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#### ISS Global A/S - an integral part of the ISS A/S Group

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ISS Global A/S is an integral part of the ISS A/S Group. Thus, operating, financing and investing activities are managed for the ISS A/S Group as a whole, rather than specifically for the ISS Global Group.

The management team of the ISS Global Group formally consists of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of ISS Global A/S. Since ISS Global A/S has no operating activities independently of the ISS A/S Group, the ISS Global Group relies on the management team of ISS A/S, which is considered the ISS Global Group's key management personnel.

Due to this structure, the sections "Our business" and "Governance" of the Management review, pp. 16-37, are described in the context of the ISS A/S Group.

## KEY FIGURES AND FINANCIAL RATIOS

DKK million (unless otherwise stated)	2015	2014	2013	2012	2011
Income statement					
Revenue	79,631	74,157	78,506	79,492	77,681
Operating profit before other items 1)	5,112	4,676	4,757	4,820	4,804
Operating margin <sup>2)</sup>	6.4%	6.3%	6.1%	6.1%	6.2%
EBITDA	4,660	4,071	4,173	4,193	4,317
Adjusted EBITDA <sup>2)</sup>	5,814	5,379	5,519	5,652	5,639
Operating profit 3)	3,958	3,368	3,411	3,361	3,482
Financial income	138	310	331	274	156
Financial expenses	(800)	(1,522)	(2,076)	(2,393)	(2,414)
Profit before amortisation/impairment of					
acquisition-related intangibles	2,367	1,416	918	471	484
Net profit for the year	1,915	620	(141)	(5)	(86)
Cash flow					
Cash flow from operating activities 4)	3,133	2,134	1,877	1,541	1,362
Acquisition of intangible assets and property, plant	0,100	2,104	1,077	1,041	1,002
and equipment, net	(808)	(751)	(756)	(736)	(989)
Cash conversion <sup>2)</sup>	99%	99%	100%	102%	94%
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Financial position					
Total assets	44,170	41,932	45,907	46,832	47,026
Goodwill	17,969	18,328	18,813	21,217	22,674
Additions to property, plant and equipment	746	691	750	786	937
Total equity (attributable to the owner of Global A/S)	2,981	2,769	2,147	3,646	380
Equity ratio	6.7%	6.6%	4.7%	7.8%	0.8%
Net debt	14,621	14,751	16,914	19,023	23,004
Employees					
Number of employees at 31 December	504,650	510,812	533,397	534,154	534,394
Full-time employees	74%	73%	74%	73%	73%
Growth					
Organic growth	4.4%	2.5%	4.3%	1.7%	6.3%
Acquisitions and divestments, net	(1)%	(6)%	(2)%	(2)%	(2)%
Currency adjustments <sup>5)</sup>	4 %	(2)%	(3)%	2 %	1 %
Total revenue growth	7 %	(6)%	(1)%	2 %	5 %

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding Other income and expenses, net, Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.
2) The Group uses Operating profit before other items for the calculations instead of Operating profit. Consequently, the Group excludes from the calculations those items recorded under Other income and expenses, net, in which the Group includes income and expenses that do not form part of the Group's normal ordinary operations, such as gains and losses arising from divestments, the winding up of operations, disposals of property and restructurings. Some of these items are recurring and some

are non-recurring in nature.

§ Excluding Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

§ Previously, cash flow from Interest received/paid was included in Cash flow from financing activities. Effective 1 January 2015, cash flow from Interest received/paid is included in Cash flow from operating activities as a result of the post-IPO capital structure. Comparative figures have been restated accordingly.

§ Calculated as total revenue growth less organic growth and less net acquisition/divestment growth. Currency adjustments thereby includes the effect stemming from exclusion of currency effects from the calculation of organic growth and net acquisition/divestment growth.

## **DEFINITIONS**

Acquisitions, %	=	Revenue from acquired businesses 1) x 100			
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Adjusted EBITDA	=	Operating profit before other items + Depreciation and amortisation			
Cash conversion, %	=	(Operating profit before other items last twelve months (LTM) + Changes in working capital LTM x 100			
		Operating profit before other items LTM			
Divestments, %	=	Revenue from divested businesses <sup>1)</sup> x 100			
Divestments, 70		Revenue prior year  1) Revenue from divested businesses is based on estimates or actual revenue where available at the divestment date.			
EBITDA	=	Operating profit + Depreciation and amortisation			
Carrier ratio 0/		Total equity attributable to the owner of ISS Global A/S x 100			
Equity ratio, %	=	Total assets			
Net debt	=	Non-current and current loans and borrowings - Receivables from compar within the ISS Group - Securities - Cash and cash equivalents - Positive favalue of derivatives			
Operating margin, % =		Operating profit before other items x 100			
		Total revenue			
Organic growth <sup>1)</sup> , %		(Revenue current year - comparable revenue <sup>1)</sup> prior year) x 100			
		Comparable revenue <sup>1)</sup> prior year  1) Comparable revenue implies the exclusion of changes in revenue attributable to businesses acquired or divested and the effect of changes in foreign exchange rates. In order to present comparable revenue and thereby organic growth excluding any effect from changes in foreign currency exchange rates, comparable revenue in the prior year is calculated at the subsequent year's foreign currency exchange rates. Acquisitions of businesses are treated as having been integrated into ISS upon acquisition, and ISS's calculation of organic growth includes changes in revenue of these acquired businesses compared with revenue expectations at the date of acquisition. Organic growth is not a measure of financial performance under Danish GAAP or IFRS and the organic growth figures have not been audited.			
Total revenue growth, %	=	(Revenue current year - revenue prior year) x 100  Revenue prior year			
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#### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Annual Report contains forward-looking statements, including, but not limited to, the guidance and expectations contained in the "Outlook" section on p. 5. Statements herein, other than statements of historical fact, regarding future events or prospects, constitute forward-looking statements. ISS has based these forward-looking statements on its current views with respect to future events and financial performance. These views involve a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those predicted in the forward-looking statements and from the past performance of ISS. Although ISS believes that the estimates and projections reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable, they may prove materially incorrect, and actual results may materially differ, e.g. as the result of risks related to the facility service industry in general or ISS in particular including those described in this report and other information made available by ISS. As a result, you should not rely on these forward-looking statements. ISS undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by law.

## **OUTLOOK**

#### **OUTLOOK 2016**

In 2016, we will continue to focus on the implementation of the ISS Way strategy, including the roll out of our strategic GREAT initiatives focusing on investment in leadership, optimisation of our customer base, fit-for-purpose organisational structure, IFS, and group-wide excellence. Through these efforts we expect to realise tangible operational and financial improvements, in both the short and medium term. We remain focused on delivering:

- 1. Resilient organic growth
- 2. Improving operating margin
- 3. Strong cash conversion

For 2016 specifically:

Organic growth is expected to be 2%-4%. This reflects our expectation of continued growth in the existing portfolio, combined with the launch of new contracts won in recent months, especially within IFS. We remain conscious of macro developments, in particular challenges in specific emerging markets and the impact of commodity price weakness in certain countries. We do not yet foresee meaningful recovery in Europe and hence remain cautious on the likelihood of a pick-up in non-portfolio services.

**Operating margin** is expected to be above the 6.4% realised in 2015, as a result of our continued focus on sustainable margin improvement. This development will be supported by ongoing strategic initiatives around procurement, customer

segmentation, organisational structure and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO).

Our margin will be negatively impacted by the divestment of the non-core, high margin, Turkish call centre activities, CMC, completed on 30 October 2015.

**Cash conversion** will continue to be a priority in 2016, as it has been historically, and we expect cash conversion to remain above 90%.

The outlook should be read in conjunction with "Forward-looking statements" on p. 4 and our exposure to risk, see Risk management on pp. 32–35.

#### **FOLLOW UP ON OUTLOOK FOR 2015**

For our three key financial objectives, organic growth, operating margin and cash conversion, ISS Global A/S ended 2015 in line with the outlook published in Q2 2015.

OUTLOOK 2015 – FOLLOW UP						
	Annual report 2014	Q2 2015	Realised 2015			
Organic growth	2%-4%	3.5%-4.5%	4.4%			
Operating margin	> 6.3%	> 6.3%	6.4%			
Cash conversion	> 90%	> 90%	99%			

## GROUP PERFORMANCE

Our strategic initiatives supported strong organic growth and margin improvements for the second consecutive year. This resulted in the highest revenue and profit levels in ISS history.

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#### **OPERATING RESULTS**

Group revenue improved DKK 5 billion to DKK 79.6 billion in 2015. Organic growth was 4.4% and the positive currency effect amounted to 4%, while the impact from acquisitions and divestments, net, reduced revenue by 1%.

Organic growth was driven by a continued strong performance in emerging markets, large contract launches in Europe and our integrated facility services (IFS) business in general. All regions delivered positive organic growth rates with Germany, Switzerland and Turkey as the principal drivers, supported mainly by IFS contract launches including Vattenfall and Swisscom. On the other hand, the persistently difficult market conditions in certain European countries and Brazil reduced organic growth.

Operating profit before other items amounted to DKK 5,112 million in 2015 for an operating margin of 6.4% (2014: 6.3%), the second straight year of improvement in spite of the persistently challenging macroeconomic environment in Europe and certain emerging markets. The higher operating margin was driven by improved margins in most regions with strong performances by Germany and the United Kingdom in the Western Europe region and Singapore in Asia, as well as our strategic initiatives in general. Corporate costs amounted to 0.1% of revenue (2014: 0.0%).

REVENUE AND GROWTH							
	Revenue			Growth components			
DKK million	2015	2014	Growth	Organic	Acq./div.	Currency	
Western Europe	40,894	37,318	10 %	4 %	1 %	5 %	
Nordic	14,738	15,449	(5)%	1 %	(3)%	(3)%	
Asia	10,104	8,221	23 %	11 %	(3)%	15 %	
Pacific	4,478	4,444	1 %	5 %	(4)%	-	
North America	4,161	3,477	20 %	0 %	-	20 %	
Latin America	3,609	3,597	0 %	5 %	-	(5)%	
Eastern Europe	1,580	1,597	(1)%	2 %	(1)%	(2)%	
Other Countries	113	87	30 %	16 %	-	14 %	
Corporate / eliminations	(46)	(33)	39 %	-	-	-	
Group	79,631	74,157	7 %	4.4 %	(1)%	4 %	
Emerging markets	19,918	17,779	12 %	8 %	(2)%	6 %	

We define emerging markets as comprising Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, Israel, South Africa and Turkey. Combined, these markets delivered organic growth of 8% and represented 25% of Group revenue. In addition to significantly contributing to the Group's organic growth, emerging markets delivered an operating margin of 6.4% in 2015 (2014: 6.3%). Emerging markets remain an important part of our strategic platform and we aim to continue to grow our footprint in these markets in a balanced and controlled manner.

Other income and expenses, net was an income of DKK 108 million (2014: net expense of DKK 81 million) and mainly related to gain from divestments of DKK 351 million, primarily the call centre activities in Turkey. This was partly offset by restructuring projects of DKK 150 million predominantly related to the implementation of GREAT and loss on divestments of DKK 38 million.

Financial income and expenses, net was DKK 662 million (2014: DKK 1,212 million). The decrease was mainly due to a DKK 293 million reduction in interest expenses, net as a result of lower margins combined with lower average net debt in 2015 as well as unamortised financing fees expensed in 2014. In 2015, financial expenses included a noncash expense of unamortised financing fees of DKK 27 million resulting from the partial repayment of Term Loan B following the refinancing with bonds issued under our EMTN programme. Also, financial expenses included a DKK 67 million net loss on foreign exchange.

The effective tax rate for 2015 was 28.2% (2014: 34.3%) calculated as Income taxes of DKK 929 million divided by Profit before tax and amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles of DKK 3,296 million. The decrease in the effective tax rate was partly due to significant non-taxable gain on divestments in 2015.

Profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles was DKK 2,367 million (2014: DKK 1,416 million), supported by improvements in operating profit and lower financial expenses, net.

Impairment losses amounted to DKK 277 million (2014: DKK 608 million) and related to goodwill of 273 million and customer contracts of DKK 4 million. Losses on goodwill derived from impairment tests in Brazil of DKK 126 million due to operational and macroeconomic challenges, as well as the remeasurement of businesses classified as held for sale and completed divestments in Western Europe of DKK 147 million.

Net profit was up by DKK 1,295 million to DKK 1,915 million in 2015.

#### **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Delivering IFS solutions to our selected customers is a key part of our strategy and during the past years, the IFS share of Group revenue has increased steadily from 26% in 2013 to 34% in 2015. The increase was supported by the successful implementation of our strategic initiatives, which is also illustrated by the number of IFS contract wins and expansions during 2015.

OPERATING RESULTS							
	Operating pro	fit before oth	Operating margin				
DKK million	2015	2014	Change	2015	2014		
Western Europe	2,562	2,310	11 %	6.3 %	6.2 %		
Nordic	1,146	1,153	(1)%	7.8 %	7.5 %		
Asia	788	603	31 %	7.8 %	7.3 %		
Pacific	255	220	16 %	5.7 %	5.0 %		
North America	173	125	38 %	4.2 %	3.6 %		
Latin America	144	173	(17)%	4.0 %	4.8 %		
Eastern Europe	99	109	(9)%	6.3 %	6.8 %		
Other Countries	(1)	(1)	-	(0.8)%	(1.4)%		
Corporate / eliminations	(54)	(16)	238 %	(0.1)%	(0.0)%		
Group	5,112	4,676	9 %	6.4 %	6.3 %		
Emerging markets	1,274	1,123	13 %	6.4 %	6.3 %		

Revenue generated from IFS in 2015 was up 11% (2014: 10%) in local currencies to DKK 26.7 billion. Growth was mainly driven by IFS contract launches like Vattenfall and Swisscom as well as the successful conversion of existing single service contracts to IFS contracts.

Significant IFS contracts won in 2015 included contracts with UBS and Homerton Hospital in the United Kingdom and Huawei and Huashan Hospital in China. We also expanded our existing contracts with the Danish State Railways (DSB) in Denmark, Danske Bank in the Nordic and Eastern Europe regions as well as Post-Nord and Nordea across the Nordics.

Revenue generated from Global Corporate Clients in 2015 increased 11% (2014: 5%) in local currencies to DKK 8.3 billion, representing 10% of Group revenue (2014: 9%).

In 2015, Global Corporate Clients launched a single service contract delivering cleaning services to a large international bank in Western Europe, North America, Asia and Pacific. We have also expanded and extended the IFS contract with Novartis to cover all sites across 24 countries in Europe. Further, we expanded an IFS framework contract with a large international food producer to deliver services in Australia. Finally, we won a large IFS contract with Rolls-Royce in Asia and Americas.

In terms of services, cleaning remained our largest service area, covering 50% of Group revenue in 2015 (2014: 51%). The decrease from 2014 to 2015 mainly stemmed from an increased level of revenue from IFS contracts and the loss of cleaning contracts, particularly in Western Europe. For IFS contracts, the revenue share stemming from cleaning is usually below the Group average, whereas the share of revenue from property services tends to be higher. The share of property services increased from 18% of Group revenue in 2014 to 20% in 2015, which in addition to the increased level of IFS contracts was supported by the acquisition of GS Hall. Several regions increased their property services share, most of all Western Europe and Nordic. The development in revenue by service type reflects our strategic efforts to transform our business from primarily being a cleaning services provider to becoming a full facility services provider.

Our customers are increasingly satisfied – we saw an improved customer Net Promotor Score (cNPS) for the third consecutive year arriving at 36.7 in 2015 (2014: 31.2). We believe the improvement is a result of a more customer-centric approach to our key account customers and a continued focus on what matters to them. Read more about cNPS on p. 19.

Our employees like to work for us – in 2015, our employee Net Promoter Score (eNPS) increased by 10 points to 56.4 which was the third consecutive year of improvement. The global employee engagement survey framework was first introduced in 2012 and has increased our efforts and focus on how to improve employee engagement, which has supported the improved eNPS. Read more about employee engagement and our survey results on p. 25.

Health and safety is important to us – we have improved our Lost Time Injury Frequency (LTIF) performance by 60% from the baseline figure of 13 in 2010 to an LTIF of 5 in 2015, the fifth straight year of improvement. The improvement has been driven by our systematic approach to managing health and safety risks. Furthermore, the exit of high-risk contracts and the implementation of health and safety plans on selected high risk contracts have resulted in fewer injuries. Read more about HSE on p. 26.

#### CASH FLOWS AND WORKING CAPITAL

Cash conversion for 2015 was 99% (2014: 99%), driven by a general strong cash performance across the Group. Ensuring a strong cash performance remains a key priority, and the result reflects our consistent efforts to ensure timely payment for work performed and focus on strong working capital processes. These efforts were once again reflected in our cash flows for the year.

Trade receivables amounted to DKK 10,770 million (2014: DKK 10,446 million). The increase compared to 2014 was mainly the result of contracts won in 2015, the acquisition of GS Hall, and quarterly timing differences, partly offset by the impact from divestments. Despite increased trade receivables and revenue, we managed to improve our debtor days compared to last year.

#### Cash flow from operating activities

Cash flow from operating activities was DKK 3,133 million (2014: DKK 2,134 million). The improvement was primarily due to operating profit before other items being DKK 436 million higher than in 2014, a decrease in cash outflow from interest paid, net of DKK 360 million mainly following the refinancings in 2014 and 2015 as a result of lower margins combined with the lower average net debt. Furthermore, tax paid fell by DKK 136 million mainly due to tax paid on the divestment of the pest control activities in the Pacific region in 2014.

Other expenses paid of DKK 280 million mainly included restructuring projects initiated and expensed in 2014 and 2015.

#### Cash flow from investing activities

Cash flow from investing activities was a net outflow of DKK 807 million (2014: inflow of DKK 584 million). The cash outflow was mainly due to investments in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment, net, of DKK 808 million (2014: DKK 751 million), which represented 1.0% of Group revenue (2014: 1.0%). Cash outflow from acquisition of businesses mainly related to GS Hall in the United Kingdom and amounted to DKK 446 million, which was offset by a cash inflow from the divestment of businesses of DKK 477 million mainly related to the divestment of the call centre activities in Turkey.

#### Cash flow from financing activities

Cash flow from financing activities was a net outflow of DKK 1,392 million (2014: outflow of DKK 2,527 million) reflecting less drawings under our working capital facilities as a result of our strong cash flow performance from operating activities. Furthermore, the cash outflow from dividends paid to the shareholder ISS World Services A/S (ultimately ISS A/S) was DKK 2,000 million and payments from ISS Group companies, net, was a cash inflow of DKK 1,407 million.

## STRATEGIC ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTMENTS

#### **Acquisitions**

In January 2015, we acquired GS Hall plc, a leading technical services company focused on mechanical and electrical engineering, energy management and compliance. In line with our expectations, GS Hall delivered revenue of DKK 778 million and a solid margin. The integration progressed well and we now self-deliver certain services that we had previously sub-contracted. The acquisition supports our strategy by expanding our technical services self-delivery capabilities and in particular supports the IFS offering in the United Kingdom and Europe.

Going forward, we will consider making acquisitions that enhance our core competencies subject to tight strategic and financial filters.

#### Divestments and assets held for sale

In 2015, we divested the call centre activities in Turkey, the temporary labour and staffing activities in Portugal, the route-based security activities in India, while also making minor divestments in Belgium, Denmark and the Netherlands. The divestments were the result of our continuous review of the strategic rationale and fit of business activities and they support an improved strategic alignment in the affected countries.

Our continued strategic focus also led to three businesses being classified as held for sale at 31 December 2015, comprising businesses in the Western Europe and Nordic regions. Assets and liabilities held for sale amounted to DKK 1,698 million (2014: DKK 422 million) and DKK 443 million (2014: DKK 174 million), respectively.

Divestments and acquisitions completed in 2015 and remeasurement of net assets of businesses classified as held for sale resulted in a net gain of DKK 162 million (2014: DKK 60 million), which comprised a net gain of DKK 313 million recognised in Other income and expenses, net and impairment losses on goodwill and customer contracts of DKK 147 million and DKK 4 million, respectively.

## Intangible assets, goodwill and goodwill impairment

Intangible assets at 31 December 2015 amounted to DKK 19,578 million and mainly comprised goodwill.

At 31 December 2015, goodwill was DKK 17,969 million compared with DKK 18,328 million at 31 December 2014. The goodwill balance at 31 December 2015 reflected transfer of assets classified as held for sale of DKK 906 million and impairment losses of DKK 273 million, which were partly offset by additions from acquisitions of DKK 452 million, mainly GS Hall, and foreign exchange adjustments of DKK 410 million. Of the total impairment losses, DKK 126 million derived from impairment tests in Brazil due to operational and macroeconomic challenges, and DKK 147 million derived from the remeasurement of businesses classified as held for sale and completed divestments in Western Europe.

#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE**

The ISS Global Group is indirectly wholly owned by ISS A/S and is therefore part of the ISS A/S Group. Group Treasury manages financing activities and capital structure centrally for the ISS A/S Group as a whole. The ISS Global Group's financing activities and capital structure are not assessed independently of the ISS A/S Group.

ISS A/S has an investment grade rating assigned by both Standard and Poor's (BBB- / Positive outlook) and Moody's (Baa2 / Stable outlook). At the end of 2015, ISS had net debt of DKK 14,621 million, which was DKK 130 million less than at the end of 2014.

ISS has diversified funding through the combination of bank debt (senior unsecured facilities) and bonds issued under the EMTN programme, and with rates fixed at attractive levels on a significant proportion of the debt. Furthermore, we have no short-term maturities.

In November 2015, we issued a new bond under the EMTN programme with maturity in 2021 and a coupon of 1.125%. The proceeds were used to repay part of the senior unsecured facilities (EUR 500 million of the EUR 800 million Term Loan B maturing in 2019), thereby extending the maturity and locking in fixed rates on this part of our debt.

In June 2015, the senior unsecured facilities were adjusted with respect to pricing and certain terms – the pricing being Euribor plus a margin depending on the leverage, measured half-yearly. The adjustment reduced the margin from 125 bps to 85 bps with effect from 29 June 2015. The changes in coupon and margins are outlined in section 5 of the consolidated financial statements.

#### **EQUITY**

Equity was DKK 2,991 million at the end of 2015 equivalent to an equity ratio of 6.7% (2014: 6.6%). The DKK 213 million increase was mainly due to profit of DKK 1,915 million and positive currency adjustments of DKK 474 million relating to investments in foreign subsidiaries. This was partly offset by dividends paid to the shareholder ISS World Services A/S (ultimately ISS A/S) of DKK 2,000 million and an actuarial loss of DKK 196 million, net of tax. The positive currency adjustments were mainly due to GBP, CHF and HKD appreciating against DKK.

#### SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 7 January 2016, we announced that Heine Dalsgaard will step down as Group CFO as he has accepted a position as CFO outside ISS. He will continue until 1 August 2016 at the latest.

Other than as set out above or elsewhere in this Group Annual Report, we are not aware of events subsequent to 31 December 2015, which are expected to have a material impact on the Group's financial position.

## REGIONAL PERFORMANCE

### **WESTERN EUROPE**

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

The markets of the Western Europe region are generally characterised as developed markets but with differences from country to country in terms of IFS market maturity and macroeconomic environment. We hold leading market positions in several countries, including the United Kingdom, Spain, Switzerland, France and Turkey. Key customer segments for the region are Business Services & IT, Industry & Manufacturing, Healthcare, Public Administration, and the Transportation & Infrastructure segment.

2015 was characterised by the start-up of significant IFS contracts with Vattenfall, Swisscom, UBS and Bankia, which enabled several countries to deliver positive organic growth rates. Germany has taken a significant step in terms of size, capabilities and position in the market through the Vattenfall contract. The strategic focus on core services resulted in the acquisition of GS Hall in the United Kingdom, which adds strong mobile and project Maintenance & Engineering capability to our business, and the divestment of the call centre activities in Turkey.

In 2016, we will continue to strengthen our commercial mind-set and with a strong sales pipeline across most countries, we remain positive about the future organic growth rates and sound profitability of the region. Focus will be on the successful transition of recent contract wins and expansions.

#### STRATEGY UPDATE

The implementation of GREAT is well advanced with the completion of the processes in several countries including the implementation of new organisational structures in the United Kingdom, Portugal, Spain, Belgium and Germany. During 2015, the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) project has been rolled out in the Netherlands and Belgium & Luxembourg and initiated in Germany and Austria with expected launch in Q1 2016. Procurement organisations have been strengthened in a number of countries leading to increased transparency on spend and cost savings in 2015.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue increased 10% to DKK 40,894 million in 2015. Organic growth amounted to 4%, while the

impact from acquisitions increased revenue by 2%, the impact from divestments reduced revenue by 1% and currency effects impacted revenue positively by 5%. Western Europe continued to deliver a strong organic growth rate with Germany, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom as the main contributors. The strong growth was mainly driven by IFS contract launches including Vattenfall in Germany, Swisscom in Switzerland, UBS in the United Kingdom and Bankia in Spain as well as the sales efforts initiated in Turkey. As a consequence, the IFS share of revenue increased to 37% (2014: 34%).

Operating profit before other items increased by 11% to DKK 2,562 million equal to an improved operating margin of 6.3% (2014: 6.2%). The increase in operating margin for the region was mainly driven by the IFS divisions and strong performance from Global Corporate Clients contracts in Germany, the United Kingdom and Switzerland. Furthermore, the impact from our strategic initiatives including cost savings initiatives and procurement activities supported the margin increase. The operating margin was negatively impacted by the Netherlands where profitability remains challenged.

#### NORDIC

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

The markets of the Nordic region are mature, developed and with a high outsourcing level, and ISS holds a market leading position in all countries of the region. The strategic focus remains to leverage the strong market position mainly through our strategy implementation, cost leadership, sharing best practices and utilising our footprint to develop solutions and concepts tailored to specific customer segments. Key customer segments are Business Services & IT, Public Administration and Industry & Manufacturing as well as country specific segments such as Healthcare and Transportation & Infrastructure.

It was a strong year for contract wins and expansions in the Nordic region in 2015: a Nordic IFS contract was secured with Danske Bank, the Nordic contract with Nordea was expanded, and we also had a contract win with the Danish State Railways (DSB), a catering and cleaning contract win with

the Danish Broadcasting Corporation (DR), two important contract wins within the Healthcare segment in Sweden and important scope increases to the defence contract and hotels business in Norway.

In 2016, we will remain focused on our key customer segments, building the sales pipeline in these segments and on the successful mobilisation of the recent major contract wins.

#### **STRATEGY UPDATE**

Equipped with the knowledge gained from the development and deployment of GREAT initiatives in 2013 and 2014, the implementation of GREAT initiatives continued in 2015. This included an increased focus on our key accounts, and the region has invested in a Key Account Manager Certification programme, which is being rolled out to all key accounts, as well as the development of Excellence Boards for all service lines within the business. The Group's focus on procurement has been a key initiative in the Nordic region with dedicated procurement functions in all countries being supported by regional and Group subject-matter experts. The launch of the Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) project has been a success with processes operating smoothly between the BPO provider and the region. The continued implementation of GREAT in the Nordic region has resulted in improvements in 2015 across several KPIs as well as in the cost structures and with greater transparency in country performance.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue was DKK 14,738 million (2014: DKK 15,449) and organic growth was 1%. The divestment of non-core activities in 2014 reduced revenue by 3% while currency effects reduced revenue by 3%. The organic growth was supported by Sweden, Norway and Denmark driven by stronger demand for non-portfolio services as well as contract launches including Danske Bank and the Danish State Railways (DSB). This was partly offset by flat organic growth in Finland mainly due to contract losses and a decline in project-based work as well as annualised impact of large contract launches in 2014. The share of revenue generated from IFS increased to 26% (2014: 23%).

Operating profit before other items amounted to DKK 1,146 million (2014: DKK 1,153 million), reflecting an improved operating margin of 7.8% (2014: 7.5%). The improvement was primarily driven by Norway and Finland due to the effect from the strategic initiatives, including optimisation of organisational and cost structures. Denmark and Sweden once again delivered stable high margins.

#### **ASIA**

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

The Asia region consists of large and more established markets, such as Hong Kong and Singapore, as well as developing markets, such as China, India, Indonesia, Thailand and the Philippines. ISS has a strong presence in the region with market leading positions in most countries. The key customer segments of the region are Business Services & IT, Industry & Manufacturing, Retail & Wholesale, Healthcare and Transportation & Infrastructure.

In 2015, Asia has yet again delivered strong organic growth and strong profitability across most countries. The segmentation focus has paid off with breakthrough contract wins in the Healthcare segment in China and Taiwan – the first hospital contracts were won and mobilised with support from ISS Singapore. The focus on the Transportation & Infrastructure segment has led to additional contract wins in China and Indonesia. During the year, continued efforts have been put into further developing and sharpening the IFS offering across Asia leading to a number of important local country wins as well as successful participation in Global Corporate Clients tender processes.

Output-based contracts will become more common as the market matures, but within the foreseeable future input-based contracts will still be the norm in many countries. Fuelling the change towards performance-based commercial models will remain on the agenda for some time going forward.

#### STRATEGY UPDATE

In Asia, GREAT has centred on customer segmentation, organisational alignment and procurement excellence. Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) has yet to be introduced but initial analysis has been initiated and will continue throughout 2016. Procurement excellence was a focus area in 2015 and substantial progress has been made in terms of spend visibility, compliance on contracts with suppliers and pricing negotiations across countries. The focus going forward will continue to be on stronger customer segmentation and developing leadership with an added focus on key account management skills through local, regional and global training programmes. Strengthening the technical services capabilities across the region will be a key element in developing the IFS offering to existing and new customers.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue increased 23% to DKK 10,104 million driven by strong organic growth of 11% and positive currency effects of 15%, while divestments reduced revenue by 3%. Double-digit organic growth rates were seen in most countries with Indonesia, China and Singapore being the largest nominal contributors, partly due to a strong performance by the security division in Indonesia, contract launches in China and contract launches and stronger demand for non-portfolio services in Singapore. India and Thailand continued their positive trends driven by Global Corporate Clients contracts in India and contract launches in Thailand. The share of revenue generated from IFS increased to 28% (2014: 27%) mainly supported by China and Thailand.

Operating profit before other items increased by 31% to DKK 788 million reflecting an operating margin of 7.8% (2014: 7.3%). The margin increase was mainly supported by Singapore, partly due to one-off income related to a final assessment of contractual obligations, and Indonesia, due to a strong performance by the security division. This was partly offset by a margin decrease in China, mainly due to investments in operational improvements, including in healthcare capabilities.

## **PACIFIC**

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

The Pacific market is mature and has both local and international competitors with a strong presence. Australia generates close to 95% of the Pacific revenue and leads all regional activities. The main strategic focus has been to further develop and refine the IFS value proposition to selected customer segments, including Energy & Resources (mainly the remote site resource sector), Transportation & Infrastructure (mainly airports), Public Administration and Healthcare. Furthermore, Australia has focused on implementing tools for improved control and increased operational efficiency in resource planning and procurement as well as sales efficiency.

In 2015, Pacific achieved continued growth and strategic development in key customer segments. The resources division started up their first contracts in Queensland, which is an important strategic geography to enter. The health division won a significant contract and our aviation division was awarded a new contract when Melbourne Airport opened a new terminal during the year, which expanded our existing relationship with the customer.

The strong commercial focus has led to a number of new key account wins with a broad facility services delivery.

Going forward, the Pacific region will remain focused on further developing the value proposition to the selected customer segments and move into Business Services & IT segment as an additional focus segment. Operational efficiencies through continued systemisation and a clear key account commercial strategy will support profitable growth for the region.

#### **STRATEGY UPDATE**

Several initiatives coming from the GREAT project were implemented during the year. A new organisational structure with a centralised Excellence Centre and a customer segmented operational structure is now fully in place and operational. The finance organisation has been through a successful Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) project, outsourcing parts of its finance processes.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue was DKK 4,478 million compared with DKK 4,444 million in 2014. Organic growth was 5% while the impact from divestments reduced revenue by 4%. The organic growth was mainly driven by existing IFS portfolio contracts within the health-care, remote site resource and aviation divisions in Australia despite a large contract loss in the remote site resource segment in Q3.

The share of revenue generated from IFS increased to 35% (2014: 33%).

Operating profit before other items was DKK 255 million, equal to an operating margin of 5.7% (2014: 5.0%). The increase in operating margin was mainly due to an improved performance in the remote site resource and aviation divisions in Australia.

## **NORTH AMERICA**

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

ISS has a strong presence in several parts of the USA experiencing economic growth, and we continue to focus on our key customer segments, Business Services & IT, Transportation & Infrastructure, Public Administration and Industry & Manufacturing. The focus has improved our sales pipeline, which will support our growth ambition.

2015 was characterised by continued margin growth in North America. The IFS business has taken an important step forward in overall performance through increased self-delivery of engineering services on HP, the deployment of operational excellence and procurement efficiencies. In Q4 2015, we signed a new contract with Rolls-Royce, which we are currently mobilising for a Q2 2016 start-up. Our aviation business continued to grow, supported by an additional contract at JFK Airport, which started-up in 2015. We have a strong pipeline of work moving into 2016 with both the airport operators and the airlines. Furthermore, our specialised service division had notable improvement in customer retention and we saw a material improvement in our safety performance across the business in 2015.

Going forward, focus will be on further developing our IFS capabilities whilst maintaining single service excellence within cleaning and technical services. We will continue the implementation of GREAT in 2016, focusing on developing our self-delivery capability, rationalisation and optimisation of our specialised service division and improving the winrate for IFS contracts, which is expected to accelerate the transformation of the region towards more focus on IFS and targeting large customers.

#### STRATEGY UPDATE

During 2015, we focused on optimising our customer base by establishing a more detailed understanding of our customers. We have now mapped our customers between key accounts and specialised service divisions. This focus has allowed us to improve our customer retention within the specialised service division, and the pipeline on IFS contracts has improved significantly. Furthermore, we have implemented an American procurement programme leveraging the regional and country spend. This is expected to deliver cost savings over the next coming years as we grow our IFS capabilities.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue was DKK 4,161 million, an increase of 20%. Organic growth was flat, while the positive impact from currency effects increased revenue by 20%. Organic growth was supported by contract wins as well as a strong performance from Global Corporate Clients contracts which was offset by the impact of contract exits and losses in 2014 and 2015. Revenue generated from IFS increased to 37% (2014: 36%).

