



Strong growth in invested assets following acquisitions

Highlights fourth quarter 2019

- Net collections amounted to EUR 15.1M (22.2)*
- Cash EBITDA amounted to EUR 10.9M (20.5)*
- Net loss for the period of EUR 0.8M (profit of 1.2)*
- Sale of consumer portfolio previously acquired in Croatia

Highlights 2019

- Net collections amounted to EUR 62.6M (64.8)*
- Cash EBITDA amounted to EUR 51.5M (58.0)*
- Net loss for the year of EUR 4.7M (profit of 3.1)*
- Investments in Croatia and Greece, totaling approximately EUR 100M including an acquisition of a significant corporate secured portfolio in Croatia made through a 50/50 joint venture with B2Holding
- Financing finalized for part of the joint venture with B2Holding, at a lower cost of borrowing than the existing senior secured bond framework
- Equity injection of about EUR 5M from DDM Finance AB
- Secured super senior RCF of EUR 27M significantly lowering the cost of funding, undrawn at 31 December
- Successful refinancing issuing a new EUR 100M senior secured bond with a three-year term replacing the existing EUR 85M bond
- Strengthened management team to further increase focus on portfolio management and business development services
- Sale of portfolios in Russia resulted in EUR 2M operating gain

* Key financial highlights above include non-IFRS alternative performance measures that represent underlying business performance. Further details including a reconciliation to IFRS can be found on page 24.

IFRS Consolidated Amounts in EUR '000s (unless specified otherwise)	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019**	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018**	Full Year 2019**	Full Year 2018
Net collections	11,340	22,211	54,272	64,759
Operating expenses	(4,210)	(1,754)	(11,097)	(6,809)
Cash EBITDA	7,130	20,457	43,175	57,950
Amortization, revaluation and impairment of invested assets	(7,073)	(14,855)	(36,302)	(37,002)
Share of net profits of joint venture	243	–	916	–
Operating profit	3,934	5,601	13,326	20,946
Net (loss) / profit for the period***	(750)	1,186	(7,287)	2,144
Selected key figures				
Total assets	198,706	184,719	198,706	184,719
Net debt	135,666	75,959	135,666	75,959
Equity ratio****	21.1%	21.7%	21.1%	21.7%
Cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes	7,138	18,243	31,870	45,308
Investments book value	173,251	116,365	173,251	116,365

** Unaudited

*** The bond refinancing in Q2 2019 resulted in total negative non-recurring items of approximately EUR 2.6M in 2019. The result for the full year 2018 was negatively impacted by EUR 1.0M of non-recurring items relating to deferred taxes and interests in associates.

**** Equity ratio calculated according to the terms and conditions of the senior secured bonds

The information in this interim report requires DDM Debt AB (publ) to publish the information in accordance with the EU Market Abuse Regulation and the Securities Market Act. The information was submitted for publication on 20 February 2020 at 08:00 CET.

Comment by the CEO

2019 has been a year of transformation for DDM, as we continue to deliver on our strategic growth plan as a specialized investor and manager in secured non-performing loans (“NPL”). In 2019, invested assets have grown by 49% to EUR 173M following portfolio acquisitions of approximately EUR 100M across our core markets. A significant proportion was invested in secured portfolios.

Furthermore, we successfully refinanced our debt structure to improve flexibility, extending the maturity of our existing financing, which in combination with strong collections will support our future growth.

Strong net collections following recent acquisitions in core markets

During the fourth quarter we received adjusted net collections totaling EUR 15.1M, principally from the Balkans and Greece following recent acquisitions. DDM partially sold a portfolio recently acquired in Croatia containing consumer receivables.

Adjusted net collections for the full year 2019 amounted to EUR 62.6M, only slightly lower than record collections for the full year 2018 of EUR 64.8M. Strong collections in 2019 were primarily driven by large, secured collections received in the Balkans including from the joint venture acquired in Croatia together with B2Holding in May and collections in Greece following the buy-out of the co-investor in July. This resulted in adjusted cash EBITDA of EUR 10.9M in the fourth quarter and EUR 51.5M for the full year 2019.

Significant acquisitions in secured portfolios during 2019

We have acquired significant distressed asset portfolios totaling approximately EUR 100M across our core markets during 2019. Also, the proportion of secured portfolios has increased from 61% of ERC at December 2018 to 70% of ERC at December 2019, with the majority of collections expected to be received in the next three years.

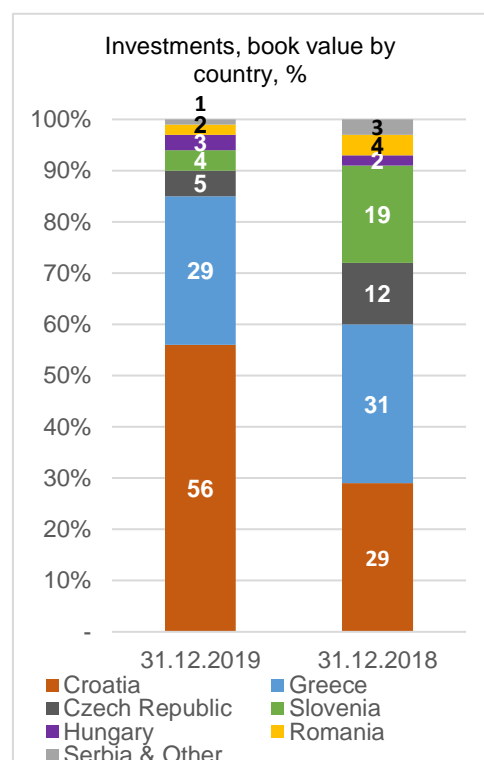
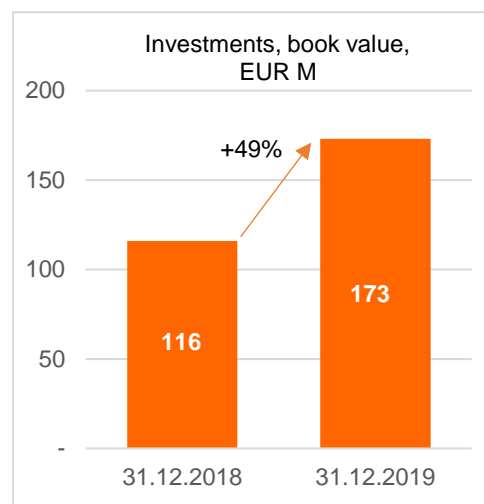
Continued refinancing of debt structure supports future growth

In March, we secured a new Revolving Credit Facility (“RCF”) of EUR 27M at a significantly lower cost of funding with an international bank, priced at Euribor plus a margin of 350 basis points. We then successfully refinanced the existing EUR 85M bond by issuing a new EUR 100M bond in April with a three-year term, priced at Euribor plus a margin of 925 basis points. The EUR 27M RCF was undrawn at 31 December and is available until March 2021, and cash on hand was approximately EUR 11M at the end of December.

DDM Debt’s parent company, DDM Finance AB issued EUR 6M of bonds gross of financing costs in 2019. Part of the net proceeds were used to provide a shareholder loan to DDM Debt, which thereby qualifies as equity under the current DDM Debt senior secured bond and revolving loan facility (“RCF”) terms. This strengthens the opportunities for DDM Debt to support continued growth.

Development of servicing platform

During the year we launched a servicing platform for secured portfolios to increase the focus on portfolio management and business development services. Bernhard Engel is leading the development of the servicing platform which will increase the focus on portfolio management and business development services, partially servicing DDM’s own secured portfolios and further identifying profitable business opportunities to strengthen our position in the market. The servicing platform was sold in December 2019 to Ax Financial Holding S.A. (“AxFina”) which resulted in a EUR 1.1M gain that was recognized in other operating income.



Market outlook

We aim to deliver sizeable and profitable growth by actively networking with vendors and work out specialists to further identify profitable business opportunities to invest across the NPL market in our core markets across Southern, Central and Eastern Europe.

As part of the outlook we target to increase ERC, as we seek to invest in future acquisitions. The majority of collections are expected to be received in the next three years following the recent acquisitions in Croatia and Greece. DDM's rate of growth and financial results will continue to vary from quarter to quarter, as we invest further in portfolios that are impacted by the timing of investments and larger settlements.

Whilst the European NPL market is in the process of consolidation, DDM is adapting to new opportunities in the market by both teaming up with co-investors through joint venture acquisitions and seeking out opportunities in new geographies. During 2019 DDM closed a significant acquisition through a 50/50 joint venture with B2Holding of a distressed asset portfolio containing secured corporate receivables in Croatia with a Gross Collection Value (face value) of the total portfolio amounting to approximately EUR 800M. We expect the amount of co-investment opportunities to grow in the future.

