## **HLC Holding A/S**

Tuborg Havnepark 17, 3. 2900 Hellerup CVR No. 17268309

## **Annual report 2023**

The Annual General Meeting adopted the annual report on 17.06.2024

#### Kjeld Kornum

Chairman of the General Meeting

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## **Entity details**

#### **Entity**

HLC Holding A/S Tuborg Havnepark 17, 3. 2900 Hellerup

Business Registration No.: 17268309

Registered office: Gentofte

Financial year: 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

#### **Board of Directors**

Joachim Lautrup Kjeld Kornum Andreas Frederik Wehowsky

#### **Executive Board**

Joachim Lautrup

#### **Auditors**

Deloitte Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab Weidekampsgade 6 2300 Copenhagen S

# **Statement by Management**

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board have today considered and approved the annual report of HLC Holding A/S for the financial year 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023.

The annual report is presented in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Entity's financial position at 31.12.2023 and of the results of its operations for the financial year 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023.

We believe that the management commentary contains a fair review of the affairs and conditions referred to therein.

We recommend the annual report for adoption at the Annual General Meeting.

Hellerup, 17.06.2024

**Executive Board** 

Joachim Lautrup

**Board of Directors** 

Joachim Lautrup

**Kjeld Kornum** 

**Andreas Frederik Wehowsky** 

## Independent auditor's report

#### To the shareholders of HLC Holding A/S

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of HLC Holding A/S for the financial year 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023, which comprise the income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Entity's financial position at 31.12.2023 and of the results of its operations for the financial year 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (ISAs) and additional requirements applicable in Denmark. Our responsibilities under those standards and requirements are further described in the "Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements" section of this auditor's report. We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' International Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the additional ethical requirements applicable in Denmark, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Management's responsibilities for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act, and for such internal control as Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

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

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.

#### Statement on the management commentary

Management is responsible for the management commentary.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the management commentary, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the management commentary and, in doing so, consider whether the management commentary is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether the management commentary provides the information required by relevant law and regulations.

Based on the work we have performed, we conclude that the management commentary is in accordance with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Danish Financial Statements Act. We did not identify any material misstatement of the management commentary.

Copenhagen, 17.06.2024

#### Deloitte

Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab CVR No. 33963556

#### **Claus Jorch Andersen**

State Authorised Public Accountant Identification No (MNE) mne33712

# **Management commentary**

#### **Primary activities**

The purpose of the Entity is to generate income from return on investments and securities.

Profit for the year amounts to DKK 1,343 thousand.

#### **Events after the balance sheet date**

No events have occurred after the balance sheet date to this date, which would influence the evaluation of this annual report.

## **Income statement for 2023**

		2023	2022
	Notes	DKK	DKK
Gross profit/loss		(392,607)	(565,400)
Income from investments in group enterprises		115,385	49,874
Other financial income	1	1,950,574	1,776,250
Other financial expenses	2	(132,928)	(415,098)
Profit/loss before tax		1,540,424	845,626
Tax on profit/loss for the year	3	(197,325)	(153,637)
Profit/loss for the year		1,343,099	691,989
Proposed distribution of profit and loss			
Ordinary dividend for the financial year		15,000,000	10,000,000
Retained earnings		(13,656,901)	(9,308,011)
Proposed distribution of profit and loss		1,343,099	691,989

## **Balance sheet at 31.12.2023**

#### **Assets**

		2023	2022
	Notes	DKK	DKK
Investments in group enterprises		2,536,233	2,420,848
Financial assets	4	2,536,233	2,420,848
Fixed assets		2,536,233	2,420,848
Receivables from group enterprises		20,488,585	29,258,268
Receivables		20,488,585	29,258,268
Other investments		1,826,842	1,293,760
Other investments		1,826,842	1,293,760
Cash		501,725	865,195
Current assets		22,817,152	31,417,223
Assets		25,353,385	33,838,071

#### **Equity and liabilities**

		2023	2022
	Notes	DKK	DKK
Contributed capital		500,000	500,000
Reserve for net revaluation according to the equity method		473,857	358,472
Retained earnings		6,595,145	20,367,431
Proposed dividend		15,000,000	10,000,000
Equity		22,569,002	31,225,903
Trade payables		46,250	46,250
Payables to group enterprises		2,549,784	2,416,857
Joint taxation contribution payable		188,349	149,061
Current liabilities other than provisions		2,784,383	2,612,168
Liabilities other than provisions		2,784,383	2,612,168
Equity and liabilities		25,353,385	33,838,071
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# Statement of changes in equity for 2023