Operating profit before other items was DKK 173 million resulting in an operating margin of 4.2% (2014: 3.6%). The increase in operating margin was mainly due to operational improvements, a

strong performance by the key account division as well as the effects of our strategic initiatives, including exit of certain low-margin contracts.

### LATIN AMERICA

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

We have built a unique position in Latin America with a strong geographical presence and a developed service offering highly focused on IFS. ISS is one of the leading facility service providers in the region with the ability to self-deliver services in all key countries where we offer IFS solutions. Key customer segments within Latin America are Business Services & IT and Industry & Manufacturing. The region supports a number of our multinational IFS contracts and maintaining a presence in the region is an important means of targeting these customers.

The challenging macroeconomic environment and difficult market conditions in certain countries, notably Brazil, continued in 2015 and impacted results in the industry in general. The main focus in 2015 has been to generate strong growth rates and improve the operational efficiencies, especially in Brazil. Furthermore, we continued to focus on transparency by strengthening business systems, processes and organisations.

Going forward, we remain focused on generating increased organic growth through a segmented approach to the market with a thorough assessment of the potential customer base. In addition, we remain focused on having the right organisational structure and management teams in place to support our strategic direction. Improving the operational efficiencies, especially in Brazil, will remain in focus in 2016.

#### STRATEGY UPDATE

In the beginning of 2015, Brazil finalised the implementation of GREAT including the alignment of the organisational structure. The macroeconomic challenges in Brazil have required further organisational changes, which are currently being implemented. Chile completed and implemented the segmentation of customers and is progressing with the alignment of organisational structures. Furthermore, Mexico and Argentina completed the segmentation of customers, which along with new organisational structures is expected to be implemented in the first half of 2016. During the year, we also implemented regional procurement and sales functions, which will support and provide the countries with short-

term cost savings programmes, procurement solutions as well as sales opportunities to boost regional growth.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue was DKK 3,609 million compared to DKK 3,597 million in 2014. Organic growth was 5%, while currency effects reduced revenue by 5%. Organic growth was mainly driven by contract wins in 2014 and stronger demand for non-portfolio services in Chile as well as price increases due to wage inflation in Argentina. This was partly offset by Brazil, with contract losses and a negative economic environment impacting the scope of certain existing contracts. The share of revenue generated from IFS increased to 28% (2014: 25%) mainly supported by Chile.

Operating profit before other items decreased to DKK 144 million, reflecting an operating margin of 4.0% (2014: 4.8%). The decrease in operating margin was due to contract losses, cost increases and contract scope reductions in Brazil, where profitability remains challenged. This was partly offset by margin increases in Mexico and Chile supported by the implementation of our strategic initiatives.

#### EASTERN EUROPE

#### THE MARKET AND OUR FOCUS

ISS has a wide geographical coverage and, with the capability to self-deliver a full range of facility services, holds a unique service platform in Eastern Europe. The strategic focus is to provide services to multinational blue chip companies within the key customer segments, Business Services & IT and Industry & Manufacturing. In recent years, we have reduced the proportion of customers in the public sector while at the same time increasing business relations with multinational companies.

In 2015, we expanded our business with a number of multinational companies, within the Retail & Wholesale and Pharmaceuticals segments as well as with Philip Morris International. The service scope of these contracts require specialised skills and competencies, which together with our IFS capabilities is founded on our combined knowledge and best practice across the region. This way we

have turned our local service offering into IFS offerings, strengthening both our regional capabilities and meeting our customers' requirements. By servicing international contracts, our countries build knowledge and experience that can be applied when targeting new customers as well as benefiting existing customers.

#### STRATEGY UPDATE

The implementation of GREAT through local initiatives is well advanced in a number of countries. During 2015, Romania, Hungary, Slovenia, the Czech Republic and Slovakia all aligned their organisational structures focusing on specific customer segments within key accounts and specialised services. We continued the journey of strengthening our leadership capabilities throughout the region which included programmes for certification of key account managers and strengthening the commercial organisation across the region. In 2015, we established a cross-regional business development function to service customers with a regional set-up. The implementation of procurement initiatives showed initial cost savings, which will have an additional effect in 2016. Following the GREAT implementation, we have also seen improvements across a number of KPIs related to customer satisfaction and employee engagement. The implementation of GREAT will continue across the region in 2016.

#### **FINANCIALS**

Revenue decreased 1% to DKK 1,580 million. Organic growth was 2%, which was more than offset by negative currency effects and divestments of 2% and 1%, respectively. Organic growth was mainly supported by solid growth in Slovakia, Russia and Slovenia driven by existing IFS contracts as well as IFS contract launches. This was partly offset by negative organic growth in Romania due to contract scope reductions. Our strong IFS performance increased the IFS share of revenue to 39% (2014: 36%).

Operating profit before other items was DKK 99 million reflecting an operating margin of 6.3% (2014: 6.8%). The decrease in operating margin was due to contract losses in the Czech Republic, contract scope reductions in Romania and contract startups. This was partly offset by a strong performance in the catering business in Slovenia.

# OUR BUSINESS MODEL AND STRATEGY

Our ultimate goal is to generate shareholder value and our strategic direction has been chosen with this in mind. It entails maximising cash flow growth from our business by focusing on creating value for our customers. Integrated facility services (IFS) is at the heart of our strategy as this is where we can provide the most value for our customers.

**OUR VISION, VALUES, AND MISION**Our vision can be stated concisely:

## "We are going to be the world's greatest service organisation"

Our ambition encompasses more than just geographic regions or industries. We intend to be the leading service organisation overall, globally.

Our values – honesty, responsibility, quality, entrepreneurship – and leadership principles are not remarkable in themselves, but they are remarkable because of the extent to which we strive to honour them and instil them in our people. Because our business model is built on self-delivery, the behaviour and attitudes of each of our employees is central to what we offer our customers – service with a human touch.

To achieve our vision we must meet our customers' needs by offering reliability, responsiveness, convenience, and cost-effectiveness. In fact, we strive to go beyond that by delivering outcomes that meet their often unspoken needs, helping to create work-places that are pleasant, safe, and nurturing for their employees and visitors, as well as for the ISS employees who represent us there. In this way, we can support our customers in achieving their goals.

The spirit of our approach is articulated in our mission statement:

## Service performance facilitating our customers' purpose through people empowerment

At its core, our mission statement tells a story of a differentiated value proposition. Not simply delivering services but providing outcomes to customers and focusing on how we support their purpose, whether it be a hospital helping patients get well or a bank focused on providing a pleasant, efficient and safe working environment while maintaining compliance with its regulatory obligations. And finally, a mission built on the empowerment of our more than 504,000 employees globally giving them the flexibility to deliver an exceptional customer experience through an approach rooted in our values and supported by robust processes and tools.

These factors form the foundation of our value proposition at the centre of which is our self-delivery model.

#### **OUR STRATEGY - THE ISS WAY**

We have an ambitious vision and mission and, to ensure that we can consistently provide our value proposition to our targeted customers, we have articulated The ISS Way. Our strategy has choicemaking at its core; clarity on the customer segments we target, the services we provide and the places on the globe where we provide them. Furthermore, through consolidation of selected capabilities, our strategy drives the scale benefits of being a large, global organisation. The scale benefits we strive to extract relate to leveraging our volume through aligning procurement, the sharing of the best practices our organisation develops and the proactive management of our comprehensive talent pool.

The advantages of driving these scale benefits are wide-ranging. Our customers increasingly demand an aligned and uniform service performance across all sites. In addition to the savings procurement drives, using the same supplier across customer sites supports consistent delivery. Similarly, service performance based on international best practices and standard business processes is a key source

of scale benefits and a driver of our value proposition by e.g. supporting customers' compliance and risk management. Also, talent management promotes a strong and uniform culture which is a core part of our value proposition.

#### **OUR MARKET**

ISS is a leader in the global USD 1 trillion outsourced facility-services market, which comprises a host of different types of customers, services and providers. The market is both vast and diverse with customers ranging from those requiring small and ad hoc cleaning jobs driven purely by price to highly sophisticated integrated solutions for large corporations on a global scale focusing on a value added offering. Services in this market cover everything from relatively simple route-based window cleaning to highly sophisticated data-centre management. And providers range from global peers to local family-owned businesses.

The facility services market has changed dramatically over time. The 1980s saw the start of first-generation outsourcing of single services. In the 1990s, facility managers were tasked with reducing costs and hassle to the customer by orchestrating the delivery of single services. Today, the market is moving towards integrated services, centralisation of procurement, and a more strategic view of facility services that increases the level of value added and supports the customer's purpose.

Market growth is driven by underlying global GDP growth – including changes in business activity, employment levels and office or factory occupancy levels – as well as continued increases in the rate of outsourcing, as customers increasingly focus on their core business. Over the past decade, the market has grown by an estimated annual growth rate in the mid-single digits. This rate consolidates growth nearing double digits from integrated facility services (IFS), which we estimate represents approximately 8% of the market, and low, single-digit growth from single services representing the rest of the market. Geographically, growth has been driven recently by double digit annual growth from emerg-

ing markets, robust growth in the USA, and more modest growth in Europe.

#### **OUR COMPETITORS**

Broadly speaking, providers of facility services can be split into three groups with varying legacies: those coming with a real estate background (concentrating on managing customer assets), those with a design & construction background (facility management is a natural but secondary add-on to their core services), and those with a facility management background (either soft services – cleaning, catering and the like – or technical services).

We see that the delineation lines between market players with different legacies are becoming blurred and certain facility services providers are strengthening their IFS capabilities. Our facility management legacy, our long-term commitment to IFS, and our self-delivery model gives us a keen advantage as only a few competitors yet have the scale to self-deliver IFS on a global basis. Our global reach and ability to offer a full suite of facility services via a self-delivery model puts us in a compelling and strong position to meet this growing demand from customers.

#### **OUR STRATEGIC MARKET CHOICES**

In response to market developments and customer needs, our business model is based on taking over facility services that are non-core to our customers, thereby allowing them to concentrate on their core business. Focusing on our selected customer segments, we offer a leading value proposition, supporting our customers' purpose and underpinned by our philosophy of self-delivery of our selected services.

We have chosen to focus on providing on-site facility services solutions to large and blue-chip (B-t-B) customers, with whom our value proposition resonates. The size of these customers allows us to invest in on-site key account management, which is an important factor in delivering our value proposition, as well as processes and enabling technology to meet the demands of this customer base.



From a global perspective, our key customer segments are Business Services & IT (e.g. banks), Industry & Manufacturing (e.g. pharmaceutical industry and food industry), Public Administration (e.g. defence) and Healthcare (e.g. hospitals), which in 2015 accounted for approximately 67% of Group revenue.

In terms of service offering, our focus is on cleaning, property, catering, support, security and facility management. Our selected services share the following characteristics: people intensive/capex light, on-site delivery, recurring nature, suitable for integration into IFS and suitable for performance (output-based) contracts.

Cleaning, property (technical) and catering services are delivered globally as single services, multi-services or IFS solutions. Other support services, security and facility management, are principally offered as part of IFS contracts. During the past decade, we have transformed our business from primarily being a cleaning service provider to becoming a full facility service provider. This is in line with our strategy to broaden the service platform and is illustrated by the growing volume of our non-cleaning services and the fact that non-cleaning services now make up 50% (DKK 39.8 billion revenue) of our business compared with 43% (DKK 23.7 billion revenue) in 2006.

Cleaning – being an attractive core of our business spanning daily office cleaning to highly specialised cleaning - is our largest service area accounting for 50% of Group revenue in 2015. As outlined above, cleanings' relative share of Group revenue has declined during the period, while the revenue share from catering in particular has steadily increased. In 2015, catering accounted for 13% or DKK 10.4 billion of Group revenue which is an increase of 6 percentage points or DKK 6.8 billion compared to 2006. Property - having suffered a relative decline

over the past couple of years due to the strategic divestment of non-portfolio landscaping activities grew its share in 2015 to 20% of Group revenue or DKK 15.5 billion, partly as a result of the GS Hall acquisition. With our strategy focused on delivering IFS solutions, catering and property are expected to further increase their relative shares over time.

From a geographical perspective we want to follow our customers and thus ensure global reach covering more than 90% of global GDP. This is a consequence of our customer segment choices. We are already present in the major markets and are thus focused on consolidating our positions thereby increasing the penetration of our selected customer segments as well as selected market expansion when supported by customer demand.

#### **INTEGRATED FACILITY SERVICES (IFS)**

We aim to deliver IFS across our entire business, as this is a key part of our unique value proposition and also a higher growth and high margin activity. As outlined above, an increasing proportion of our revenue comes from IFS. In 2015, IFS accounted for 34% (2014: 30%) of Group revenue. This is the result of our strategy clearly focusing on delivering IFS solutions to our selected customers. Over the past decade, it has helped us grow our IFS revenue significantly, from approximately DKK 7.6 billion in 2006 to approximately DKK 26.7 billion in 2015. This illustrates that we have continued to attract customers who see the benefits of our IFS offering. We expect to grow our IFS revenue even further as we continue to implement our strategy.

Based on our ability to deliver specialised service excellence, through IFS we are able to integrate the delivery system while offering the benefits of bestin-class service. Synergy comes from integration and is key to providing cost effective workflows and consistent high quality service. This synergy is very difficult to obtain when working with a variety of

#### OUR SERVICES



**CLEANING 50%** 

- Daily office cleaning
- · Industrial cleaning
- Washroom and dust control
- Specialised cleaning for nuclear plants, hospitals and food production facilities
- Periodical cleaning



PROPERTY 20%

- · Building and technical maintenance
- Technical services
- Energy management Grounds maintenance
- Heating, ventilation and air condition (HVAC)



CATERING 13%

- · In-house restaurants and cafés
- Hospital canteens Conference room
- and meeting room
- Vending services Event catering



SUPPORT 7%

- Reception services · Hostess services
  - Internal mail handling, scanning and other office logistics
    - Welfare facilities Labour supply



SECURITY 7%

- Manned guarding
- Access control
- Consulting services



**FACILITY** MANAGEMENT 3%

- · On-site management of facility services
- Change
- management Space management
- · Risk management

sub-suppliers, and this is why our self-delivery concept gives us a keen advantage.

From a customer perspective, IFS is a convenient solution (one point of contact) leading to increased productivity and cost efficiency as well as better quality of service through increased employee satisfaction. Efficiencies result from our ability to reduce the customer's costs for the administration of the service delivery by moving to one provider, extracting synergies in the actual service delivery by cross-skilling employees and by exploiting our scale benefits.

Furthermore, IFS offers additional opportunities to increase our own employee engagement for the benefit of our customers. Through IFS we can offer employees an expansion of their roles and responsibilities. They gain a better understanding of our customers' strategic priorities, a greater sense of purpose and an appreciation of their contribution to the overall service delivery. In addition, it enhances career opportunities and the potential for employees to develop. This, in turn, drives stronger employee engagement, increased motivation, reduced employee churn and a better quality of service. Ultimately, this leads to more satisfied, more loyal and more profitable customers for ISS.

#### **ACCELERATING THE ISS WAY - GREAT**

In 2015, we continued to focus on our five strategic GREAT initiatives, which are the principal drivers moving us towards realising our vision and exploiting our scale benefits. GREAT is essentially our strategy execution model focusing on (1) empowering people through leadership, (2) optimising our customer base, (3) ensuring fit-for-purpose organisational structures, (4) establishing broad-based IFS readiness, and (5) striving for excellence.

Evaluating the success of our strategy and business model, and ultimately our creation of shareholder value, requires measurement of specific metrics. Key performance indicators (KPIs) tell us systematically how we are performing in our efforts to achieve our vision. Without losing sight of our values, we are able to adjust our course with the help of KPIs.

Historically, we have measured our financial performance at all levels of the organisation. Starting with individual contracts and moving up to Group level, we measure financial performance using our three primary financial KPIs; organic growth, operating margin, and cash conversion. These KPIs are well-established and integrated in bonus plans throughout ISS, ensuring that our objectives are aligned at all levels of the organisation.

We are also increasingly using non-financial KPIs to measure how we drive our business forward. In 2015, we introduced the GREAT KPI dashboard, which monitors – on global, regional, country, and business-unit levels – the performance of several financial and non-financial KPIs in five dimensions: customers, employees, growth, profitability, and capital. Furthermore, for countries that have completed the GREAT process, we have implemented a detailed value-tracking model that enables us to monitor performance against the expectations defined for individual countries, in light of the GREAT process.

We measure our Group performance using the following six KPIs, as we believe that in combination they give us the best picture of whether we are driving the business forward in the desired direction and creating value for our shareholders. Bonus plans for the Executive Group Management are also based on these KPIs:

- Organic growth
- · Operating margin
- Cash conversion
- Customer Net Promoter Score (cNPS)
- Employee Net Promoter Score (eNPS)
- Lost Time Inquiry Frequency (LTIF)

During 2015, performance on all KPIs developed positively, supported by the progress under each of the GREAT initiatives as explained in the following.



#### **Empowering people through leadership**

The ingredient most essential to successfully implementing our strategy is leadership. Given our self-delivery model, our employees are our core asset. We dedicate significant resources to developing and managing them. We believe that strong leadership drives employee engagement, which in turn drives customer satisfaction and hence improved financial results.

In 2015, we continued to invest in securing and developing leadership at all levels of the organisation with the right capabilities and mindset to deliver on our vision. We also carried out our customer experience survey for the fifth time. We invited 7,188 customers across 44 countries to participate, and enjoyed a response rate of 82%. Responses cover close to 80% of Group revenue as we focus on inviting Global Corporate Clients, IFS and key account customers.

We ask our customers to respond to 25 questions covering both functional and emotional aspects of

the relationship. The lead indication for the status of the customer experience is the Net Promoter Score. With a score in 2015 of 36.7 (2014: 31.2) we saw an improvement for, the third consecutive year. We believe the improvement is a result of:

- a more customer centric approach in our Key Account Management;
- Account Development Planning programme
- introduction of Service with a Human Touch (SWAHT)
- focusing on what matters to our customers

We will move ahead with further measurements of our leadership through assessments and regular surveys, and through our performance in employee and customer net promoter scores and lost time injury frequency ratings, among other benchmarks.

Read more about our specific people initiatives in Our people on p. 24.



#### **Optimising our customer base**

A central strategic theme is building on our extensive knowledge of customers' varying needs. Our goal is to establish the optimal match between the value proposition we provide and customer needs.

To establish a more detailed understanding of our customer base, we are mapping our customers to determine where we should concentrate our efforts.

Mapping is based on an evaluation of e.g. the customers' IFS potential, partnership potential and economic potential.

Equipped with the knowledge provided by the process of detailed customer segmentation, we are better able to choose and retain our target customers and align our organisational structure accordingly.

To date, approximately two-thirds of our revenue has been, or is in the process of being, mapped and we will continue the work to increase transparency. We have started with our largest regions and countries, and thus the Nordic region has been in focus and has now been mapped, as have other large countries such as the United Kingdom, Australia, Spain, Germany, Belgium and France (partly). Currently, two countries are underway, namely the USA and Turkey, and the process of mapping will continue during the course of 2016 with the focus on our large countries in Europe.



#### Fit-for-purpose organisation

The transparency resulting from detailed customerbase analysis allows us to be more customer-oriented, efficient, and attentive to creating deep and profitable relationships with our target customer segments. One of the objectives of the fit-for-purpose organisation is also to ensure a dedicated management focus on key account customers, by minimising the number of management layers between country managers and key account managers.

#### **GREAT ORGANISATIONAL BLUEPRINT FOR COUNTRIES** Country manager Specialised services Direct (route-based) **Key accounts** Typically delivering single Serves the critical mass of Serves our larger customers by higher level of support. service cleaning, catering small customers Single service or property solutions to our service excellence and inno-Compliant single service at excellence medium/large customers vation in delivering largelowest possible cost is key IFS excellence Organised geographically Primarily cleaning scale IFS solutions Transition/ to drive productivity and Structured according to Transformation target customer industry compliance segments Day-to-day service delivery managed by an on-site Key Account Manager

As a result, we are changing our organisational structure to a segmented customer approach, in which business units will respond to key accounts and be equipped to provide large customers with higher levels of support, service excellence, and innovation. The new structure also has separate specialised service units for providing single services to customers demanding this delivery model. Lastly, the structure can include separate operating structures for smaller customers in units called Direct, tailored to meet the needs of this customer segment. This structure also allows us to better utilise the various skillsets of our people. The organisational blueprint for a country is illustrated on the previous page.

As part of our work towards a fit-for-purpose structure, in June 2015, we announced a new and strengthened ISS A/S Group organisational structure, as shown below, to increase the emphasis on our customers. The new Group structure became effective on 1 September 2015. This structure was introduced to better extract the benefits of the changes we are making in the country organisations. First and foremost, the structural adjustments in the corporate and regional organisations enable a better exploitation of our scale benefits by aligning the structures above and in country and thus creating a highway through the organisation for the implementation of our strategy.

These changes involved the creation of two new roles. First, a new global Chief Operating Officer role, which drives customer retention and the delivery of operational excellence to key account customers in partnership with the regional and country organisations. Second, a new Chief Commercial

Officer role, which drives commercial capabilities, new sales, and key account customer growth sharpening our attention on our regional and global sales pipeline.

Our efforts in establishing a fit-for-purpose organisation continue to generate positive results. We are confident that the new structure is facilitating the implementation of our strategy, including the exploitation of our scale through volume purchasing benefits, the identification and dissemination of best practices and the development of our talent.



#### Ready to deliver IFS

IFS is a key part of our strategy and unique value proposition and is a margin-accretive activity, growing at a high pace for many years.

We have established a global IFS Steering Committee to drive IFS innovation. As described above, we work continually with IFS readiness and test our ability to define, organise around, and deliver an IFS solution that provides the greatest value to the customer. Work is ongoing to develop further tools to leverage both our best practices within IFS as well as technology to establish the next generation of IFS solutions.

The IFS readiness theme also propels our investment in closing certain capability gaps within e.g. technical services and catering, whether through organic growth or through an acquisition strategy. One example is the acquisition in 2015 of GS Hall, which has markedly improved our technical services offering in Europe.





#### Striving for excellence

In our pursuit of excellence and to enhance our value proposition and profitability, we explore innovations in customer segments, services, business systems, and processes. These excellence initiatives enhance the customer experience, increase control of costs, optimise our resources, and underpin steady margin levels.

During the past two years, we have invested substantially in establishing a central procurement team. Phase I and phase II of the procurement programme are now complete. They demonstrated that attending to procurement and alignment across countries benefits the Group significantly by producing savings of DKK 350-450 million to be achieved during 2014–2018. Phase III is progressing as planned and we are targeting additional savings of around DKK 100 million to be achieved during 2016–2019. While part of these cost savings will increase margins, a substantial amount will be re-invested in the business in order to maintain and strengthen competitiveness.

As part of the excellence projects, in 2014 we successfully launched a Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) project in the Nordic region covering certain finance and accounting processes and targeting improved financial processes and cost savings.

As a result of the success and benefits realised in the Nordic region, in 2015 the project was also launched in the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg as well as in Australia. We also kicked off transitions in Germany and Austria with go-live scheduled for Q1 2016. For 2016, focus will be on additional outsourcing from countries that have already outsourced as well as on deployment of BPO in additional high labour cost countries in Europe. Furthermore, initiatives will be launched in 2016 to harmonise selected sub-processes across the countries that have already launched the BPO project.

Furthermore, in 2016 we are launching a performance management project with the objective of increasing transparency across the Group, thereby facilitating cost leadership and profitable growth initiatives leading to value creation for our shareholders. Through that project we will establish an enhanced insight into the performance of our key account customers, align our management reporting to the GREAT segmented customer approach (Key Accounts, Specialised and Direct) and increase our benchmarking possibilities across the Group. The initiative will gradually be implemented during 2016 and 2017.

During the year, we also focused on rolling out commercial best practices, such as the account development plan, to cover our key accounts. We also continue to drive capital efficiency elements, such as our working capital optimisation programme, which continues to have a positive effect on our debtor/creditor days, and thus our cash conversion performance. The rollout of technology platforms such as FMS@ISS and INSIGHT@ISS continues to yield further transparency and financial benefits, which are key to our value proposition to target customers.

#### **OUR APPROACH TO CR**

We believe that long-term sustainable business success relies on a high level of CR, as economic, social and environmental issues are inevitably interconnected. CR is therefore a fundamental part of our corporate values and strategy, and universally accepted principles on sustainable development are integral to the way we conduct our business.

CR is also becoming increasingly important for our selected customers as they strive to improve their own business performance and make a positive impact on society. Leading global companies require a consistent CR performance from their partners, and this is often a key factor in winning and retaining contracts. CR is therefore an important part of our value proposition to our selected customers.

We have adopted a principles-based approach to CR that contributes to sustainable development as defined by the international community. We have developed and rolled out across the Group a strategy for Health, Safety and the Environment (HSE) and CR, which supports The ISS Way and our GREAT initiatives:



#### Empowering people through leadership

Initiatives to help employees stay healthy and be safe and free of discrimination while also ensuring fair conditions for labour contribute to a sense of purpose.



#### Transforming our customer base

Customers require effective and credible risk management, including risks related to safety, labour conditions and influencing human rights positively. Our initiatives within these areas allow ISS to claim consistency in managing these risks.



#### Fit-for-purpose organisation

Our adjusted organisation structure provides a better "highway" for the deployment of our HSE culture and processes.



#### Ready to deliver IFS

Our group-wide systematic approach to HSE and CR enables us to ensure consistency across services and locations, contributing to our customers' performance on their HSE and CR targets.



#### Striving for excellence

By applying global policies and standards, e.g. safety, anticorruption and supplier code of conduct across all our markets, CR contributes to the service performance we aspire to.

#### **OUR HSE VISION '100'**

- 1: We aim to be number 1 in our industry and recognised as an industry leader in the way we deliver Health, Safety, and Environmental performance;
- 0: We operate with 0 fatalities in our workplaces; and
- **0:** We incur 0 serious incidents and occupational injuries at our workplaces.

## STRONG COMMITMENT TO UN GLOBAL COMPACT

As a signatory and supporter of the United Nations Global Compact since its inception in 1999, we have made a strong commitment on human rights, labour rights, environmental protection and anti-corruption. We remain committed to aligning our strategy and operations with the ten Global Compact principles.

Furthermore, we respect, support and promote human rights and support the ambitions set out in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Core Conventions of the International Labour Organisation and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights.

#### TRADE UNION RELATIONS

We remain fully committed to our global agreement with the international network of national labour organisations – Union Network International (UNI) – covering our employees where UNI cooperates with a locally based union.

We also continue to work closely with our European Works Council (EWC). We hold quarterly meetings with the steering committee and annual meetings with the entire EWC.

At these annual meetings, the EWC visits our head office for three days, and we spend considerable executive management time with them to ensure alignment with our priorities and a common understanding of our strategy and the Group's direction.

#### **OUR CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY REPORT**

Qur full CR report as per section 99a of the Danish Financial Statements Act is available at www.responsibility.issworld.com/report2015. The CR Report also serves as ISS's communication on progress in implementing the ten principles of the Global Compact.

## **OUR PEOPLE**

Great leadership can bring out the true value embedded in our strategy. It is the root of our people's engagement and the desired customer experience, and what gives us the strength that differentiates us. This is underlined by "Empowering people through leadership" being the first of our GREAT strategic initiatives.

Guided by our leadership principles we carefully select and develop our leaders, as we believe that committed, well-trained leaders inspire their employees to work together towards a common goal. Great leaders also forge the connection between our frontline employees and senior executives, ensuring that everyone in the organisation understands their purpose and how it creates value for our customers. This alignment of purpose also drives the empowerment of our frontline employees.

LEVEL	TRAINING WITH A PURPOSE	MAIN PROGRAMMES
Top management	Ensuring that we support our leaders sufficiently to act as ambassadors of our Leadership Principles and behaviours is a key priority.  Focus is on personal leadership development and behaviour, developing a team as well as securing a deep understanding of our strategy and facilitating a greater understanding of customers and employees.	<ul> <li>Top Management Conference (TMC)</li> <li>Leadership Mastery Programme</li> <li>Advantage Programme</li> <li>Mandatory governance e-learning programmes</li> <li>Performance appraisals</li> <li>Example: 400 senior leaders addressing the strategic objectives and direction of the Group once a year at the TMC</li> </ul>
Middle management	Accelerating middle managers' induction and future performance by introducing them to the strategy so they can communicate it and engage the organisation. Managers are taught key business disciplines including compliance and CR and they are given relevant tools they can use in their day-to-day work.	<ul> <li>Advantage Programme</li> <li>Performance appraisals</li> <li>Example: The Advantage Programme has more than 150 participants annually</li> </ul>
Supervisors/ Key Account Managers (KAM)	Ensuring that all employees support a purpose-led service culture and alignment to global standards of operations is key.  Focus is on country-based training in service and operational excellence, processes and leadership to enhance employee skills and encourage staff mobility.	<ul> <li>Local management training programmes</li> <li>KAM-C Programme</li> <li>ACORN Programme</li> <li>Service with a Human Touch (SWAHT)</li> <li>Performance appraisals</li> <li>Apple Awards</li> <li>HSE e-learning programmes</li> <li>Example: Approximately 4,500 supervisors completed the SWAHT programme in 2015</li> </ul>
Frontline employees	By understanding our customer's needs, our people learn how to add value to their customers through purpose-led service culture – we call this "finding your apple".  Subjects include HSE, operational and technical training, management, language training, leadership and supervisory, IT, security and fire prevention.  To recognise employees who have found their apple, we have launched the <b>Apple Award</b> .	<ul> <li>Local training programmes</li> <li>Service with a Human Touch (SWAHT)</li> <li>Apple Awards</li> <li>HSE e-learning programmes</li> <li>Performance appraisals</li> <li>Example: Frontline employees received 6,149,122 hours of classroom training in 2015</li> </ul>

We want our employees to understand their purpose and the importance of their contribution. This motivates them to offer what we call "the power of the human touch." After offering careful training, we encourage them to take action beyond their immediate responsibilities by going the extra mile in their interactions with our customers and their environment. By feeling the trust that this empowerment implies, our employees develop a feeling of cohesion with ISS. Feeling that they belong stimulates them to support our vision and values with pride. Employee loyalty benefits our customers, our shareholders, our organisation and, not least, the employees themselves.

In this respect, the rebranding in 2015 of our HR function to People & Culture is a deliberate and considerable shift. Our business is about people delivering Service with a Human Touch (SWAHT). We do not view our people as resources, but as a source of true competitive advantage. People & Culture is central to meeting our responsibilities as leaders and, ultimately, to reaching our goals. It will ensure that we have the right people in key positions at the right time, in order to develop leaders capable of making ISS the world's greatest service organisation.

In support of executing our strategy, we are focusing on a number of key initiatives under "Empowering people through leadership". The most significant of these are described in the following sections.

## LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING

Leadership is a key strategy enabler on the journey to becoming GREAT. Equipping our leaders to communicate the strategy and engage the organisation is of primary importance to leadership development.

Since the launch of The ISS Way in 2008, we have invested heavily in leadership programmes at various levels of the organisation: e.g. the Leadership Mastery Programme for top management, launched in 2013, the ACORN Programme for Key Account

Managers, and the SWAHT Programme for supervisors and frontline employees, both launched in 2014. These programmes provide an essential understanding of the key elements of our strategy and provide tools relevant to leaders' and employees' daily work. In addition, we have progressed in deploying the Key Account Manager programme (KAM-C) intended to strengthen our key account management capabilities.

An overview of our most significant programmes and the purpose of training and development at each level of the organisation is shown in the table on p. 24.

In 2015, we accelerated leadership training in a number of countries in line with our strategic focus on IFS. We have set minimum standards aimed at reaching a total alignment of the leadership programmes in all of our countries, building a common on-boarding mechanism for managers, and developing a common approach to hiring and personnel assessment. This work has been ongoing throughout the second half of 2015 and is expected to show results in 2016 and onward.

Further, we continued our roll-out of SWAHT across the Group, which is a suite of training workshops and activities that have been specifically designed by ISS for ISS to engage and motivate frontline employees and supervisors, and spur them on to provide exceptional service both to our customers and to each other. The programme creates awareness of the importance of meeting and exceeding customer expectations, enables our people to clearly understand their purpose in helping to build the world's greatest service organisation, and it empowers our people to use their initiative and to make a difference by creating those winning moments for our customers.

#### **EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT**

Employee engagement is a key driver of the customer experience. Generally, the service industry has high employee turnover, in part because it is often considered suitable for short-term or secondary employment. Measuring and improving employee engagement and retention is therefore of primary importance.



In 2015, we carried out our fourth global employee engagement survey. The survey covered 45 countries and was offered in 52 languages. Scope has been expanded every year since its inception and in 2015, 227,195 employees (2014: 207,545 employees) responded. Once again, the response rate increased to arrive at 72%, up from 67% in 2014.

The survey provides managers at all levels with valuable insight, allowing them to address the causes of low engagement and improve each individual's sense of engagement. The survey revealed an overall employee engagement of 4.4 (2014: 4.4) out of a possible 5. Although it is difficult to compare the outcome without a reliable benchmark, we know that this result is gratifyingly high in the industry.

As part of the survey, our employees' willingness to recommend ISS as an employer is also being measured, the employee Net Promoter Score (eNPS). For the third consecutive year, the score improved arriving at 56.4 in 2015 up 10 points from 2014.

We will focus on maintaining a high coverage and response rate for employees with central roles as well as for our frontline employees at key account and large customer sites.

Furthermore, we will continue our work to continuously improve engagement, which in turn increases the overall sense of purpose in the delivery of our services.

There is a clear correlation between employee engagement scores and customer satisfaction scores, making them key drivers of financial and operational performance. We will continue our work with connecting our employee engagement scores to our customer satisfaction scores.

#### **HEALTH, SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENT**

Our concern for health, safety, and environment (HSE) and initiatives in that respect are aimed at both our employees and our customers. As a company with more than 504,000 employees globally, it is crucial for us to provide proper working conditions including safe and healthy working environments for our employees and customers in the facilities we service.

Consistent with the ISS values, our highest priority is to protect our employees from injury. We are steadfast in our commitment to making our work-places free of hazards. We operate under the assumption that all injuries can be prevented and that injuries are unacceptable. Our goal will always be zero injuries and zero environmental incidents.