Stockholm, 20 February 2020

DDM Debt AB (publ)

Henrik Wennerholm, CEO

Financial calendar

DDM Debt AB (publ) intends to publish financial information on the following dates:

Annual report 2019: 27 March 2020

Interim report for January – March 2020: 7 May 2020

Other financial information from DDM is available on DDM's website, www.ddm-group.ch.

This report has not been reviewed by the Company's auditors.

Presentation of the report

The report and presentation material are available at www.ddm-group.ch on 20 February 2020, at 08:00 CET.

CEO Henrik Wennerholm and CFO Fredrik Olsson will comment on the DDM Group's results during a conference call on 20 February 2020, starting at 10:00 CET. The presentation can be followed live at www.ddm-group.ch and/or by telephone with dial-in numbers: SE: +46 8 505 583 52, CH: +41 225 675 632 or UK: +44 333 300 9260.

Financial results

Adjusted net collections totaled EUR 15.1M in the fourth quarter of 2019, with the majority of collections received from the Balkans and Greece including from the recently acquired joint venture in Croatia. DDM partially sold a portfolio previously acquired in Croatia containing consumer receivables. Adjusted net collections totaled EUR 62.6M for the full year 2019, only slightly lower than record collections that totaled EUR 64.8M for the full year 2018. As a result, adjusted cash EBITDA totaled EUR 10.9M in the fourth quarter and EUR 51.5M for the full year 2019.

Operating expenses were EUR 4.2M in the fourth quarter, EUR 2.5M higher than the corresponding period last year. This is due to the strengthening of the management team and build-up of the servicing platform resulting in a higher management fee from DDM Group AG that is permitted under the current DDM Debt senior secured bond and RCF terms.

The operating profit margin of 56% in the fourth quarter is lower than the corresponding period last year. This is as a result of higher amortization on large, complex cases that were settled earlier on corporate secured portfolios in the Balkans and higher operating expenses. The quarter includes EUR 3.7M of impairment primarily relating to one-off write downs on portfolios in the Balkans partially offset by EUR 1.6M of revaluation gain following strong collection performance in Hungary. The change in composition of the portfolio towards primarily secured corporate portfolios is now making up the majority share of our overall portfolio of assets and will result in increased variability in our collections from quarter to quarter.

The net loss for the fourth quarter is EUR 0.8M including a EUR 1.1M gain on the sale of the servicing platform. Following the bond refinancing, the net loss for the full year 2019 of EUR 7.3M includes non-recurring items of approximately EUR 2.6M in financial expenses. This is due to the call premium of EUR 2.0M that was paid in relation to the EUR 85M bond and the non-cash write off of about EUR 0.6M for the remaining capitalized transaction costs.

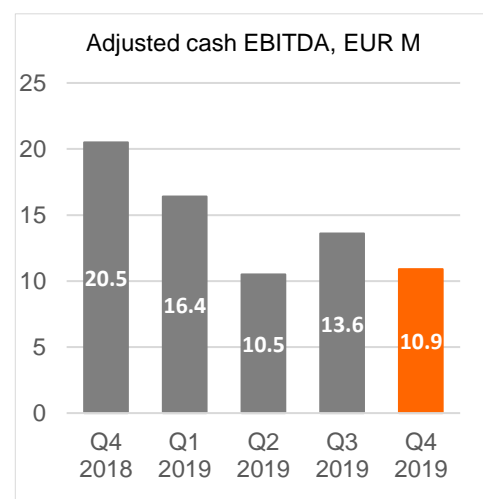
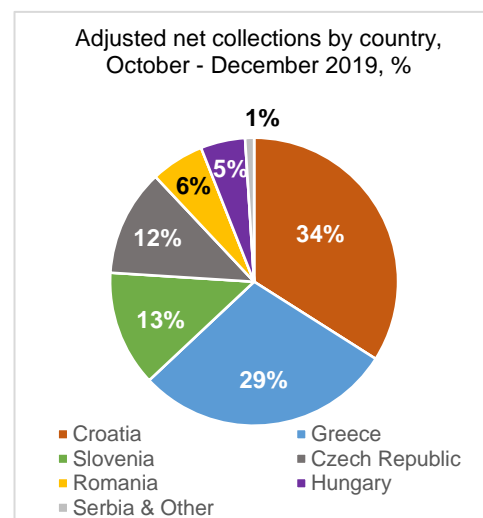
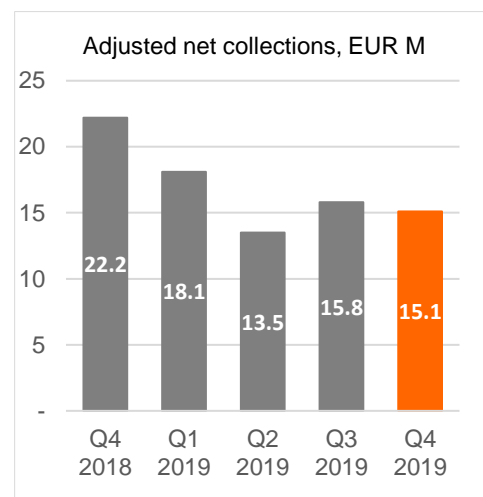
For the full year 2019, cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes was EUR 31.9M compared to EUR 45.3M for the full year 2018. This is primarily as a result of interest paid on additional debt drawn following the bond refinancing including a call premium that was paid in relation to the EUR 85M bond, higher operating expenses and corporation tax that was prepaid in advance.

Share of net profits of joint venture

Following the acquisition that closed on 31 May of a significant corporate secured portfolio in Croatia made through a 50/50 Joint Venture structure together with B2Holding, the results for the fourth quarter and the full year 2019 include EUR 0.2M and EUR 0.9M respectively from the share of net profits of joint venture accounted for under the equity method in accordance with IFRS.

Significant events after the end of the year

On the 18 February 2020 DDM Debt AB initiated a written procedure to request that certain amendments are made to the terms and conditions of its up to EUR 150M senior secured floating rate bonds.



Consolidated Income Statement

Amounts in EUR '000s	Notes	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Revenue on invested assets	4	6,807	7,356	22,446	27,757
Share of net profits of joint venture	4,7	243	–	916	–
Other operating income	4	1,142	–	1,142	–
Personnel expenses		(390)	(75)	(1,187)	(144)
Consulting expenses		(3,680)	(1,626)	(9,563)	(6,304)
Other operating expenses		(140)	(53)	(347)	(361)
Depreciation of tangible assets		(48)	(1)	(81)	(2)
Operating profit		3,934	5,601	13,326	20,946
Financial income		226	55	536	220
Financial expenses**		(5,014)	(4,195)	(21,620)	(17,634)
Unrealized exchange (loss) / profit		(86)	87	(264)	(328)
Realized exchange profit / (loss)		13	–	(130)	(123)
Net financial expenses		(4,861)	(4,053)	(21,478)	(17,865)
(Loss) / profit before income tax		(927)	1,548	(8,152)	3,081
Tax income / (expense)**		177	(362)	865	(937)
Net (loss) / profit for the period		(750)	1,186	(7,287)	2,144
Net (loss) / profit for the period attributable to:					
Owners of the Parent Company		(665)	1,186	(7,170)	2,144
Non-controlling interest		(85)	–	(117)	–

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Consolidated Statement of Comprehensive Income

Amounts in EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Net (loss) / profit for the period	(750)	1,186	(7,287)	2,144
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period				
Currency translation differences	(14)	–	9	(4)
Other comprehensive (loss) / income for the period, net of tax	(14)	–	9	(4)
Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the period	(764)	1,186	(7,278)	2,140
Total comprehensive (loss) / income for the period attributable to:				
Owners of the Parent Company	(679)	1,186	(7,161)	2,140
Non-controlling interest	(85)	–	(117)	–

