

- ⓑ Within the scope of our audit and in consultation with our internal specialists from the Financial Risk function, we reviewed, inter alia, the contractual and financial basis, and obtained an understanding of the recognition of hedging relationships, including the application of hedge accounting. In concert with these specialists, we reviewed the Company's internal control as regards derivative financial instruments, including internal monitoring of compliance with the hedging policy, and the controls on design, implementation and effectiveness. Moreover, in auditing the fair value measurement of the financial instruments, we assessed the measurement methods and reconstructed the evaluation on the basis of market data for a representative set of samples. We analysed the methods applied as well as their appropriate systemic implementation to assess the effectiveness of the hedging relationship. Our assessment of the completeness of the recognised transactions and the assessment of the fair values of the recognised transactions were based on confirmations from banks and brokers. As regards the expected cash flows and the assessment of the effectiveness of the hedges, we evaluated the levels of hedging carried out in the past on a mainly retrospective basis. We have audited the completeness and accuracy of the disclosures made in the notes to the financial statements.

OTHER INFORMATION

The executive directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises:

- » the corporate governance statement pursuant to Section 289f German Commercial Code (HGB) combined with the consolidated corporate governance statement pursuant to Section 315d German Commercial Code (HGB), which is part of the combined management report,
- » the separate non-financial report pursuant to Sections 289b (3) and 289c to 289e German Commercial Code (HGB) combined with the consolidated non-financial report pursuant to Sections 315b (3) and 315c German Commercial Code (HGB) referred to in the combined management report,
- » the corporate governance report pursuant to No. 3.10 of the German Corporate Governance Code, and
- » the executive directors' confirmation regarding the annual financial statements and the combined management report pursuant to Section 264 (2) sentence 3 and Section 289 (1) sentence 5 German Commercial Code (HGB), respectively.

Our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the combined management report do not cover the other information, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion or any other form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in so doing, to consider whether the other information

- » is materially inconsistent with the annual financial statements, with the combined management report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or
- » otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS AND THE SUPERVISORY BOARD FOR THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE COMBINED MANAGEMENT REPORT

The executive directors are responsible for the preparation of the annual financial statements that comply, in all material respects, with the requirements of German commercial law applicable to business corporations, and that the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the Company in compliance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles. In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such internal control as they, in accordance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles, have determined necessary to enable the preparation of annual financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the annual financial statements, the executive directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. They also have the responsibility for disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern. In addition, they are responsible for financial reporting based on the going concern basis of accounting, provided no actual or legal circumstances conflict therewith.

Furthermore, the executive directors are responsible for the preparation of the combined management report that as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Company's position and is, in all material respects, consistent with the annual financial statements, complies with German legal requirements, and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development. In addition, the executive directors are responsible for such arrangements and measures (systems) as they have considered necessary to enable the preparation of a combined management report that is in accordance with the applicable German legal requirements, and to be able to provide sufficient appropriate evidence for the assertions in the management report.

The supervisory board is responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process for the preparation of the annual financial statements and of the combined management report.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND OF THE COMBINED MANAGEMENT REPORT

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the annual financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and whether the combined management report as a whole provides an appropriate view of the Company's position and, in all material respects, is consistent with the annual financial statements and the knowledge obtained in the audit, complies with the German legal requirements and appropriately presents the opportunities and risks of future development, as well as to issue an auditor's report that includes our audit opinions on the annual financial statements and on the combined management report.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Section 317 German Commercial Code (HGB) and the EU Audit Regulation, in compliance with German Generally Accepted Standards for Financial Statement Audits promulgated by the Institut der Wirtschaftsprüfer (IDW) and in supplementary compliance with the ISA will always detect a material misstatement. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these annual financial statements and this combined management report.

We exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also

- » identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the annual financial statements and of the combined management report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal controls.
- » obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit of the annual financial statements and of arrangements and measures relevant to the audit of the combined management report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an audit opinion on the effectiveness of these systems of the Company.
- » evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used by the executive directors and the reasonableness of estimates made by the executive directors and related disclosures.
- » conclude on the appropriateness of the executive directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in the auditor's report to the related disclosures in the annual financial statements and in the combined management report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our respective audit opinions. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to be able to continue as a going concern.
- » evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the annual financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the annual financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and financial performance of the Company in compliance with German Legally Required Accounting Principles.
- » evaluate the consistency of the combined management report with the annual financial statements, its conformity with German law, and the view of the Company's position it provides.
- » perform audit procedures on the prospective information presented by the executive directors in the combined management report. On the basis of sufficient appropriate audit evidence we evaluate, in particular, the significant assumptions used by the executive directors as a basis for the prospective information, and evaluate the proper derivation of the

prospective information from these assumptions. We do not express a separate audit opinion on the prospective information and on the assumptions used as a basis. There is a substantial unavoidable risk that future events will differ materially from the prospective information.

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

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with the relevant independence requirements, and communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, the related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with those charged with governance, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the annual financial statements of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter.

OTHER LEGAL AND REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

FURTHER INFORMATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 10 OF THE EU AUDIT REGULATION

We were elected as auditor by the general meeting on 28 February 2019. We were engaged by the supervisory board on 28 February/1 March 2019. We have been the auditor of Aurubis AG, Hamburg/Germany, since the financial year 2018/2019.

We declare that the audit opinions expressed in this auditor's report are consistent with the additional report to the audit committee pursuant to Article 11 of the EU Audit Regulation (long-form audit report).

GERMAN PUBLIC AUDITOR RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ENGAGEMENT

The German Public Auditor responsible for the engagement is Annika Deutsch.

Hamburg/Germany, 10 December 2019

Deloitte GmbH
Wirtschaftsprüfungsgesellschaft

Signed: Christian Dinter
Wirtschaftsprüfer
(German Public Auditor)

Signed: Annika Deutsch
Wirtschaftsprüferin
(German Public Auditor)

Responsibility Statement

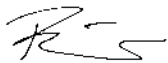
To the best of our knowledge, and in accordance with the applicable reporting principles, the annual financial statements give a true and fair view of the net assets, financial position, and results of operations of the company, and the Combined Management Report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the company, together with a description of the principal opportunities and risks associated with the expected development of the company.

Hamburg, December 10, 2019

The Executive Board



Roland Harings
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