In order to stay on course and keep HSE in constant focus we run global HSE campaigns three times a year with changing focus points reflecting the challenges we currently face, for example driving safely, working at heights, and slips, trips and falls. In addition to the global HSE campaigns, in 2015 we launched the ISS Toolbox Talk Calendar. The Toolbox Talk reinforces and embeds safety behaviours as part of our safety culture. Two topics are chosen each month to inspire our operational teams to hold Toolbox talks at their sites. We have also developed and rolled out an HSE e-learning module for supervisors and frontline employees as a means of understanding the safety culture we aspire to in ISS.

All of our CR and HSE initiatives and our related performance are described in our Corporate Responsibility Report 2015.

Read more at www.responsibility.issworld.com/report2015.

Performance and targets for 2015 are shown below for selected employee-related HSE KPIs.

#### HSE PERFORMANCE – SELECTED KPIs

	Target		Performance		
	2015	2015	2014	2013	
Fatalities	Zero	7	7	6	
Lost Time Injury Frequency (LTIF)	Below 6	5	6	7	

#### **Fatalities**

In accordance with our HSE vision, our first priority is to prevent fatalities at our workplaces. Sadly, in 2015 we experienced seven work-related fatalities associated with our operations. Our Group target is zero fatalities, so we must improve our vigilance. Because the majority of our work-related fatalities in recent years have been traffic-related, our emphasis for the 2015 global safety campaign was driving safely. In view of our fleet of more than 20,000 vehicles, in 2015 we developed an e-learning module on driving safely, which will be rolled out in 2016 to complement the ISS Driver Safety Handbook and the Driver Safety campaigns we run.

We work to make safety a common responsibility. Our policy is that management at all levels must understand their roles and responsibilities when it comes to safety.

#### **Lost Time Injury Frequency (LTIF)**

We have improved our performance by 60% from the baseline figure of 13 in 2010 to an LTIF of 5 in 2015, the fifth straight year of improvement. The improvement has been driven by our systematic approach to managing HSE risks since 2010 with:

- the implementation of the Group HSE Management System;
- · the implementation of the ISS Safety Rules;
- the implementation of the HSE@ISS\_IT system for reporting and investigation incidents, auditing and inspections;
- our global campaigns to keep the focus on HSE; and
- the introduction of our Toolbox Talk Calender.

# CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The management team of the Group formally consists of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of ISS Global A/S. Since ISS Global A/S has no operating activities of its own, the Group relies on the management team of ISS A/S, the ultimate parent company in Denmark. As a subsidiary of ISS A/S, ISS Global A/S is subject to the same corporate governance policies applicable in ISS A/S. Corporate governance of the ISS Global Group is therefore built on corporate governance of the ISS A/S Group, including the management team, and the descriptions throughout this chapter should be seen in this context.

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE FRAME-WORK AND RECOMMENDATIONS

We base our corporate governance policies and procedures on transparency, constructive stake-holder dialogue, sound decision-making processes and controls for the benefit of the Group and our stakeholders.

The Board of Directors regularly reviews the Group's corporate governance framework and policies in relation to the Group's activities, business environment, corporate governance recommendations and statutory requirements; and continuously assesses the need for adjustments.

ISS's 2015 statutory report on corporate governance, which is available at http://inv.issworld.com/governancereport.cfm, provides an overview of our overall corporate governance structure and our position on each of the Danish Corporate Governance Recommendations.

At the end of 2015, we complied with all of the Danish Corporate Governance Recommendations.

#### **OUR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**

#### Shareholders and annual general meeting

The shareholders of ISS A/S exercise their rights at the general meeting, which is the supreme governing body of ISS.

Rules on the governance of ISS A/S, including share capital, general meetings, shareholder decisions, election of members to the Board of Directors, Board meetings, etc. are described in our Articles of Association, which are available at http://inv.issworld.com/articles.cfm.

#### Management

As is current practice in Denmark, management powers are distributed between our Board of Directors (the Board) and our Executive Group Management Board (the EGMB). No person serves as a member of both of these corporate bodies. Our EGMB carries out the day-to-day management, while our Board supervises the work of our EGMB and is responsible for the overall management and strategic direction.

#### **Board of Directors**

The **primary responsibilities** of the Board and the four board committees established by the Board as well as composition of committees are outlined in our governance structure on the following page. Each board committee has a charter. In 2015, the key matters annually transacted by the Board were revised and aligned with the new organisational structure, see p. 30.

On an ongoing basis, the Board reviews the Group's capital structure. The Board considers that the present capital and share structure serves the best interests of both the shareholders and ISS as it gives ISS the flexibility to pursue strategic goals thus providing long-term shareholder value, combined with short-term shareholder value by way of ISS's dividend policy.

The Board performs an annual evaluation of its performance, including of its individual members and an evaluation of the performance of the EGMB and of the cooperation between the Board and the EGMB. In March 2015, the Board completed a self-assessment and evaluation of the performance of the Board and the co-operation with the EGMB. Furthermore, in the fourth quarter of 2015 and the first quarter of 2016, a Board evaluation was performed with the assistance of external consultants.

#### **OUR GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**

#### THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (BOARD)

Responsible for the overall management and strategic direction of the Group, including:

- approving the strategy plan and the annual budget
- · appointing members of the EGMB
- supervising the activities of the Group
- reviewing the financial position and capital resources to ensure that these are adequate

Each month the Board receives a financial reporting package and in between board meetings the Board is briefed on important matters

#### Meetings

9 meetings in 2015. The Board convenes at least six times a year, including for one strategy meeting

#### **BOARD COMMITTEES**

#### THE AUDIT AND RISK COMMITTEE

- Evaluates the external financial reporting and main accounting policies and estimates
- Supervises the Group internal audit function
- Supervises as well as considers the relationship with the independent auditors, and reviews the audit process
- Reviews and monitors the Group's risk management and internal controls
- Evaluates the Financial Policy and the Tax Policy

#### Members

Henrik Poulsen (Chairman) Thomas Berglund Jo Taylor

#### Meetings

9 meetings in 2015

#### THE NOMINATION COMMITTEE

- Assists the Board in ensuring that appropriate plans and processes are in place for the nomination of candidates to the Board and the EGMB
- Evaluates the composition of the Board and the EGMB
- Makes recommendations for nomination or appointment of members of the Board, the EGMB and the board committees

#### Members

Lord Allen of Kensington Kt CBE (Chairman) Claire Chiang Cynthia Mary Trudell

#### Meetings

1 meeting in 2015 and several update calls to discuss the search for new non-executive directors including desired competencies and profiles of potential candidates

#### THE REMUNERATION COMMITTEE

- Assists the Board in preparing the remuneration policy and the overall guidelines on incentive pay
- Recommends to the Board the remuneration of the members of the Board and the EGMB, approves remuneration of EGM as well as the remuneration policy applicable to ISS in general

#### Members

Lord Allen of Kensington Kt CBE (Chairman) Claire Chiang Cynthia Mary Trudell

#### Meetings

7 meetings in 2015

#### THE TRANSACTION COMMITTEE

- Makes recommendations to the Board in respect of certain large acquisitions, divestments and customer contracts
- · Reviews the transaction pipeline
- Considers ISS's procedures for large transactions
- Evaluates selected effected transactions

#### Members

Lord Allen of Kensington Kt CBE (Chairman) Thomas Berglund Henrik Poulsen Jo Taylor

#### Meetings

4 meetings in 2015

#### **EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT LEVELS**

#### THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MANAGEMENT (EGM)

Carries out the day-to-day management of the Group, including:

- developing and implementing strategic initiatives and Group policies
- designing and developing the organisational structure
- monitoring Group performance
- evaluating and executing investments, acquisitions, divestments and large customer contracts
- assessing on an ongoing basis whether the capital resources of the Group are adequate at all times and whether the Group has adequate liquidity to meet the Group's existing and future liabilities

 establishing general procedures for accounting, IT organisation, risk management and internal control

#### COUNTRY MANAGEMENT

Appointed to manage the business in accordance with Group policies and procedures as well as local legislation and practice of each country, including to manage operations in their market

#### Overview

Country management teams are set out under each relevant country at www.issworld.com

All board members elected by the general meeting stand for election each year at our annual general meeting. Board members are eligible for re-election.

In April 2015, the general meeting elected Cynthia Mary Trudell and Claire Chiang as new board members. As part of the induction programme, the new board members held meetings with management and relevant key employees and visited selected ISS customers.

In addition to the board members elected by the general meeting, three employee representatives serve on the Board. They are elected on the basis of a voluntary arrangement regarding Group representation for employees of ISS World Services A/S as further described in the Articles of Association. Employee representatives serve for terms of four years. The current employee representatives joined the Board after the annual general meeting in April 2015.

#### **Executive Group Management Board**

The members of the EGMB are the Group CEO and Group CFO and form the management registered with the Danish Business Authority.

The Group has a wider Executive Group Management (the EGM) which comprise nine Corporate Senior Officers of the Group in addition to the EGMB.

The **primary responsibilities** of the EGM are outlined in our governance structure on p. 29.

#### **COMPETENCIES AND DIVERSITY**

As one of the world's largest private employers and with operations in 48 countries, we are committed to fostering and cultivating a culture of diversity and inclusion. With more than 504,000 employees, ISS embraces and encourages diversity in its broadest sense. We recognise that our diverse workforce gives us a key competitive advantage, and we consider our employees to be our most valuable asset. Diversity makes ISS creative, productive and an attractive place to work.

The Board and the EGM recognise the importance of promoting diversity at management levels and have implemented policies regarding competencies and diversity in respect of Board and EGM nominations according to which we are committed to selecting the best candidate while aspiring to have diversity in gender as well as in broader terms such as international experience.

#### Emphasis is placed on:

 experience and expertise (such as industry, risk management, finance, financing, strategy, international business, labour force management and HR, management and leadership);

#### KEY MATTERS TRANSACTED BY THE BOARD – EXAMPLES

#### Key matters transacted annually:

- approval of the overall strategy, business and action plan
- approval of the annual budget
- review of capital and share structure, financing and dividend policy
- review of material risks and risk management reporting
- internal controls, procedures and risks related to financial reporting
- review of corporate governance
- review and assessment of competencies, composition and independence of the Board
- review of charters and composition of committees
- consider the composition of the EGMB
- evaluation of performance of the individual board members, performance of the EGMB and the cooperation between Board and EGMB
- review of activities with a view to ensuring relevant diversity at other management levels
- review of the Remuneration Policy and guidelines on incentive pay
- review of the Financial Policy

The Board's annual transaction agenda is consistent with the new organisational structure and the creation of new roles. It ensures:

- one annual deep dive review of each region
- a review of the commercial agenda twice a year
- a review of Global Operations twice a year
- a review of the People & Culture agenda twice a year
- a review of Procurement/Group Supply Chain at least once a year

#### Specific key matters transacted in 2015 by the board:

- the creation of two new global roles; a Group Chief Operating Officer and a Group Chief Commercial Officer
- a strengthened and delayered management structure and appointment of the EGM
- the nomination of two new independent board members, including induction training
- the acquisition of GS Hall, the United Kingdom
- the divestment of CMC, Turkey

- diversity (including age, gender, new talent and international experience) as well as diversity of perspectives brought to the Board or the EGM; and
- personal characteristics matching ISS's values and leadership principles.

In support of our commitment to gender diversity, the Board adopted a target in 2014 of increasing the number of women on our Board elected by the general meeting from one to at least two members not later than at the 2017<sup>1)</sup> annual general meeting. With the election of Cynthia Mary Trudell and Claire Chiang to the Board in 2015, both of whom have extensive and diverse management experience and competencies, the target was achieved, and the Board has set a new target of reaching at least 40% women on the Board by 2020.

In terms of international experience, the Board aims at all times to have sufficient international experience at all management levels taking into account the size and activities of ISS. The Board considers that it has diverse and broad international experience. The EGM is considered to have the necessary international experience if half of its members have international experience from large international companies. Presently, all members of the EGM have international experience.

In order to promote, facilitate and increase the number of women in management level positions at ISS's global head office, we continue leveraging our Diversity Policy, which defines a number of initiatives. Our initiatives include ensuring that female candidates are identified for vacant positions, developing succession plans aiming at identifying female successors as well as tabling the matter of women in leadership at ISS for discussion at least once a year at the EGM level. Furthermore, we ensure strong representation of women in various ISS leadership development programmes as well as in graduate programmes across EMEA and at the ISS global head office.

The appointment of Michelle Healy as Group Chief People & Culture Officer in April 2015 to the EGM shows our commitment to promoting gender diversity at executive management level. The amount of women at management level at the ISS global head office increased slightly in 2015 compared to 2014 and gender diversity remains a focus area in 2016.

#### **ASSURANCE**

#### **External audit**

The Board nominates the independent auditors for election at the annual general meeting. The nomination follows an assessment of the qualifications, objectivity and independence of the independent auditors and the effectiveness of the audit process.

A global audit tender process was concluded in 2015 which led to the election of Ernst & Young as ISS's global independent auditors.

An independent business relationship with the Group's independent auditors is essential for the control environment. As part of the safeguards to ensure independence, the independent auditors cannot perform certain non-audit services for ISS including, but not limited to, the preparation of accounting records and financial statements or participation in recruitment for senior management positions.

ISS collaborates with the independent auditors at country and Group level in relation to procedures and internal controls by exchanging internal audit reports and by generally sharing relevant knowledge. All board members receive the independent auditors' long-form audit reports in connection with the audit of the annual consolidated financial statements and any other long-form audit reports. Auditor reports are discussed in detail by the Audit and Risk Committee.

The Board reviews the Annual Report at a Board meeting attended by the independent auditors. The findings of the independent auditors and any major issues arising during the course of the audit are discussed, and significant accounting policies and critical accounting estimates and judgements are reviewed.

#### **Group Internal Audit**

Group Internal Audit regularly reports to the Audit and Risk Committee and the Board and its activities are governed by a charter approved by the Board. The work of Group Internal Audit and internal controls relating to financial reporting are described on p. 36.

#### Whistleblower policy

The Group has adopted a whistleblower policy to enable employees, business partners and other stakeholders to report any serious and sensitive concerns. Such concerns may be reported to the Head of Group Internal Audit via a secure and externally hosted reporting site which is accessible via the ISS website.

<sup>1)</sup> In respect of the specific target for ISS Global A/S, the Board of Directors of ISS Global A/S has adopted a target of increasing the number of women on the Board of Directors from none to at least one member at the annual general meeting in 2017. Presently, the Board of Directors has no female board members. As ISS Global A/S does not have any employees a policy promoting gender diversity at other management levels has not been adopted.

## RISK MANAGEMENT

Risk is an integral part of doing business. Risk-taking provides opportunities, but it might also prevent us from achieving our strategy. Effective risk management ensures that the risks we take on in respect of our customers and ourselves are calculated and wellmanaged.

#### **RISK GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE**

The Audit and Risk Committee assists the Board of Directors (the Board) in reviewing and monitoring key risks and risk management, and approving Group risk policies. Material risks and risk management are reviewed twice a year. Mitigating measures are identified for all key risks and responsibility for implementation is assigned within the Group.

The Executive Group Management (the EGM) decides on key risk strategies and ensures implementation of the approved Group risk policy across the Group.

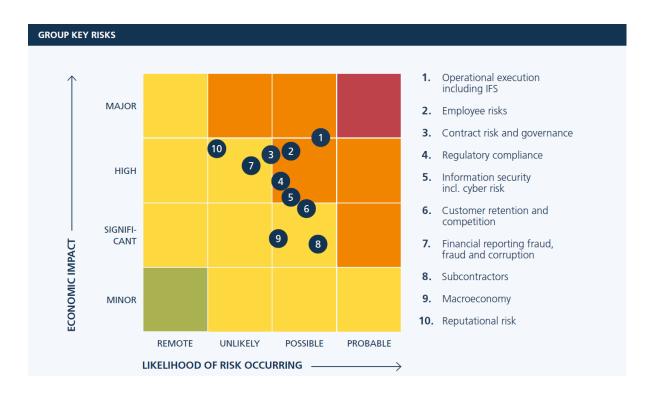
It is the responsibility of Country Management to ensure that risks are adequately identified and managed, including developing risk recommendations, monitoring risk activities and initiatives, and ensuring that risks are adequately managed.

#### **GROUP KEY RISKS**

The Group is exposed to various operational risks through our activities in our customer's facilities as well as at our own premises. The risks that the Board and the EGM currently view as being the most critical to our business are listed below.

We apply a risk mapping approach to identify and assess the key risks the Group faces, their potential economic impact and the likelihood of their occurrence. Risk aspects such as the reputational impact are also considered.

Risk is assessed on the basis of information from a Group level perspective and information reported through country risk assessments. This includes knowledge of historic and current claims events, the markets in which we operate as well as on an individual site-by-site basis at customer premises, where we provide our services. In addition, existing



risk mitigation measures are taken into consideration. The risks are presented in the context of the entire Group, which means that the risks identified are considered to be globally applicable throughout the organisation. Consequently, the mitigation action plans presented are largely Group initiatives, or at least initiatives with the ultimate owner in a Group function. As a consequence, the risk environment and the prioritisation of Group risk mitigation action plans may be different at the individual country level, reflecting the different maturity levels throughout the Group.

In 2015, the annual assessment of Group key risks and risk management led to two new risks being classified as Group key risks: "Reputational risk" and "Information security incl. cyber risk". The driver behind this is our growing share of IFS contracts; we increasingly hold and manage data related to our customers' business, e.g. asset information, personal data related to meetings and activities, and information related to manufacturing plant design and the like. Our customers increasingly focus on information security and how we as their service provider comply with policies and other IT process and documentation standards. This fact, combined with our business strength within highly regulated industries such as pharma, food manufacturing and banking, exposes us to an increasing extent to risk in relation to information security and cyber risk.

Operational risks are insured through global or local insurance programmes when considered appropriate. This is managed centrally by Group Risk Management. In addition to operational risks, we are exposed to financial risks, including currency risk, interest rate risk, credit and liquidity risk, as a result of our operating, investing and financing activities. The Group's financial risks are managed centrally by Group Treasury based on policies approved by the Board. The Group's financial risk management is described in note 5.3 to the consolidated financial statements.

#### **FOCUS AREAS IN 2015**

Driven by the growth in IFS revenue from Global Corporate Clients and key accounts, we experience increased risk awareness and growing demand for risk transfer from our customers. To support assessment of the operational risk exposure on major contracts, we have initiated the roll out of an operational risk assessment tool. A global risk & compliance service function has also been established within Global Operations to support risk mitigation and compliance on major contracts.

In 2015, we also continued our focus on embedding risk processes and controls throughout the Group to raise awareness of risk responsibilities and to ensure that risk management is embedded in relevant business processes. We trained selected local risk managers in risk management and risk tools. As a result, we appointed an additional 12 local risk managers in 2015.

Also we performed monthly risk business reviews for selected major countries to secure continuous improvements.

#### **GOING FORWARD**

In 2016, we will continue our work to embed operational risk management, at both country and contract level. Furthermore, focus will be on related Group risk KPIs to ensure ongoing risk improvement. The primary risks in scope are:

- · operational execution including IFS;
- employee risks;
- · sub-contractor risks; and
- · information security incl. cyber risk.

#### **GROUP KEY RISKS** RISK DRIVERS **MITIGATING MEASURES** 1. Operational execution including IFS · Increased complexity in our • ISS facility management IT system (FMS@ service delivery model ISS) supports automation of the operating As our services are increasingly becoming an integral part of our customers' value streams, there is a risk of • Increased requirements in key processes, which ensures that services are account contracts in relation delivered and managed according to the process causing a disruption of our customers' operations and/ or brand damage, if operational procedures or contract to operational control and frameworks. The system is implemented on risk management (e.g. in the selected major contracts requirements are not complied with. financial services and pharma-• Operational risk reviews performed on selected ceutical industries) contracts as part of the global risk management Increasing contract volumes (e.g. framework increasing share of IFS and Global • Group HSE policies implemented Corporate Clients contracts) Escalation policy • Winning the "war for talent" 2. Employee risks Our GREAT initiative "Empowering people To become the world's greatest service organisation, we Increasing customer through leadership" focusing on leadership requirements on HSE development and training need to employ the best people to deliver world-class services to our customers. This requires that we are able · Decentralised structure Global HR standards Global HSE standards to attract, develop and retain talented and engaged • Global employee engagement surveys to gain people in all roles. It also requires that we take good care insights into where and how we can improve of our people with respect to health and safety and work environment. We depend on our leaders throughout the organisation to lead by example and by empowering colleagues to mitigate risk relating to people. Formal framework and IT tool for contract risk Increased complexity in 3. Contract risk and governance The profitability of our contracts depends upon contracts and services (e.g. Formal procedure for approval of large contracts IFS and energy management) our ability to successfully calculate prices by taking all economic factors as well as legal and other risk Increasing contract volumes Contract risk reviews performed by Group Risk (e.g. increasing share of IFS Management for specific customer industries elements into consideration, and to manage our and Global Corporate Clients Contract governance being part of Group day-to-day operations under these contracts. Internal Audit's scope contracts) • Changes in local regulations • We strive to monitor and foresee any changes 4. Regulatory compliance We are subject to a variety of laws and regulations such and stepped-up enforcement in legislation that could have a negative as labour, employment, immigration, health and safety, • Customers outsourcing their impact on our financial performance tax (including social security, salary taxes and transfer compliance risk to ISS • Group Corporate Governance Guidelines Code of Conduct, Anti-corruption & Bribery pricing), corporate governance, customer protection, business practices, competition and the environment. We Policy and Competition Law Policy Mandatory e-learning modules in antiincur substantial costs and commit a significant amount of our management's time and resources to complying with corruption and anti-bribery & competition increasingly complex and restrictive laws and regulations. law for selected managers 5. Information security incl. cyber risk IFS contracts Group IT policies and procedures Due to the increasing IFS share of our revenue, ISS in-· Change in data privacy Processes initiated to establish Binding Corporegulations rate Rules (BCR) for exchange of personal data creasingly holds and manages data related to customers' businesses. Examples are asset information, personal data between companies in the ISS Group related to meetings and activities/events, information related to clients manufacturing plant design and the like. This fact, combined with our business strength within highly regulated industries such as pharma, food manufacturing and banking, to an increasing extent exposes us to cyber risk and information security. 6. Customer retention and competition • Customer concentration • Central Customer Relationship Management Our ability to target selected customer segments with • Key account management system (CRM@ISS) being rolled out

• Inconsistent service delivery for

• Strategic market position

IFS customers

Annual measurement of customer satisfaction

(cNPS) through a survey covering the majority

of the Group's revenue

attractive and competitive value propositions is key to

customers. Failure to develop and execute on value propositions may lead to increased price competition and contract portfolio losses as the facility services market is fragmented with relatively low barriers to entry and significant competition from local and regional companies.

attracting and retaining IFS, multi-service and single-service

MITIGATING MEASURES

#### 7. Financial reporting fraud, fraud and • Increased exposure in emerging • Well-established and documented financial markets controlling processes, see Internal controls • Decentralised financial IT related to financial reporting p. 36 Our decentralised structure of financial IT systems and operational control structures increases the risk of fraud systems and control structures • Review of the integrity and robustness of • Step-up in extraterritorial interfaces as an integral part of internal audit and corruption. Our growing emerging market presence increases our exposure to compliance risks in countries regulation and enforcement assignments Monitoring of implementation of key controls where improper practises may be common. This may result in overstatement of revenue, misstatement of through the system of Control Self-Assessment expenses, misappropriation of assets, kickbacks, bribery • Mandatory e-learning modules on antiand theft. corruption and anti-bribery & competition law for selected managers • Whistle-blower system Roll-out of automated interfaces between local ERP platforms and the Group's standardised financial reporting tool for all countries in progress · Growth in countries with low • Negotiation Process Framework setup 8. Subcontractors IES canabilities Separate framework when using subcontrac-We use subcontractors where we do not have self-delivery capabilities. This represents a risk primarily with respect to: Growth in Global Corporate tors in countries with no ISS presence Clients portfolio • Supplier Code of Conduct Performance: If subcontractors do not perform in accordance with the customer contract ISS has entered into. **Compliance:** The use of subcontractors might increase the risk of non-compliance with labour laws or other regulatory requirements. 9. Macroeconomy · On-going formal monitoring of market • On-going financial turmoil developments In the past four to five years, financial turmoil has been recurring and affected the world economy, in particular • We strive to assess the impact of market dynamics and trends that could affect our in southern Europe and Latin America. Depending on the severity and length of the turmoil, our revenue, operating business in the long term margin, cash conversion and debt position could potentially be adversely impacted, particularly if customers downsize their businesses or reduce their demand for services. 10. Reputational risk · Growth in IFS contracts • Crisis communication plan integrated in Protecting the reputation of ISS is the responsibility • Increased use of social media Group Escalation Policy and Group Crisis of every employee, because reputation is shaped Response Plan Media handling and monitoring tools by all actions and statements made by ISS and its employees. From an organisational perspective, the main Media communication guidelines responsibility for handling reputational risk therefore lies with the day-to-day business operations. They are supported and (when relevant) monitored by teams from Group Communication, Group Legal, Group Risk Management and other key functions. When an incident or issue with potential reputational risk is identified, it must be escalated to senior-level management for evaluation. Guidelines for specific sensitive topics are provided in the Group Escalation Policy, which is further supported by guidelines setup by Group Communication, Group Legal, Group Risk Management and Group HSE.

RISK DRIVERS

**GROUP KEY RISKS** 

# INTERNAL CONTROLS RELATING TO FINANCIAL REPORTING

Quality and efficiency of the financial reporting is a fundamental objective, requiring strong governance and internal controls framework.

#### **ASSURANCE RESPONSIBILITY**

The responsibility for the Group's internal control environment lies with the Board of Directors (the Board).

Policies of relevance to financial reporting are approved by the Board and include the Code of Conduct, the Accounting Manual, the Reporting Manual, the Financial Policy, Control Procedures and the Escalation Policy.

The Audit and Risk Committee appointed by the Board is responsible for monitoring the internal controls and risk management systems.

Group Internal Audit (GIA), consisting of 10 employees, is responsible for providing an objective and independent assessment of the effectiveness and quality of the internal controls in accordance with the internal audit plan approved by the Audit and Risk Committee. To ensure that GIA works independently of the Executive Group Management Board (the EGMB) it operates under a charter approved by the Board and reports – in addition to the Group CFO – directly to the Audit and Risk Committee

GIA's responsibility is to provide the Board and the EGMB with reasonable assurance that:

- internal controls are in place to support the quality and efficiency of the financial reporting processes;
- significant risks are identified and material misstatements are detected and corrected; and
- the financial reporting is in compliance with ISS policies and procedures and gives a true and fair view of the Group's financial position and results.

Country management is responsible for ensuring that the control environment in each operating country is sufficient to prevent material errors in the country's financial reporting. Regional management provides governance of the country operations. Group Controlling is responsible for controlling the financial reporting from subsidiaries and for preparing the consolidated financial reporting.

Our governance structure, see p. 29.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENT**

The EGMB annually identifies and assesses the material financial reporting risks and decides which control activities and systems are required to detect and prevent these risks. This is done based on a materiality test, including an assessment of the impact of quantitative and qualitative factors and an assessment of the likelihood of any material error occurring.

To challenge the EGMB, the Audit and Risk Committee on an ongoing basis discusses:

- evaluation of the overall effectiveness of the internal controls; and
- accounting for material legal and tax issues and significant accounting estimates.

#### **CONTROL ACTIVITIES**

The Group has implemented a formalised financial reporting process that includes the reporting requirements and related control activities for key areas illustrated in the table to the right.

In addition to the use of a standardised process and system for the consolidated financial reporting, a strengthening of the controls for the financial reporting is ongoing through the implementation of a shared ERP system platform across the Group. By the end of 2015, the ERP system had been implemented in 20 countries covering 21% of Group revenue. The objective is to reach more than 30 countries covering more than 40% of Group revenue by the end of 2017.

Furthermore, the control of the interface between

the local ERP systems and the Group's standard financial reporting tool is being strengthened through the roll-out of an automated interface. By the end of 2015, this was in place for 19 countries covering 62% of Group revenue. The objective is to reach additional 15 countries thereby covering approximately 84% of Group revenue by the end of 2016.

An essential element to ensure the correct and timely financial reporting is the availability of relevant information to the employees involved in the process. For this purpose, information and communication systems have been established, providing easy access to the appropriate information, including the Accounting Manual, Reporting Instructions, the Budgeting Manual and other relevant guidelines.

#### THE WORK OF GROUP INTERNAL AUDIT

GIA performs audits across the Group. The annual audit planning is based on the group key risks as described on pp. 32–35, a risk assessment performed for the individual countries and the outcome of the annual control self-assessment survey.

The internal audit framework consists of three elements:

- a baseline audit programme which assesses the internal controls and compliance across 70 key control activities;
- a contract audit programme which assesses the internal controls and contract compliance for key customer contracts; and
- risk-based focused audit programmes designed to perform detailed assessment of the controls and compliance for individual risk areas or control measures.

In 2015, GIA performed 38 baseline audits in individual countries and 23 contract audits. Furthermore, 16 risk-based audits were performed covering internal control areas related to the quality and effectiveness of financial reporting. A key focus area for the assurance activities in 2015 has been the implementation of the shared ERP system platform, where five audits were performed in individual countries to assess the internal control environment after system implementation.

In addition, GIA in 2015 performed a series of audits of systems, processes and internal controls related to the quarterly financial reporting process at Group level. The audits covered all departments at global headquarter which contribute to the financial reporting process. In combination this series of audits provides a general assessment of the internal

controls of the Group financial reporting process. This series of audits is performed on a bi-annual basis.

The findings and conclusions of the internal audits, including recommendations on how to improve the control environment, are reported to country and regional management, representatives of the EGMB and the independent Group auditors. The key findings from internal auditors are presented to the Audit and Risk Committee, which evaluates the results and uses the conclusions when reviewing the internal audit plan for the coming year.

To support the efforts to improve the internal controls environment, GIA tracks the progress on resolving the audit findings. Reports on the progress are prepared for the Audit and Risk Committee, the EGMB, and regional management. Follow-up audits are performed to provide assurance on the implementation of the measures to resolve audit findings.

ITEM	REPORTING	CONTROL ACTIVITIES
Financial position and results	All countries report an income statement, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, portfolio analysis and three-month forecasts etc. on a monthly basis.	Group Controlling monitors and controls the reporting for significant deviations compared to budget.
Cash flow forecasts	All countries bi-weekly report their daily cash flow forecasts for a rolling three-month period.	Actual figures are continuously monitored and validated by Group Treasury for deviations compared to forecasted figures, including e.g. daily follow-up on local material cash balances.
Business reviews	All countries report an income statement, statement of financial position, statement of cash flows, portfolio analysis, three-month forecasts and contract performance etc. on a monthly basis.	Monthly meetings between regional management and country management with a focus on the current performance and the state of the business.
Budgets and financial plans	All countries prepare budgets and plans for the following financial year in a pre-defined format.	Regional management reviews the proposed budgets and plans with the countries.
Strategy reviews	Country management provide annual updates of a predefined strategy template, including progress on key strategic priorities.	Annual meetings held with country managers at which the strategy is discussed and priorities and plans for the coming year are agreed.
Acquisitions and divestments	Acquisition and divestment proposals are presented in a predefined report format and valuation model.	Transaction Committee/Board approval is required for large or strategic acquisitions and divestments.
Large contracts	Certain large contracts are presented in a predefined format focusing on risk evaluation.	Depending on size, approval is required by regional management, EGMB or Transaction Committee/Board.
Control self- assessments	Once a year, country management performs a self-assessment of the implementation of certain key internal control activities and develop plans to close any implementation gaps.	Group Internal Audit performs ongoing audits based on the countries' control self-assessment.