* Unaudited

Consolidated Balance Sheet

Amounts in EUR '000s	Notes	31 December 2019*	31 December 2018
ASSETS			
<i>Non-current assets</i>			
Tangible assets	2, 5	128	9
Interests in associates	2	–	13
Distressed asset portfolios	6	140,276	113,943
Other long-term receivables from investments	6	3,023	2,422
Investment in joint venture	7	29,952	–
Loans to other group companies		4,000	2,000
Accrued interest from other group companies		768	411
Deferred tax assets		1,375	436
Other non-current assets		270	107
Total non-current assets		179,792	119,341
<i>Current assets</i>			
Accounts receivable		3,330	7,279
Receivables from other group companies		103	422
Tax assets		1,397	–
Other receivables		1,449	374
Prepaid expenses and accrued income		1,171	37
Cash and cash equivalents		11,464	57,266
Total current assets		18,914	65,378
TOTAL ASSETS		198,706	184,719
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
<i>Shareholders' equity</i>			
Share capital		54	54
Other reserves		5	(4)
Retained earnings including net (loss) / profit for the year		4,283	8,811
Total shareholders' equity attributable to Parent Company's shareholders		4,342	8,861
LIABILITIES			
<i>Non-current liabilities</i>			
Loans	8	97,626	133,225
Lease liabilities	2	57	–
Payables to other group companies		1,389	1,433
Payables to other group companies, subordinated		1,775	1,775
Loans from other group companies, subordinated		35,811	19,400
Deferred tax liabilities		220	250
Total non-current liabilities		136,878	156,083
<i>Current liabilities</i>			
Loans		49,504	–
Accounts payable		578	448
Tax liabilities		102	2,190
Accrued interest		5,178	5,165
Accrued expenses and deferred income		2,077	1,972
Loans from other group companies, subordinated		–	10,000
Lease liabilities	2	47	–
Total current liabilities		57,486	19,775
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		198,706	184,719

* Unaudited

Consolidated Cash Flow Statement

Amounts in EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Cash flow from operating activities				
Operating profit	3,934	5,601	13,326	20,946
Incremental net distribution from joint venture	1,218	–	3,837	–
<i>Adjustments for non-cash items:</i>				
<i>Amortization of invested assets</i>	4,983	13,790	33,458	34,405
<i>Revaluation and impairment of invested assets</i>	2,090	1,065	2,844	2,597
<i>Share of net profits of joint venture</i>	(243)	–	(916)	–
<i>Other operating income</i>	(1,142)	–	(1,142)	–
<i>Depreciation of tangible assets</i>	48	1	81	2
<i>Other items not affecting cash</i>	492	(200)	295	(184)
Interest paid	(4,284)	(2,000)	(16,544)	(12,395)
Interest received	116	–	179	–
Tax paid	(74)	(14)	(3,548)	(63)
Cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes	7,138	18,243	31,870	45,308
Working capital adjustments				
(Increase) / decrease in accounts receivable	615	(4,520)	3,949	(2,285)
(Increase) / decrease in other receivables	(1,065)	801	(2,437)	40
Increase / (decrease) in accounts payable	11	99	(70)	150
Increase / (decrease) in other current liabilities	(433)	(53)	2,584	(1,183)
Net cash flow from operating activities	6,266	14,570	35,896	42,030
Cash flow from investing activities				
Purchases of distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments	–	(6,127)	(66,342)	(42,313)
Acquisition of joint venture	–	–	(66,662)	–
Proceeds from divestment of distressed asset portfolios and joint venture	3,305	–	37,094	–
Purchases of non-current assets	(250)	–	(250)	–
Purchases of tangible assets	–	(1)	(22)	(4)
Net cash flow received / (used) in investing activities	3,055	(6,128)	(96,182)	(42,317)
Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds from issuance of loans	5,603	–	105,329	–
Proceeds from loans from group companies	500	–	4,950	–
Repayment of loans	(12,000)	–	(93,700)	–
Loan to other group companies	–	–	(2,000)	–
Net cash flow received / (used) in financing activities	(5,897)	–	14,579	–
Cash flow for the period	3,424	8,442	(45,707)	(287)
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at beginning of the period	8,027	48,852	57,266	57,697
Foreign exchange gains / (losses) on cash and cash equivalents	13	(28)	(95)	(144)
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at end of the period	11,464	57,266	11,464	57,266

* Unaudited

Consolidated Statement of Changes in Equity

Amounts in EUR '000s	Attributable to Parent Company's shareholders					
	Share capital	Other reserves	Retained earnings incl. net (loss) / profit for the year	Total equity	Non-controlling interest	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2018	54	–	6,667	6,721	–	6,721
Net profit for the year	–	–	2,144	2,144	–	2,144
Other comprehensive income						
Currency translation differences	–	(4)	–	(4)	–	(4)
Total comprehensive income	–	(4)	2,144	2,140	–	2,140
<i>Transactions with owners</i>						
Total transactions with owners	–	–	–	–	–	–
Balance at 31 December 2018	54	(4)	8,811	8,861	–	8,861
Balance at 1 January 2019	54	(4)	8,811	8,861	–	8,861
Net loss for the year	–	–	(7,170)	(7,170)	(117)	(7,278)
Other comprehensive income						
Currency translation differences	–	9	–	9	–	9
Total comprehensive loss	–	9	(7,170)	(7,161)	(117)	(7,278)
<i>Transactions with owners</i>						
<i>Received capital contribution</i>	–	–	2,714	2,714	–	2,714
<i>Contribution agreement</i>	–	–	45	45	–	45
<i>Disposal of subsidiary</i>	–	–	(117)	(117)	117	–
Total transactions with owners	–	–	2,642	2,642	117	2,759
Balance at 31 December 2019*	54	5	4,283	4,342	–	4,342

* Unaudited

Parent Company – Income Statement

Amounts in EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Revenue	–	–	–	–
Other operating income	1,142	–	1,142	–
Personnel expenses	(140)	–	(554)	(24)
Consulting expenses	(69)	(100)	(182)	(172)
Other operating expenses	(55)	(44)	(137)	(92)
Depreciation of tangible assets	11	–	(1)	–
Operating profit / (loss)	889	(144)	268	(288)
Financial income	3,776	3,768	15,491	14,973
Financial expenses	(3,817)	(3,502)	(15,546)	(14,641)
Unrealized exchange (loss) / profit	(5)	–	7	(2)
Realized exchange profit	2	–	8	–
Net financial (expense) / income	(44)	266	(40)	330
Profit before income tax	845	122	228	42
Tax (expense) / income	(39)	2	(39)	2
Net profit for the period	806	124	189	44

* Unaudited

Parent Company – Statement of Comprehensive Income

Amounts in EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Net profit for the period	806	124	189	44
Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax				
<i>Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss</i>	–	–	–	–
<i>Items that may subsequently be reclassified to profit or loss</i>	–	–	–	–
Total other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax	–	–	–	–
Total comprehensive income for the period	806	124	189	44

* Unaudited

Parent Company – Balance Sheet

Amounts in EUR '000s	Notes	31 December 2019*	31 December 2018
ASSETS			
<i>Non-current assets</i>			
Tangible assets	5	4	–
Participations in other group companies	9	9,523	9,478
Loans to other group companies		150,503	150,123
Accrued interest from other group companies		631	411
Other non-current assets		279	–
Total non-current assets		160,940	160,012
<i>Current assets</i>			
Other receivables		1,374	16
Prepaid expenses and accrued interest income		9,447	6,030
Cash and cash equivalents		3,234	707
Total current assets		14,055	6,753
TOTAL ASSETS		174,995	166,765
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
<i>Shareholders' equity</i>			
Share capital		54	54
Other reserves		–	–
Retained earnings including net profit for the year		5,486	5,252
Total shareholders' equity		5,540	5,306
<i>Non-current liabilities</i>			
Loans and borrowings	8	97,626	133,225
Payables to other group companies		1,431	5,316
Loans from other group companies		–	7,000
Loans from other group companies, subordinated		14,950	–
Accrued interest		2,795	–
Total non-current liabilities		116,802	145,541
<i>Current liabilities</i>			
Loans		49,504	–
Accounts payable		392	102
Tax liabilities		46	13
Accrued interest		2,370	5,734
Accrued expenses and deferred income		341	69
Loans from other group companies, subordinated		–	10,000
Total current liabilities		52,653	15,918
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		174,995	166,765