	Contributed	Reserve for net revaluation according to the equity	Retained	Proposed	<b>-</b> 1
	capital	method	earnings	dividend	Total
	DKK	DKK	DKK	DKK	DKK
Equity beginning of year	500,000	358,472	20,367,431	10,000,000	31,225,903
Ordinary dividend paid	0	0	0	(10,000,000)	(10,000,000)
Profit/loss for the year	0	115,385	(13,772,286)	15,000,000	1,343,099
Equity end of year	500,000	473,857	6,595,145	15,000,000	22,569,002

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## **Notes**

#### 1 Other financial income

	2023	2022
	DKK	DKK
Financial income from group enterprises	1,379,378	1,657,930
Other interest income	2,288	120
Fair value adjustments	528,108	97,400
Other financial income	40,800	20,800
	1,950,574	1,776,250
2 Other financial expenses		
	2023	2022
	DKK	DKK
Financial expenses from group enterprises	132,927	139,441
Other interest expenses	1	8,919
Fair value adjustments	0	266,738
	132,928	415,098
3 Tax on profit/loss for the year		
	2023	2022
	DKK	DKK
Current tax	197,325	153,637
	197,325	153,637

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#### **4 Financial assets**

	Investments
	in group
	enterprises
	DKK
Cost beginning of year	2,062,376
Cost end of year	2,062,376
Revaluations beginning of year	358,472
Share of profit/loss for the year	115,385
Revaluations end of year	473,857
Carrying amount end of year	2,536,233

Investments in subsidiaries R			Equity
		Corporate	interest %
	Registered in	form	
Via Stresa ApS	Gentofte	ApS	100.00

#### **5 Employees**

The Entity has no employees other than the Executive Board. The Executive Board has not received any remuneration.

#### 6 Fair value information

	Other investments DKK
Fair value end of year	1,826,842
Unrealised fair value adjustments recognised in the income statement	528,108

#### **7 Contingent liabilities**

The company is in ongoing dialogue with the buyer of the Group company sold in 2021 regarding sellers potential responsibility related to compliance related matters prior to closing. Management currently does not expect that the dialogues will affect the financial position of the company other than already reflected in the annual report.

The Entity participates in a Danish joint taxation arrangement with other Danish consolidated companies. According to the joint taxation provisions of the Danish Corporation Tax Act, the Entity is therefore liable for income taxes etc for the jointly taxed entities, and for obligations, if any, relating to the withholding of tax on interest, royalties and dividend for the jointly taxed entities. The jointly taxed entities' total known net liability under the joint taxation arrangement is disclosed in the administration company's financial statements.

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#### 8 Related parties with controlling interest

Related parties with a controlling interest regarding the HLC Holding A/S Group:

- Lautrup Swiss SA, Rue de Hesse 12, 1204 Geneva, Switzerland.

Other related parties with whom the HLC Holding A/S Group has had transactions in 2023:

- Enterprises in which Lautrup Swiss SA has controlling interest as well as the Company's Executive Board and Board of Directors.

Transactions between related parties and the HLC Holding A/S Group in 2023:

- The Group has balances with enterprises in which Lautrup Swiss SA has controlling interest. Balances carry interest equal to the market rate.

Transactions with related parties have been carried out at arm's length.

#### **9 Group relations**

Name and registered office of the Parent preparing consolidated financial statements for the smallest group: Lautrup Swiss SA, Rue de Hesse 16, 1204 Geneva, Switzerland.

## **Accounting policies**

#### **Reporting class**

This annual report has been presented in accordance with the provisions of the Danish Financial Statements Act governing reporting class B enterprises with addition of a few provisions for reporting class C.

The accounting policies applied to these financial statements are consistent with those applied last year.

#### **Consolidated financial statements**

Referring to section 110 of the Danish Financial Statements Act, no consolidated financial statements have been prepared.

#### **Recognition and measurement**

Assets are recognised in the balance sheet when it is probable as a result of a prior event that future economic benefits will flow to the Entity, and the value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Liabilities are recognised in the balance sheet when the Entity has a legal or constructive obligation as a result of a prior event, and it is probable that future economic benefits will flow out of the Entity, and the value of the liability can be measured reliably.

On initial recognition, assets and liabilities are measured at cost. Measurement subsequent to initial recognition is effected as described below for each financial statement item.

Anticipated risks and losses that arise before the time of presentation of the annual report and that confirm or invalidate affairs and conditions existing at the balance sheet date are considered at recognition and measurement.

Income is recognised in the income statement when earned, whereas costs are recognised by the amounts attributable to this financial year.