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# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

1 January – 31 December

DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Revenue	2.1, 7.5	79,631	74,157
Staff costs	2.3	(51,422)	(48,410)
Consumables		(6,808)	(6,413)
Other operating expenses	6.4	(15,587)	(13,955)
Depreciation and amortisation 1)	4.3, 7.1	(702)	(703)
Operating profit before other items <sup>2)</sup>		5,112	4,676
Other income and expenses, net	2.4	108	(81)
Royalty		(1,262)	(1,227)
Operating profit 1)	2.1, 7.5	3,958	3,368
Operating profit	2.1, 7.3	3,930	3,300
Financial income	5.7	138	310
Financial expenses	5.7	(800)	(1,522)
Profit before tax and amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles		3,296	2,156
Income taxes 3)	2.5	(929)	(740)
Profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles		2,367	1,416
Goodwill impairment	4.5	(273)	(608)
Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts	4.3	(253)	(256)
Income tax effect 4)	2.5, 2.6	74	68
Net profit for the year		1,915	620
Attributable to:			
The owner of ISS Global A/S		1,908	617
Non-controlling interests		7	3
Net profit for the year		1,915	620

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Excluding Other income and expenses, net, Royalty, Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment customer contracts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> Excluding tax effect of Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4)</sup> Income tax effect of Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

1 January – 31 December

DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Net profit for the year		1,915	620
Other comprehensive income			
Items not to be reclassified to the income statement in subsequent periods:			
Actuarial gains/(losses)	7.2	(255)	(621)
Impact from asset ceiling regarding pensions	7.2	(3)	14
Tax	2.6	62	138
Items to be reclassified to the income statement in subsequent periods:			
Foreign exchange adjustments of subsidiaries and non-controlling interests		474	468
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net		(1)	(11)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net, transferred to Financial expenses		10	19
Tax		(2)	(2)
Total other comprehensive income		285	5
Total comprehensive income for the year		2,200	625
Attributable to:			
The owner of ISS Global A/S		2,193	622
Non-controlling interests		7	3
Total comprehensive income for the year		2,200	625

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

1 January – 31 December

DKK million Note	2015	2014
Operating profit before other items	5,112	4.676
Depreciation and amortisation 4.3, 7.	*	703
Share-based payments (non-cash)	45	25
Changes in working capital 3.		(68)
Changes in provisions, pensions and similar obligations	(95)	(203)
Other expenses paid	(280)	(298)
Interest received from companies within the ISS Group	27	97
Interest received, external	42	53
Interest paid to companies within the ISS Group	(12)	(106)
Interest paid, external	(386)	(733)
Income taxes paid	(705)	(841)
Payments related to royalties	(1,264)	(1,171)
Cash flow from operating activities	3,133	2,134
Acquisition of businesses 4.	( )	(19)
Divestment of businesses 4.		1,335
Acquisition of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	(878)	(813)
Disposal of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment	70	62
(Acquisition)/disposal of financial assets	(30)	19
Cash flow from investing activities	(807)	584
Proceeds from borrowings	4,514	23,483
Repayment of borrowings	(5,340)	(31,960)
Capital increase, non-controlling interests	33	(31,300)
Dividends paid to the shareholder	(2,000)	_
Payments (to)/from companies within the ISS Group, net	1,407	5,952
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	(6)	(2)
Cash flow from financing activities	(1,392)	(2,527)
Total cash flow	934	191
Cook and each equivalents at 1 January	0.507	0.000
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	3,537	3,260
Total cash flow Foreign exchange adjustments	934 39	191 86
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December	4,510	3,537

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 31 December

DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Assets			
Intangible assets	4.3, 4.4	19,578	19,872
Property, plant and equipment	7.1	1,592	1,612
Deferred tax assets	2.6	931	755
Other financial assets		418	424
Non-current assets		22,519	22,663
Inventories		297	303
Trade receivables	3.1	10,770	10,446
Tax receivables		236	248
Receivables from companies within the ISS Group		2,507	2,906
Other receivables	3.2	1,633	1,407
Cash and cash equivalents		4,510	3,537
Assets classified as held for sale	4.2	1,698	422
Current assets		21,651	19,269
Total assets		44,170	41,932
Equity and liabilities			
Total equity attributable to the owner of ISS Global A/S		2,981	2,769
Non-controlling interests		10	9
Total equity	5.1	2,991	2,778
Loans and borrowings	5.2	14,926	14,887
Pensions and similar obligations	7.2	1,683	1,415
Deferred tax liabilities	2.6	868	704
Provisions	7.3	277	348
Non-current liabilities		17,754	17,354
Loans and borrowings	5.2	6,715	6,280
Trade payables		3,339	3,492
Tax payables		369	239
Other liabilities	3.3	12,367	11,366
Provisions	7.3	192	249
Liabilities classified as held for sale	4.2	443	174
Current liabilities		23,425	21,800
Total liabilities		41,179	39,154
Total equity and liabilities		44,170	41,932

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

1 January – 31 December

# Attributable to the owner of ISS Global A/S

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2015 DKK million		Retained earnings	Trans- lation reserve	Hedging reserve	Total	Non-con- trolling interests	Total equity
Equity at 1 January	180	2,370	237	(18)	2,769	9	2,778
Comprehensive income for the year							
Net profit for the year	-	1,908	-	-	1,908	7	1,915
Other comprehensive income							
Foreign exchange adjustments of subsidiaries							
and non-controlling interests	-	-	474	-	474	(0)	474
Adjustment relating to previous years	-	(11)	-	11	-	,	_
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net	-	` -	-	(1)	(1)	-	(1)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net,				, ,	,		` '
transferred to Financial expenses	-	-	-	10	10	-	10
Actuarial gains/(losses)	-	(255)	-	-	(255)	-	(255)
Impact from asset ceiling regarding pensions	-	(3)	-	-	(3)	-	(3)
Tax	-	62	-	(2)	60	-	60
Total other comprehensive income	-	(207)	474	18	285	(0)	285
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	1,701	474	18	2,193	7	2,200
Transactions with the owner							
Disposal of shares in subsidiary		(14)			(14)	-	(14)
Capital increase, non-controlling interests	-	33	-	-	33	-	33
Dividends paid to the shareholder	-	(2,000)	-	-	(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	(6)	(6)
Total transactions with the owner	-	(1,981)	-	-	(1,981)	(6)	(1,987)
Total changes in equity	-	(280)	474	18	212	1	213
Equity at 31 December	180	2,090	711	-	2,981	10	2,991

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

1 January – 31 December

# Attributable to the owner of ISS Global A/S

2014 DKK million		Retained earnings	Trans- lation reserve	Hedging reserve	Total	Non-con- trolling interests	Total equity
Dick million	Capital	carrings	1000170	1000170	Total	IIICICSIS	equity
Equity at 1 January	180	2,222	(231)	(24)	2,147	8	2,155
Comprehensive income for the year							
Net profit for the year	-	617	-	-	617	3	620
Other comprehensive income							
Foreign exchange adjustments of subsidiaries							
and non-controlling interests	-	-	468	-	468	(0)	468
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net	-	-	-	(11)	(11)	-	(11)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net,							
transferred to Financial expenses	-	-	-	19	19	-	19
Actuarial gains/(losses)	-	(621)	-	-	(621)	-	(621)
Impact from asset ceiling regarding pensions	-	14	-	-	14	-	14
Tax	-	138	-	(2)	136	-	136
Total other comprehensive income	-	(469)	468	6	5	(0)	5
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>-</u>	148	468	6	622	3	625
Transactions with the owner							
Dividends paid to non-controlling interests	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total transactions with the owner	-	-	-	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total changes in equity	-	148	468	6	622	1	623
Equity at 31 December	180	2,370	237	(18)	2,769	9	2,778

# **SECTION 1**

# **Basis of preparation**

In 2015, we continued our focus on providing decision-useful and transparent financial information. We aim to ensure that the financial statements reflect and portray ISS specific circumstances and that disclosures are based on materiality.

The notes are grouped into the following seven sections based on theme:

Section 1 Basis of preparation

Section 2 Operating profit and tax

Section 3 Working capital and cash flow

Section 4 Strategic acquisitions and divestments

Section 5 Capital structure

Section 6 Governance

Section 7 Other required disclosures

#### **NOTE 1.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION**

#### **Corporate information**

The consolidated financial statements of ISS Global A/S as of and for the year ended 31 December 2015 comprise ISS Global A/S and its subsidiaries (together referred to as "the Group") and the Group's interests in equity-accounted investees. A group chart is included in note 7.8. Subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.

The Annual Report for ISS Global A/S for 2015 was discussed and approved by the Managing Directors and the Board of Directors (the Board) on 17 March 2016 and issued for approval at the subsequent annual general meeting on 6 April 2016.

## **Basis of preparation**

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU and Danish disclosure requirements for listed companies (class D). In addition, the consolidated financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the IFRSs issued by the IASB.

The Group's significant accounting policies and accounting policies related to IAS 1 minimum presentation items are described in the relevant individual notes to the consolidated financial statements or otherwise stated below. A list of the notes is shown on p. 38.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis except for the following assets and liabilities, which are measured at fair value; currency swaps and financial assets classified as available for sale. Furthermore, other financial assets are measured at amortised cost subsequent to initial recognition.

The consolidated financial statements are presented in Danish kroner (DKK), which is ISS Global A/S's functional currency. All amounts have been rounded to nearest DKK million, unless otherwise indicated.

### Defining materiality

The income statement and the statement of financial position separately present items that are considered individually significant, or are required under the minimum presentation requirements of IAS 1.

In determining whether an item is individually significant ISS considers both quantitative and qualitative factors. If the presentation or disclosure of an item is not decision-useful, the information is considered insignificant.

Explanatory disclosure notes related to the consolidated financial statements are presented for individually significant items. Where separate presentation of a line item is made solely due to the minimum presentation requirements in IAS 1, no further disclosures are provided in respect of that line item.

### Changes in accounting policies

Except for the changes below, the Group has consistently applied the accounting policies set out below to all periods presented in these consolidated financial statements. However, based on new information minor adjustments to comparative figures in primary statements and notes have been implemented.

With effect from 1 January 2015, the Group has implemented:

- Parts of Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2010-2012 Cycle; and
- Parts of Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2011-2013 Cycle.

The adoption of these standards and interpretations did not affect recognition and measurement for 2015.

#### NOTE 1.1 **BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)**

Change in amortisation method In 2015, the Group has prospectively changed the amortisation method for acquisition-related customer contracts from the declining balance method to straight-line amortisation over the estimated useful life. The new method is deemed to better reflect the consumption of the future benefits embodied in the asset. The useful life is estimated to range between 11 and 15 years. The change increased Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts with DKK 44 million and decreased Net profit for the year with DKK 30 million.

Change in classification In 2015, the Group changed the classification of Interest received/paid in the statement of cash flows to be presented in Cash flow from operating activities instead of Cash flow from financing activities. Following the IPO of ISS A/S (the ultimate parent) in 2014 and the changed capital structure of the ISS A/S Group, it is management's assessment that this better reflects the distinction between operating and financing activities. The classification is therefore aligned with the presentation in the ISS A/S Group. The change in classification decreased Cash flow from operating activities with DKK 329 million and increased Cash flow from financing activities, correspondingly. Comparative figures were reclassified accordingly, which resulted in Cash flow from operating activities decreasing DKK 689 million and Cash flow from financing activities increasing correspondingly.

### Going concern

The Board and the Managing Director have during preparation of the consolidated financial statements of the Group assessed the going concern assumption. The Board and the Managing Director believe that no events or conditions give rise to doubt about the ability of the Group to continue in operation within the next reporting period. The conclusion is made based on knowledge of the Group, the estimated economic outlook and identified risks and uncertainties in relation thereto. Further, the conclusion is based on review of budgets, including expected development in liquidity and capital etc., current credit facilities available including contractual and expected maturities and covenants. Consequently, it has been concluded that it is reasonable to apply the going concern concept as underlying assumption for the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements comprise ISS Global A/S and entities controlled by ISS Global A/S. Control is achieved when the Group 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 over the investee. The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control commences until the date on which control ceases.

On consolidation all intra group transactions, balances, income and expenses are eliminated. Unrealised gains arising from transactions with equity-accounted investees are eliminated against the investment to the extent of the Group's interest in the investment. Unrealised losses are eliminated in the same way as unrealised gains, but only to the extent that there is no evidence of impairment.

The non-controlling interest's share of net profit for the year and of the equity of subsidiaries, which are not wholly-owned, are included in the Group's net profit and equity, respectively, but disclosed separately. By virtue of agreement certain non-controlling shareholders are only eligible of receiving benefits from their non-controlling interest when ISS as controlling shareholder has received their initial investment and compound interest on such. In such instances the subsidiaries' result and equity are fully allocated to ISS until the point in time where ISS has recognised amounts exceeding their investment including compound interest on such.

Changes in ownership-interest in a subsidiary, without loss of control, are accounted for as equity transactions.

If the Group looses control over a subsidiary, it derecognises the related assets (including goodwill), liabilities, non-controlling interest and other components of equity, while any resultant gain or loss is recognised in Other income and expenses, net. Any investment retained is recognised at fair value.

## Foreign currency

Transactions denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the respective Group companies are considered transactions denominated in foreign currencies.

On initial recognition, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated to the respective functional currencies of the Group companies at the exchange rates at the transaction date. Foreign exchange adjustments arising between the exchange rates at the transaction date and at the date of payment are recognised in the income statement under Financial income or Financial expenses.

Receivables, payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the reporting date. The difference between the exchange rates at the reporting date and at the date of transaction or the exchange rate in the latest financial statements is recognised in the income statement under Financial income or Financial expenses.

On recognition in the consolidated financial statements of Group companies with a functional currency other than DKK, the income statements and statements of cash flows are translated at the exchange rates at the transaction date and the statements of financial position are translated at the exchange rates at the reporting date. An average exchange rate for the month is used as the exchange rate at the transaction date to the extent that this does not significantly deviate from the exchange rate at the transaction date. Foreign exchange adjustments arising on translation of the opening balance of equity of foreign entities at the exchange rates at the reporting date and on translation of the income statements from the exchange rates at the transaction date to the exchange rates at the reporting date are recognised in other comprehensive income and presented in equity under a separate translation reserve. However, if the foreign entity is a non-wholly owned subsidiary, the relevant proportion of the translation difference is allocated to the non-controlling interest.

Foreign exchange adjustment of balances with foreign entities which are considered part of the investment in the entity is recognised in the consolidated financial statements in other comprehensive income and presented in equity under a separate translation reserve.

#### NOTE 1.1 **BASIS OF PREPARATION (CONTINUED)**

#### Rovalty

Royalty comprises royalty and management fee invoiced by ISS World Services A/S (the parent of ISS Global A/S) for services provided during the year.

### Presentation of the income statement

The consolidated income statement is presented in accordance with the "nature of expense" method. As IFRS does not prescribe a format of the income statement, the format we have chosen is what we believe best reflects the Group's profitability as it allows us to present the most relevant earnings measures for our business.

The presentation should be seen in light of our history of building our business platform through hundreds of acquisitions, which have added a significant amount of intangibles to the Group's statement of financial position. Thus, our income statement is impacted by significant amounts of non-cash amortisation/impairment of intangibles. In comparison to companies with a growth strategy based on organic growth, it is therefore important for us to clearly separate these items, in order to show a clear picture of the Group's profitability on the current business. Consequently, Goodwill impairment, Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts and Income tax effect hereof are presented in separate line items after Operating profit 1).

### Use of critical accounting estimates and judgements

In preparing these consolidated financial statements, management made various judgements, estimates and assumptions concerning future events that affected the application of the Group's accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis and have been prepared taking the financial market situation into consideration, but still ensuring that one-off effects which are not expected to exist in the long term do not affect estimation and determination of these key factors, including discount rates and expectations of the future.

Information about judgement, assumptions and estimation uncertainties that have a significant risk of resulting in a material adjustment is included in the following notes:

- Other income and expenses, net (note 2.4)
- Deferred tax (note 2.6)
- Trade receivables and related credit risk (note 3.1)
- Acquisitions and divestments (note 4.1)
- Disposal groups (note 4.2)
- Impairment tests (note 4.4)
- Pensions and similar obligations (note 7.2)
- Provisions (note 7.3)

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles.

# SECTION 2

# Operating profit and tax

In this section, we provide information in relation to the Group's operating profit and tax supplementing Group performance (p. 6) and Regional performance (pp. 11-15) and thus assisting the reader in getting a deeper understanding of the Group's performance in 2015.

Segment information provides additional financial details on our regions (our reportable segments) as well as revenue by main countries and by service type. The development in our primary cost type, staff costs, is specified, and a detailed overview is provided of other income and expenses, net, which consists of recurring and non-recurring items, that the Group does not consider to be part of its ordinary operations. Information about the Group's low exposure to currency risk on transaction level is also contained in this section. Finally, we provide details on the Group's income tax and deferred tax including the development in the Group's effective tax rate.

In this section, the following notes are presented:

- 2.1 Segment and revenue information
- 2.2 Translation and operational currency risk
- 2.3 Staff costs
- 2.4 Other income and expenses, net
- 2.5 Income taxes
- 2.6 Deferred tax

#### NOTE 2.1 **SEGMENT AND REVENUE INFORMATION**

ISS is a global facility services company, that operates in 77 countries and delivers a wide range of services within the areas cleaning services, support services, property services, catering services, security services and facility management.

Operations are generally managed based on a geographical structure in which countries are grouped into seven regions. The regions have been identified based on a key principle of grouping countries that share market conditions and cultures. However, countries with activities managed directly by the Global Corporate Clients organisation are excluded from the geographical segments and combined in a separate segment called "Other countries". An overview of the grouping of countries into regions is presented in note 7.8, Subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures.

# Reportable segments

The segment reporting is prepared in a manner consistent with the Group's internal management and reporting structure. A reconciliation of total reportable segments to the income statement and statement of financial position is provided in note 7.5, Reconciliation of segment information.

Transactions between reportable segments are made on market terms.

# **Accounting policy**

The accounting policies of the reportable segments are the same as the Group's accounting policies described throughout the notes. Segment revenue, costs, assets and liabilities comprise items that can be directly referred to the individual segments. Unallocated items mainly consist of revenue, costs, assets and liabilities relating to the Group's Corporate functions (including internal and external loans and borrowings, cash and cash equivalents and intra-group balances) as well as Financial income, Financial expenses and Income taxes.

For the purpose of segment reporting, segment profit has been identified as Operating profit (before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles). Segment assets and segment liabilities have been identified as Total assets and Total liabilities, respectively.

When presenting geographical information segment revenue and non-current assets are based on the geographical location of the individual subsidiary from which the sales transaction originates.

NOTE 2.1 SEGMENT AND REVENUE IN	FORMATIO	ON (CON	TINUED)	)					
2015 DKK million	Western Europe	Nordic	Asia	Pacific	North America	Latin America	Eastern Europe	Other coun- tries	Total reportable segments
Revenue 1)	40,894	14,738	10,104	4,478	4,161	3,609	1,580	113	79,677
Depreciation and amortisation <sup>2)</sup>	(364)	(132)	(78)	(55)	(17)	(38)	(17)	-	(701)
Operating profit before other items <sup>3)</sup>	2,562	1,146	788	255	173	144	99	(1)	5,166
Operating margin <sup>3)</sup>	6.3%	7.8%	7.8%	5.7%	4.2%	4.0%	6.3%	(0.8)%	6.5%
Other income and expenses, net	181	(22)	(41)	4	(27)	(9)	-	-	86
Royalty	(595)	(231)	(177)	(82)	(62)	(84)	(31)	-	(1,262)
Operating profit <sup>2)</sup>	2,148	893	570	177	84	51	68	(1)	3,990
Goodwill impairment	(147)	-	-	-	-	(126)	-	-	(273)
Amortisation/impairment and customer contracts	(139)	(35)	(20)	(21)	(25)	(7)	(6)	-	(253)
Total assets	23,220	8,592	5,187	2,383	2,268	1,433	1,242	13	44,338
Hereof assets classified as held for sale	1,463	235	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,698
Additions to non-current assets 4)	1,236	178	108	49	34	45	18	-	1,668
Total liabilities	13,102	5,307	2,065	1,270	1,217	1,011	505	13	24,490
Hereof liabilities classified as held for sale	353	90	-	-	-	-	-	-	443
<b>2014</b> Revenue <sup>1)</sup>	37,318	15,449	8,221	4,444	3,477	3,597	1,597	87	74,190
Depreciation and amortisation <sup>2)</sup>	(354)	(148)	(70)	(60)	(14)	(41)	(16)	-	(703)
Operating profit before other items <sup>3)</sup>	2,310	1,153	603	220	125	173	109	(1)	4,692
Operating margin <sup>3)</sup>	6.2%	7.5%	7.3%	5.0%	3.6%	4.8%	6.8%	(1.4)%	6.3%
Other income and expenses, net	(111)	41	9	(2)	24	(8)	(5)	-	(52)
Royalty	(609)	(243)	(165)	(93)	(66)	(11)	(40)	(0)	(1,227)
Operating profit <sup>2)</sup>	1,590	951	447	125	83	154	64	(1)	3,413
Goodwill impairment	(597)	-	-	-	-	(5)	(6)	-	(608)
Amortisation/impairment and customer contracts	(142)	(25)	(32)	(20)	(23)	(7)	(7)	-	(256)
Total assets	22,023	9,789	4,503	2,542	2,130	1,603	1,174	11	43,775
Hereof assets classified as held for sale	337	85	-	-	-	-	-	-	422
Additions to non-current assets 4)	470	200	87	62	23	37	19	-	898
Total liabilities	14,202	6,786	1,884	1,499	1,269	1,574	504	10	27,728
Hereof liabilities classified as held for sale	129	45	=	-	-	=	-	-	174

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Including internal revenue which due to the nature of the business is insignificant and is therefore not disclosed.

 $<sup>^{2)}</sup>$  Excluding Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

<sup>3)</sup> Excluding Other income and expenses, net, Royalty, Goodwill impairment and Amortisation/impairment of customer contracts.

<sup>4)</sup> Additions to non-current assets comprise additions to Intangible assets and Property, plant and equipment, including from Acquisitions.

#### NOTE 2.1 **SEGMENT AND REVENUE INFORMATION (CONTINUED)**

### Geographical information

Revenue and non-current assets (excluding deferred tax assets) for countries representing more than 5% of Group revenue:

		2015		2014
		Non-current		Non-current
DKK million	Revenue	assets	Revenue	assets
United Kingdom	11,896	2,654	9,896	1,923
Switzerland	5,174	1,396	4,079	1,268
France	4,794	2,264	5,101	3,125
Australia	4,217	1,576	4,113	1,609
Spain	4,198	1,250	4,099	1,265
USA	4,012	1,405	3,386	1,271
Denmark (country of domicile)	3,116	897	3,086	988
Other countries (including unallocated items and eliminations)	42,224	10,146	40,397	10,459
Total	79,631	21,588	74,157	21,908
Revenue by service				
DKK million		2015		2014
Cleaning services	39,841	50%	38,084	51%
Property services	15,526	20%	12,910	18%
Catering services	10,448	13%	9,620	13%
Support services	5,851	7%	5,986	8%
Security services	5,480	7%	5,316	7%
Facility management	2,485	3%	2,241	3%
Revenue	79,631	100%	74,157	100%

# Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Management makes estimates and judgements in relation to presentation of revenue as gross or net as well as in relation to treatment of significant contracts.

In some instances ISS will serve as reseller of goods such as cleaning materials, cleaning equipment etc, or provide staff for canteens selling food etc. In other instances services on an ISS contract will be delivered to the customer through a subcontractor of ISS. The issue is whether revenue should be presented gross or net, i.e. based on the gross amount billed to the customer, or based on the net amount retained (the amount billed to the customer less the amount paid to the supplier). To determine whether revenue should be presented gross or net of costs incurred management considers whether ISS is acting in the capacity of an agent or a principal, which requires judgement in the evaluation of relevant facts and circumstances.

The Group has entered into certain significant contracts with complex revenue and cost structures. Accounting for these contracts requires management's judgement in terms of recognition of the individual items of revenue and costs, including recognition in the correct periods over the term of the contract.

# **Accounting policy**

Revenue is measured at fair value of the consideration received less VAT and duties as well as price and quantity discounts.

Revenue from rendering services is recognised in the income statement in proportion to the stage of completion of the transaction at the reporting date. Revenue is recognised when the recovery of the consideration is probable and when the amount of revenue, the stage of completion, the costs incurred for the transaction, and the costs to complete the transaction can be measured reliably.

The stage of completion of a contract is assessed by reference to the proportion that contract costs incurred for work performed to date bear to the estimated total contract costs.

#### NOTE 2.2 TRANSLATION AND OPERATIONAL CURRENCY RISK

The Group is exposed to a low level of currency risk on transaction level, since the services are produced, delivered and invoiced in the same local currency as the functional currency in the entity delivering the services with minimal exposure from imported components. The Group is, however, exposed to risk in relation to translation into DKK of income statements and net assets of foreign subsidiaries, including intercompany items such as loans, royalties, management fees and interest payments between entities with different functional currencies, since a significant portion of the Group's revenue and operating profit is generated in foreign

In 2015, the currencies in which the Group's revenue was denominated increased with an average of 4.2% (2014: decreased with 1.9%) relative to DKK, increasing the Group's revenue by DKK 3,017 million (2014: a decrease of DKK 1,318 million). Currency movements increased the Group's operating profit before other items by DKK 195 million (2014: a decrease of DKK 81 million). The effect of the translation of net assets in foreign subsidiaries increased other comprehensive income by DKK 474 million (2014: an increase of DKK 468 million).

#### Sensitivity analysis

It is estimated that a change in foreign exchange rates of the Group's main currencies would have impacted revenue, operating profit before other items and other comprehensive income by the amounts shown below. The analysis is based on foreign exchange rate variances that the Group considered to be reasonably possible at the reporting date. It is assumed that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant and any impact of forecasted sales and purchases is ignored. The analysis is prepared on the same basis for 2014.

2015 2014 Change in Change in foreign Operating Net assets foreign Operating Net assets profit before in foreign in foreign exchange exchange profit before **DKK** million rates Revenue other items Royalty subsidiaries rates Revenue other items Royalty subsidiaries **GBP** 10% 1,190 88 (20)408 10% 990 71 (17)232 CHF 10% 517 44 (9)106 10% 408 34 (7)85 422 25 106 21 AUD 10% (8)10% 411 (9)98 401 17 USD 10% (6)103 10% 339 12 (7)85 394 33 36 NOK 10% (6)50 10% 456 (7)25 235 13 234 13 **EUR** 1% (4)87 1% (4)47 TRY 10% 279 22 (5) 253 20 (4)37 51 10% SEK 10% 371 29 176 374 30 77 (6)10% (6)Other 10% 1,717 103 521 10% 1,527 92 386 (34)(25)329 Total 5,526 374 (98)1,608 4,992 (86)1,072

NOTE 2.3 STAFF COSTS		
DKK million	2015	2014
Wages and salaries	41,194	38,504
Defined benefit plans	210	155
Defined contribution plans	1,704	1,689
Social security costs	5,904	5,785
Other employee benefits	2,410	2,277
Staff costs	51,422	48,410
Average number of employees	509,073	522,107

The Group received government grants in the form of wage subventions, which have been recognised in the income statement as a reduction of staff costs. The grants compensate the Group for staff costs primarily related to social security and wage increases as well as hiring certain categories of employees such as trainees, disabled persons, long-term unemployed and employees in certain age groups.

NOTE 2.4 OTHER INCOME AND EXPENSES, NET		
DKK million	2015	2014
Gain on divestments	351	167
Other	12	6
Other income	363	173
Restructuring projects	(150)	(147)
Loss on divestments	(38)	(79)
Acquisition and integration costs	(22)	(3)
Costs related to the IPO of ISS A/S	-	(33)
Onerous contracts	-	37
Other	(45)	(29)
Other expenses	(255)	(254)
Other income and expenses, net	108	(81)

Gain on divestments related mainly to the sale of the call centre activities (CMC) in Turkey as well as other minor activities and adjustments to prior years' divestments. In 2014, the gain mainly related to the sale of the Nordic temporary labour and staffing activities in Norway, Sweden and Finland, certain service activities related to asylum centres in Norway and the cash management activities in India.

Restructuring projects mainly related to the implementation of GREAT under which the review of the customer segmentation and organisational structure has led to structural adjustments in a number of countries and at Group level. The costs primarily comprised redundancy payments, termination of subcontractor agreements, termination of leaseholds and relocation costs. In 2015, costs mainly related to Belgium, Brazil, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Spain, the USA and at Group level. In 2014, costs related to Denmark, Norway and the United Kingdom as well as at Group level.

Loss on divestments mainly related to the sale of the route-based special cleaning services in the Netherlands and the temporary labour and staffing activities in Portugal as well as adjustments to prior years' divestments. In 2014, the loss mainly related to the sale of the security activities in Greece, the commercial security activities in Australia and the property service activities in Belgium.

Acquisition and integration costs related to GS Hall and mainly comprised financial and legal fees to advisors as well as costs incurred as a consequence of the integration.

Costs related to the IPO of ISS A/S in 2014 comprised certain transaction bonuses to senior management in certain countries.

Onerous contracts in 2014 comprised revised estimate for the expected loss on a specific large contract following a renegotiation of the contract in 2014.

# Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Other income and expenses, net consists of both recurring and non-recurring income and expenses that the Group does not consider to be part of its ordinary operations such as restructuring projects and gains and losses on divestments. The use of Other income and expenses, net entails management judgement in the separation from the ordinary operations of the Group. When using Other income and expenses, net it is essential that these constitute items that cannot be attributed directly to the Group's ordinary operating activities.

NOTE 2.5 INCOME TAXES		
Income tax recognised in the income statement  DKK million	2015	2014
Current tax on profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles  Deferred tax on profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles	830 90	616 115
Tax on profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles  Adjustments relating to prior years, net	<b>920</b> 9	<b>731</b> 9
Income taxes	929	740
Tax effect of amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles	(74)	(68)
Total tax recognised in the income statement	855	672
Effective tax rate	2015	2014
Statutory income tax rate in Denmark Foreign tax rate differential, net	23.5 % (0.5)%	24.5 % 1.6 %
Total	23.0 %	26.1 %
Non-tax deductible expenses less non-taxable income <sup>1)</sup> Adjustments relating to prior years, net Change in valuation of net tax assets Effect of changes in tax rates Other taxes <sup>2)</sup>	(0.2)% 0.3 % 2.4 % (0.1)% 2.8 %	2.2 % 0.4 % 1.6 % 0.3 % 3.7 %
Effective tax rate (excluding effect from amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles)	28.2 %	34.3 %

<sup>1)</sup> Including impact from interest limitation tax rules in Denmark. 2015 was impacted by significant non-taxable gain on divestments.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Other taxes mainly comprise withholding tax and the French Cortisation sur La Valeur Ajoutee des Entreprises (CVAE).

NOTE 2.6 DEFERRED TAX		
Movements in deferred tax		
DKK million	2015	2014
Deferred tax liabilities/(assets), net at 1 January	(51)	64
Foreign exchange adjustments	(10)	(14)
Acquisitions	38	-
Divestments	(9)	(4)
Tax on other comprehensive income	(62)	(138)
Reclassification to Assets/(Liabilities) classified as held for sale	15	(6)
Tax on profit before amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles	90	115
Tax effect of amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles	(74)	(68)
Deferred tax liabilities/(assets), net at 31 December	(63)	(51)

NOTE 26	DEFERRED TAX	(CONTINUED)

Deferred tax specification	Deferred	Deferred tax asset		Deferred tax liability	
DKK million	2015	2014	2015	2014	
	400	400			
Tax losses carried forward	496	429	-	-	
Goodwill	12	14	404	423	
Customer contracts	5	-	224	241	
Property, plant and equipment	67	65	92	85	
Other assets	-	13	433	346	
Provisions and other liabilities	359	401	15	32	
Pensions	292	256	-	-	
Set-off within legal tax units and jurisdictions	(300)	(423)	(300)	(423)	
Deferred tax	931	755	868	704	
Deletteu lax	931	755	000	704	

# Unrecognised deferred tax assets

At 31 December 2015, the Group had unrecognised deferred tax assets which comprised tax losses carried forward and other deductible temporary differences of DKK 993 million (2014: DKK 935 million) primarily relating to France, Germany, Brazil, Israel, Argentina, the USA and the Netherlands.

Unrecognised tax losses can be carried forward indefinitely in the individual countries, except for the USA (20 years), Argentina (5 years) and the Netherlands (9 years). Deferred tax assets have not been recognised in respect of the above tax losses because it is not probable that future taxable profit will be available in the foreseeable future against which the Group can utilise these.

### Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The Group recognises deferred tax assets relating to tax losses carried forward, when management assesses that these tax assets can be offset against positive taxable income in the foreseeable future. The assessment is made at the reporting date and is based on relevant information, taking into account any impact from limitation in interest deductibility and restrictions in utilisation in local tax legislation. The assessment of future taxable income is based on financial budgets approved by management as well as management's expectations regarding the operational development, primarily in terms of organic growth and operating margin in the following 5 years. Furthermore, planned adjustments to capital structure in each country are taken into consideration.

# **Accounting policy**

Income tax for the year consists of current tax and changes in deferred tax and is recognised in profit for the year or other comprehensive income. Income tax effect of amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles is presented in a separate line in connection with these items.

Current tax receivable and payable is recognised in the statement of financial position as tax computed on the taxable income for the year, adjusted for tax on the taxable income for previous years and for tax paid on account.

Deferred tax is measured in accordance with the liability method and comprises all temporary differences between accounting and tax values of assets and liabilities. Deferred tax is adjusted for elimination of unrealised intra-group profits and losses. Deferred tax is not recognised on temporary differences relating to goodwill which is not deductible for tax purposes and on office premises and other items where temporary differences, apart from in business combinations, arose at the time of acquisition without affecting either profit for the year or taxable income. Where alternative taxation rules can be applied to determine the tax base, deferred tax is measured according to management's intended use of the asset or settlement of the liability, respectively. Deferred tax is measured according to the taxation rules and tax rates in the respective countries applicable at the reporting date when the deferred tax is expected to be realised as current tax. The change in deferred tax as a result of changes in tax rates is recognised in the income statement.

Deferred tax assets, including the tax base of tax losses carried forward, are recognised under non-current assets at the expected value of their utilisation: either as a set-off against tax on future income or as a set-off against deferred tax liabilities in the same legal tax entity and jurisdiction. Deferred tax assets are assessed yearly and only recognised to the extent that it is more likely than not that they can be utilised in the foreseeable future.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset if the Group has a legal right to offset current tax assets and tax liabilities or intends to settle current tax assets and tax liabilities on a net basis or to realise the assets and settle the liabilities simultaneously.

# **SECTION 3**

# Working capital and cash flow

Ensuring a strong cash flow performance, and in particular managing working capital, is a key priority at ISS. Our approach to managing working capital is structured and well proven through continuous delivery of steady cash flows reflected in our cash conversion in the range of 94% to 102% in the period from 2010 to 2015.

As a result of the continued working capital focus across the Group, the cash conversion for 2015 was 99%. The strong cash flow performance reflects our efforts to ensure timely payment for work performed and focus on strong working capital processes.

The approach to improving capital efficiency consists primarily of the following tools:

- · working capital projects which focus on the order-to-cash process and in particular sharing of best practices within the
- particular focus on trade receivables, especially overdue receivables and unbilled receivables;
- standardised reporting of cash flow forecasts and ongoing follow-up in order to monitor the cash performance on a regular basis; and
- inclusion of cash conversion in the Group's incentive structure.

This section comprises notes to understand the development in working capital:

- 3.1 Trade receivables and related credit risk
- 3.2 Other receivables
- 3.3 Other liabilities
- 3.4 Changes in working capital

#### TRADE RECEIVABLES AND RELATED CREDIT RISK **NOTE 3.1**

### **Exposure to credit risk**

The carrying amount of trade receivables of DKK 10,770 million (2014: DKK 10,446 million) represents the Group's maximum credit exposure. At 31 December 2015, impairment losses recognised on trade receivables was DKK 258 million corresponding to 0.3% of revenue (2014: DKK 244 million or 0.3%).

The Group's customer portfolio is diversified in terms of geography, industry sector and customer size. The Group is not exposed to credit risk related to significant individual customers. In some geographies, mainly southern Europe and Latin America, in recent years the general credit risk has increased for certain specific groups of customers. However, amounts written off as uncollectible have remained at a relatively low level, which was also the case in 2015.

Exposure to credit risk on trade receivables is managed locally in the operating entities and credit limits are set as deemed appropriate for the customer taking into account the customer's financial position and the current market conditions. Generally, the Group does not hold collateral as security for trade receivables.