* Unaudited

Parent Company – Cash Flow Statement

Amounts in EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019*	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018*	Full Year 2019*	Full Year 2018
Cash flow from operating activities				
Operating profit / (loss)	889	(144)	268	(288)
Adjustments for non-cash items:				
<i>Other operating income</i>	(1,142)	–	(1,142)	–
<i>Depreciation of tangible assets</i>	(11)	–	1	–
<i>Other items not affecting cash</i>	(192)	(20)	35	(116)
Interest paid	(4,284)	(2,000)	(16,544)	(12,395)
Interest received	1,363	2,304	10,624	11,924
Tax paid	(6)	–	(6)	–
Cash flow from operating activities before working capital changes	(3,383)	140	(6,764)	(875)
Working capital adjustments				
(Increase) / decrease in other receivables	2,793	–	(189)	800
Increase / (decrease) in accounts payable	81	96	90	95
Increase / (decrease) in other current liabilities	1,237	18	1,522	(173)
Net cash flow from operating activities	728	254	(5,341)	(153)
Cash flow from investing activities				
Loans to group companies	–	(11,000)	(60,750)	(59,500)
Repayment of loans to group companies	7,560	8,696	52,300	8,696
Dividends received	–	2,500	–	2,500
Purchases of non-current assets	(250)	–	(250)	–
Purchases of subsidiaries	–	–	–	(106)
Purchases of shares in subsidiaries	–	(88)	(24)	(88)
Net cash flow received / (used) in investing activities	7,310	108	(8,724)	(48,498)
Cash flow from financing activities				
Proceeds from issuance of loans	5,603	–	105,329	–
Proceeds from loans from group companies	500	–	4,950	–
Repayment of loans	(12,000)	–	(93,700)	–
Proceeds from payables to other group companies	–	–	–	600
Net cash flow received / (used) in financing activities	(5,897)	–	16,579	600
Cash flow for the period	2,141	362	2,514	(48,051)
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at beginning of the period	1,094	346	707	48,753
Foreign exchange gains / (losses) on cash and cash equivalents	(1)	(1)	13	5
Cash and cash equivalents less bank overdrafts at end of the period	3,234	707	3,234	707

* Unaudited

Parent Company – Statement of Changes in Equity

Amounts in EUR '000s	Share capital	Retained earnings incl. net profit for the year	Total equity
Balance at 1 January 2018	54	5,208	5,262
Net profit for the year	–	44	44
Other comprehensive income	–	–	–
Total comprehensive income	–	44	44
<i>Transactions with owners</i>			
Total transactions with owners	–	–	–
Balance at 31 December 2018	54	5,252	5,306
Balance at 1 January 2019	54	5,252	5,306
Net profit for the year	–	189	189
Other comprehensive income	–	–	–
Total comprehensive income	–	189	189
<i>Transactions with owners</i>			
<i>Contribution agreement</i>	–	45	45
Total transactions with owners	–	45	45
Balance at 31 December 2019*	54	5,486	5,540

* Unaudited

Notes

Note 1. General information

DDM Debt AB (publ) (“DDM Debt” or “the Company”) and its subsidiaries (together “the DDM Debt Group” or “the Group”) provide liquidity to lenders in certain markets by acquiring distressed debt, enabling the lenders to continue providing loans to companies and individuals. The DDM Debt Group then assists the debtors to restructure their overdue debt.

The Company was registered on 3 March 2016, and changed from a private limited liability company to a public limited liability company on 26 May 2016. The Company has registered offices in Stockholm, Sweden and its Swedish Corporate ID No. is 559053-6230. The address of the main office and postal address is Västra Trädgårdsgatan 15, 111 53 Stockholm, Sweden. DDM Debt is a wholly owned subsidiary of DDM Finance AB (“DDM Finance”), Stockholm, Sweden, being a wholly owned subsidiary of DDM Group AG, Baar, Switzerland.

In 2016 DDM Invest VII AG, Switzerland, and DDM Invest VII d.o.o., Slovenia, were wholly owned subsidiaries of DDM Debt. In connection with the bond refinancing in Q1 2017, DDM Debt also acquired DDM Treasury Sweden AB’s subsidiaries (DDM Invest I AG, DDM Invest II AG, DDM Invest III AG, DDM Invest IV AG, DDM Invest X AG and DDM Invest XX AG) holding the NPL portfolios on 17 February 2017. They were wholly owned subsidiaries, therefore this acquisition was not considered as a business combination according to IFRS 3, as the transaction was done in the ordinary course of business among entities which were under common control of DDM Holding AG. A new subsidiary of DDM Debt, DDM Debt Management d.o.o Beograd, was incorporated in Serbia on 22 August 2017 and DDM Debt Romania S.R.L was incorporated in Romania on 31 July 2018. DDM Invest V d.o.o. (formerly Ahive d.o.o.) is a 100% indirectly held subsidiary through DDM Invest III AG that was incorporated in Slovenia on 22 October 2018. CE Partner S.à r.l. and CE Holding Invest S.C.S were incorporated on 4 December 2018 in Luxembourg and the equity investment was recognized as an associate. The DDM Debt Group’s joint arrangement with B2Holding closed on 31 May 2019 where each party holds 50% of the share capital and voting rights of the “Joint Venture” and therefore was reclassified to joint ventures. aXs GmbH was registered on 29 May 2019, where 70% of the ownership was controlled by DDM Debt. On 25 July 2019, aXs Croatia d.o.o. (formerly Silverton720 debt solutions d.o.o) and on 19 August 2019 aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were fully acquired by aXs GmbH. aXs Croatia d.o.o. and aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were 70% indirectly held subsidiaries through aXs GmbH.

On 14 June 2019, the following subsidiaries were merged into DDM Invest III AG to simplify the existing DDM Group structure: DDM Invest I AG, DDM Invest II AG, DDM Invest IV AG, DDM Invest VII AG, DDM Invest X AG and DDM Invest XX AG. DDM Invest III AG has assumed all rights, liabilities and obligations from the merged subsidiaries.

On 30 September 2019 DDM Treasury Sweden AB was contributed to DDM Debt by DDM Finance at book value, resulting in a EUR 45k capital contribution from DDM Finance.

On 23 December 2019, a further 12% of the shares of aXs GmbH were acquired for a total consideration of EUR 200k. Subsequently 82% of the shares held in aXs GmbH were sold to Ax Financial Holding S.A. (“AxFina”), which is 100% owned and controlled by DDM Group Finance S.A. (DDM Holding AG’s largest shareholder) for a total deferred consideration of EUR 1,367k on 23 December. This transaction resulted in a gain on sale of shares of EUR 1,142k which has been recognized in the consolidated income statement under “Other operating income”.

DDM Debt acts solely as an issuer of financial instruments and extends this funding intra-group, whereas DDM Group AG acts as the investment manager and makes all decisions regarding investments and allocation of resources.

Note 2. Basis of preparation

This interim report has been prepared in compliance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and the Swedish Annual Accounts Act. The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as endorsed by the EU, the Swedish Annual Accounts Act and RFR 1 Supplementary Accounting Rules for Groups issued by RFR, the Swedish Financial Reporting Board. The Parent Company’s financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the Annual Accounts Act (ÅRL 1995:1554) and RFR 2 Accounting for Legal Entities and applicable statements. The instances in which the Parent Company applies accounting principles differing from those of the Group are provided separately at the end of this section on accounting principles.

The DDM Debt Group has adopted IFRS 16 Leases retrospectively from 1 January 2019, but has not restated comparatives for the 2018 reporting period, as permitted under the specific transitional provisions in the standard. The reclassifications and the adjustments arising from the new leasing rules are therefore recognized in the opening balance sheet on 1 January 2019. IFRS 16 removes the current distinction between operating and financing leases and requires recognition of an asset (the right to use the leased item) and a financial liability to pay rentals for virtually all lease contracts. An optional exemption exists for short-term and low-value leases. These liabilities were measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments, discounted using the lessee’s incremental borrowing rate as of 1 January 2019. Based on the volume of in-force non-cancellable operating leases as of 1 January 2019, the impact of IFRS 16 did not result in any right-of-use asset or corresponding lease liability being recognized on the consolidated balance sheet, as the DDM Debt Group’s leases as of 1 January 2019 were short term leases of office buildings with a lease term of 12 months or less. In applying IFRS 16 for the first time, the DDM Debt Group has elected to use the practical expedient permitted by the standard allowing exemption of accounting for operating leases with a remaining lease term of less than 12 months as at 1 January 2019 as short-term leases.

Note 2. Basis of preparation... continued

The accounting policies that are most critical to the Group and Parent Company are stated in DDM Debt AB's Annual Report for 2018, which also contains a description of the material risks and uncertainties facing the Parent Company and the Group.

All amounts are reported in thousands of Euros (EUR k), unless stated otherwise. Rounding differences may occur. Figures in tables and comments may be rounded.

Pursuant to the Annual Accounts Act (ÅRL 1995:1554) the Parent Company applies the accounting for a financial leasing agreement as an operational lease agreement.