#### **Foreign currency translation**

On initial recognition, foreign currency transactions are translated applying the exchange rate at the transaction date. Receivables, payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies that have not been settled at the balance sheet date are translated using the exchange rate at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences that arise between the rate at the transaction date and the rate in effect at the payment date, or the rate at the balance sheet date, are recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

When recognising foreign subsidiaries and associates that are independent entities, the income statements are translated at average exchange rates for the months that do not significantly deviate from the rates at the transaction date. Balance sheet items are translated using the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Goodwill is considered belonging to the independent foreign entity and is translated using the exchange rate at the balance sheet date. Exchange differences arising out of the translation of foreign subsidiaries' equity at the beginning of the year at the balance sheet date exchange rates and out of the translation of income statements from average rates to the exchange rates at the balance sheet date are recognised directly in the translation reserve in equity.

Exchange adjustments of outstanding accounts with independent foreign subsidiaries, which are considered part of the total investment in the subsidiary in question, are recognised directly in the translation reserve in equity.

When recognising foreign subsidiaries that are integral entities, monetary assets and liabilities are translated using the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated at the exchange rate at the time of acquisition or the time of any subsequent revaluation or writedown. The items of the income statement are translated at the average rates of the months. However, items deriving from non-monetary assets and liabilities are translated using the historical rates applicable to the relevant non-monetary items.

#### **Income statement**

#### **Gross profit or loss**

Gross profit or loss comprises external expenses.

#### Other external expenses

Other external expenses include expenses relating to the Entity's ordinary activities, including expenses for premises, stationery and office supplies, marketing costs, etc. This item also includes writedowns of receivables recognised in current assets.

#### Income from investments in group enterprises

Income from investments in group enterprises comprises the pro rata share of the individual enterprises' profit/loss after full elimination of intra-group profits or losses.

#### Other financial income

Other financial income comprises dividends etc received on other investments, interest income, including interest income on receivables from group enterprises, net capital or exchange gains on securities, payables and transactions in foreign currencies, amortisation of financial assets, and tax relief under the Danish Tax Prepayment Scheme etc.

#### Other financial expenses

Other financial expenses comprise interest expenses, including interest expenses on payables to group enterprises, net capital or exchange losses on securities, payables and transactions in foreign currencies, amortisation of financial liabilities, and tax surcharge under the Danish Tax Prepayment Scheme etc.

#### Tax on profit/loss for the year

Tax for the year, which consists of current tax for the year and changes in deferred tax, is recognised in the income statement by the portion attributable to the profit for the year and recognised directly in equity by the portion attributable to entries directly in equity.

The Entity is jointly taxed with all Danish group enterprises. The current Danish income tax is allocated among the jointly taxed entities proportionally to their taxable income (full allocation with a refund concerning tax losses).

#### **Balance sheet**

#### Investments in group enterprises

Investments in group enterprises are recognised and measured according to the equity method. This means that investments are measured at the pro rata share of the enterprises' equity value.

Group enterprises with negative equity value are measured at DKK 0. Any receivables from these enterprises are written down to net realisable value based on a specific assessment. If the Parent has a legal or constructive obligation to cover the liabilities of the relevant enterprise, and it is probable that such obligation will involve a loss, a provision is recognised that is measured at present value of the costs necessary to settle the obligations at the balance sheet date.

Upon distribution of profit or loss, net revaluation of investments in group enterprises is transferred to the reserve for net revaluation according to the equity method in equity.

Investments in group enterprises are written down to the lower of recoverable amount and carrying amount.

#### **Receivables**

Receivables are measured at amortised cost, usually equalling nominal value less writedowns for bad and doubtful debts.

#### Other investments

Other current asset investments comprise listed securities measured at fair value (market price) at the balance sheet date.

#### Cash

Cash comprises cash in hand and bank deposits.

#### **Dividend**

Dividend is recognised as a liability at the time of adoption at the general meeting. Proposed dividend for the financial year is disclosed as a separate item in equity. Extraordinary dividend adopted in the financial year is recognised directly in equity when distributed and disclosed as a separate item in Management's proposal for distribution of profit/loss.

#### **Operating leases**

Lease payments on operating leases are recognised on a straight-line basis in the income statement over the term of the lease.

#### Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost, which usually corresponds to nominal value.

#### Joint taxation contributions payable or receivable

Current joint taxation contributions receivable or joint taxation contributions payable are recognised in the balance sheet, calculated as tax computed on the taxable income of the year, which has been adjusted for prepaid tax. For tax losses, joint taxation contributions receivable are only recognised if such losses are expected to be used under the joint taxation arrangement.