The maximum credit risk exposure at the reporting date by reportable segments was:

	2015					2014
DKK million	Gross	Impair- ment	Carrying amount	Gross	Impair- ment	Carrying amount
Western Europe	5,992	(149)	5,843	5,978	(135)	5,843
Nordic	1,592	(22)	1,570	1,560	(19)	1,541
Asia	1,581	(44)	1,537	1,322	(32)	1,290
Pacific	475	(8)	467	509	(9)	500
North America	488	(11)	477	390	(6)	384
Latin America	563	(17)	546	608	(36)	572
Eastern Europe	330	(6)	324	318	(6)	312
Other countries	7	(1)	6	5	(1)	4
Total	11,028	(258)	10,770	10,690	(244)	10,446

#### TRADE RECEIVABLES AND RELATED CREDIT RISK (CONTINUED) NOTE 3.1

### Impairment losses

The ageing of trade receivables at the reporting date was:

			2015		2014		
DKK million	Gross	Impair- ment	Carrying amount	Gross	Impair- ment	Carrying amount	
Not neet due	0.047	(2)	0.045	0.202		0.202	
Not past due	8,817	(2)	8,815	8,393	-	8,393	
Past due 1 to 60 days	1,484	(6)	1,478	1,576	(3)	1,573	
Past due 61 to 180 days	347	(8)	339	379	(8)	371	
Past due 181 to 360 days	124	(25)	99	118	(24)	94	
More than 360 days	256	(217)	39	224	(209)	15	
Total	11,028	(258)	10,770	10,690	(244)	10,446	

The movement in impairment losses during the year was:

DKK million	2015	2014
Impairment losses at 1 January	(244)	(310)
Acquisitions	(11)	-
Impairment losses recognised	(48)	(45)
Impairment losses reversed	34	19
Amounts written off	21	55
Reclassification from Provisions	(14)	-
Reclassification to Other receivables	-	37
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	4	0
Impairment losses at 31 December	(258)	(244)
impairment losses at 31 December	(238)	(244)

### Critical accounting estimates and judgements

Impairment losses are based on management's assessment of the customer's ability to make the required payments. The global economic downturn in recent years, particularly in southern Europe and Latin America, has increased credit risk for certain specific groups of customers. This development may have an adverse effect on the earnings in the industry in general and are taken into consideration in the assessment of impairment losses.

### **Accounting policy**

Trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value. Subsequent to initial recognition receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

Impairment losses are recognised when objective evidence indicates that an individual receivable or a portfolio of receivables with similar risk characteristics is impaired. This is based on an individual review for impairment due to customer insolvency, past due amounts and mathematically computed impairment losses based on classification of debtors, maturity and historical information.

Impairment losses, both individual and collective, are recognised in a separate account unless the Group is satisfied that no recovery of the amount owing is possible; at that point the amount is considered irrecoverable and is written off against the receivable directly.

When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through the income statement.

NOTE 3.2 OTHER RECEIVABLES		
DKK million	2015	2014
Prepayments	873	726
Currency swaps	9	-
Other	751	681
Other receivables	1,633	1,407

Prepayments comprise mainly prepayments to suppliers and sign-on fees related to customer contracts.

Other comprise various receivables such as supplier rebates and bonuses, refunds from customers and other recoverable amounts, receivable sales price from divestments, contract work in progress, outlay for customers, loans to customers, VAT, etc.

# **Accounting policy**

Other receivables are recognised initially at cost and subsequently at amortised cost. Prepayments are measured at cost. Costs relating to sales work and securing contracts are recognised in the income statement as incurred.

NOTE 3.3 OTHER LIABILITIES		
DKK million	2015	2014
A served warms page in a good balliday allowers	4 207	4 440
Accrued wages, pensions and holiday allowances	4,387	4,448
Tax withholdings, VAT etc.	2,799	2,775
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	1,339	1,268
Prepayments from customers	541	334
Other	3,301	2,541
Oshov linkiliting	42.267	44 266
Other liabilities	12,367	11,366

Other comprise accrued supplier expenses, utilities such as rent, telephone, electricity etc., contingent consideration and deferred payments, accrued interests, fees to advisors and auditors, customer discounts and insurance, etc.

NOTE 3.4 CHANGES IN WORKING CAPITAL		
DKK million	2015	2014
Changes in inventories	(12)	(6)
Changes in receivables	(517)	(96)
Changes in payables	476	34
Changes in working capital	(53)	(68)

# SECTION 4

# Strategic acquisitions and divestments

Intangible assets amounted to DKK 19,578 million (2014: DKK 19,872 million) and accounted for approximately 44% of the Group's total assets. This is a result of our acquisition strategy in previous years, when hundreds of businesses, were acquired and added significant amounts of acquisition-related intangibles. Consequently, the Group continues to be exposed to possible impairment losses, both following annual impairment tests and divestments. In 2015, intangibles have been reduced by both categories of impairment losses, in total amounting to DKK 273 million (2014: DKK 608 million).

In 2015, we acquired the UK based GS Hall plc, a leading technical services company focused on mechanical and electrical engineering, energy management and compliance. This was the first material acquisition in five years and in line with our strategy of making selective acquisitions to enhance our core competencies. The integration progressed well and we have increased self-delivery within technical services that we previously sub-contracted.

We continued to review the strategic rationale and fit of business units in 2015 and as a result, we divested six noncore businesses of which the call centre activities in Turkey were the most significant. Furthermore, three businesses were classified as held for sale as per 31 December 2015 as sales processes had been initiated.

In support of our continued strategic alignment, we will continue to review our business platform to identify potential divestments going forward.

In this section, the following notes are presented:

- 4.1 Acquisitions and divestments
- 4.2 Disposal groups
- 4.3 Intangible assets
- 4.4 Impairment tests
- 4.5 Goodwill impairment

2014

2015

#### NOTE 4.1 **ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTMENTS**

# **Acquisition impact**

			2015	2014
DKK million	GS Hall pic	Adjustments to prior years' acquisitions	Total acquisitions	Total acquisitions
	050		050	
Customer contracts	250	-	250	-
Other non-current assets	52	=	52	-
Trade receivables	183	-	183	-
Other current assets	78	-	78	-
Pensions, deferred tax liabilities and non-controlling interests	(54)	-	(54)	-
Current loans and borrowings	(104)	-	(104)	-
Other current liabilities	(320)	-	(320)	,
Total identifiable net assets	85		85	-
Goodwill	412	40	452	(3)
Consideration transferred	497	40	537	(3)
Cash and cash equivalents in acquired businesses	(17)	-	(17)	-
Cash consideration transferred	480	40	520	(3)
Contingent and deferred consideration	(62)	(12)	(74)	22
Total payments regarding acquisition of businesses	418	28	446	19

## **GS Hall plc**

On 20 January 2015, the Group acquired 100% of the shares in the UK based technical services company GS Hall plc.

The annual revenue was estimated at DKK 698 million (approximate figures extracted from unaudited financial information) based on expectations at the time of the acquisition. In 2015, GS Hall plc contributed revenue of DKK 778 million and operating profit before other items of DKK 62.3 million. Number of employees taken over was approximately 780.

Acquisition-related costs of DKK 12 million have been included in Other income and expenses, net, partly in 2014 and partly in 2015.

The acquisition supports ISS's strategy by expanding our technical services' self-delivery capabilities and supplements our IFS offering. Thus, goodwill added on acquisition is attributable mainly to: 1) technical expertise and technological know-how within property services, 2) synergies mainly by enhancing self-delivery possibilities, 3) platform for growth primarily within IFS, and 4) assembled work force.

Goodwill is not expected to be deductible for income tax purposes.

#### NOTE 4.1 **ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

# **Divestment impact**

The Group completed 6 divestments during 2015 (2014: 14 divestments):

Company/activity	Country	Service type	Excluded from the income statement	Percentage interest	Annual revenue 1) (DKK million)	Number of employees 1)
Route Based Security	India	Security	March	Activities	71	5,250
Landscaping	Belgium	Property	April	100%	18	18
CMC Call centre activities	Turkey	Support	November	90%	347	4,110
Special cleaning	The Netherlands	Cleaning	November	Activities	10	129
Manpower	Portugal	Support	December	100%	110	869
Plant business	Denmark	Support	January 2016	Activities	13	18
Total					569	10,394

<sup>1)</sup> Approximate figures based on information available at the time of divestment extracted from unaudited financial information.

DKK million	2015	2014
Goodwill	101	864
Customer contracts	8	70
Other non-current assets	88	278
Trade receivables	93	754
Other current assets	28	156
Provisions	(1)	(17)
Pensions, deferred tax liabilities and non-controlling interests	(32)	(80)
Loans and borrowings	(55)	(8)
Other current liabilities	(68)	(741)
Total identifiable net assets	162	1,276
Gain/(loss) on divestment of businesses, net 1)	313	151
Divestment costs, net of tax	87	261
Consideration received	562	1,688
Cash and cash equivalents in divested businesses	(18)	(75)
Cash consideration received	544	1,613
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Contingent and deferred consideration	26 (03)	(45)
Divestment costs paid, net of tax	(93)	(233)
Net proceeds regarding divestment of businesses	477	1,335

<sup>1)</sup> In 2014, the gain excluded the loss of DKK 63 million recognised in Other income and expenses, net, on initial classification of the security business in Greece as held for sale in 2013.

# Acquisitions and divestments subsequent to 31 December 2015

The Group made no acquisitions and no divestments in the period 1 January to 10 March 2016.

#### NOTE 4.1 **ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

# Pro forma revenue and operating profit before other items

Assuming all acquisitions and divestments in the year were included/excluded as of 1 January the effect on revenue and operating profit before other items is estimated as follows:

DKK million	2015	2014
Pro forma revenue		
Revenue recognised in the income statement	79,631	74,157
Acquisitions	65	-
Divestments	(435)	(1,315)
Pro forma revenue	79,261	72,842
Pro forma operating profit before other items		
Operating profit before other items recognised in the income statement	5,112	4,676
Acquisitions	6	-
Divestments	(54)	(43)
Pro forma operating profit before other items	5,064	4,633

For the purpose of estimating pro forma revenue and operating profit before other items, adjustments relating to acquisitions and divestments are based on estimates made by local ISS management in the respective jurisdictions in which the acquisitions and divestments occurred at the time of acquisition and divestment, or actual results where available. Synergies from acquisitions are not included for periods in which the acquisitions were not controlled by the Group. The estimates are based on unaudited financial information.

These adjustments and the computation of total revenue and operating profit before other items on a pro forma basis are presented for informational purposes only. This information does not represent the results the Group would have achieved had the divestments during the year occurred on 1 January. In addition, the information should not be used as the basis for or prediction of any annualised calculation.

#### NOTE 4.1 **ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)**

# Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The most significant assets acquired generally comprise goodwill, customer contracts and trade receivables. As no active market exists for the majority of acquired assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities, in particular in respect of acquired intangible assets, management makes estimates of the fair value. The methods applied are based on the present value of future cash flows calculated based on after-tax royalty payments, churn rates or other expected cash flows related to the specific asset. Estimates of fair value are associated with uncertainty and may possibly be adjusted subsequently.

The fair value of customer contracts acquired in business combinations is based on an evaluation of the conditions relating to the acquired customer contract portfolio and related customer relationships. Measurement is based on a discounted cash flow model based on key assumptions about the estimated split of the acquired revenue in business segments and the related churn rates and profitability of the revenue at the time of the acquisition. Further, management estimates the Weighted Average Cost of Capital (WACC) and a risk premium for the assumed risk inherent in customer contracts.

# **Accounting policy**

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The cost of an acquisition is measured as the aggregate of the consideration transferred, which is measued at acquisition date fair value, and the amount of any non-controlling interests in the acquiree. For each business combination, the Group elects whether to measure the non-controlling interests in the acquiree at fair value or at the proportionate share of the acquiree's identifiable net assets. Acquisition-related costs are expensed as incurred and included in Other income and expenses, net.

Any contingent consideration to be transferred by the acquirer is recognised at fair value at the acquisition date.

If uncertainties exist at the acquisition date regarding identification or measurement of acquired identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities or regarding the consideration transferred, initial recognition will take place on the basis of provisionally determined fair values. If identifiable assets, liabilities and contingent liabilities are subsequently determined to have a different fair value at the acquisition date from that first assumed, goodwill is adjusted up until 12 months after the acquisition date and comparative figures are restated accordingly. Thereafter no adjustments are made to goodwill, and changes in estimates of contingent consideration relating to business combinations are recognised in the income statement under Other income and expenses, net.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost (being the excess of the aggregate of the consideration transferred and the amount recognised for non-controlling interests) and any previous interest held over the net identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed. If the fair value of the net assets acquired is in excess of the aggregate consideration transferred, the Group re-assesses whether it has correctly identified all of the assets acquired and all of the liabilities assumed and reviews the procedures used to measure the amounts to be recognised at the acquisition date. If the reassessment still results in an excess of the fair value of net assets acquired over the aggregate consideration transferred, then the gain is recognised in profit or loss.

After initial recognition, goodwill is measured at cost less any accumulated impairment losses. For the purpose of impairment testing, goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the Group's cash-generating units (CGUs) that are expected to benefit from the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units.

Where goodwill has been allocated to a CGU and part of the operation within that unit is disposed of, the goodwill associated with the disposed operation is included in the carrying amount of the operation when determining the gain or loss on disposal. Goodwill disposed in these circumstances is measured based on the relative values of the disposed operation and the portion of the CGU retained.

Written put options held by non-controlling shareholders are accounted for in accordance with the anticipated acquisition method, i.e. as if the put option has been exercised already. Such options are recognised as Other liabilities initially at fair value. Fair value is measured at the present value of the exercise price of the option.

Subsequent fair value adjustments of put options held by non-controlling interests relating to business combinations effected on or after 1 January 2010 are recognised directly in equity. Subsequent fair value adjustments of put options held by non-controlling interests related to business combinations effected prior to 1 January 2010 are recognised in goodwill. The effect of unwind of discount is recognised under Financial expenses.

# NOTE 4.2 DISPOSAL GROUPS

At 31 December 2014, assets classified as held for sale comprised three businesses in the Western Europe and Nordic regions. During 2015, one of these, the call centre activities (CMC) in Turkey, was divested. The divestment resulted in a gain of DKK 334 million, which was recognised in Other income and expenses, net. Sales processes are still ongoing for the other two businesses. Additionally during 2015, the continued evaluation of our activities has led to sales process initiation for one additional business in Western Europe and this activity was classified as held for sale. The reclassification resulted in an impairment loss of DKK 129 million which was recognised in Goodwill impairment. Consequently, at 31 December 2015, assets classified as held for sale comprised three businesses in the Western Europe and Nordic regions.

In 2015 and 2014, no cumulative income or expenses were recognised in other comprehensive income related to assets classified as held for sale.

DKK million	2015	2014
Goodwill	1,007	162
Other intangible assets	27	53
Property, plant and equipment	263	119
Other financial assets	16	-
Deferred tax assets	15	0
Inventories	22	0
Trade and other receivables	348	88
Assets classified as held for sale	1,698	422
Loans and borrowings	_	15
Pensions and similar obligations	70	6
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Deferred tax liabilities	12	6
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# Critical accounting estimates and judgements

When classifying non-current assets and disposal groups as held for sale management makes estimates of their fair value (the final sales price and expected costs to sell). Depending on the nature of the non-current assets and disposal group's activity, assets and liabilities, the estimated fair value may be associated with uncertainty and possibly adjusted subsequently. Measurement of the fair value of disposal groups is categorised as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy as measurement is not based on observable market data.

Management considers intangible assets relating to the disposal groups, taking into consideration how to separate the net assets (including intangible assets) relating to the disposal group from the Group's assets in the continuing business. Impairment of these intangibles both on initial classification as held for sale and subsequently is considered. The estimation uncertainty relating to impairment of intangibles in general is described in note 4.4, Impairment tests.

# NOTE 4.2 DISPOSAL GROUPS (CONTINUED)

# **Accounting policy**

Assets classified as held for sale comprise non-current assets and disposal groups held for sale. Liabilities classified as held for sale are those directly associated with the assets that will be transferred in the transaction. Assets are classified as held for sale when the carrying amount of the assets is expected to primarily be recovered through a sale within 12 months of the reporting date in accordance with a formal plan rather than through continuing use.

Immediately before classification as held for sale, the assets or disposal groups are remeasured in accordance with the Group's accounting policies. Thereafter generally the assets or disposal groups are measured at the lower of their carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. Any impairment loss is first allocated to goodwill, and then to remaining assets and liabilities on pro rata basis, except that no loss is allocated to inventories, financial assets, deferred tax assets or employee benefit assets, which continue to be measured in accordance with the Group's accounting policies. Intangible assets and property, plant and equipment once classified as held for sale are not amortised or depreciated.

Impairment losses on initial classification as held for sale, and subsequent gains and losses on remeasurement are recognised in the income statement. Gains and losses are disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements.

Non-current assets and disposal groups held for sale are presented in separate lines in the statement of financial position and the main elements are specified in the notes to the consolidated financial statements. Comparative figures are not adjusted.

# NOTE 4.3 INTANGIBLE ASSETS

DKK million	Goodwill	Customer contracts	Software and other intangible assets	Total
DIK Million	Goodwiii	Contracts	assets	Iolai
2015				
Cost at 1 January	20,340	4,156	1,280	25,776
Foreign exchange adjustments	395	123	12	530
Acquisitions	452	250	5	707
Additions	-	-	176	176
Divestments	(60)	(18)	(7)	(85)
Disposals	-	· -	(51)	(51)
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	(1,096)	(153)	(16)	(1,265)
Cost at 31 December	20,031	4,358	1,399	25,788
Amortication and impairment leases at 1. January	(2.012)	(3.060)	(022)	(F 004)
Amortisation and impairment losses at 1 January Foreign exchange adjustments	(2,012) 15	(3,069) (94)	(823) 2	(5,904) (77)
Amortisation	-	(249)	(129)	(378)
Impairment losses 1)	(273)	(4)	(123)	(277)
Divestments	18	17	<u>-</u>	35
Disposals	-	-	41	41
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	190	149	11	350
Amortisation and impairment losses at 31 December	(2,062)	(3,250)	(898)	(6,210)
Carrying amount at 31 December	17,969	1,108	501	19,578
2014				
Cost at 1 January	20,360	4,186	1,145	25,691
Foreign exchange adjustments	291 1	122	5 207	418 208
Additions Divestments	(150)	(77)	(4)	(231)
Disposals	(150)	(77)	(25)	(25)
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	(162)	(75)	(48)	(285)
Cost at 31 December	20,340	4,156	1,280	25,776
Amoutication and immaissment leaves at 4. Issues	(4 5 47)	(0.050)	(7.45)	(F. 4.40\)
Amortisation and impairment losses at 1 January	(1,547)	(2,856)	(745)	(5,148)
Foreign exchange adjustments Amortisation	4	(77)	5 (122)	(68)
Impairment losses 1)	(608)	(256)	(122)	(378) (608)
Divestments	139	70	2	211
Disposals	-	-	17	17
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	<u> </u>	50	20	70
Amortisation and impairment losses at 31 December	(2,012)	(3,069)	(823)	(5,904)
Carrying amount at 31 December	18,328	1,087	457	19,872

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> For a breakdown of impairment losses on goodwill, see note 4.5, Goodwill impairment. Impairment losses on customer contracts in 2015 related to divestments of non-core activities in Belgium and Portugal.

# NOTE 4.3 INTANGIBLE ASSETS (CONTINUED)

### **Accounting policy**

Goodwill is initially recognised at cost and subsequently at cost less accumulated impairment losses. Goodwill is not amortised. Goodwill is attributable mainly to assembled workforce, technical expertise and technological knowhow.

Acquisition-related customer contracts are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date and subsequently carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and any accumulated impairment losses. The value is amortised using the straight-line method based on the estimated useful life of the acquired portfolio which is estimated to range between 11 and 15 years.

Software and other intangible assets that are acquired by the Group and have finite useful lives are measured at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

The cost of software developed for internal use includes external costs to consultants and software as well as internal direct and indirect costs related to the development. Other development costs for which it cannot be rendered probable that future economic benefits will flow to the Group are recognised in the income statement as and when incurred.

Amortisation is based on the cost of the asset and recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets, which are estimated to 5-10 years.

Amortisation methods and useful lives are reassessed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate. When changing the amortisation period due to a change in the useful life, the effect on the amortisation is recognised prospectively as a change in accounting estimates.

Please refer to note 4.4, Impairment tests, for a description of impairment testing of intangible assets.

#### **NOTE 4.4 IMPAIRMENT TESTS**

# **Determination of cash-generating units (CGUs)**

Impairment tests are carried out per country as this represents the lowest level of cash-generating units (CGUs) to which the carrying amount of intangibles, i.e. goodwill and customer contracts, can be allocated and monitored with any reasonable certainty. This level of allocation and monitoring of intangibles should be seen in the light of the Group's strategy to integrate acquired companies as quickly as possible in order to benefit from synergies.

# Estimates used to measure recoverable amount

The recoverable amount of each CGU is determined on the basis of its value-in-use. The value-in-use is established using certain key assumptions as described below. The key assumptions are revenue growth, operating margin and discount rates.

Value-in-use cash flow projections are based on financial budgets approved by management covering the following financial year. The revenue growth and operating margin assumptions applied in the short to medium term (forecasting period) are based on management's expectations regarding the growth and operational development considering all relevant factors including past experience and external sources of information where possible and relevant.

When estimating the CGUs' margin development in the forecasting period, past experience as well as the impact from expected efficiency improvements are taken into consideration. Since 2013, we have accelerated our strategy implementation through GREAT, which among other things include customer segmentation, organisational structure, IFS readiness and excellence projects, e.g. our procurement programme and business process outsourcing (BPO). The expected impact of these initiatives are taken into consideration for the relevant CGUs.

Revenue growth projections in the forecasting period for the individual CGUs' are estimated on the basis of expected market development including IFS readiness, impact from Global Corporate Clients' contracts and the macroeconomic environment in general. Past experience is taken into consideration as well as the expected impact from local and Group initiatives, such as GREAT, where especially initiatives on customer segmentation, organisational structure and IFS readiness are assumed to affect growth opportunities.

Terminal growth rates do not exceed the expected long-term average growth rate including inflation for the country in which the CGU operates.

#### NOTE 4.4 **IMPAIRMENT TESTS (CONTINUED)**

The country specific discount rates, which are calculated net of tax, are generally based on 10-year government bonds of the individual countries. An interest premium is added to adjust for the inconsistency of applying government bonds with a short-term maturity when discounting the estimated future cash flows with infinite maturity.

A target ratio of 25/75 (2014: 30/70) between the market value of debt and equity value has been applied in the calculation. As a company based in Europe, the Group assumes the long-term market equity risk premium to be 6.5% (2014: 6.5%).

Uncertainties reflecting past performance and possible variations in the amount or timing of the projected cash flows are generally reflected in the discount rates. Consequently, a country specific risk premium is added to the discount rates to reflect the specific risk associated with each CGU.

#### Impairment test results 2015

The impairment test as per 31 December 2015 resulted in the recognition of an impairment loss on goodwill in Brazil of DKK 126 million due to an update of business plan assumptions and an increase in the applied discount rate following the significant deterioration of the Brazilian economy during 2015.

### Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In performing the impairment test management makes an assessment of whether the CGU to which the intangibles relate will be able to generate positive net cash flows sufficient to support the value of intangibles and other net assets of the entity.

This assessment is based on estimates of expected future cash flows (value-in-use) made on the basis of financial budgets for the following financial year and estimated discount rates, growth and margin development. The procedure is described in detail in "Estimates used to measure recoverable amount". During recent years volatility in risk free interest rates has increased, which generally has increased the estimation uncertainty.

### Accounting policy

Intangible assets with an indefinite useful life, i.e. goodwill, are subject to impairment testing at least annually or when circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may be impaired. The carrying amount of other non-current assets is tested annually for indications of impairment.

If an indication of impairment exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. The recoverable amount is the higher of the fair value of the asset less anticipated costs of disposal and its value-in-use. The value-in-use is calculated as the present value of expected future cash flows from the asset or the CGU to which the asset belongs.

The carrying amount of goodwill is tested for impairment together with the other non-current assets in the CGU to which goodwill is allocated.

An impairment loss is recognised in the income statement in a separate line if the carrying amount of an asset or its CGU exceeds its estimated recoverable amount.

An impairment loss in respect of goodwill is not reversed. In respect of other assets, impairment losses are only reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation and amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognised.

# NOTE 4.4 IMPAIRMENT TESTS (CONTINUED)

# Carrying amounts and key assumptions

The carrying amount of intangibles, i.e. goodwill and customer contracts, and the key assumptions<sup>1)</sup> used in the impairment testing as per 31 December are presented below for each CGU representing more than 5% of the carrying amount of the Group's intangibles or where impairment losses have been incurred during the year.

	Carrying amount			Forecastin	Forecasting period		period	Applied discount rate	
DKK million	Goodwill	Customer contracts	Total in- tangibles	Growth (avg.)	Margin (avg.) <sup>2)</sup>	Growth	Margin <sup>2)</sup>	Net of tax	Pre-tax
2015									
United Kingdom	2,031	341	2,372	3.1%	7.4%	2.5%	7.4%	8.6%	10.1%
France	1,900	_	1,900	2.1%	5.1%	2.5%	6.0%	8.1%	13.4%
Finland	1,698	53	1,751	2.0%	7.2%	2.0%	7.2%	8.1%	9.8%
Australia	1,327	107	1,434	2.3%	6.0%	3.0%	6.0%	9.8%	13.2%
USA	1,167	163	1,330	3.9%	5.2%	3.0%	5.2%	9.8%	14.4%
Switzerland	1,219	19	1,238	1.7%	7.4%	2.0%	7.4%	6.4%	7.8%
Spain	1,024	95	1,119	2.5%	6.2%	2.5%	6.2%	8.9%	11.3%
The Netherlands 3)	998	-	998	2.1%	4.2%	2.0%	5.0%	8.5%	10.7%
Brazil	-	14	14	5.9%	3.5%	5.0%	4.0%	23.4%	34.1%
Other countries	6,605	316	6,921	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	17,969	1,108	19,077						
2014									
France	2,829	_	2,829	2.0%	6.0%	2.5%	7.0%	7.9%	12.9%
Finland	1,792	75	1,867	1.9%	7.2%	2.0%	7.2%	7.8%	9.4%
United Kingdom	1,527	124	1,651	2.7%	7.2%	2.5%	7.2%	8.3%	9.9%
Australia	1,334	127	1,461	2.4%	5.6%	3.0%	6.0%	9.7%	12.8%
USA	1,046	169	1,215	4.8%	5.1%	3.0%	6.0%	9.5%	13.5%
Spain	1,022	117	1,139	2.5%	6.2%	2.5%	6.2%	8.7%	10.9%
Switzerland	1,094	21	1,115	2.5%	7.2%	2.0%	7.2%	6.7%	8.1%
The Netherlands 3)	995	_	995	(0.1)%	4.3%	2.0%	5.0%	8.3%	10.4%
Other countries	6,689	454	7,143	· · ·		-	-		_
Total	18,328	1,087	19,415						

<sup>1)</sup> The key assumptions applied in the impairment tests are used for accounting purposes and should not be considered a forward-looking statement within the meaning of the US Private Securities Litigation Act of 1995 and similar laws in other countries regarding expectations to the future development.

France The assumptions applied for France have been prepared based on the general principles described on pp. 66-67. Specifically for France, the assumptions are based on management's business plan for improving growth and profit in the course of the forecasting period. In terms of growth, increased sales are expected to derive from focused sales initiatives mainly directed at key account and IFS customers in line with GREAT. Initiatives to improve customer retention and customer Net Promoter Score (cNPS) are also expected to support growth. IFS as a share of revenue in France is currently below Group average, which represents an opportunity for growing the business through focus on larger and more complex customers.

Operating margin is assumed in the range 4.5%-5.8% in the forecasting period. Following some major divestments in recent years, France is going through a reorganisation process also in light of the implementation of GREAT. Thus, improvements are mainly expected from adapting overhead costs and excellence initiatives like procurement and investments in improved cost transparency. Furthermore, it is assumed that the French tax credit CICE, which has a significant impact on the margin and is currently enacted until 31 December 2016, is prolonged or replaced by a new arrangement with a similar financial impact.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Excluding allocated corporate costs.

<sup>3)</sup> The recoverable amount of the CGU is estimated at DKK 0.8 billion at 31 December 2015 (2014: DKK 0.8 billion), which equals the carrying amount of the CGU's net assets. Net assets comprise total intangible assets reduced by other net assets, which were negative at 31 December 2015.

#### NOTE 4.4 **IMPAIRMENT TESTS (CONTINUED)**

The Netherlands The assumptions applied for the Netherlands have been prepared based on the general principles described on pp. 66-67. During 2015, the management team was changed, and the business plan for improving growth and profit in the course of the forecasting period has been updated based on initiatives currently being implemented. In terms of growth, the major part is assumed to come from new IFS contracts as a result of an improved commercial culture and focus being directed towards IFS customers in line with the GREAT initiative.

Operating margin is assumed in the range 3.2%-5.0% in the forecasting period. The improvement is mainly a result of focus on operational excellence on contract level (cost overspend and general contract efficiencies). Furthermore, excellence initiatives under GREAT are expected to lead to savings primarily from the procurement programme and from BPO.

# Sensitivity analysis

A sensitivity analysis on the key assumptions in the impairment testing is presented below. The allowed change represents the percentage points by which the value assigned to the key assumption can change, all other things being equal, before the CGU's recoverable amount equals its carrying amount.

	Forecasting period			Terminal period						
	Gro	wth	Marg	jin <sup>1)</sup>	Growth Margin 1)		Discount rate, net of tax			
	Applied avg. rate	Allowed decrease	Applied avg. rate	Allowed decrease	Applied long-term rate	Allowed decrease	Applied long-term rate	Allowed decrease	Applied rate	Allowed increase
2015										
United Kingdom	3.1%	>3.1%	7.4%	>3.0%	2.5%	>2.5%	7.4%	>3.0%	8.6%	>3.0%
France	2.1%	>2.1%	5.1%	>3.0%	2.5%	1.1%	6.0%	1.1%	8.1%	0.9%
Finland	2.0%	>2.0%	7.2%	>3.0%	2.0%	>2.0%	7.2%	>3.0%	8.1%	>3.0%
Australia	2.3%	>2.3%	6.0%	>3.0%	3.0%	>3.0%	6.0%	>3.0%	9.8%	>3.0%
USA	3.9%	>3.9%	5.2%	>3.0%	3.0%	2.7%	5.2%	1.6%	9.8%	2.0%
Switzerland	1.7%	>1.7%	7.4%	>3.0%	2.0%	>2.0%	7.4%	>3.0%	6.4%	>3.0%
Spain	2.5%	>2.5%	6.2%	>3.0%	2.5%	>2.5%	6.2%	2.4%	8.9%	2.6%
The Netherlands	2.1%	0.0%	4.2%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	8.5%	0.0%
2014										
France	2.0%	1.1%	6.0%	1.5%	2.5%	0.3%	7.0%	0.4%	7.9%	0.2%
Finland	1.9%	>1.9%	7.2%	>3.0%	2.0%	>2.0%	7.2%	>3.0%	7.8%	>3.0%
United Kingdom	2.7%	>2.7%	7.2%	>3.0%	2.5%	>2.5%	7.2%	>3.0%	8.3%	>3.0%
Australia	2.4%	>2.4%	5.6%	>3.0%	3.0%	>3.0%	6.0%	1.8%	9.7%	2.3%
USA	4.8%	>4.8%	5.1%	>3.0%	3.0%	>3.0%	6.0%	2.5%	9.5%	>3.0%
Spain	2.5%	>2.5%	6.2%	>3.0%	2.5%	>2.5%	6.2%	1.7%	8.7%	2.3%
Switzerland	2.5%	>2.5%	7.2%	>3.0%	2.0%	>2.0%	7.2%	>3.0%	6.7%	>3.0%
The Netherlands	(0.1)%	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%	2.0%	0.0%	5.0%	0.0%	8.3%	0.0%

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding allocated corporate costs.

NOTE 4.5 GOODWILL IMPAIRMENT		
DKK million	2015	2014
Impairment losses identified in impairment tests	126	580
Impairment losses derived from divestment of businesses	147	28
Goodwill impairment	273	608

Impairment losses identified in impairment tests related to Brazil, as described in note 4.4, Impairment tests. In 2014, impairment losses related to the Netherlands due to an update of business plan assumptions.

Impairment losses derived from divestment of businesses mainly related to the remeasurement of businesses classified as held for sale in Western Europe which resulted in the recognition of an impairment loss of DKK 129 million. Furthermore, impairment losses were recognised in connection with the divestment of the landscaping activities in Belgium of DKK 6 million and the temporary labour and staffing activities in Portugal of DKK 12 million. In 2014, impairment losses mainly related to the landscaping activities in France of DKK 14 million and the combined businesses in Croatia and Bosnia of DKK 6 million.

# **SECTION 5**

# **Capital structure**

The ISS Global Group is indirectly wholly owned by ISS A/S and is therefore part of the ISS A/S Group. Group Treasury manages financing activities and capital structure centrally for the ISS A/S Group as a whole. The ISS Global Group's financing activities and capital structure are not assessed independently of the ISS A/S Group.

At 31 December 2015, net debt was DKK 14,621 million (2014: 14,751 million). The refinancing in November 2015, when EUR 500 million of bonds were issued under the EMTN programme and part of our senior unsecured facilities were repaid, further strengthened our debt position by extending the maturity and locking in interest rates on this part of our debt.

In this section, the following notes are presented:

- 5.2 Loans and borrowings
- 5.3 Financial risk management
- 5.4 Interest rate risk
- 5.5 Liquidity risk
- 5.6 Currency risk
- 5.7 Financial income and financial expenses

# **CORPORATE CREDIT RATINGS**

Standard & Poor's 1) Moody's 2)

BBB- / Positive Outlook Baa2 / Stable Outlook

# Ratings of Senior Facilities and issued bonds

Standard & Poor's Moody's

BBB- / Positive Outlook Baa2 / Stable Outlook

1) As of 30 March 2015.

2) As of 3 September 2015.

#### **NOTE 5.1 EQUITY**

# Share capital

·	2015			2014		
	Nominal value (DKK million)	Number of shares (in thousands)	Nominal value (DKK million)	Number of shares (in thousands)		
Share capital at 1 January	180	180	180	180		
Share capital at 31 December - fully paid	180	180	180	180		

No shares carry special rights. At 31 December 2015, all shares were freely transferable.

### **Dividends**

In 2015, total dividends of DKK 2,000 million to ISS World Services A/S, ultimately ISS A/S, was proposed and approved on an extraordinary general meeting. No new dividends have been proposed or declared before the Annual Report was issued.