Subsidiaries

Subsidiaries are all entities (including special purpose entities) over which DDM Debt has control. DDM Debt controls an entity when it is exposed to, or has rights to, variable returns from its involvement with the entity and has the ability to affect those returns through its power to direct the activities of the entity.

Subsidiaries are fully consolidated from the date on which control is transferred to the group and are de-consolidated from the date on which control ceases. Intercompany transactions, balances, and unrealized gains on transactions between group companies are eliminated.

Subsidiaries	Consolidation method	Domicile	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
DDM Invest I AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Invest II AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Invest III AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	100%	100%
DDM Invest IV AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Invest VII AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Invest X AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Invest XX AG	Fully consolidated	Switzerland	–	100%
DDM Treasury Sweden AB	Fully consolidated	Sweden	100%	–
DDM Invest V d.o.o.	Fully consolidated	Slovenia	100%	100%
DDM Invest VII d.o.o.	Fully consolidated	Slovenia	100%	100%
DDM Debt Management d.o.o Beograd	Fully consolidated	Serbia	100%	100%
DDM Debt Romania S.R.L	Fully consolidated	Romania	100%	100%

On 14 June 2019, the following subsidiaries were merged into DDM Invest III AG to simplify the existing DDM Group structure: DDM Invest I AG, DDM Invest II AG, DDM Invest IV AG, DDM Invest VII AG, DDM Invest X AG and DDM Invest XX AG. DDM Invest III AG has assumed all rights, liabilities and obligations from the merged subsidiaries.

aXs GmbH was registered on 29 May 2019, where 70% of the ownership was controlled by DDM Debt. On 25 July 2019, aXs Croatia d.o.o. (formerly Silverton720 debt solutions d.o.o) and on 19 August 2019 aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were fully acquired by aXs GmbH. aXs Croatia d.o.o. and aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were 70% indirectly held subsidiaries through aXs GmbH. On 23 December 2019, a further 12% of the shares of aXs GmbH were acquired for a total consideration of EUR 200k. Subsequently 82% of the shares held in aXs GmbH were sold to Ax Financial Holding S.A. ("AxFina"), which is 100% owned and controlled by DDM Group Finance S.A. (DDM Holding AG's largest shareholder) for a total deferred consideration of EUR 1,367k on 23 December. This transaction resulted in a gain on sale of shares of EUR 1,142k which has been recognized in the consolidated income statement under "Other operating income".

On 30 September 2019 DDM Treasury Sweden AB was contributed to DDM Debt by DDM Finance at book value, resulting in a EUR 45k capital contribution from DDM Finance.

Joint ventures

The Company applies IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements, where the DDM Debt Group, together with one or several parties have joint control over an arrangement in accordance with a shareholder agreement. The DDM Debt Group's joint arrangement with B2Holding where each party holds 50% of the share capital and voting rights of CE Partner S.à r.l. and CE Holding Invest S.C.S (the "Joint Venture") is classified as a joint venture, as the DDM Debt Group is entitled to 50% of the net assets of the Joint Venture rather than having a direct entitlement to assets and responsibility for liabilities. The equity method is applied when accounting for the joint venture. Under the equity method of accounting the investment is recognized at cost and subsequently adjusted to the DDM Debt Group's 50% share of the change in the net assets of the Joint Venture since the acquisition date. The consolidated income statement includes the DDM Debt Group's share of earnings, and this is reported under Share of net profits of joint venture. Dividends received from the joint venture are not recognized in the income statement and instead reduce the carrying value of the investment. The equity method is applied from the date joint control arises until the time it ceases, or if the joint venture becomes a subsidiary. Upon loss of joint control over the joint venture, and as such the equity method ceases, the Company measures and recognizes any difference between the carrying amount of the investment in the joint venture with the fair value of the remaining investment and/or proceeds from disposal which is recognized as gain or loss directly in the income statement. The financial statements of the Joint Venture are prepared for the same reporting period as the Company.

Joint Ventures	Consolidation method	Domicile	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
CE Partner S.à r.l.	Equity method	Luxembourg	50%	–
CE Holding Invest S.C.S	Equity method	Luxembourg	50%	–

Note 2. Basis of preparation... continued

Associates

Associates are all entities over which DDM Debt has significant influence but not control or joint control. This is generally the case where the group holds between 20% and 50% of the voting rights. Interests in associates are accounted for using the equity method. The carrying amount (including goodwill) of equity accounted investments is tested annually for impairment. CE Partner S.à r.l. and CE Holding Invest S.C.S were incorporated on 4 December 2018 in Luxembourg and the equity investment was recognized as an associate. The DDM Debt Group's joint arrangement with B2Holding closed on 31 May 2019 where each party holds 50% of the share capital and voting rights of (the "Joint Venture") and therefore was reclassified to joint ventures.

Associates	Consolidation method	Domicile	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
CE Partner S.a.r.l.	Equity method	Luxembourg	–	50%
CE Holding Invest S.C.S	Equity method	Luxembourg	–	50%

Note 3. Currency translation

All entities prepare their financial statements in their functional currency. At 31 December 2019 all fully consolidated group entities have EUR as their functional currency, except for DDM Debt Management d.o.o Beograd, which has Serbian Dinar (RSD) as its functional currency and DDM Debt Romania S.R.L, which has Romanian leu (RON) as its functional currency.

Note 4. Revenue on invested assets by region

Revenue on invested assets is the net amount of the cash collections (net of direct collection costs), amortization, revaluation and impairment of invested assets. Net collections includes management fees received from co-investors, as the DDM Debt Group manages the operations of these assets. These fees are considered to be immaterial and have therefore not been disclosed separately.

Net collections is comprised of gross collections from the distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables held by the DDM Debt Group, minus commission and fees to third parties. The net amount of cash collected is recorded as "Net collections" within the line "Revenue on invested assets" in the consolidated income statement. The DDM Debt Group discloses the alternative performance measure "Net collections" in the notes separately, as it is an important measurement for the DDM Debt Group to monitor the performance of the portfolios and measure the cash available for operating expenses and to service its debt. The DDM Debt Group believes that disclosing net collections as a separate performance measure in the notes improves the transparency and understanding of the DDM Debt Group's financial statements and performance, meeting the expectations of its investors.

EUR'000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018	Full Year 2019	Full Year 2018
Net collections by country:				
Greece	4,401	5,450	12,111	13,962
Croatia	3,959	3,597	10,566	9,038
Slovenia	1,972	7,784	18,122	20,277
Czech Republic	1,887	3,265	9,418	12,576
Romania	839	943	3,434	4,069
Hungary	726	871	2,595	3,789
Serbia	63	262	481	699
Bosnia	27	–	23	70
Slovakia	6	16	45	193
Russia	–	23	1,953	86
Net collections*	13,880	22,211	58,748	64,759
Amortization of invested assets	(4,983)	(13,790)	(33,458)	(34,405)
Interest income on invested assets before revaluation and impairment	8,897	8,421	25,290	30,354
Revaluation of invested assets	1,570	285	2,936	(152)
Impairment of invested assets	(3,660)	(1,350)	(5,780)	(2,445)
Revenue on invested assets	6,807	7,356	22,446	27,757
Share of net profits of joint venture	243	–	916	–
Other operating income	1,142	–	1,142	–

* Included within net collections is the gain on sale of invested assets

Note 4. Revenue on invested assets... continued

The chief operating decision maker of DDM reviews the financial outcome as a whole. Analysis is performed on a portfolio-by-portfolio basis but the chief operating decision maker reviews the outcome of the group as a whole. Each portfolio is not considered to be an identifiable segment and the Group reports segment on an entity basis, i.e. one operating segment.

The Group discloses information regarding net collections based on its key geographic areas.

Share of net profits of joint venture

Following the acquisition that closed on 31 May of a significant corporate secured portfolio in Croatia made through a 50/50 Joint Venture structure together with B2Holding, the fourth quarter and full year 2019 results include EUR 0.2M and EUR 0.9M respectively from share of net profits of joint venture accounted for under the equity method in accordance with IFRS.

Other operating income

On 23 December 2019, a further 12% of the shares of aXs GmbH were acquired for a total consideration of EUR 200k. Subsequently 82% of the shares held in aXs GmbH were sold to Ax Financial Holding S.A. ("AxFina"), which is 100% owned and controlled by DDM Group Finance S.A. (DDM Holding AG's largest shareholder) for a total deferred consideration of EUR 1,367k on 23 December. This transaction resulted in a gain on sale of shares of EUR 1,142k which has been recognized in the consolidated income statement under "Other operating income".