# NOTE 5.1 EQUITY (CONTINUED)

### **Capital management**

The Group monitors the capital structure and evaluates the need for adjustments on an ongoing basis. The Group's objectives for managing capital and what is managed as capital are described in note 5.5, Liquidity risk. The dividend policy and payment of dividends is made subject to the necessary consolidation of equity and the Group's continuing expansion and profitability.

ISS Global A/S (the Group's parent) is a holding company, and its primary assets are shares in its subsidiaries, receivables from its subsidiaries and cash in its bank accounts. ISS Global A/S has no revenue generating operations of its own, and therefore ISS Global A/S's cash flow and ability to service its indebtness, will primarily depend on the operating performance and financial condition of its operating subsidiaries, and the receipt by ISS Global A/S of funds from its subsidiaries.

# **Accounting policies**

Retained earnings is the Group's free reserves, which includes share premium. Share premium comprises amounts above the nominal share capital paid by shareholders when shares are issued by ISS Global A/S.

Translation reserve comprises all foreign exchange differences arising from the translation of financial statements of foreign entities with a functional currency other than DKK as well as from the translation of non-current balances which are considered part of the investment in foreign entities.

On full or partial realisation of a foreign entity where control is lost the foreign exchange adjustments are transferred to the income statement under the same line item as the gain or loss.

Dividends are recognised as a liability at the date when they are adopted at the annual general meeting (declaration date). Dividends proposed for the year are shown in a separate reserve under Equity. Interim dividends are recognised as a liability at the date when the decision to pay interim dividend is made.

NOTE 5.2 LOANS AND BORROWINGS		
DKK million	2015	2014
lacuad banda	40.044	0.070
Issued bonds Bank loans	12,611 2,920	8,870 7,143
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	5,968	4,945
Finance lease liabilities	137	151
Derivatives	5	58
Total	21,641	21,167
Non-current liabilities	14,926	14,887
Current liabilities	6,715	6,280
Loans and borrowings	21,641	21,167
Cash and cash equivalents and other financial items 1)	(7,020)	(6,416)
Net debt	14,621	14,751

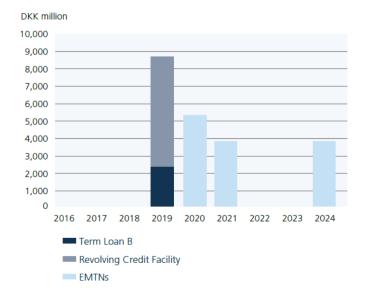
<sup>1)</sup> Includes securities of DKK 28 million (2014: DKK 21 million) and certain receivables from companies within the ISS Group of DKK 2,473 million (2014: DKK 2,858 million) and positive value of currency swaps of DKK 9 million (2014: DKK 0 million). The average effective interest rate related to receivables from companies within the ISS Group was 1.27% (2014: 3.93%).

The ISS Global Group is indirectly wholly owned by ISS A/S and is therefore part of the ISS A/S Group. Group Treasury manages financing activities and capital structure centrally for the ISS A/S Group as a whole. The ISS Global Group's financing activities and capital structure are not assessed independently of the ISS A/S Group.

In November 2015, a new bond was issued under the EMTN programme with maturity in 2021 and a coupon of 1.125%. The proceeds were used to repay part of the senior unsecured facilities (EUR 500 million of the EUR 800 million Term Loan B maturing in 2019), thereby extending the maturity and locking in fixed rates on this part of the debt. In June 2015, the senior unsecured facilities were adjusted with respect to pricing and certain terms. The adjustment reduced margin, depending on leverage, from 125 bps to 85 bps with effect from 29 June 2015.

# Maturity of the credit facilities

The maturity profile<sup>1)</sup> of the Group's current external financing, i.e. issued bonds and bank loans, is illustrated below.



<sup>1)</sup> Based on nominal values including any undrawn amounts and excluding interest payments.

### **NOTE 5.2 LOANS AND BORROWINGS (CONTINUED)**

### Fair value

The fair value of loans and borrowings was DKK 21,768 million (2014: DKK 21,405 million). The fair value of bonds is based on the quoted market price on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and measurement is categorised as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. For the remaining part of loans and borrowings fair value is equal to the nominal value as illustrated in note 5.4. Interest rate risk.

# Financing fees

In 2015, financing fees amounting to DKK 37 million (2014: DKK 275 million) have been recognised in loans and borrowings while financing fees of DKK 64 million (2014: DKK 284 million) have been amortised and recognised in financial expenses. Accumulated financing fees recognised in loans and borrowings on 31 December 2015 amounted to DKK 137 million (2014: DKK 164 million).

# **Accounting policy**

Financial liabilities are recognised at the date of borrowing at fair value less related transaction costs paid. Subsequently, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Any difference between the proceeds initially received and the nominal value is recognised in the income statement under Financial expenses over the term of the loan. Financial liabilities also include the capitalised residual obligations on finance leases, which are measured at amortised cost.

#### **NOTE 5.3** FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Group is exposed to a number of financial risks arising from its operating and financing activities, mainly interest rate risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and credit risk. These financial risks are managed centrally by Group Treasury based on the Group Financial Policy, which is reviewed annually and approved by the Board of Directors of ISS A/S.

The Group's financial risk management is focused on managing risks arising from the Group's operating and financing activities, mainly by use of fixed rate bonds and currency instruments with the purpose of minimising exposure in the Group's results. It is not the Group's policy to take speculative positions in the financial markets.

The areas involving the most significant financial risks are loans and borrowings, financial income and expenses and credit risk related to trade receivables. Information about the Group's objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing the risk exposure related to these items is included in these notes:

- Trade receivables and related credit risk (note 3.1)
- Interest rate risk (note 5.4)
- · Liquidity risk (note 5.5)
- · Currency risk (note 5.6)

The Group has not identified additional financial risk exposures in 2015 compared to 2014, and the approach to capital management and financial risk management is broadly unchanged compared with 2014.

The Group is exposed to risk in relation to translation into DKK of income statements and net assets of foreign subsidiaries, including intercompany items such as loans, royalties, management fees and interest payments between entities with different functional currencies, since a significant portion of the Group's revenue and operating profit is generated in foreign entities. This risk is described in note 2.2, Translation and operational currency risk.

To limit the exposure to credit risk related to securities, cash and cash equivalents it is Group policy only to enter into transactions with financial institutions carrying a minimum required short-term credit rating assigned by Standard & Poor's (S&P) (A-1 rating) or Moody's (P-1 rating). Other banks may be approved separately by Group Treasury. Group Treasury monitors credit ratings and given that the Group generally enters into transactions only with financial institutions with high credit ratings, management assesses that sufficient steps are taken in order to mitigate potential counterparties failing to meet contractual obligations.

# NOTE 5.4 INTEREST RATE RISK

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of financial instruments, currently bank loans and issued bonds. The Group's exposure towards interest rates is illustrated below, where a breakdown of the Group's loans and borrowings in floating and fixed rates is provided. The interest rate exposure is primarily related to EUR. The Group does currently not use interest rate swaps to hedge the risk related to changes in interest rates.

According to the Group Financial Policy at least 50% of the Group's total bank loans and issued bonds must carry fixed interest rates. At least on a monthly basis Group Treasury measures the balance between fixed and variable interest rates to ensure compliance with the policy. As per 31 December 2015, 81% of the Group's bank loans and bonds carried fixed interest rates (31 December 2014:

# Terms and maturity of the Group's interest-bearing loans and borrowings

				_	2015	2014
DKK million	Nominal interest rate	Currency	Year of maturity	Nominal value	Carrying amount	Carrying amount
Issued bonds (fixed interest rate):						
EMTNs (EUR 700 million)	1.125%	EUR	2020	5,224	5,196	5,174
EMTNs (EUR 500 million)	1.125%	EUR	2021	3,731	3,708	-
EMTNs (EUR 500 million)	2.125%	EUR	2024	3,731	3,707	3,696
			_	12,686	12,611	8,870
Bank loans (floating interest rate):			_			
Senior Unsecured Facilities 1):						
Term Facility B (EUR 300 million)	Euribor + 0.85%	EUR	2019	2,239	2,223	5,113
Term Facility B	Libor + 1.50%	CHF	2019	-	-	805
Revolving Credit Facility (EUR 850 million) 2)	Libor + 0.85%	Multi	2019	567	521	1,062
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	Multi	-	176	176	163
			_	2,982	2,920	7,143
Intra-group (floating interest rate):			_			
Debt to companies within the ISS Group <sup>2)</sup>	Cibor + 0.50%	DKK	2019	5,968	5,968	4,945
				5,968	5,968	4,945

<sup>1)</sup> The senior facilities include a margin grid where the margin is dependent on the Group's leverage. The current margin of 0.85% will decrease to 0.65% if leverage is below 2.5x and increase to 1.10% if leverage is above 3x. At 31 December 2015, leverage was 2.1x meaning that as of beginning of March 2016 margin will decrease to 0.65%.

# Sensitivity analysis

The interest rate risk is measured by the duration of the gross debt (fixed-rate period). As at 31 December 2015, the duration of gross debt was approximately 3.4 years (2014: 3.1 years).

It is estimated that a general increase in relevant interest rates of 1%-point would have decreased profit for the year and other comprehensive income by DKK 58 million (2014: decreased both items by DKK 81 million). The estimate was based on loans and borrowings with floating interest rates, i.e. disregarding cash and cash equivalents, as the level at 31 December is typically the highest in the year and not a representative level for the purpose of this analysis. The analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular foreign currency rates, remain constant.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> The loans are committed until 2019, but classified as current as they are used in the Group's normal operating cycle.

# NOTE 5.5 LIQUIDITY RISK

Liquidity risk results from the Group's potential inability or difficulty in meeting the contractual obligations associated with its financial liabilities due to insufficient liquidity.

Raising capital is managed centrally by Group Treasury. The purpose is to ensure efficient liquidity management, which mainly comprise ensuring that adequate liquidity is available to the Group. Group Treasury mitigates liquidity risk by prioritising a diversified funding by obtaining borrowing facilities with highly rated financial institutions, via issued bonds, bank loans and effective working capital management.

The liquidity management is based on two principles: i) maintenance of a smooth maturity profile and ii) ensuring both a short-term and long-term minimum liquidity reserve. Another key principle for liquidity management is that liquidity is transferred to and from ISS Global A/S, which operates as the internal bank of the Group. For day-to-day liquidity management cash pools have been established in the majority of the local entities.

It is the Group's policy to maintain an appropriate level of liquid reserves. The Group's liquidity reserves mainly consist of liquid funds (cash and cash equivalents less not readily available or restricted cash) and unused credit facilities. As at 31 December 2015, the Group's liquid reserves consisted of readily available liquid funds of DKK 4,482 million (2014: DKK 3,509 million) and unused revolving credit facilities of DKK 5,575 million (2014: DKK 5,030 million) where the majority is available for drawing until 19 February 2019.

In addition, as of 31 December 2015, ISS had DKK 0.8 billion of other credit facilities of which DKK 0.5 billion was unused. Such facilities comprise mainly other local credit facilities and finance leases, which are not part of the senior unsecured facilities.

DKK 28 million (2014: DKK 28 million) of the total cash position at 31 December 2015 was placed on blocked or restricted bank accounts due to legal circumstances.

The bank loans are subject to customary undertakings, covenants (including financial covenants) and other restrictions. Financial covenants comprise: i) Debt cover and ii) Interest cover. The financial covenants are calculated on a last-twelve-months basis and reported bi-annually. In the event of a default under those agreements, the debt incurred including accrued interest could be declared immediately due and payable. In 2015, all covenants have been complied with.

# Contractual maturities of financial liabilities

The contractual maturities of financial liabilities, based on undiscounted contractual cash flows, are shown below. The undiscounted contractual cash flows include expected interest payments, estimated based on market expectations at the reporting date.

The risk implied from the values in the maturity table below reflects the one-sided scenario of cash outflows only. Trade payables and other financial liabilities mainly finance assets such as trade receivables and property, plant and equipment.

DKK million	Carrying amount	Contractual cash flows		1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	5 years
2015								
Loans and borrowings 1)	15,673	17,062	1,022	239	224	2,437	5,354	7,786
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	5,968	5,983	5,983			_,	-	- ,
Trade payables and other financial liabilities 2)	5,178	5,200	5,114	28	58	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	26,819	28,245	12,119	267	282	2,437	5,354	7,786
2014								
Loans and borrowings 1)	16,222	17,828	1,659	248	239	232	6,122	9,328
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	4,945	5,067	5,067	-	-	-	-,	-
Trade payables and other financial liabilities 2)	5,021	5,035	4,947	85	1	2	-	-
Total financial liabilities	26,188	27,930	11,673	333	240	234	6,122	9,328

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding debt to companies within the ISS Group.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Including payable royalties and management fees to ISS World Services A/S.

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# NOTE 5.6 CURRENCY RISK

Currency risk is the risk that arises from changes in exchange rates, and affects the Group's result or value of financial instruments.

To a limited extent the Group is exposed to currency risk on loans and borrowings (external) that are denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the reporting entities as well as intercompany loans from the parent company to foreign subsidiaries as these are typically denominated in the functional currency of the subsidiary.

The Group's policy is to hedge foreign exchange exposures towards EUR or DKK exceeding DKK 5 million. However, some currencies cannot be hedged within a reasonable price range, e.g. ARS and ISK, and are therefore not hedged directly. Correlation between certain currencies, e.g. USD and Asian or Latin American currencies, are taken into account and proxy hedges are applied in cases where deemed appropriate. Exposure to EUR is monitored but not hedged due to the fixed exchange rate policy between DKK/EUR.

The Group holds a number of investments in foreign subsidiaries where the translation of net assets to DKK is exposed to currency risk. It is not Group policy to hedge the currency exposure on foreign investments.

The Group uses currency swaps to hedge the exposure to currency risk related to loans and borrowings as well as intercompany loans from the parent company to foreign subsidiaries. All hedging is conducted at Group level. Group Treasury measures the Group's total currency exposure of all loans and borrowings, intercompany balances and cash and cash equivalents in different currencies at least on a weekly basis in order to evaluate the need for hedging currency positions. As fair value adjustments of both the hedged item and the derivative financial instrument are recognised in the income statement under financial income and expenses, hedge accounting in accordance with IAS 39 is not applied. Consequently, currency swaps are not presented in this or other notes to the consolidated financial statements.

At 31 December 2015, 96.8% (2014: 93.3%) of the Group's loans and borrowings were denominated in EUR or DKK.

# Impact on the consolidated financial statements

Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates will affect the value of loans and borrowings (external) as well as the income statement as funding is obtained in various currencies. In 2015, changes in foreign exchange rates related to loans and borrowings resulted in a loss of DKK 142 million (2014: loss of DKK 207 million), which was almost offset by the effect of currency swaps. The primary impact is derived from loans and borrowings in CHF which appreciated sharply in January 2015.

# Sensitivity analysis

It is estimated that a change in relevant foreign exchange rates would have increased/(decreased) profit for the year and other comprehensive income by the amounts shown below. The analysis is based on the Group's internal monitoring of currency exposure on loans and borrowings, cash and cash equivalents, intercompany loans as well as accrued royalties (Group internal). Further, the analysis is based on foreign exchange rate variances that the Group considered to be reasonably possible at the reporting date and assumes that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant and ignores any impact of forecasted sales and purchases.

			S			
Currency exposure (nominal value)	Currency swaps (contractual value)	Total exposure	Increase in foreign ex- change rates	Profit for the year	Other com- prehensive income	
(12,611)	4,659	(7,952)	1%	(80)	(80)	
734	(928)	(194)	10%	(19)	(19)	
(176)	238	62	10%	6	6	
(12,053)	3,969	(8,084)				
(10,194)	3,483	(6,711)	1%	(67)	(67)	
619	(1,128)	(509)	10%	(51)	(51)	
208	-	208	10%	21	21	
(534)	406	(128)	10%	(13)	(13)	
(9,901)	2,761	(7,140)				
	(12,611) 734 (176) (12,053) (10,194) 619 208 (534)	(12,611) 4,659 734 (928) (176) 238  (12,053) 3,969  (10,194) 3,483 619 (1,128) 208 - (534) 406	exposure (nominal value)         (contractual value)         Total exposure           (12,611)         4,659         (7,952)           734         (928)         (194)           (176)         238         62           (12,053)         3,969         (8,084)           (10,194)         3,483         (6,711)           619         (1,128)         (509)           208         -         208           (534)         406         (128)	Currency exposure (nominal value)         Currency swaps (contractual value)         Total foreign exchange rates           (12,611)         4,659 (7,952)         1% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10% 10% 1	exposure (nominal value)         (contractual value)         Total exposure         foreign exchange rates         Profit for the year           (12,611)         4,659 (7,952)         1% (80)           734 (928)         (194)         10% (19)           (176)         238 62         10% 6           (12,053)         3,969 (8,084)         (67)           619 (1,128)         (509)         10% (51)           208 - 208 10% 21         21           (534)         406 (128)         10% (13)	

NOTE 5.7 FINANCIAL INCOME AND FINANCIAL EXPENSES		
DKK million	2015	2014
Interest income on cash and cash equivalents	39	) 68
Interest income for cash and cash equivalents  Interest income from companies within the ISS Group	29	
Amortisation of gain from settlement of interest swaps	-	. 1
Foreign exchange gains	70	147
Financial income	138	310
Interest expenses on loans and borrowings	(462	2) (755
Interest expense from companies within the ISS Group	(12	,
Amortisation of financing fees	(37	
Refinancing	(27	(230
Other bank fees	(81	) (96
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges	(10	)) (19
Net interest on defined benefit obligations	(34	(26
Foreign exchange losses	(137	(236
Financial expenses	(800	(1,522

Foreign exchange gains and losses mainly related to exchange rate movements on intercompany loans from the parent company to foreign subsidiaries as well as on external loans and borrowings denominated in currencies other than DKK. In addition, fair value adjustments of currency swaps were included.

Interest expenses on loans and borrowings The decrease in interest expenses was mainly a result of lower margins and lower average net debt.

Amortisation of financing fees At the date of borrowing financing fees are recognised as part of loans and borrowings. Subsequently, financing fees are amortised over the term of the loan and recognised in financial expenses. Amortisation of financing fees are non-cash financial expenses.

Refinancing The partial repayment of Term Loan B in December 2015 resulted in non-cash unamortised financing fees of DKK 27 million being expensed. In 2014, costs of DKK 230 million related to the refinancing of the pre-IPO debt (the senior secured facilities and the securitisation programme) and Term Loan A of the new unsecured senior facilities.

# **SECTION 6**

# Governance

The Group's incentive plans are designed to create alignment of the interests of the EGM and other employees in key positions with the interests of the shareholders of the ISS Group as well as to strike a balance between the short-term and long-term focus of the incentive plans. Two share-based incentive programmes are implemented; a Long-Term Incentive Programme (LTIP) and a Transition Share Programme (TSP).

In 2015, as part of our strategic GREAT initiative, a new, delayered and strengthened Group organisational structure was implemented to extract benefits of the changes made in our country organisations. The change also led to a reduction of the EGMB of ISS A/S from four to two directors effective 27 August 2015, which has been reflected in the notes relating to remuneration.

In this section, the following notes are presented:

- 6.1 Remuneration to the Board of Directors and the Executive Group Management
- 6.2 Share-based payments
- 6.3 Related parties
- 6.4 Fees to auditors

#### NOTE 6.1 REMUNERATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MANAGEMENT

The management team of the Group formally consists of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of ISS Global A/S. The directorships are not separately remunerated. As ISS Global A/S has no significant operating activities of its own, the Group relies on the management team of ISS A/S, the ultimate parent of ISS Global A/S. Consequently, key management personnel of the Group comprises the management team of ISS A/S, i.e. the Board of Directors (the Board) and the Executive Group Management (the EGM) (i.e. the Executive Group Management Board (the EGMB) and Corporate Senior Officers) of ISS A/S.

Members of the EGM have authority and responsibility for planning, implementing and controlling the Group's activities and are together with the Board considered as the Group's key management personnel.

			2015		201			
		The EGM		_	The EG	М		
DKK thousand	The Board of ISS A/S	The EGMB of ISS A/S 1)	Corporate Senior Officers of ISS A/S <sup>1)</sup>	The Board of ISS A/S	The EGMB of ISS A/S	Corporate Senior Officers of ISS A/S		
Base salary and non-monetary benefits	6,758	23,816	43,192	5,713	27,762	41,749		
Annual bonus	-	15,867	21,027	5,715	14,561	19,805		
Share-based payments <sup>2)</sup>	-	14,822	30,263	-	10,868	12,574		
Severance payments 3)	-	-	34,041	-	-	-		
Bonus related to the IPO 4)	-	-	-	-	17,859	14,538		
Total remuneration	6,758	54,505	128,523	5,713	71,050	88,666		

<sup>1)</sup> Effective 27 August 2015, Henrik Andersen and John Peri stepped down from their EGMB positions. Henrik Andersen continued as member of the EGM until 18 December 2015, and John Peri continued as member of the EGM until 31 December 2015. Base salary and other remuneration has been split between the EGMB and Corporate Senior Officers accordingly.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> In 2015, DKK 9 million related to senior management changes at Group level was recognised in Other income and expenses, net.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> Severance payments related to senior management changes at Group level were included in Other income and expenses, net.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4)</sup> DKK 26 million was recognised in Other income and expenses, net and DKK 6 million was recognised in equity.

# NOTE 6.2 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS

ISS A/S has implemented two equity-settled share-based incentive programmes; a transition share programme (TSP) (one-time grant) and a Long-Term Incentive Programme (LTIP). Both programmes are equity-settled in ISS A/S, who recharges costs relating to the ISS Group. Furthermore, the Group has a bonus programme, which is partly settled in shares.

# **Share-based incentive programmes**

Under the Transition Share Programme (TSP) members of the EGM of ISS A/S (the EGMB and Corporate Senior Officers of the Group) and other senior officers of the Group, were granted a number of PSUs. Upon vesting, each PSU entitles the holder to receive one share at no cost.

The programme will vest over a two-year period with a maximum of 50% on the date of the first and second anniversary of the grant, respectively. Full or partial vesting of the PSUs is subject to achievement of the non-individual criteria of the annual bonus plans for 2014 and 2015, respectively, as shown below. Upon vesting of the second tranche in March 2016, the programme will lapse.

Measure	Weighting
	_
Organic growth	27.8%
Operating margin	27.8%
Cash conversion	27.8%
Employee engagement	6.7%
Customer experience	6.7%
Health and safety	3.2%

Under the Long-Term Incentive Programme (LTIP), members of the EGM of ISS A/S (the EGMB and Corporate Senior Officers of the Group), and other senior officers of the Group, were granted a number of PSUs. Upon vesting, each PSU entitles the holder to receive one share at no cost.

The programme will vest on the date of the third anniversary of the grant. Full or partial vesting of the PSUs is subject to achievement of targets for earnings per share (EPS) and total shareholder return (TSR) benchmarked against a peer group of Danish listed companies and a peer group of international service companies.

LTIP vesting 1)	Criteria for EPS 2014 2)	Criteria for EPS 2015 2)	Criteria for TSR (2014 and 2015) 2)
Novostina	FDC group loss than	EDC group loss than 7.5%	ICC performs below median of peer group
No vesting	EPS grows less than 12% annually	annually	ISS performs below median of peer group
25% vesting	,		ISS performs at median of peer group
100% vesting	EPS grows 18% annually or more	EPS grows 13.5% annually or more	ISS performs at upper quartile of peer group or better

<sup>1)</sup> Linear vesting between 25% and 100% vesting.

# Value of the programmes and impact on the income statement

	TSP	LTIP 2015	LTIP 2014
Total PSUs granted	526,720	775,760	952,169
Number of participants	36	142	141
Fair value of PSUs expected to vest at grant date, DKK million	59	89	83
Fair value of PSUs expected to vest at 31 December 2015, DKK million	41	85	93
Recognised in the income statement in 2015, DKK million 1)	40	26	35
Not yet recognised in respect of PSUs expected to vest, DKK million	1	59	33

<sup>1)</sup> Hereof DKK 22 million related to TSP, DKK 15 million related to LTIP 2015 and DKK 17 million related to LTIP 2014 were expensed in ISS World Services A/S.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> The EPS target weighs 50%, and the TSR target weighs 50% equally divided between the target against international peers and the target against OMX C20 companies.

# NOTE 6.2 SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (CONTINUED)

# Applied assumptions at the time of grant

	TSP	LTIP 2015	LTIP 2014
			_
Share price (DKK)	160	219	160
Expected volatility	-	21.9% <sup>1)</sup>	23% 1)
Expected life of grant	1-2 years	3 years	3 years
Risk-free interest rate	-	0.8%-2.0%	1.7%-2.8%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Based on observable market data for peer group.

# Outstanding PSI le

Outstanding PSUs	The E	EGM		
TSP (number of PSUs)	The EGMB of ISS A/S <sup>2)</sup>	Corporate Senior Officers of ISS A/S	Other senior officers	Total
Outstanding at 1 January 2014 Granted	- 137,786	- 157,204	- 231,730	- 526,720
Outstanding at 31 December 2014	137,786	157,204	231,730	526,720
Expected to vest at 31 December 2014 1)	111,090	126,746	186,832	424,668
Outstanding at 1 January 2015 Transferred Vested Cancelled	137,786 (58,998) (36,199) (3,194)	157,204 (68,850) (40,592) (3,584)	231,730 127,848 (159,087) (27,342)	526,720 - (235,878) (34,120)
Outstanding at 31 December 2015	39,395	44,178	173,149	256,722
Expected to vest at 31 December 2015 1)	39,395	44,178	173,149	256,722
LTIP 2014 (number of PSUs)				
Outstanding at 1 January 2014 Granted	- 131,914	- 157,204	- 663,051	- 952,169
Outstanding at 31 December 2014	131,914	157,204	663,051	952,169
Expected to vest at 31 December 2014 1)	81,340	96,934	408,848	587,122
Outstanding at 1 January 2015 Transferred Cancelled	131,914 (55,064) -	157,204 (68,850)	663,051 123,914 (25,802)	952,169 - (25,802)
Outstanding at 31 December 2015	76,850	88,354	761,163	926,367
Expected to vest at 31 December 2015 1)	46,750	53,749	478,737	579,236

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1)</sup> Reflects the number of PSUs expected to vest based on the expected achievement of vesting conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Heine Dalsgaard's unvested PSUs under the LTIP programme will be cancelled when he, as announced, steps down as Group CFO no later than 1 August 2016.

### NOTE 6.2 **SHARE-BASED PAYMENTS (CONTINUED)**

# **Outstanding PSUs (continued)**

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LTIP 2015 (number of PSUs)	The EGMB of ISS A/S <sup>2)</sup>	Corporate Senior Officers of ISS A/S	Other senior officers	Total
Outstanding at 1 January 2015	-	-	-	-
Granted	57,231	101,157	617,372	775,760
Cancelled	-	-	(9,169)	(9,169)
Outstanding at 31 December 2015	57,231	101,157	608,203	766,591
Expected to vest at 31 December 2015 1)	28,728	50,778	309,902	389,408

<sup>1)</sup> Reflects the number of PSUs expected to vest based on the expected achievement of vesting conditions.

# **Deferred bonus programme**

ISS A/S had an annual bonus programme under which two-thirds are paid out in cash the following year, while one-third is deferred and settled in restricted share units (RSUs) of which 50% are converted into shares after one year and 50% are converted into shares after two years. There are no performance conditions attached to the RSUs. With effect from 2015, bonuses will be settled entirely in cash.

	The E	GM		
Deferred bonus (number of RSUs)	The EGMB of ISS A/S	Corporate Senior Officers of ISS A/S	Other senior officers	Total
Outstanding at 1 January 2015	_	_	_	_
Granted	23,965	28,016	-	51,981
Transferred	(11,279)	(8,079)	19,358	-
Outstanding at 31 December 2015	12,686	19,937	19,358	51,981

# **Accounting policy**

The value of services received in exchange for granted performance-based share units (PSUs) is measured at fair value at the grant date and recognised in the income statement under staff costs over the vesting period with a corresponding debt to ISS A/S.

The fair value of granted PSUs is measured using a generally accepted valuation model taking into consideration the terms and conditions upon which the PSUs were granted including market-based vesting conditions (TSR condition).

On initial recognition, an estimate is made of the number of PSUs expected to vest. The estimated number is subsequently revised for changes in the number of PSUs expected to vest due to non-market based vesting conditions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2)</sup> Heine Dalsgaard's unvested PSUs under the LTIP programme will be cancelled when he, as announced, steps down as Group CFO no later than 1 August 2016.

# NOTE 6.3 RELATED PARTIES

# Parent and ultimate controlling party

The sole shareholder of ISS Global A/S, ISS World Services A/S, has controlling influence in the Group and is wholly owned by ISS A/S (the ultimate parent).

At 1 January 2015, FS Invest II S.à r.I (FS Invest II) owned 19% of ISS A/S's shares and had significant influence in the Group. FS Invest II is a wholly-owned subsidiary of FS Invest S.à r.I (FS Invest), which is owned by funds advised by EQT Partners (EQT) and funds advised by Goldman Sachs Capital Partners (GSCP). At 1 January 2015, the indirect ownership share of ISS was 10% for EQT and 9% for GSCP.

On 12 March 2015, FS Invest II sold all of its ISS A/S shares pursuant to an accelerated bookbuilt offering.

At 31 December 2015, ISS Global A/S had no related parties with significant influence in the Group.

There were no significant transactions during 2015 with ISS A/S or FS Invest II.

# **Key management personnel**

The Board of ISS A/S and the EGM of ISS A/S are considered the Group's key management personnel as defined in note 6.1, Remuneration to the Board of Directors and the Executive Group Management.

Apart from remuneration, there were no significant transactions during the year with members of the Board and the EGM.

# Other related party transactions

In 2015, the Group had the following transactions with other related parties, which were all made on market terms:

- the Group was charged royalty and management fees from ISS World Services A/S amounting to DKK 1,262 million.
- the Group received/paid interest from/to companies within the ISS Group, see note 5.7, Financial income and financial expenses.
- the Group's short-term debt to ISS A/S amounted to DKK 5,968 million.

# Directorship and external executive positions of the Board and Managing Directors at 31 December 2015

Board of Directors	Board member	Executive position
Jeff Gravenhorst	Chairman of the board of directors of Rambøll Gruppen A/S, member of the board of directors of Danish Crown A/S and member of the Confederation of Danish Industry's (DI) Permanent Committee on Business Policies.	None
Heine Dalsgaard	None	None
Bjørn Raasteen	None	None
Managing Directors	Board member	Executive position
Barbara Plucnar Jensen	None	None

#### **NOTE 6.4 FEES TO AUDITORS** 2015 2014 EY Non-EY **Total** EY Non-EY **DKK** million **Total** 21 22 25 Statutory audit 2 23 1 Other assurance services 0 0 2 0 1 1 Tax and VAT advisory services 11 12 1 8 8 Other services 3 1 4 11 11 Total 23 15 38 3 43 46

Other assurance services comprised mainly work related to the interim financial statements.

Other services comprised among other things work related to acquisitions and divestments such as financial and tax due diligence.

# **SECTION 7**

# Other required disclosures

This section includes other disclosures required by IFRS, but which are not relevant for the understanding of the individual themes of sections 2 to 6. The following notes are presented:

- 7.1 Property, plant and equipment
- 7.2 Pensions and similar obligations
- 7.3 Provisions
- 7.4 Contingent liabilities
- 7.5 Reconciliation of segment information
- 7.6 Subsequent events
- 7.7 New standards and interpretations not yet implemented
- 7.8 Subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures

NOTE 7.1 PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT						
			2015			2014
DKK million	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Total	Land and buildings	Plant and equipment	Total
Cost at 1 January	103	5,358	5,461	101	5,653	5,754
Foreign exchange adjustments	1	84	85	5	110	115
Acquisitions	33	15	48	-	-	-
Additions	3	743	746	3	688	691
Divestments	-	(27)	(27)	-	-	-
Disposals	(36)	(600)	(636)	(0)	(709)	(709)
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	(0)	(369)	(369)	(6)	(384)	(390)
Cost at 31 December	104	5,204	5,308	103	5,358	5,461
Depreciation and impairment losses at 1 January	(39)	(3,810)	(3,849)	(36)	(4,035)	(4,071)
Foreign exchange adjustments	0	(47)	(47)	(2)	(84)	(86)
Acquisitions	_	(14)	(14)	-	-	-
Depreciation 1)	(2)	(571)	(573)	(1)	(583)	(584)
Divestments	-	12	12	-	-	-
Disposals	16	554	570	0	621	621
Reclassification to Assets classified as held for sale	0	185	185	0	271	271
Depreciation and impairment at 31 December	(25)	(3,691)	(3,716)	(39)	(3,810)	(3,849)
Carrying amount at 31 December	79	1,513	1,592	64	1,548	1,612
Hereof carrying amount at 31 December of assets held under finance leases		150	150		154	154

<sup>1)</sup> In 2014, the amount included impairment losses recognised in Other income and expenses, net in connection with remeasurement of activities being classified as held for sale of DKK 3 million.

### **NOTE 7.1** PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)

# Property and equipment under operating leases

The Group leases a number of properties, vehicles (primarily cars) and other equipment under operating leases. The leases typically run for a period of 2-5 years, with an option to renew the lease after that date.

The disclosed non-cancellable operating lease payments below assume no early termination of any agreement:

DKK million	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	After 5 years	Total lease payments
At 31 December 2015	1,217	834	527	319	229	311	3,437
At 31 December 2014	1,190	799	507	291	175	264	3,226

During 2015, DKK 1,767 million (2014: DKK 1,703 million) was recognised as an expense in the income statement in respect of operating leases.

Leasing of cars is primarily entered under an international car fleet lease framework agreement which is valid until end 2018. The majority of the underlying agreements have a lifetime duration of 3-5 years.

# **Accounting policy**

Property, plant and equipment is measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses.

Cost of assets comprises the purchase price and any costs directly attributable to the acquisition until the date when the asset is ready for use. The net present value of estimated liabilities related to dismantling and removing the asset and restoring the site on which the asset is located is added to the cost.

The cost of assets held under finance leases is stated at the lower of fair value of the asset and the net present value of future minimum lease payments. When calculating the net present value, the interest rate implicit in the lease or an approximated rate is applied as the discount rate.

A finance lease is a lease that transfers substantially all risks and rewards of ownership to the lessee. Other leases are classified as operating leases.