Net collections on sale of invested assets

On 29 March 2019, the DDM Debt Group sold its legacy portfolios in Russia for a total consideration of EUR 2.1M. The transaction resulted in a realized gain on sale of EUR 1.9M recognized in the consolidated income statement as net collections on sale of invested assets.

On 28 October 2019, the DDM Debt Group partially sold a consumer portfolio previously acquired in Croatia for a total consideration of EUR 5.8M. The transaction resulted in a realized gain on sale of EUR 2.5M recognized in the consolidated income statement as net collections on sale of invested assets.

Note 5. Tangible assets

Tangible assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Cost includes expenditures that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognized as a separate asset as appropriate only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the DDM Debt Group and the cost can be measured reliably. Repairs and maintenance costs are charged to the income statement during the period in which they are incurred.

The major categories of tangible assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis as follows:

Furniture	5 years
Computer hardware	5 years

The DDM Debt Group distributes the amount initially recognized for a tangible asset between its significant components and depreciates each component separately. The carrying amount of a replaced component is derecognized when replaced. The residual value method of amortization and the useful lives of the assets are reviewed annually and adjusted if appropriate. Impairment and gains and losses on disposals of tangible assets are included in other operating expenses.

Note 6. Distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments

The DDM Debt Group invests in distressed asset portfolios, where the receivables are directly against the debtor, and in other long-term receivables from investments, where the receivables are against the local legal entities holding the portfolios of loans.

Other long-term receivables from investments

DDM Group AG owns 100% of the shares in the local legal entities holding the leasing portfolios. However, the economic substance of the investments are the underlying portfolios of loans, which the DDM Debt Group owns together with a co-investor. As a result, the underlying assets which represent other long-term receivables from investments are recognized in the DDM Debt Group financial statements. The receivables are initially recognized at fair value and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest method, adjusted for revaluation and impairment.

The following investments are treated in this manner:

Entity	Domicile	31 December	31 December
		2019	2018
Lombard Pénzügyi és Lízing Zrt.	Hungary	100%	100%
Lombard Ingatlan Lízing Zrt.	Hungary	100%	100%
Lombard Bérlet Kft.	Hungary	100%	100%

Note 6. Distressed asset portfolios... *continued*

The recognition of the acquisition of distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments is based on the DDM Debt Group's own forecast of future cash flows from acquired portfolios / receivables. Distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments consist mainly of portfolios of non-performing debts purchased at prices significantly below their principal value. Such assets are classified as non-current assets. Reporting follows the effective interest method, where the carrying value of each portfolio / receivable corresponds to the present value of all projected future cash flows discounted by an initial effective interest rate determined on the date the portfolio / receivable was acquired, based on the relation between purchase price and the projected future cash flows on the acquisition date. Changes in the carrying value of the portfolios / receivables are reported as amortization, revaluation and impairment for the period.

If the fair value of the investment at the acquisition date exceeds the purchase price, the difference results in a "gain on bargain purchase" in the income statement within the line "net collections". The gain on bargain purchase relates to the fair value measurement of the investment (purchase price allocation).

The acquisition method of accounting is used to account for all business combinations, the excess of the consideration transferred for the acquisition over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired is recorded as goodwill. If those amounts are less than the fair value of the net identifiable assets of the business acquired, the difference is recognized directly in profit or loss as a bargain purchase within the line "other operating income".

Distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments are reported at amortized cost using the effective interest method. The initial effective interest rate is calculated for each portfolio / receivable based on its purchase price including transaction costs and estimated cash flows that, based on a probability assessment, are expected to be received from the debtors of the corresponding portfolio net of collection costs. Current cash flow projections are monitored over the course of the year and updated based on, among other things, achieved collection results and macroeconomic information. These scenarios are probability weighted according to their likely occurrence. The scenarios include a central scenario, based on the current economic environment, and upside and downside scenarios. The estimation and application of this forward-looking information requires significant judgement and is subject to appropriate internal governance and scrutiny. If the cash flow projections are revised, the carrying amount is adjusted to reflect actual and revised estimated cash flows. The DDM Debt Group recalculates the carrying amount by computing the present value of estimated future cash flows using the original effective interest rate. Changes in cash flow forecasts are treated symmetrically i.e. both increases and decreases in forecast cash flows affect the portfolios' book value and as a result "Revenue on invested assets". If there is objective evidence that one or more events have taken place that will have a positive impact on the timing or amount of future cash flows, or a negative impact on the timing of future cash flows then this is recorded within the line "Revaluation of invested assets".

The DDM Debt Group assesses at each reporting date whether there is objective evidence that a portfolio / receivable is impaired. A portfolio / receivable is impaired and impairment losses are incurred only if there is objective evidence of impairment as a result of one or more events that occurred after the initial recognition of the asset (a 'loss event') and that loss event (or events) has an impact on the estimated future cash flows of the portfolio / receivable that can be reliably estimated. This is recorded within the line "Impairment of invested assets".

If, in a subsequent period, the amount of the impairment loss decreases and the decrease can be related objectively to an event occurring after the impairment was recognized, the reversal of the previously recognized impairment loss is recognized in the consolidated income statement (within the line "Impairment of invested assets").

If the DDM Debt Group sells a portfolio / receivable for a higher or lower amount than its carrying value, the resulting gain or loss on disposal is recognized in the consolidated income statement within the line "Net collections on sale of invested assets".

The carrying values of distressed asset portfolios and other long-term receivables from investments owned by the DDM Debt Group are distributed by currency as follows:

EUR '000s	31 December	31 December
	2019	2018
EUR	65,797	70,620
HRK	63,557	24,570
CZK	8,618	14,878
HUF	3,023	2,422
RSD	1,385	2,116
RON	919	1,564
RUB	–	195
Total	143,299	116,365

The directors consider there to be no material differences between the financial asset values in the consolidated balance sheet and their fair value.

Note 7. Investment in joint venture

On 31 May 2019, the DDM Debt Group acquired a distressed asset portfolio containing secured corporate receivables in Croatia through a 50/50 joint venture with B2Holding. As part of the co-investment structure with B2Holding, the DDM Debt Group became 50% owner of the share capital and voting rights of CE Partner S.à r.l. and CE Holding Invest S.C.S. (the "Joint Venture") registered in Luxembourg.

On 15 July 2019, DDM secured third party financing together with B2Holding to partially fund the joint venture acquisition in Croatia at a lower cost of funding than the existing DDM Debt AB senior secured bonds in issue.

Note 7. Investment in joint venture... continued

The investment is accounted for under the equity method in accordance with IFRS 11 Joint Arrangements and has changed as follows during the year:

Investment in joint venture EUR '000s	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Balance at beginning of the year	–	–
Additions	66,662	–
Share of net profit of joint venture	916	–
Proceeds from funding of joint venture	(33,789)	–
Incremental net distribution from the joint venture	(3,837)	–
Balance at end of the year	29,952	–

The incremental net distribution from the joint venture includes EUR 2.6M that has been received as a cash distribution during the year and EUR 1.2M that has been reclassified to accounts receivable.

Note 8. Loans and borrowings

The Group had the following outstanding borrowings at the balance sheet dates of 31 December 2019 and/or 31 December 2018:

Bond loan EUR 100M

On 8 April 2019, DDM Debt issued EUR 100M of senior secured bonds priced at Euribor plus a margin of 9.25% within a total framework amount of EUR 150M. The bonds with ISIN number SE0012454940 have a final maturity date of 8 April 2022 and are listed on the Corporate Bond list at Nasdaq Stockholm. The proceeds from the new bond issue were mainly employed towards refinancing the existing EUR 85M bond and for general corporate purposes.

DDM Debt's financial instruments contain a number of financial covenants, including limits on certain financial indicators. The financial covenants according to the terms and conditions of the senior secured bonds and the revolving credit facility are: an equity ratio of at least 15.00%, net interest-bearing debt to cash EBITDA below 4:1, and net interest bearing debt to ERC below 75.00%. DDM's management carefully monitors these key financial indicators, so that it can quickly take measures if there is a risk that one or more limits may be exceeded. DDM Debt complied with all bond covenants for the periods ending 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018.

DDM Debt has pledged the shares in its direct subsidiaries as security under the terms and conditions. Certain bank accounts are also assigned to the bond agent and the bondholders as part of the bond terms. DDM Finance is a guarantor of the bonds. In addition, the investors receive a first ranking share pledge over the shares of DDM Debt. The terms and conditions of DDM Debt's senior secured bonds and revolving credit facility contain a number of restrictions, including relating to distributions, the nature of the business, financial indebtedness, disposals of assets, dealings with related parties, negative pledges, new market loans, mergers and demergers and local credits. The terms and conditions of the senior secured bonds are available in their entirety on our website.

Revolving credit facility EUR 27M

On 15 March 2019, DDM Debt agreed a super senior revolving credit facility of EUR 27M with an international bank. The revolving credit facility is available to finance investments and for general corporate purposes. The facility is available until 15 March 2021 and priced at Euribor plus a margin of 350 basis points.

Bond loan EUR 50M

On 11 December 2017, DDM Debt issued EUR 50M of senior secured bonds at 8% within a total framework amount of EUR 160M. The bonds with ISIN number SE0010636746 have a final maturity date of 11 December 2020 and are listed on the Corporate Bond list at Nasdaq Stockholm. The bonds contain a number of financial covenants. Please refer to the "Bond loan EUR 100M" section above for further details. The net proceeds were for acquiring additional debt portfolios.

Bond loan EUR 85M

EUR 50M of senior secured bonds at 9.5% were issued by DDM Debt on 30 January 2017, within a total framework amount of EUR 85M. The bonds with ISIN number SE0009548332 had a final maturity date of 30 January 2020 and were listed on the Corporate Bond list at Nasdaq Stockholm. In April 2017, DDM Debt successfully completed a EUR 35M tap issue under the EUR 85M senior secured bond framework. The bond tap issue was placed at a price of 101.5%, representing a yield to maturity of c. 9%.

On 2 May 2019, DDM Debt redeemed in advance its EUR 85M senior secured bonds with ISIN SE0009548332, in accordance with Clause 9.3 (Voluntary total redemption (call option)) of the terms and conditions of the bonds. The bonds were redeemed each at the applicable call option (being 102.38 per cent. of the outstanding nominal amount) totaling EUR 2.0M, plus accrued but unpaid interest. In addition, remaining capitalized transaction costs of approximately EUR 0.6M were expensed to the income statement as a non-cash write off in relation to the existing EUR 85M bond. The redemption amount was paid to the bondholders holding bonds on the relevant record date, being 24 April 2019. The bonds were de-listed from the corporate bond list of Nasdaq Stockholm in connection with the redemption date and the last day of trading occurred on 18 April 2019.

Note 8. Loans and borrowings... *continued*

Maturity profile and carrying value of borrowings:

Group & Parent co. EUR '000s	Less than 1 year	Between 1 and 2 years	Between 2 and 3 years	Between 3 and 4 years	Between 4 and 5 years	Total
at 31 December 2019						
Bond loan, 8%	49,504	–	–	–	–	49,504
Bond loan, 9.25%	–	–	97,626	–	–	97,626
Total	49,504	–	97,626	–	–	147,130
at 31 December 2018						
Bond loan, 8%	–	49,006	–	–	–	49,006
Bond loan, 9.5%	–	84,219	–	–	–	84,219
Total	–	133,225	–	–	–	133,225

Note: Bond loans are initially reported at fair value net of transaction costs incurred and subsequently stated at amortized cost using the effective interest method.

Fair value of borrowings:

Group & Parent co. EUR '000s	IFRS 9 category	Fair value category	Fair value	Carrying value
at 31 December 2019				
Bond loan, 8%	Financial liabilities at amortized cost	Level 2	51,012	49,504
Bond loan, 9.25%	Financial liabilities at amortized cost	Level 2	101,623	97,626
Total			152,635	147,130
at 31 December 2018				
Bond loan, 8%	Financial liabilities at amortized cost	Level 2	49,490	49,006
Bond loan, 9.5%	Financial liabilities at amortized cost	Level 2	84,158	84,219
Total			133,648	133,225

The levels in the hierarchy are:

- Level 1 – Quoted prices on active markets for identical assets or liabilities.
- Level 2 – Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability either directly (such as prices) or indirectly (such as derived from prices). The fair value of the bond loans is calculated based on the bid price for a trade occurring close to the balance sheet date.
- Level 3 – Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (that is unobservable inputs).

Note 9. Participations in Group companies

Parent Company EUR '000s	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Investment	9,523	9,478
Total	9,523	9,478

Parent Company EUR '000s	Investment
At 31 December 2018	9,478
Acquisitions	45
At 31 December 2019	9,523

Note 9. Participations... *continued*

The Parent Company holds shares in the following subsidiaries:

EUR '000s Company	Corporate identity number	Domicile	Proportion of equity 31 December 2019	Proportion of equity 31 December 2018	Net book value 31 December 2019	Net book value 31 December 2018
DDM Invest I AG	CHE 113.863.850	Switzerland	–	100%	–	1,393
DDM Invest II AG*	CHE 115.038.302	Switzerland	–	100%	–	–
DDM Invest III AG	CHE 115.238.947	Switzerland	100%	100%	9,364	635
DDM Invest IV AG*	CHE 317.413.116	Switzerland	–	100%	–	–
DDM Invest VII AG	CHE 153.128.633	Switzerland	–	100%	–	90
DDM Invest X AG	CHE 130.419.930	Switzerland	–	100%	–	1,465
DDM Invest XX AG	CHE 349.886.186	Switzerland	–	100%	–	5,781
DDM Invest V d.o.o. (formerly Hive d.o.o.)**	8297355000	Slovenia	100%	100%	–	–
DDM Invest VII d.o.o.	7109806000	Slovenia	100%	100%	8	8
DDM Debt Management d.o.o Beograd***	21313963	Serbia	100%	100%	–	–
DDM Treasury Sweden AB	556910-3053	Sweden	100%	–	45	–
DDM Debt Romania S.R.L	39689815	Romania	99%	99%	106	106
Total					9,523	9,478

* The net book value of the investments in DDM Invest II AG and DDM Invest IV AG amounted to EUR 1 each as of 31 December 2018.

** DDM Invest V d.o.o. (formerly Hive d.o.o.) is a 100% indirectly held subsidiary through DDM Invest III AG.

*** The net book value of the investment in DDM Debt Management d.o.o Beograd amounts to EUR 1 as of 31 December 2019 and 31 December 2018.

On 14 June 2019, the following subsidiaries were merged into DDM Invest III AG to simplify the existing DDM Group structure: DDM Invest I AG, DDM Invest II AG, DDM Invest IV AG, DDM Invest VII AG, DDM Invest X AG and DDM Invest XX AG. DDM Invest III AG has assumed all rights, liabilities and obligations from the merged subsidiaries.

aXs GmbH was registered on 29 May 2019, where 70% of the ownership was controlled by DDM Debt. On 25 July 2019, aXs Croatia d.o.o. (formerly Silverton720 debt solutions d.o.o) and on 19 August 2019 aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were fully acquired by aXs GmbH. aXs Croatia d.o.o. and aXs, poslovne storitve d.o.o. were 70% indirectly held subsidiaries through aXs GmbH. On 23 December 2019, a further 12% of the shares of aXs GmbH were acquired for a total consideration of EUR 200k. Subsequently 82% of the shares held in aXs GmbH were sold to Ax Financial Holding S.A. ("AxFina"), which is 100% owned and controlled by DDM Group Finance S.A. (DDM Holding AG's largest shareholder) for a total deferred consideration of EUR 1,367k on 23 December. This transaction resulted in a gain on sale of shares of EUR 1,142k which has been recognized in the consolidated income statement under "Other operating income".

On 30 September 2019 DDM Treasury Sweden AB was contributed to DDM Debt by DDM Finance at book value, resulting in a EUR 45k capital contribution from DDM Finance.

Note 10. Related parties

In 2019 DDM Group Finance S.A. (being the largest shareholder in the ultimate parent company DDM Holding AG) entered into an agreement with the DDM Group where DDM Group Finance S.A. provides services under a brokerage contract. In relation to this agreement an amount of EUR 1,250k in 2019 (2018: nil) was capitalized as transaction costs as part of bond refinancing, resulting in EUR 275k of amortized transaction costs that were recognized within financial expenses during the year ended 31 December 2019.

On 29 May 2019, aXs GmbH was registered following the partnership that was launched with the company 720 Restructuring & Advisory, where 70% of the ownership was controlled by DDM. On 23 December 2019, a further 12% of the shares of aXs GmbH were acquired for a total consideration of EUR 200k. Subsequently 82% of the shares held in aXs GmbH were sold to Ax Financial Holding S.A. ("AxFina"), which is 100% owned and controlled by DDM Group Finance S.A. for a total deferred consideration of EUR 1,367k on 23 December. This transaction resulted in a gain on sale of shares of EUR 1,142k which has been recognized in the consolidated income statement under "Other operating income".