Subsequent costs, e.g. for replacing part of an item, are recognised in the carrying amount of the asset if it is probable that the future economic benefits embodied by the item will flow to the Group. The replaced item is transferred to the income statement. All other costs for common repairs and maintenance are recognised in the income statement when incurred.

Depreciation is based on the cost of an asset less its residual value. When parts of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives, they are accounted for as separate items of property, plant and equipment. The estimated useful life and residual value is determined at the acquisition date. If the residual value exceeds the carrying amount depreciation is discontinued.

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment is recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives of the assets. Assets under finance leases are depreciated over the shorter of the lease term and their useful lives unless it is reasonably certain that the Group will obtain ownership by the end of the lease term. The estimated useful lives for current and comparative years are as follows:

Estimated useful life

Buildings	20-40 years
Leasehold improvements	(the lease term) 5-12 years
Plant and equipment	3-10 years

Land is not depreciated.

Depreciation methods, useful lives and residual values are reassessed at each reporting date and adjusted if appropriate. When changing the depreciation period or the residual value, the effect on the depreciation is recognised prospectively as a change in accounting estimates.

Gains and losses arising on the disposal or retirement of property, plant and equipment are measured as the difference between the selling price less direct sales costs and the carrying amount, and are recognised in the income statement under Other operating expenses in the year of sale, except gains and losses arising on disposals of property, which are recognised under Other income and expenses, net.

Assets held under operating leases are not recognised in the statement of financial position. Payments made under operating leases are recognised in the income statement on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

#### **NOTE 7.2** PENSIONS AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS

# **Defined contribution plans**

The majority of the Group's pension schemes are defined contribution plans where contributions are paid to publicly or privately administered pension plans on a statutory, contractual or voluntary basis. The Group has no further payment obligations once the contributions have been paid.

# Defined benefit plans

The Group has a number of defined benefit plans where the responsibility for the pension obligation towards the employees rests with the Group. The largest plans are in Switzerland and the United Kingdom accounting for 85% (2014: 84%) of the Group's obligation (gross) and 95% (2014: 95%) of its plan assets.

The defined benefit plans are primarily based on years of service, and benefits are generally determined on the basis of salary and rank. For defined benefit plans the Group assumes the risk associated with future developments in salary, interest rates, inflation, mortality and disability etc.

Pension plans in Switzerland are governed by the Swiss Federal Law on Occupational retirement, Survivors' and Disability Pension Plans (LPP/BVG), which stipulates that plans must be managed by independent, legally autonomous units.

Plan participants are insured against the financial consequences of retirement, disability and death.

The pension plans are contribution-based plans guaranteeing a minimum interest credit and fixed conversion rates at retirement. Contributions are paid by both the employee and the employer. The plans must be fully funded under the LPP/BVG law on a static basis at all times. In case of underfunding, recovery measures must be taken, such as additional financing from the employer or from the employer and employees, reduction of benefits or a combination of both.

The main pension plan has the legal structure of a foundation responsible for the governance of the plan and for the investment of the assets. The foundation defines the investment strategy and has set up guidelines on allocation between assets.

The pension plans include a risk-sharing element between ISS and the plan participants.

Pension plans in the United Kingdom Participants are insured against the financial consequences of retirement and death. The schemes do not provide any insured disability benefits.

The pension plans are contribution-based plans guaranteeing defined benefit pension at retirement on a final salary basis. Contributions are paid by both the employee and the employer.

The schemes are legally structured as trust-based statutory sectionalised pension schemes. ISS has no control over the operation of the plans or their investments. An independent trustee or external administrator is responsible for the investment of the assets. The trustee or external administrator defines the investment strategy and have set up guidelines on asset allocation.

The majority of the pension plans does not include a risk-sharing element between ISS and the plan participants.

### PENSIONS AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED) NOTE 7.2

# Critical accounting estimates and judgement

The present value of defined benefit obligations is determined on the basis of assumptions about the future development in variables such as salary levels, interest rates, inflation and mortality. All assumptions are assessed at the reporting date. Changes in these assumptions may significantly affect the liabilities and pension costs under defined benefit plans. The range and weighted average of these assumptions as well as sensitivities on key assumptions are disclosed in this note.

The discount rates used for calculating the present value of expected future cash flows are based on the market yield of high quality corporate bonds or government bonds with a maturity approximating to the terms of the defined benefit obligations.

ISS participates in multi-employer pension schemes that by nature are defined benefit plans. Some funds are however not able to provide the necessary information in order for the Group to account for the schemes as defined benefit plans and the schemes are therefore accounted for as defined contribution plans. There is a risk that the plans are not sufficiently funded. However, information on surplus or deficit in the schemes is not available.

# **Accounting policy**

Contributions to defined contribution plans are recognised as Staff costs when the related service is provided. Any contributions outstanding are recognised as Other liabilities.

Defined benefit plans The Group's net obligation is calculated annually by a qualified actuary using the projected unit credit method. This calculation is done separately for each plan by estimating the amount of future benefit that employees have earned in return for their service in the current and prior periods. The present value less the fair value of any plan assets is recognised under Pensions and similar obligations.

When the calculation results in a potential asset, recognition is limited to the present value of economic benefits available in the form of future refunds from the plan or reductions in future contributions to the plan. To calculate the present value of economic benefits, consideration is given to any applicable minimum funding requirements.

Pension costs are calculated based on actuarial estimates and financial expectations at the beginning of the year. Service costs are recognised under Staff costs and net interest is recognised under Financial expenses. Differences between the expected development in pension assets and liabilities and the realised amounts at the end of the year are designated actuarial gains or losses and are recognised in other comprehensive income.

When the benefits of a plan are changed or when a plan is curtailed, the resulting change in benefits that relates to past service or the gain or loss on curtailment is recognised in the income statement under Staff costs. The Group recognises gains and losses on the settlement when the settlement occurs.

Other long-term employee benefits are recognised based on an actuarial calculation. Service costs and actuarial gains and losses are recognised in the income statement under Staff costs. Interest on long-term employee benefits are recognised under Financial expenses. Other long-term employee benefits comprise jubilee benefits, long-service or sabbatical leave etc.

### **NOTE 7.2** PENSIONS AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

			2015			2014
DKK million	Present value of obligation	Fair value of plan assets	Obliga- tion, net	Present value of obligation	Fair value of plan assets	Obliga- tion, net
Carrying amount at 1 January	6,259	5,023	1,236	5,040	4,310	730
Current service costs	205	-	205	154	-	154
Interest on obligation/plan assets	134	100	34	146	120	26
Past service costs	5	-	5	4	-	4
Extinguished/distributed on settlements	-	-	-	(3)	-	(3)
Recognised in the income statement	344	100	244	301	120	181
Actuarial (gains)/losses from demographic assumptions	(2)	_	(2)	(71)	_	(71)
Actuarial (gains)/losses from financial assumptions	144	_	144	752	_	752
Actuarial (gains)/losses due to experience adjustments 1)	214	-	214	(12)	_	(12)
Return on plan assets excluding interest income	-	101	(101)	-	48	(48)
Impact from asset ceiling during the year	-	(3)	3	-	14	(14)
Recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	356	98	258	669	62	607
Foreign exchange adjustments	584	520	64	110	115	(5)
Reclassifications	5	5	-	(6)	(6)	-
Acquisitions	54	51	3	-	-	_
Divestments	(7)	-	(7)	(50)	(3)	(47)
Additions from new contracts	27	-	27	255	255	· -
Reductions from lost contracts	(28)	(28)	-	-	-	-
Employee contributions	129	129	-	113	113	-
Employer contributions	-	217	(217)	-	171	(171)
Benefits paid	(207)	(119)	(88)	(173)	(100)	(73)
Impact from asset ceiling during the year	-	3	(3)	-	(14)	14
Other changes	557	778	(221)	249	531	(282)
Carrying amount at 31 December	7,516	5,999	1,517	6,259	5,023	1,236
Other long-term employee benefits			210			160
Reclassification to Liabilities classified as held for sale			(72)			(6)
Accumulated impact from asset ceiling			28			25
Pensions and similar obligations at 31 December			1,683			1,415

<sup>1)</sup> In 2015, actuarial losses due to experience adjustments mainly related to higher number of employees being eligible for benefits in Indonesia, changed employee mix as well as higher paid interest on savings capital in Switzerland compared to previous actuarial assumptions.

The majority of the obligations are funded with assets placed in independent pension funds. In some countries, primarily in Sweden and France, the obligation is unfunded. For these unfunded plans the retirement benefit obligations amounted to DKK 660 million or 9% of the present value of the gross obligation (2014: DKK 646 million or 10%).

The Group expects to contribute DKK 238 million to its defined benefit plans in 2016 compared to DKK 217 million in 2015.

### NOTE 7.2 PENSIONS AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (CONTINUED)

# Major categories of plan assets (% of total plan assets)

	2015	2014
		-
Corporate bonds	40%	46%
Listed shares	30%	28%
Property	9%	8%
Cash and cash equivalents	6%	5%
Government bonds	1%	1%
Other	14%	12%
Total	100%	100%

# **Actuarial assumptions**

Actuarial calculations and valuations are performed annually for all major defined benefit plans. The actuarial assumptions vary from country to country due to local conditions. The range of actuarial assumptions used is shown below.

				2015				2014
				Other				Other
	CHF	GBP	EUR	currencies	CHF	GBP	EUR	currencies
Discount rates at 31 December	0.8%	3.9%	1.8-2.4%	1.3-9.9%	1.2%	3.7%	1.4-2.3%	1.5-9.5%
Future salary increases	1.0%	1.9%	0.0-2.6%	0.0-10.0%	1.0%	1.7%	0.0-3.0%	0.0-10.0%
Future pension increases	0.0%	3.0%	0.0-2.0%	0.0-3.0%	0.0%	2.9%	0.0-2.0%	0.0-1.5%

Discount rates are based on the market yield of high quality corporate bonds or government bonds with a maturity approximating to the terms of the defined benefit obligations. Switzerland represents 71% of the gross obligation (2014: 69%) and the United Kingdom represents 14% of the gross obligation (2014: 15%).

# Sensitivity analysis

The table below illustrates the sensitivity related to significant actuarial assumptions used in the calculation of the defined benefit obligation recognised at the reporting date. The analysis is based on changes in assumptions that the Group considered to be reasonably possible at the reporting date. It is estimated that the relevant changes in assumptions would have increased/(decreased) the defined benefit obligation by the amounts shown below:

		2015		2014
DKK million	+0.5%	-0.5%	+0.5%	-0.5%
Discount rate Future price inflation	(487) 126	550 (114)	(408) 123	460 (111)
Future salary increases Future pension increases	82 358	(80) (77)	72 289	(73) (74)
	+1 year	-1 year	+1 year	-1 year
Life expectancy	157	(157)	125	(126)

The estimated weighted average duration of the defined benefit obligation was 14 years (2014: 14 years) and is split into:

Years	2015	2014
Active employees	14	14
Retired employees	14	14
Deferred vested	22	22
Total employees	14	14

# NOTE 7.3 PROVISIONS

DKK million	Legal and labour- related cases	Self- insurance	Other	Total
Provisions at 1 January 2015	150	207	240	597
Foreign exchange adjustments	(11)	12	(4)	(3)
Provisions made during the year	79	201	18	298
Provisions used during the year	(57)	(206)	(113)	(376)
Provisions reversed during the year	(29)	(1)	(32)	(62)
Unwind of discount and other financial expenses	30	2	2	34
Reclassification to Liabilities classified as held for sale	(3)	=	(4)	(7)
Reclassification (to)/from Trade receivables/Other liabilities	0	2	(14)	(12)
Provisions at 31 December 2015	159	217	93	469
		0.7	50	400
Current	52	87	53	192
Non-current	107	130	40	277

Self-insurance In Australia, Hong Kong, Ireland, the USA and the United Kingdom, the Group carries insurance provisions on employers' liability and/or workers compensation. Ireland and the United Kingdom are self-insured up to a yearly limit of DKK 28 million (2014: DKK 27 million). The USA is self-insured up to a limit of DKK 3.4 million per claim (2014: DKK 3.1 million). Australia is self-insured up to a limit of DKK 2.5 million per claim (2014: DKK 2.5 million). Hong Kong is self-insured up to a yearly limit of DKK 22 million (2014: DKK 20 million). Generally, the provisions for self-insurance are based on valuations from external actuaries.

Furthermore, the provision includes liability not insured under the global general liability insurance with a self-insured level of DKK 0.2 million per claim and obligations and legal costs in relation to various insurance cases if not covered by the insurance.

Other comprises various obligations incurred, e.g. restructuring costs, guarantee reserves, dismantling costs, operational issues, closure of contracts and costs of meeting obligations under onerous contracts. At 31 December 2015, provisions for onerous contracts were included with DKK 5 million (2014: DKK 65 million). In 2015, other provisions decreased DKK 147 million primarily due to use of onerous contract provisions and payment of obligations.

# Critical accounting estimates and judgement

The amount recognised as a provision is management's best estimate of the amount required to settle the obligation. The outcome depends on future events that are uncertain by nature. In assessing the likely outcome of lawsuits and tax disputes etc., management bases its assessment on external legal assistance and established precedents.

# Accounting policy

Provisions are recognised if the Group, as a result of a past event has a present legal or constructive obligation, and it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation. The costs required to settle the obligation are discounted if this significantly impacts the measurement of the liability. The entity's average borrowing rate is used as discount rate.

Restructuring costs are recognised under Provisions when a detailed, formal restructuring plan is announced to the affected parties on or before the reporting date.

A provision for onerous contracts is recognised when the expected benefits to be derived by the Group from a contract are lower than the unavoidable costs of meeting the obligations under the contract.

When the Group has a legal obligation to dismantle or remove an asset or restore a site or rented facilities when vacated, a provision is recognised corresponding to the present value of expected future costs. The present value of the obligation is included in the cost of the relevant tangible asset and depreciated accordingly.

# NOTE 7.4 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

# **Guarantee commitments**

Indemnity and guarantee commitments (mainly towards public authorities and insurance companies) at 31 December 2015 amounted to DKK 480 million (2014: DKK 516 million).

### Performance quarantees

The Group has issued performance guarantee bonds for service contracts with an annual revenue of DKK 1,773 million (2014: DKK 1,612 million) of which DKK 1,280 million (2014: DKK 1,155 million) were bank-guaranteed performance bonds. Such performance bonds are issued in the ordinary course of business in the service industry to guarantee towards our customers satisfactory completion of work in accordance with service contracts.

### **Divestments**

The Group makes provisions for claims from purchasers or other parties in connection with divestments and representations and warranties given in relation to such divestments. Management believes that provisions made at 31 December 2015 are adequate. However, there can be no assurance that one or more major claims arising out of the Group's divestment of companies will not adversely affect the Group's activities, results of operations and financial position.

# Legal proceedings

The Group is party to certain legal proceedings. Management believes that these proceedings (many of which are labour-related cases incidental to the business) will not have a material impact on the Group's financial position beyond the assets and liabilities already recognised in the statement of financial position at 31 December 2015.

# Restructuring projects

Restructuring projects, e.g. related to implementation of the strategic initiative GREAT, have been undertaken across different geographies and service areas. Labour laws especially in Europe include restrictions on dismissals and procedural rules to be followed. The procedures applied by ISS could be challenged in certain jurisdictions resulting in liabilities. Management believes that this would not have a material impact on the Group's financial position beyond the assets and liabilities already recognised in the statement of financial position at 31 December 2015.

Reconciliations to the income statement		
DKK million	2015	2014
Revenue		
Revenue for reportable segments	79,677	74,190
Elimination of internal revenue	(46)	(33)
Revenue according to the income statement	79,631	74,157
Operating profit		
Operating profit for reportable segments	3,990	3,413
Unallocated corporate costs	(54)	(16)
Unallocated other income and expenses, net	22	(29)
Operating profit according to the income statement	3,958	3,368
Unallocated:		
Financial income	138	310
Financial expenses	(800)	(1,522)
Profit before tax and amortisation/impairment of acquisition-related intangibles according to the income statement	3,296	2,156
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Reconciliations to the statement of financial position  DKK million	2015	2014
·	2015	
Total assets Total assets for reportable segments	<b>2015</b> 44,338	
Total assets Total assets for reportable segments Unallocated assets 1)	44,338 16,232	<b>2014</b> 43,775 21,769
Total assets Total assets for reportable segments	44,338	<b>2014</b> 43,775 21,769
Total assets Total assets for reportable segments Unallocated assets 1)	44,338 16,232	<b>2014</b> 43,775 21,769
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Total assets Total assets for reportable segments Unallocated assets 1) Elimination of internal assets 2)	44,338 16,232 (16,400)	43,775 21,769 (23,612)
Total assets Total assets for reportable segments Unallocated assets <sup>1)</sup> Elimination of internal assets <sup>2)</sup> Total assets according to the statement of financial position  Additions to non-current assets <sup>3)</sup>	44,338 16,232 (16,400) <b>44,170</b>	43,775 21,769 (23,612) 41,932
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<sup>1)</sup> Unallocated assets and liabilities mainly relate to the Group's holding companies as they are not included in the reportable segments. The assets and liabilities comprise internal and external loans and borrowings, cash and cash equivalents and intra-group balances.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 2)}$  Eliminations relate to intra-group balances.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3)</sup> Additions to non-current assets comprise additions to Intangible assets and Property, plant and equipment, including from Acquisitions.

# NOTE 7.6 SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On 7 January 2016, we announced that Heine Dalsgaard will step down as Group CFO as he has accepted a position as CFO outside ISS. He will continue until 1 August 2016 at the latest.

Other than as set out above or elsewhere in these consolidated financial statements, we are not aware of events subsequent to 31 December 2015, which are expected to have a material impact on the Group's financial position.

### **NOTE 7.7** NEW STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS NOT YET IMPLEMENTED

IASB has published the following new standards, amendments to existing standards and interpretations that are not yet mandatory for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements of the Group for the year ended 31 December 2015:

- Amendments to IAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment" and IAS 38 "Intangible assets";
- · Amendments to IAS 27 "Separate Financial Statements";
- · Amendments to IAS 1 "Presentation of Financial Statements";
- IFRS 11 "Joint Arrangements" and Amendments to IFRS 11; and
- Annual Improvements to IFRSs 2012-2014 Cycle.

In addition IASB has published the following new standards, amendments to existing standards and interpretations, which are not yet adopted by the EU at 31 December 2015:

- IFRS 9 "Financial Instruments" and following Amendments to IFRS 9, IFRS 7 and IAS 39;
- · IFRS 14 "Regulatory Deferral Accounts";
- IFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers";
- · IFRS 16 "Leases";
- IAS 16 "Property, Plant and Equipment" and IAS 38 "Intangible Assets" Clarification of Acceptable Methods of Depreciation and Amortisation:
- · IAS 27 "Separate Financial Statements"; and
- IFRS 10 "Consolidated Financial Statements", IFRS 12 "Disclosure of interests in Other Entities" and IAS 28 "Investments in associates and joint ventures".

The Group expects to adopt the new standards and interpretations when they become mandatory. The standards and interpretations that are approved with different effective dates in the EU than the corresponding effective dates under IASB will be early adopted so that the implementation follows the effective dates under IASB.

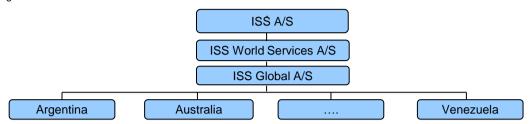
IFRS 15 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers" (superseding all current revenue recognition requirements under IFRS) will be effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The new standard establishes a five-step model to account for revenue arising from contracts with customers. Under IFRS 15, revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which an entity expects to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. The standard is currently expected to have limited impact. A process has not yet been commenced to analyse and evaluate the impact, but is expected to be initiated in 2016.

IFRS 16 "Leases" (superseding IAS 17) will be effective for financial years beginning on or after 1 January 2019. The new standard significantly changes the accounting treatment of leases currently treated as operating leases, in that lessees, with a few exceptions, should recognise all types of leases as assets in the statement of financial position and the related lease obligations as liabilities. The annual cost of the lease, which will comprise two elements - depreciation and interest expense - will be charged to the lessee's income statement. Currently, operating lease cost is recognised in a single amount under Other operating expenses. Expectedly, the new standard will have a significant impact on recognition and measurement in the consolidated financial statements. A process has not yet been commenced to analyse and evaluate the impact, but will be initiated in 2016.

Except as mentioned above for IFRS 16 "Leases", based on the current business setup and level of activities, none of the standards and interpretations are expected to have a material impact on the recognition and measurement in the consolidated financial statements of the Group.

### **NOTE 7.8** SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES

Below the significant subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures of the Group are presented per region together with a Group chart showing the ownership structure from ISS A/S and down. Together these are referred to as "Companies within the ISS Group". Undertakings of immaterial interest are left out.



# **Western Europe**

•	_	Israel	
Austria		A. Kfir Holding Ltd.	1
SS Austria Holding GmbH	100%	Catering Ltd.	1
SS Facility Services GmbH	100%	Catering Tefen (1991) Ltd.	
SS Ground Services GmbH	51%	ISS Ashmoret Ltd.	
SS Multiservice GmbH	100%	ISS Integrated Facility Service Management Ltd.	
		ISS Israel Manpower Services Ltd.	
Belgium & Luxembourg		ISS Israel Comprehensive Business Services Ltd.	
SS Catering N.V.	100%	M.A.S h Machatz Agencies (1997) Ltd.	
SS Integrated Facility Services N.V.	100%	Norcat Ltd.	
SS Industrial Cleaning N.V.	100%	Norfolk Enterprise Ltd.	
SS N.V.	100%	Norfolk International Ltd.	
SS Reception & Support Services N.V.	100%	Notion international Etc.	
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SS Facility Services S.A.	100%	Italy	
SS Luxintérim S.à r.l.	100%	ISS Facility Services S.r.l.	•
rance		The Netherlands	
xtincteurs Haas SAS	100%	ISS Building Maintenance Services B.V.	•
IE ISS Services	100%	ISS Catering Services B.V.	•
SS Facility Management SAS	100%	ISS Cure & Care B.V.	
SS Holding Paris SAS	100%	ISS Holding Nederland B.V.	
SS Hygiene & Prevention SAS	100%	ISS Integrated Facility Services B.V.	•
SS Logistique et Production SAS	100%	ISS Nederland B.V.	
SS Proprete SAS	100%	ISS Security & Services B.V.	
top Flam SAS	100%	TalentGroep Montaigne Facility Management B.V.	•
sermany		Portugal	
SS Facility Services GmbH	100%	ISS Facility Services, Lda.	1
SS Automotive Services GmbH	100%	,,	
SS Pharma Services GmbH	100%	Spain	
SS IT & Business Services GmbH	100%	Gelim Andalucia, S.A.	,
S Facility Services Nord GmbH	100%	Gelim Asturias, S.A.	
SS Facility Services Süd GmbH	100%	Gelim Baleares, S.A.	
SS Direkt GmbH	100%	Gelim Canarias, S.A.	
SS VSG GmbH	100%	Gelim Galicia, S.A.	
SS TeGeMa GmbH	100%	Gelim Madrid, S.A.	•
laus Harren GmbH	100%	Gelim, S.A.	
		Gelim Valencia, S.A.	•
reece		Integrated Service Solutions, S.L.	1
SS Facility Services S.A.	100%	ISS Activa Educacional, S.L.	1
SS Human Resources S.A.	100%	ISS Facility Services Multiservicios Integrales, S.L.	•
S Integrated Facility Management S.A.	100%	ISS Salud y Servicios Sociosanitarios, S.A.	1
		ISS Serv. de Información y Control de Accesos, S.A.	1
eland		ISS Soluciones de Catering, S.L.	•
SS Ireland Holding Ltd.	100%	ISS Soluciones de Limpieza Direct, S.A.	
SS Ireland Ltd.	100%	ISS Soluciones de Seguridad, S.L.	1
		Lloyd Outsourcing, S.L.	1

# NOTE 7.8 SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES (CONTINUED)

Western Europe (continued)		Nordic (continued)	
Switzerland		Norway (continued)	
ISS Aviation AG	100%	MeglerCompagniet AS	100%
ISS Bernasconi SA	100%	NSB Trafikkservice AS	45% <sup>2)</sup>
ISS Facility Services (Liechtenstein) AG	100%	Raufoss Beredskap AS	51%
ISS Facility Services AG	100%	radiood Borodonap rio	0170
ISS Kanal Services AG	100%	Sweden	
ISS Schweiz AG	100%	ISS Facility Services AB	100%
		ISS Facility Services Holding AB	100%
Turkey		ISS Palvelut Holding AB	100%
ISS Haşere Kontrol Hizmetleri A.Ş.	90% 4)	· ·	
ISS Proser Koruma ve Güvenlik Hizmetleri A.Ş.	90% 4)	Asia	
ISS Tesis Yönetim Hizmetleri A.Ş.	90% 4)		
ISS Hazir Yemek Üretim ve Hizmet A.Ş.	90% 4)	Brunei	
		ISS Facility Services Sdn. Bhd.	100%
United Kingdom			
ISS Damage Control Ltd.	100%	China and Hong Kong	
ISS Facility Services Ltd.	100%	Cornerstone Associates Ltd.	100%
ISS Mediclean Ltd.	100%	Hung Fat Cleaning Transportation Co., Ltd.	100%
ISS UK Holding Ltd.	100%	ISS Adams Secuforce Ltd.	100%
ISS UK Ltd.	100%	ISS Allsecure Ltd.	100%
Spectrum Franchising Ltd.	100%	ISS Building Consultancy Ltd.	100%
		ISS China Holdings I Ltd.	100%
Nordic		ISS China Holdings Ltd.	100%
		ISS EastPoint Properties Ltd.	100%
Denmark (country of domicile)		ISS EastPoint Property Consultants Ltd.	100%
ISS Document A/S	100%	ISS EastPoint Property Management Ltd.	100%
ISS Facility Services A/S	100%	ISS Environmental Services (HK) Ltd.	100%
ISS Global Management A/S (Group company)	100%	ISS Facility Services (Beijing) Ltd.	100%
ISS Holding France A/S (Group company)	100%	ISS Facility Services (Shanghai) Ltd.	100%
ISS Hotel & Event Services A/S	100%	ISS Facility Services (Tianjin) Ltd.	100%
ISS Kloak- & Industriservice A/S	100%	ISS Facility Services China Ltd.	100%
ISS Lending A/S (Group company)	100%	ISS Facility Services Ltd.	100%
ISS Security A/S	100%	ISS Facility Services (Shenzhen) Ltd.	100%
		ISS Greater China Ltd.	100%
Finland		ISS Hangyang (Beijing) Cleaning Services Co., Ltd.	100%
ISS Palvelut Holding Oy	100%	ISS Hong Kong Services Ltd.	100%
ISS Palvelut Oy	100%	ISS Hongrun (Shanghai) Cleaning Services Ltd.	100%
ISS Proko Oy	100%	ISS Hygiene Services (HK) Ltd.	100%
ISS Security Oy	100%	ISS Mediclean (HK) Ltd.	100%
Suomen Laatutakuu Palvelut Oy	100%	ISS Pan Asia Security Services Ltd.	100%
		ISS Roboclean (HK) Co., Ltd.	100%
Greenland	4000/	ISS Servisystem (China) Ltd.	100%
ISS Grønland A/S	100%	ISS Thomas Cowan Co., Ltd.	100%
		JSL Ltd.	100%
Iceland	4000/	LAWN Environmental Protection Ltd.	100%
ISS Ísland ehf.	100%	Shanghai B&A Property Management Co., Ltd.	100%
Nemus		Shanghai B&A Security Service Co., Ltd.	100%
Norway	1000/	Shanghai ISS Catering Management Co., Ltd.	100%
DriftsCompagniet Bærum AS	100%	Silvertech E&M Engineering Co., Ltd.	100%
DriftsCompagniet Norge AS	100%	India	
DriftsCompagniet Vost AS	100%	India Innovative and Payrell Advisory Services But Ltd	49% <sup>3)</sup>
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ISS Holding AS	100%	ISS SDB Security Services Pvt. Ltd.	49% <sup>3)</sup>
ISS Management AS	100%	ISS Support Services Pvt. Ltd.	100%
ISS Serveringspartner AS	100%	Modern Protection & Investigations Ltd.	49% <sup>3)</sup>
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# NOTE 7.8 SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES (CONTINUED)

Asia (continued)		Pacific (continued)	
Indonesia		New Zealand	
PT ISS Facility Services	49% <sup>3)</sup>	ISS Facilities Services Ltd.	100%
PT ISS Indonesia	100%	ISS Holdings NZ Ltd.	100%
PT ISS Jasa Fasilitas	0% 3)	133 Holdings NZ Eta.	10078
	100%	North America	
PT ISS Parking Management	100%	North America	
Japan		Canada	
Nihon ISS KK	100%	ISS Facility Services Inc.	100%
Malaysia		USA	
Malaysia ISS Facility Services Sdn. Bhd.	30% <sup>3)</sup>	ISS C&S Building Maintenance Corporation	100%
Kontrekleen Sdn. Bhd.	30% <sup>3)</sup>		100%
KOHITEKIEEH SUH. BHU.	30%	ISS Facility Services Holding, Inc.	
Philippings		ISS Facility Services California, Inc.	100%
Philippines	4000/	ISS Facility Services of Texas, L.P.	100%
ISS Facility Services Phils., Inc.	100%	ISS Facility Services, Inc.	100%
01		ISS GP, Inc.	100%
Singapore	4000/	ISS Grounds Control of Texas, L.P.	100%
ISS Asia Pacific Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS Grounds Control, Inc.	100%
ISS Catering Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS Holding Inc.	100%
ISS Catering Services Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS Management and Finance Co., Inc.	100%
ISS Facility Services Private Limited	100%	ISS LatAm Management Inc.	100%
ISS Hydroculture Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS Specialty Services, LLC	100%
ISS Landscaping Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS TMC Services, Inc.	100%
ISS M&E Pte. Ltd.	100%	ISS Uniguard Security, Inc.	100%
ISS Pest Management Pte. Ltd.	100%	TMC Ridge, LLC	100%
ISS Sanitation Services Pte Ltd	100%	Tri-Enterprise Construction, LLC	100%
ISS-CDCS Catering Pte. Ltd.	100%		
Serve1 <sup>st</sup> Services Pte Ltd	100%	Latin America	
Taiwan		Argentina	
ISS Facility Services Ltd.	100%	ISS Argentina S.A.	100%
ISS Security Ltd.	100%	ISS Facility Services S.R.L.	100%
		ISS Food S.A.	100%
Thailand		ISS Litorial S.R.L	100%
ISS Facility Services Co., Ltd.	100%	ISS Office Services S.A.	100%
ISS Security Services Co., Ltd.	100%	ISS Personal Temporario S.R.L.	100%
ISS Support Services Co., Ltd.	100%	ISS Retail S.A.	100%
Notre-Bel Co., Ltd.	100%		
Pacific		Brazil	1000/
Pacific		ISS Biosystem Saneamento Ambiental Ltda.	100% 100%
Acceptable		ISS Catering Sistemas de Alimentação Ltda.	
Australia	4000/	ISS Manutenção e Serviços Integrados Ltda.	100%
Blurlato Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Serviços de Logistica Integrada Ltda.	100%
ISS Catering Services Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servisystem do Brasil Ltda.	100%
ISS Facility Management Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Sulamericana Brasil Ltda.	100%
ISS Facility Services Australia Ltd.	100%		
ISS Franchise Services Pty Ltd.	100%	Chile	10001
ISS Health Services Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Chile S.A.	100%
ISS Holdings Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Facility Services S.A.	100%
ISS Integrated Services Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Instituto de Formacion Ltda.	100%
ISS Property Services Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servicios de Limpieza Industrial Ltda.	100%
ISS Security Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servicios de Limpieza Mecanizada S.A.	100%
Pacific Invest December 2004 Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servicios de Soporte Est Ltda.	100%
Pacific Service Solutions Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servicios Generales Ltda.	100%
Prestige Protection Services Pty Ltd.	100%	ISS Servicios Integrales Ltda.	100%

# NOTE 7.8 SUBSIDIARIES, ASSOCIATES AND JOINT VENTURES (CONTINUED)

Latin America (continued)		Other countries	
Mexico		Colombia	
ISS Centro América, S de RL de CV	100%	ISS Facility Services SA S	100%
ISS Facility Services, SA de CV	100%	100 Fability Colvidor Cr. C	
ISS Servicios Adm., SA de CV Sociedad Fin. de Obj.	100%	Costa Rica	
•		ISS Facility Services Costa Rica Limitada	100%
Uruguay			
ISS Seguridad Ltda.	100%	Ecuador	
ISS Catering S.A.	100%	EISSEcuador S.A	100%
ISS Uruguay S.A.	100%	ISS Facility Servicios Ecuador S.A	100%
Samilar S.A.	100%	_	
Footom France		Panama	4000/
Eastern Europe		ISS Panama S.A.	100%
Bulgaria		Peru	
ISS Facility Services EOOD	100%	ISS Facility Services Peru S.A.C	100%
100 Facility oct vices EOOD	10070	ISS World Peru S.A.C.	100%
Czech Republic		100 World Ford 0.74.0.	10070
ISS Facility Services s.r.o	100%	Puerto Rico	
ISS Správa budov s.r.o.	100%	ISS Facility Services Puerto Rico, Inc.	100%
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Estonia	4000/	South Africa	4000/
ISS Eesti AS	100%	ISS Facility Services (Pty) Limited	100%
ISS Haldus OÜ	100%	Cui Lamba	
Hungary		Sri Lanka	50% <sup>1)</sup>
Hungary ISS Facility Services Kft.	100%	ISS Abans Environmental Services (PT) Ltd.	30%
Profi-Komfort Kft.	100%	Venezuela	
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Latvia		100 Fubility Convices Venezuola C.71.	10070
ISS Namu Serviss SIA	100%		
	10070		
Lithuania			
ISS Pastatu Valda UAB	100%		
Poland			
ISS Facility Services Sp. Z o.o.	100%		
ISS IS Sp. Z o.o.	100%		
ISS MS Sp. Z o.o.	100%		
ISS RS Sp. Z o.o.	100%		
ISS Technical Services Poland Sp. Z o.o	100%		
Romania			
3D Romania S.A.	100%		
ISS Facility Services S.R.L.	100%		
ISS Romania Group S.R.L.	100%		
ISS Security Services S.R.L.	100%		
100 County Colvidos C.R.E.	10070		
Russia			
Facility Services RUS LLC	100%	Notes	
•		1) Joint venture	
Slovakia		<sup>2)</sup> Associate	
ISS Facility Services spol. s.r.o.	100%	3) By virtue of the governance structure, the Group has the	ne power to
•		govern the financial and operating policies of the comp	
Slovenia		Consequently, the company is consolidated as a subsi	diary.
ISS Global Storitve d.o.o.	100%	4) The non-controlling shareholder holds a put option whi	ch is
ISS Facility Services d.o.o.	100%	accounted for as if the put option has already been exe	
Magnetik d.o.o.	100%	Accordingly, the subsidiary is consolidated with no non	-controlling
		interest.	

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DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Revenue	3	45	25
Other operating income and expenses, net	4	8	(3)
Operating profit		53	22
Income from subsidiaries and joint ventures Financial income Financial expenses	7 5 5	2,610 248 (507)	(315) 631 (1,146)
Profit/(loss) before tax		2,404	(808)
Income taxes	6	8	74
Net profit/(loss) for the year		2,412	(734)
Attributable to: The owner of ISS Global A/S		2,412	(734)
Net profit/(loss) for the year		2,412	(734)

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME OF THE PARENT COMPANY

1 January – 31 December

DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Net profit/(loss) for the year		2,412	(734)
Other comprehensive income			
Items to be reclassified to the income statement in subsequent periods:			
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net		(1)	(11)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net, transferred to Financial expenses		10	19
Tax on other comprehensive income		(2)	(2)
Total other comprehensive income/(loss)		7	6
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		2,419	(728)
Attributable to:			
The owner of ISS Global A/S		2,419	(728)
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the year		2,419	(728)

# STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS OF THE PARENT COMPANY

1 January – 31 December

DKK million No.	te	2015	2014
Operating profit		53	22
Changes in working capital		(194)	91
Interest received from companies within the ISS Group		242	627
Interest received, external		0	2
Interest paid to companies within the ISS Group		(64)	(253)
Interest paid, external		(234)	(531)
Corporate tax and joint taxation contribution (paid)/received, net		(9)	44
Cash flow from operating activities		(206)	2
Payment in respect of earn-out		(26)	(7)
Capital increase in subsidiaries and joint ventures	7	(2,398)	(968)
Repayment of capital from subsidiaries and joint ventures	7	45	(000)
Proceeds from sale of subsidiaries and joint ventures	7	513	(6)
Dividends received from subsidiaries and joint ventures	7	2,216	264
Cash flow from investing activities		350	(717)
Proceeds from borrowings		4,944	23,199
Repayment of borrowings		(5,465)	(28,170)
Dividends paid to the shareholder		(2,000)	-
Payments (to)/from companies within the ISS Group, net		3,487	6,255
Cash flow from financing activities		966	1,284
Total cash flow		1,110	569
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January		690	121
Total cash flow		1,110	569
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December		1,800	690

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION OF THE PARENT COMPANY

At 31 December

DKK million	Note	2015	2014
Assets			
Investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures	7	23,357	21,086
Receivables from companies within the ISS Group	1	3,448	4,320
Deferred tax assets	8	16	4,320
Deletted tax assets		10	
Non-current assets		26,821	25,411
Description from companies within the ISS Crown		E E E 4	0.746
Receivables from companies within the ISS Group Other receivables		5,551 190	8,746 155
Cash and cash equivalents		1,800	690
Cash and Cash equivalents		1,800	090
Current assets		7,541	9,591
Total assets		34,362	35,002
Equity and liabilities			
Total equity		4,586	4,167
Loans and borrowings	9	14,833	14,455
Non-current liabilities		14,833	14,455
Loans and borrowings	9	14,552	16,062
Trade payables		18	11
Other liabilities		373	307
Current liabilities		14,943	16,380
Total liabilities		29,776	30,835
Total equity and liabilities		34,362	35,002

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY OF THE PARENT COMPANY

1 January – 31 December

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2015 DKK million	Share capital	Retained earnings	Hedging reserve	Total
Equity at 1 January	180	4,005	(18)	4,167
Comprehensive income for the year				
Net profit/(loss) for the year	-	2,412	-	2,412
Other comprehensive income				
Adjustment related to previous years	-	(11)	11	-
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net	-	-	(1)	(1)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net, transferred to Financial expenses	-	-	10	10
Tax on other comprehensive income	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total other comprehensive income	-	(11)	18	7
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	2,401	18	2,419
Transactions with the owner				
Dividends paid to the shareholder	-	(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Total transactions with the owner		(2,000)	-	(2,000)
Total changes in equity	-	401	18	419
Equity at 31 december	180	4,406	_	4,586
2014				
Equity at 1 January	180	4,739	(24)	4,895
Comprehensive income for the year				
Net profit/(loss) for the year	-	(734)	-	(734)
Other comprehensive income				
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net	-	_	(11)	(11)
Fair value adjustment of hedges, net, transferred to Financial expenses	-	-	19	19
Tax on other comprehensive income	-	-	(2)	(2)
Total other comprehensive income	-	-	6	6
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(734)	6	(728)
Total changes in equity	-	(734)	6	(728)
Equity at 31 December	180	4,005	(18)	4,167

# NOTE 1 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## Statement of compliance

The financial statements of ISS Global A/S have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU and Danish disclosure requirements for financial statements (class D). In addition, the financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the IFRSs issued by the IASB.

# Changes in accounting policies

Changes in accounting policies are described in note 1.1 to the Group's consolidated financial statements.

# Description of accounting policies

With the exception of the items described below, the accounting policies for ISS Global A/S are identical to the Group's accounting policies, which are described in the notes to the Group's consolidated financial statements.

# **Income statement**

Income from subsidiaries and joint ventures comprises dividends, impairment losses, reversal of prior years' impairment losses and gains and losses from divestment of subsidiaries and joint ventures. Dividends are recognised in the income statement in the financial year in which the dividend is declared. If dividends declared exceed the total comprehensive income for the year, an impairment test is performed.

# Statement of financial position

Investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures are measured at cost, which comprises consideration transferred measured at fair value and any directly attributable transaction costs. If there is indication of impairment, an impairment test is performed as described in the accounting policies in note 4.4 to the consolidated financial statements. Where the recoverable amount is lower than the cost, investments are written down to this lower value. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount, but only to the extent that the recoverable amount does not exceed the original cost.

Tax As required by Danish legislation ISS Global A/S is jointly taxed with all Danish resident subsidiaries. Joint taxation contributions to/from jointly taxed companies are recognised in the income statement under Income taxes and in the statement of financial position under receivables from or debt to companies within the ISS Group.

Companies which utilise tax losses in other companies pay joint taxation contribution to ISS A/S (the administration company) equivalent to the tax base of the tax losses utilised. Companies whose tax losses are utilised by other companies receive joint taxation contributions from ISS A/S equivalent to the tax base of the tax losses utilised (full absorption).

# NOTE 2 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Determining the carrying amount of certain assets and liabilities requires estimates of how future events will affect the value of these assets and liabilities at the reporting date. Estimates that are significant to the preparation of the parent company's financial statements are, among other things, the assessment of indications of impairment on investments in subsidiaries.

The estimates, judgements and assumptions are made based on historical experience and various other factors which management assesses to be reliable, but which by their nature are associated with uncertainty and unpredictability. These assumptions may prove incomplete or incorrect, and unexpected events or circumstances may arise. Further, ISS Global A/S is exposed to a number of risks and uncertainties arising from financing activities. As a result of these risks and uncertainties actual results may deviate from estimates, both positively and negatively.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements relating to the applied accounting policies for ISS Global A/S are the same as for the Group to the extent of similar accounting items, see note 5.3, Financial risk management in the consolidated financial statements for a description. The specific risks for ISS Global A/S are described in the notes to the financial statements of the parent company.

Investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures are tested for impairment when there is an indication that the investments may be impaired. The assessment of whether there is an indication of impairment is based on both external and internal sources of information such as performance of the subsidiaries and joint ventures, significant decline in market values etc.

NOTE 3 REVENUE		
DKK million	2015	2014
Rendering of services	51	25
Revenue	51	25

Revenue from rendering of services has been determined based on the stage of completion method and relates to activities managed by the Global Corporate Clients organisation.

NOTE 4 FEES TO AUDITORS		
DKK million	2015	2014
EY		
Audit fees	0	0
Other assurance services	0	1
Total EY	0	1

Audit fees comprised audit of the financial statements.

Other assurance services mainly comprised work related to the refinancing of ISS Global A/S's external credit facilities.

NOTE 5 FINANCIAL INCOME AND FINANCIAL EXPENSES		
DKK million	2015	2014
Interest income on cash and cash equivalents	0	1
Interest income from companies within the ISS Group	243	629
Amortisation of gain from settlement of interest rate swaps	-	1
Foreign exchange gain	5	-
Financial income	248	631
Interest expenses on loans and borrowings	(291)	(481)
Interest expenses to companies within the ISS Group	(64)	(253)
Amortisation of financing fees	(37)	(52)
Refinancing	(27)	(230)
Other bank fees	0	(21)
Net change in fair value of cash flow hedges transferred from equity	(10)	(19)
Foreign exchange losses	(78)	(90)
Financial expenses	(507)	(1,146)

Foreign exchange gains and losses mainly related to exchange rate movements on intercompany loans to foreign subsidiaries as well as on external loans and borrowings denominated in currencies other than DKK. In addition, fair value adjustments of currency swaps were included.

Interest expenses on loans and borrowings The decrease in interest expenses was mainly a result of lower margins.

Amortisation of financing fees At the date of borrowing financing fees are recognised as part of loans and borrowings. Subsequently, financing fees are amortised over the term of the loan and recognised in financial expenses. Amortisation of financing fees are non-cash expenses.

Refinancing The partial repayment of Term Loan B in December 2015 resulted in non-cash unamortised financing fees of DKK 27 million being expensed. In 2014, costs of DKK 230 million related to the refinancing of the pre-IPO debt (the senior secured facilities and the securitisation programme) and Term Loan A of the new unsecured senior facilities.

NOTE 6 INCOME TAXES		
DKK million	2015	2014
Current tax regarding Profit/(loss) before tax	3	85
Deferred tax regarding Profit/(loss) before tax	11	(9)
Tax on Profit/(loss) before tax	14	76
Adjustments relating to prior years, net	(6)	(2)
Income taxes	8	74
Computation of effective tax rate		
	2015	2014
Statutory income tax rate	23.5 %	24.5 %
Income from subsidiaries and joint ventures	(25.5)%	(9.6)%
Adjustments relating to prior years, net	0.3 %	(0.2)%
Non-tax deductible expenses 1)	1.4 %	(5.5)%
Effective tax rate	(0.3)%	9.2%

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1)}$  Including impact from interest limitation tax rules in Denmark.

NOTE 7 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND JOINT VENTURES		
DKK million	2015	2014
Cost at 1 January	27,109	26,164
Additions 1)	2,432	968
Repayment of capital	(45)	-
Disposals	(151)	(23)
Cost at 31 December	29,345	27,109
Revaluation at 1 January	(6,023)	(5,473)
Impairment losses	(551)	(1,040)
Reversal of prior years' impairment losses	586	477
Disposals	-	13
Revaluation at 31 December	(5,988)	(6,023)
Carrying amount at 31 December	23,357	21,086
1) In 2015, DKK 34 million was related to a non-cash transaction.		
Income from subsidiaries and joint ventures		
DKK million	2015	2014
Received dividends	2,216	264
Proceeds from sale of subsidiaries and joint ventures	510	(6)
Carrying amount of disposed subsidiaries and joint ventures	(151)	(10
Impairment losses	(551)	(1,040)
Reversal of prior years' impairment losses	586	477
Income from subsidiaries and joint ventures	2,610	(315)

Applied

# NOTE 7 INVESTMENTS IN SUBSIDIARIES AND JOINT VENTURES (CONTINUED)

### **Additions**

In 2015, ISS Global A/S made material capital increases in ISS Facility Services Holding AB (Sweden), DKK 525 million, ISS Palvelut Holding Oy (Finland), DKK 347 million, ISS Tesis Yönetim Hizmetleri A.S. (Turkey), DKK 300 million, ISS Sulamericana Brasil Ltda. (Brazil), DKK 275 million, ISS Centro América S de RL de CV (Mexico), DKK 233 million, PT ISS Indonesia, DKK 195 million, ISS Greater China Ltd. (China and Hong Kong), DKK 185 million and ISS Ireland Holding Ltd., DKK 157 million as well as minor capital increases in a number of other subsidiaries, DKK 215 million.

During 2015, the CMC call centre activities owned by ISS Tesis Yönetim Hizmetleri A.Ş. (Turkey) was spun off into a new company CMC Hizmetleri Sanayi ve Ticaret A.Ş. The shares were subsequently sold for a net proceed of DKK 510 million, resulting in a net gain of DKK 359 million.

# Impairment losses and reversal of prior years' impairment losses

The recoverable amount of investments in subsidiaries and joint ventures is determined on the basis of the value-in-use adjusted for net debt. Value-in-use applied in the impairment test is equal to value-in-use established for the Group, see note 4.4 to the consolidated financial statements.

In the table below the recognised impairment losses for 2015 are specified:

DKK million	Impairment loss	Recoverable amount	discount rate, net of tax
ISS Brazil	(388)	(6)	23.4%
ISS Netherlands	(69)	426	8.5%
ISS Argentina	(48)	81	41.0%
ISS Russia	(16)	36	17.0%
ISS New Zealand	(19)	88	11.0%
ISS Uruguay	(11)	23	13.0%
Total impairment loss	(551)		

The impairment loss recognised for ISS Brazil was primarily driven by a decrease in value-in-use due to updated business plan assumptions and an increase in the applied discount rate following the significant deterioration of the Brazilian economy during 2015.

In 2014, the impairment loss of DKK 1,040 million related to ISS Netherlands of DKK 580 million (discount rate, net of tax 8.3%), ISS Greece of DKK 221 million (discount rate, net of tax 16.4%), ISS France of DKK 105 million (discount rate, net of tax 7.9%), ISS Brazil of DKK 90 million (discount rate, net of tax 18.0%), ISS Uruguay of DKK 20 million (discount rate, net of tax 12.2%), ISS Russia of DKK 15 million (discount rate, net of tax 20.9%) and ISS Argentina of DKK 9 million (discount rate, net of tax 34.8%).

In the table below the reversal of prior years' impairment losses for 2015 are specified:

DKK million	Reversal of prior years' impairment losses	Recoverable amount	Applied discount rate, net of tax
ISS Germany	578	2,157	7.3%
ISS Ireland	8	382	8.4%
Total reversal of prior years' impairment losses	586		

The reversal of prior years' impairment losses for ISS Germany was mainly due to an increase in the value-in-use following an update in the assumptions in the business plan primarily due to the win of a significant contract. The reversal for ISS Ireland is mainly driven by a decrease in the net debt position. Prior years' impairment losses recognised for ISS Germany and ISS Ireland have been fully reversed in 2015.

In 2014, reversal of prior years' impairment losses amounted to DKK 477 million and related to ISS Germany of DKK 185 million, ISS Spain of DKK 100 million, ISS New Zealand of DKK 100 million, ISS Ireland of DKK 47 million and ISS Hungary of DKK 45 million.

# Subsidiaries and joint ventures

For a list of directly owned subsidiaries and joint ventures, see note 14, Subsidiaries and joint ventures.

NOTE 8 DEFERRED TAX		
DKK million	2015	2014
Deferred tax assets/(liabilities), net at 1 January	5	0
Adjustments relating to prior years, net	-	14
Tax on profit before tax	11	(9)
Deferred tax assets/(liabilities), net at 31 December	16	5
Deferred tax specification		
DKK million	2015	2014
Loans and borrowings	16	5
Deferred tax	16	5

Deferred tax assets relates to loans and borrowings. ISS Global A/S has no recognised or unrecognised deferred tax assets regarding tax losses carried forward.

NOTE 9 LOANS AND BORROWINGS		
DKK million	2015	2014
Issued bonds	12,611	8,870
Bank loans	2,179	6,285
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	14,595	15,346
Derivatives	-	16
Total	29,385	30,517
N. C. L. Pres	44.000	44.455
Non-current liabilities	14,833	14,455
Current liabilities	14,552	16,062
Loans and borrowings	29,385	30,517
Cash and cash equivalents and other financial items <sup>1)</sup>	(10,779)	(13,739)
Net debt	18,606	16,778

<sup>1)</sup> Includes certain receivables from companies within the ISS Group of DKK 8,970 million (2014: DKK 13,049 million) and positive value of currency swaps of DKK 9 million (2014: DKK 0 million). The average interest rate related to receivables from companies within the ISS Group was 1.89% (2014: 4.43%).

# Refinancing

In November 2015, a new bond was issued under the EMTN programme with maturity in 2021 and a coupon of 1.125%. The proceeds were used to repay part of the senior unsecured facilities (EUR 500 million of the EUR 800 million Term Loan B maturing in 2019), thereby extending the maturity and locking in fixed rates on this part of the debt. In June 2015, the senior unsecured facilities were adjusted with respect to pricing and certain terms. The adjustment reduced margin, depending on leverage, from 125 bps to 85 bps with effect from 29 June 2015.

# Fair value

The fair value of loans and borrowings amounted to DKK 29,512 million (2014: DKK 30,756 million). The fair value of bonds is based on the quoted market price on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange and measurement is categorised as Level 1 in the fair value hierarchy. For the remaining part of the loans and borrowings fair value is equal to the nominal value as illustrated in note 12, Financial risk management.

# **Financing fees**

In 2015, financing fees amounting to DKK 37 million (2014: DKK 275 million) have been recognised in loans and borrowings while financing fees of DKK 64 million (2014: DKK 282 million) have been amortised and recognised in financial expenses. Accumulated financing fees recognised in loans and borrowings on 31 December 2015 amounted to DKK 137 million (2014: DKK 164 million).

# NOTE 10 REMUNERATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE EXECUTIVE GROUP MANAGEMENT BOARD

The management team of ISS Global A/S formally consists of the Board of Directors and the Managing Director of ISS Global A/S. The directorships are not separately remunerated. As ISS Global A/S has no significant operating activities of its own, the company relies on the management team of ISS A/S, the ultimate parent of ISS Global A/S. Members of the Board of Directors (the Board) of ISS A/S and the Executive Group Management Board (the EGMB) of ISS A/S have authority and responsibility for planning. implementing and controlling the company's activities and are considered ISS Global A/S's key management personnel.

		2014		
DKK thousand	The Board of ISS A/S	The EGMB of ISS A/S 1)	The Board of ISS A/S	The EGMB of ISS A/S 1)
Base salary and non-monetary benefits	6,759	23,816	5,713	27,762
Annual bonus	-	15,867	-	14,561
Share-based payments	-	14,822	_	10,868
Bonus related to the IPO of ISS A/S <sup>2)</sup>	-	-	-	17,859
Total remuneration	6,759	54,505	5,713	71,050

<sup>1)</sup> Effective 27 August 2015, Henrik Andersen and John Peri stepped down from their EGMB positions. Henrik Andersen continued as member of the EGM until 18 December 2015, and John Peri continued as member of the EGM until 31 December 2015.

# NOTE 11 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

# **Senior Facility Agreement**

ISS Global A/S guarantees the borrowings under the unsecured senior facility agreement.

# Commitment vehicle leases

Leasing of cars in the Group is primarily entered under an international car fleet lease framework agreement which is valid until end 2018. The framework agreement contains a quarterly option for the Group to terminate the fleet of an entire country or the entire fleet under the framework agreement with four weeks notice subject to payment of a termination amount. The majority of the underlying agreements have a lifetime duration of 3-5 years. ISS Global A/S has issued a guarantee for all payments from companies within the ISS Group. The total contingent liability amounted to DKK 1,088 million as per 31 December 2015 (2014: DKK 1,030 million).

# Parent company guarantees

ISS Global A/S has credit facilities in place totalling DKK 300 million (2014: DKK 770 million) which can be used to issue guarantees for subsidiaries' local bank overdrafts. As per 31 December 2015, DKK 270 million was utilised (2014: DKK 664 million). Furthermore, ISS Global A/S has issued parent company guarantees for various subsidiaries' financial liabilities amounting to DKK 2,553 million (2014: DKK 1,503 million). These financial liabilities are primarily local bank overdrafts, bank guarantee lines and pension liabilities.

# Witholding taxes

ISS Global A/S is jointly taxed with all Danish resident subsidiaries. ISS Global A/S and the companies within the joint taxation have a joint and unlimited liability of Danish corporate and withholding taxes related to dividends, interests and royalties. As per 31 December 2015 Danish corporate and withholding taxes amounted to DKK 0 million (2014: DKK 0 million). Any subsequent adjustments to Danish withholding taxes may change this joint and unlimited liability.

# VAT

ISS Global A/S and certain Danish Group companies are jointly registered for VAT and are jointly liable for the payment hereof.

<sup>2)</sup> DKK 14 million was recognised in Other income and expenses, net, of which DKK 10 million was included in ISS A/S and DKK 4 million in ISS World Services A/S. DKK 4 million was recognised in equity in ISS A/S.

### NOTE 12 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

ISS Global A/S is exposed to a number of financial risks arising from its operating and financing activities, mainly interest rate risk, liquidity risk, currency risk and credit risk. These financial risks are managed centrally by Group Treasury based on the Group Financial Policy, which is reviewed annually and approved by the Board of ISS A/S.

The objectives, policies and processes for measuring and managing the exposure to financial risks is described in note 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 to the consolidated financial statements. The risks specific to ISS Global A/S are described below.

# Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk arises from the possibility that changes in interest rates will affect future cash flows or the fair value of financial instruments, primarily bank loans and issued bonds. ISS Global A/S's exposure towards interest rates is illustrated below, where a breakdown of ISS Global A/S's loans and borrowings in floating and fixed rates is provided. The interest rate exposure to floating interest rates is primarily in EUR.

# Terms and maturity of ISS Global A/S's interest-bearing loans and borrowings

				_	2015	2014
DKK million	Nominal interest rate	Currency	Year of maturity	Nominal value	Carrying amount	Carrying amount
Issued bonds (fixed interest rate):						
EMTNs (EUR 700 million)	1.125%	EUR	2020	5,224	5,196	5,174
EMTNs (EUR 500 million)	1.125%	EUR	2021	3,731	3,708	-
EMTNs (EUR 500 million)	2.125%	EUR	2024	3,731	3,707	3,696
				12,686	12,611	8,870
Bank loans (floating interest rate):			-			
Senior Unsecured Facilities 1):						
Term Facility B (EUR 300 million)	Euribor + 0.85%	EUR	2019	2,239	2,223	4,779
Term Facility B	Libor + 1.50%	CHF	2019	-	-	805
Revolving Credit Facility (EUR 850 million) 2)	Libor + 0.85%	Multi currency	2019	2	(44)	700
Bank loans and overdrafts	-	Multi currency	-	-	-	1
				2,241	2,179	6,285
Intra-group (floating interest rate):			-			
Debt to companies within the ISS Group 2)	-	Multi currency	2019	14,595	14,595	15,346
				14,595	14,595	15,346

<sup>1)</sup> The senior facilities include a margin gird where the margin is dependent on the ISS Group's leverage. The current margin of 0.85% will decrease to 0.65% if leverage is below 2.5x and increase to 1.10% if leverage is above 3x. As 31 December 2015, ISS Group leverage was 2.1x meaning that as of beginning of March 2016 margin will decrease to 0.65%.

# Sensitivity analysis

The interest rate risk is measured by the duration of the gross debt (fixed-rate period). As at 31 December 2015, the duration of gross debt was approximately 2.5 years (2014: 2.1 years).

It is estimated that a general increase in relevant interest rates of 1%-point would have decreased profit for the year and other comprehensive income by DKK 70 million (2014: decreased both items by DKK 75 million). The estimate was based on loans and borrowings, with floating interest rates, i.e. disregarding cash and cash equivalents, as the level at 31 December is typically the highest in the year and not a representative level for the purpose of this analysis. The analysis assumes that all other variables, in particular currency rates, remain constant.

<sup>2)</sup> The loans are committed until 2019, but classified as current as they are used in the Group's normal operating cycle.

### NOTE 12 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

# Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk results from ISS Global A/S's potential inability or difficulty in meeting the contractual obligations associated with its financial liabilities due to insufficient liquidity.

ISS Global A/S's liquidity reserves mainly consist of liquid funds (cash and cash equivalents less not readily available or restricted cash) and unused credit facilities. As at 31 December 2015, ISS Global A/S's liquid reserves consisted of readily available liquid funds of DKK 1,800 million (2014: DKK 690 million) and unused revolving credit facilities of DKK 5,080 million (2014: DKK 4,529 million) where the majority is available for drawing until 19 February 2019.

# **Contractual maturities of financial liabilities**

The contractual maturities of financial liabilities, based on undiscounted contractual cash flows, are shown below. The undiscounted contractual cash flows include expected interest payments, estimated based on market expectations at the reporting date.

The risk implied from the values in the maturity table below reflects the one-sided scenario of cash outflows only.

DKK million		Contractual cash flows	< 1 year	1-2 years	2-3 years	3-4 years	4-5 years	> 5 years
				-	-	-	-	-
2015								
Loans and borrowings 1)	14,790	16,140	199	195	197	2,422	5,346	7,781
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	14,595	14,595	14,595	-	-	-	-	-
Trade payables and other financial liabilities	203	225	143	26	56	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	29,588	30,960	14,937	221	253	2,422	5,346	7,781
2014								
Loans and borrowings 1)	15,171	16,700	982	199	204	211	5,781	9,323
Debt to companies within the ISS Group	15,346	15,619	15,619	-	-	-	-	-
Trade payables and other financial liabilities	187	200	119	81	-	-	-	-
Total financial liabilities	30,704	32,519	16,720	280	204	211	5,781	9,323

<sup>1)</sup> Excluding debt to companies within the ISS Group.

# NOTE 12 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)

# Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that arises from changes in exchange rates and affects ISS Global A/S's result or value of financial instruments.

To a limited extent ISS Global A/S is exposed to currency risk on loans and borrowings (external) that are denominated in currencies other than DKK as well as intercompany loans to foreign subsidiaries as these are typically denominated in the functional currency of

At 31 December 2015, 87.8% (2014: 82.1%) of ISS Global A/S's loans and borrowings were denominated in EUR or DKK.

# Impact on the financial statements

Fluctuations in foreign exchange rates will affect the value of loans and borrowings as well as the income statement as funding is obtained in various currencies. In 2015, changes in foreign exchange rates related to loans and borrowings resulted in a loss of DKK 179 million (2014: loss of DKK 281 million), which was almost offset by the effect of currency swaps. The primary impact is derived from loans and borrowings in CHF, which appreciated sharply in January 2015, but was fully hedged.

### Sensitivity analysis

It is estimated that a change in relevant foreign exchange rates would have increased/(decreased) profit for the year and other comprehensive income by the amounts shown below. The analysis is based on the ISS Group's internal monitoring of currency exposure on loans and borrowings, cash and cash equivalents and intercompany loans. Further, the analysis is based on foreign exchange rate variances that is considered to be reasonably possible at the reporting date and that all other variables, in particular interest rates, remain constant and ignores any impact of forecasted sales and purchases.

			_		Sensitivity	
DKK million	Currency exposure (nominal value)	Currency swaps (contractual value)	Total exposure	Increase in foreign ex- change rates	Profit for the year	Other com- prehensive income
2015						
EUR/DKK	(13,218)	4,659	(8,559)	1%	(86)	(86)
USD/DKK	734	(835)	(101)	10%	(10)	(10)
Other/DKK	(1,428)	1,382	(46)	10%	(5)	(5)
Total	(13,912)	5,206	(8,706)			
2014						
EUR/DKK	(12,498)	1,968	(10,530)	1%	(105)	(105)
USD/DKK	619	(1,128)	(509)	10%	(51)	(51)
Other/DKK	(2,134)	2,133	(1)	10%	(0)	(0)
Total	(14,013)	2,973	(11,040)			

# **NOTE 13 RELATED PARTIES**

In addition to the description in note 6.3 to the consolidated financial statements of related parties and transactions with these, related parties of ISS Global A/S comprise ISS World Services A/S and its subsidiaries, associates and joint ventures, see note 7.8 to the consolidated financial statements.

In 2015, ISS Global A/S had the following transactions with other related parties, which were all made on market terms:

- ISS Global A/S received/paid interest from/to companies within the ISS Group, see note 5, Financial income and financial expenses.
- ISS Global A/S paid joint taxation contribution equal to 23.5% of taxable income to jointly taxed Danish resident subsidiaries.
- ISS Global A/S purchased DKK 442 million (2014: DKK 330 million) of group internal receivables from ISS Lending A/S.
- ISS Global A/S received dividends in total of DKK 2.216 million (2014: DKK 264 million) from companies within the ISS Group. see note 7, Investment in subsidiaries and joint ventures.
- ISS Global A/S increased the share capital in several subsidiaries by DKK 2,432 million (2014: DKK 968 million), see note 7, Investment in subsidiaries and joint ventures.
- ISS Global A/S paid dividends in total of DKK 2,000 million (2014: DKK 0 million) to ISS World Services A/S.

# NOTE 14 SUBSIDIARIES AND JOINT VENTURES

Directly owned subsidiaries and	joint ventures:
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Directly owned subsidiaries and joint ventures:		
ISS Facility Services S.R.L.	Argentina	75%
ISS Argentina S.A.	Argentina	75%
ISS Facility Services Australia Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%
Pacific Invest December 2004 Pty Ltd.	Australia	100%
ISS Austria Holding GmbH	Austria	100%
ISS N.V.	Belgium	100%
ISS Sulamericana Brasil Ltda.	Brazil	100%
ISS Facility Services Sdn. Bhd.	Brunei	100%
ISS Chile S.A.	Chile	100%
ISS Greater China Ltd.	China and Hong Kong	100%
ISS Facility Services s.r.o.	Czech Republic	100%
ISS Facility Services A/S	Denmark	100%
ISS Global Management A/S	Denmark	100%
ISS Holding France A/S	Denmark	100%
ISS Lending A/S	Denmark	100%
ISS Holding OÜ	Estonia	100%
ISS Palvelut Holding Oy	Finland	100%
ISS Facility Services GmbH	Germany	100%
ISS Facility Services S.A.	Greece	89%
ISS Facility Services Kft.	Hungary	100%
ISS Facility Services (India) Pvt. Ltd.	India	100%
PT ISS Indonesia	Indonesia	100%
PT ISS Parking Management	Indonesia	100%
PT ISS Catering Services	Indonesia	49%
ISS Ireland Holding Ltd.	Ireland	100%
ISS Facility Services S.r.l.	Italy	100%
Nihon ISS KK	Japan	100%
ISS Facility Services Sdn. Bhd.	Malaysia	30%
ISS Centro América, S de RL de CV	Mexico	100%
ISS Holding Nederland B.V.	Netherlands	100%
ISS Holdings NZ Ltd.	New Zealand	100%
ISS Holding AS	Norway	100%
ISS Facility Services Phils., Inc.	Philippinnes	100%
ISS Facility Services Sp. Z.o.o.	Poland	100%
ISS Facility Services, Lda.	Portugal	100%
3D Romania S.A.	Romania	100%
FS East Oy	Russia	100%
ISS Asia Pacific Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100%
ISS Facility Services Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100%
ISS Sanitation Services Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100%
Serve 1 <sup>st</sup> Services Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100%
ISS Facility Services spol s r.o.	Slovakia	100%
ISS Facility Services d.o.o.	Slovenia	100%
ISS Facility Services (Pty) Limited	South Africa	100%
Integrated Service Solutions S.L.	Spain	100%
ISS Abans Environmental Services (PT) Ltd.	Sri Lanka	50% 1)
ISS Facility Services Holding AB	Sweden	100%
ISS Holding AG	Switzerland	100%
ISS Facility Services Co., Ltd.	Thailand	100%
ISS Tesis Yönetim Hizmetleri A.Ş.	Turkey	90%
ISS UK Holding Ltd.	United Kingdom	100%
ISS Uruguay S.A.	Uruguay	100%

<sup>1)</sup> Joint venture

# MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

# Copenhagen, 17 March 2016

The Board of Directors and the Managing Director have today discussed and approved the annual report of ISS Global A/S for the financial year 2015.

The annual report has been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and additional disclosure requirements for listed companies.

It is our opinion that the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's and the parent company's financial position at 31 December 2015 and of the results of the Group's and the parent company's operations and cash flows for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2015.

In our opinion, the Management review includes a fair review of the development in the Group's and the parent company's operations and financial conditions, the results for the year, cash flows and financial position as well as a description of the most significant risks and uncertainty factors that the Group and the parent company face.

We recommend that the annual report be approved at the annual general meeting.

# **Managing Director**

Barbara Plucnar Jensen

# **Board of Directors**

Jeff Gravenhorst
Chairman

Heine Dalsgaard

Bjørn Raasteen

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

# To the shareholder of ISS Global A/S

# Independent auditors' report on the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements

We have audited the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements of ISS Global A/S for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2015, pp. 38–113. The consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements comprise Income statement, Statement of comprehensive income, Statement of cash flows, Statement of financial position, Statement of changes in equity and Notes for the Group as well as for the parent company. The consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and Danish disclosure requirements for listed companies.

# Management's responsibility for the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of consolidated financial statements and parent company financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and Danish disclosure requirements for listed companies and for such internal control that Management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of consolidated financial statements and parent company financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# Auditors' responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing and additional requirements under Danish audit regulation. This requires that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance as to whether the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditors' judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements,

whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditors consider internal control relevant to the Company's preparation of consolidated financial statements and parent company financial statements that give a true and fair view in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our audit has not resulted in any qualification.

# **Opinion**

In our opinion, the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements give a true and fair view of the Group's and the parent company's financial position at 31 December 2015 and of the results of the Group's and the parent company's operations and cash flows for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2015 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU and Danish disclosure requirements for listed companies.

# Statement on the Management's review

Pursuant to the Danish Financial Statements Act, we have read the Management's review. We have not performed any further procedures in addition to the audit of the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements. On this basis, it is our opinion that the information provided in the Management's review is consistent with the consolidated financial statements and the parent company financial statements.

Copenhagen, 17 March 2016 ERNST & YOUNG Godkendt Revisionspartnerselskab CVR-no. 30700228

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