Note 11. Subsequent events

On the 18 February 2020 DDM Debt AB initiated a written procedure to request that certain amendments are made to the terms and conditions of its up to EUR 150M senior secured floating rate bonds.

Signatures

The Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer declare that the interim report 1 January – 31 December 2019 provides a fair overview of the Parent Company's and the Group's operations, their financial positions and result. The material risks and uncertainties facing the Parent Company and the Group are described in the 2018 Annual report.

Stockholm, 20 February 2020

Jörgen Durban
Chairman of the board

Joachim Cato
Board member

Erik Fällström
Board member

Florian Nowotny
Board member

Henrik Wennerholm
CEO

Definitions

DDM

DDM Holding AG and its subsidiaries, including DDM Debt AB (publ) and its subsidiaries.

Amortization of invested assets

The carrying value of invested assets are amortized over time according to the effective interest rate method.

Cash EBITDA

Net collections less operating expenses.

EBITDA

Earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation of fixed assets and amortization of intangible assets as well as amortization, revaluation and impairment of invested assets.

Equity

Shareholders' equity at the end of the period.

Impairment of invested assets

Invested assets are reviewed at each reporting date and impaired if there is objective evidence that one or more events have taken place that will have a negative impact on the amount of future cash flows.

Invested assets

DDM's invested assets consist of purchases of distressed asset portfolios, other long-term receivables from investments and investment in joint venture.

Net collections

Gross collections from Portfolios held by the Group less commission and collection fees to third parties (but if such Portfolios are partly owned, only taking into consideration such Group Company's pro rata share of the gross collections and commission and fees).

Net debt

Long-term and short-term third party loans, interest-bearing intercompany loans (excluding subordinated debt) and liabilities to credit institutions (bank overdrafts) less cash and cash equivalents.

Non-recurring items

One-time costs not affecting the Company's run rate cost level.

Operating expenses

Personnel, consulting and other operating expenses.

Revaluation of invested assets

Invested assets are reviewed at each reporting date and revalued if there is objective evidence that one or more events have taken place that will have a positive impact on the timing or amount of future cash flows, or a negative impact on the timing of future cash flows.

Reconciliation tables, non-IFRS measures

This section includes a reconciliation of certain non-IFRS financial measures to the most directly reconcilable line items in the financial statements. The presentation of non-IFRS financial measures has limitations as analytical tools and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for our related financial measures prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Non-IFRS financial measures are presented to enhance an investor's evaluation of ongoing operating results, to aid in forecasting future periods and to facilitate meaningful comparison of results between periods. Management uses these non-IFRS financial measures to, among other things, evaluate ongoing operations in relation to historical results and for internal planning and forecasting purposes.

The non-IFRS financial measures presented in this report may differ from similarly-titled measures used by other companies.

Net collections:

Net collections is comprised of gross collections from the invested assets held and/or sold by the DDM Debt Group, minus commission and fees to third parties. The net amount of cash collected is recorded as "Net collections" within the line "Revenue on invested assets" in the consolidated income statement. The DDM Debt Group discloses the alternative performance measure "Net collections" in the notes separately, as it is an important measurement for the DDM Debt Group to monitor the performance of the portfolios and measure the cash available for operating expenses and to service its debt. The DDM Debt Group believes that disclosing net collections as a separate performance measure in the notes improves the transparency and understanding of the DDM Debt Group's financial statements and performance, meeting the expectations of its investors.

Amortization, revaluation and impairment of invested assets:

The recognition of the acquisition of invested assets is based on the DDM Group's own forecast of future cash flows from acquired portfolios. Reporting follows the effective interest method, where the carrying value of each portfolio corresponds to the present value of all projected future cash flows discounted by an initial effective interest rate determined at the time the portfolio was purchased, based on the relation between cost and the projected future cash flows on the acquisition date. Changes in the carrying value of the portfolios are reported as amortization, revaluation and impairment for the period.

Operating expenses and Cash EBITDA:

Amounts in EUR '000s (unless specified otherwise)	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018	Full Year 2019	Full Year 2018
Net collections*	15,098	22,211	62,585	64,759
Personnel expenses	(390)	(75)	(1,187)	(144)
Consulting expenses	(3,680)	(1,626)	(9,563)	(6,304)
Other operating expenses	(140)	(53)	(347)	(361)
Operating expenses	(4,210)	(1,754)	(11,097)	(6,809)
Cash EBITDA	10,888	20,457	51,488	57,950

* Net collections includes the gain on sale of invested assets and the incremental net distribution from joint venture. Please refer to page 24 for a reconciliation of alternative performance measures ("APMs") to IFRS

Net debt:

Bond loan, 8%	49,504	49,006	49,504	49,006
Bond loan, 9.25%	97,626	–	97,626	–
Bond loan, 9.5%	–	84,219	–	84,219
Less: Cash and cash equivalents	(11,464)	(57,266)	(11,464)	(57,266)
Net debt	135,666	75,959	135,666	75,959

Equity ratio:

Shareholder's equity	4,342	8,861	4,342	8,861
Shareholder debt (subordinated)	37,586	31,175	37,586	31,175
Total equity according to the senior secured bond and revolving credit facility terms	41,928	40,036	41,928	40,036
Total assets	198,756	184,719	198,756	184,719
Equity ratio	21.1%	21.7%	21.1%	21.7%

Alternative performance measures – reconciliation to IFRS:

EUR '000s	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2019	1 Oct – 31 Dec 2018	Full Year 2019	Full Year 2018
Net collections	11,340	22,211	54,272	64,759
Sale of invested assets	2,540	–	4,476	–
Incremental net distribution from joint venture	1,218	–	3,837	–
Adjusted net collections	15,098	22,211	62,585	64,759
Cash EBITDA	7,130	20,457	43,175	57,950
Sale of invested assets	2,540	–	4,476	–
Incremental net distribution from joint venture	1,218	–	3,837	–
Adjusted cash EBITDA	10,888	20,457	51,488	57,950
Net (loss) / profit for the period	(750)	1,186	(7,287)	2,144
Non-recurring items bond refinancing	–	–	2,631	–
Non-recurring items deferred taxes & interest in associates	–	–	–	963
Adjusted net (loss) / profit for the period	(750)	1,186	(4,656)	3,107

The financial statements of the Group have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting. In addition, the Group presents alternative performance measures (“APMs”). Adjusted key figures for net collections, cash EBITDA and net profit / (loss) for the period provide a better understanding of the underlying business performance and enhance comparability from period to period, when the effect of items affecting comparability are adjusted for. Items affecting comparability can include one-time costs not affecting the Group’s run rate cost level, significant earnings effects from acquisition and disposals of invested assets and incremental net distributions from joint ventures.

These measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed by IFRS and therefore are unlikely to be comparable to the calculation of similar measures used by other companies. The APMs are regularly reviewed by Management and their aim is to enhance stakeholders’ understanding of the Group’s performance and to enhance comparability between financial periods. The APMs are reported in addition to but are not substitutes for the financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS. The APMs provide a basis to evaluate operating profitability and performance trends, excluding the impact of items which in the opinion of Management, distort the evaluation of the performance of our operations.

The APMs also provide measures commonly reported and widely used by investors as an indicator of the Group’s operating performance and as a valuation metric of debt purchasing companies. Furthermore, APMs are also relevant when assessing our ability to incur and service debt. APMs are defined consistently over time and are based on the financial data presented in accordance with IFRS.

About DDM

DDM Debt AB (Nasdaq Stockholm: DDM2) is a subsidiary of **DDM Holding AG** (First North Growth Market: DDM), a multinational investor in and manager of distressed assets, offering the prospect of attractive returns from the expanding Southern, Central and Eastern European market. Since 2007, the DDM Group has built a successful platform in Southern, Central and Eastern Europe, and has acquired 2.3 million receivables with a nominal value of over EUR 4 billion.

For sellers (banks and financial institutions), management of portfolios of distressed assets is a sensitive issue as it concerns the relationship with their customers. For these sellers it is therefore critical that the acquirer handles the underlying individual debtors professionally, ethically and with respect. DDM has longstanding relations with sellers of distressed assets, based on trust and the Company's status as a credible acquirer.

The banking sector in Southern, Central and Eastern Europe is subject to increasingly stricter capital ratio requirements resulting in distressed assets being more expensive for banks to keep on their balance sheets. As a result, banks are increasingly looking to divest portfolios of distressed and other non-core assets.

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