Noble Drilling A/S

Lyngby Hovedgade 85
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CVR no. 32 67 38 21

Annual report 2023

The annual report was presented and approved at the Company's annual general meeting on

29 July 2024

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Claus Bachman
Chairman of the annual general meeting

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Statement by the Board of Directors and the Executive Board

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board have today discussed and approved the annual report of Noble Drilling A/S for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023.

The annual report has been prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the Company's assets, liabilities and financial position at 31 December 2023 and of the results of the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023.

Further, in our opinion, the Management's review gives a fair review of the development in the Company's activities and financial matters, of the results for the year and of the Company's financial position.

We recommend that the annual report be approved at the annual general meeting.

Lyngby, 29 July 2024
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CEO

Board of Directors:

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Independent auditor's report

To the shareholders of Noble Drilling A/S

Opinion

In our opinion, the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company at 31 December 2023, and of the results of the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

We have audited the Financial Statements of Noble Drilling A/S for the financial year 1 January – 31 December 2023, which comprise income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies ("financial statements").

Basis for Opinion

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

Statement on Management's Review

Management is responsible for Management's Review.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover Management's Review, and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether Management's Review provides the information required under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

Based on the work we have performed, in our view, Management's Review is in accordance with the Financial Statements and has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Danish Financial Statements Act. We did not identify any material misstatement in Management's Review.

Management's responsibilities for the Financial Statements

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

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

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Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Statements

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

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

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by Management.

- Conclude on the appropriateness of Management's use of the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and contents of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that gives a true and fair view.

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

Copenhagen, 29 July 2024
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Management's review

Company details

Noble Drilling A/S
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CVR no.:	32 67 38 21
Established:	1 December 2009
Registered office:	Lyngby
Financial year:	1 January – 31 December

Board of Directors

Claus Bachmann, Chairman
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Executive Board

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Financial highlights

USD'000	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Key figures					
Revenue	119,714	117,714	170,169	277,466	263,799
Gross profit	14,256	47,332	106,647	183,976	125,328
Operating loss/profit	-68,585	-195,779	-9,038	54,136	-10,826
Loss/profit from financial income and expenses	8,225	64,253	8,884	-19,111	-34,611
Profit/loss before tax	-682,499	-131,526	311,680	-1,616,210	-64,852
Profit/loss for the year	-647,310	-131,785	342,922	-1,598,620	-50,195
Total assets	3,285,289	5,161,815	5,153,793	4,359,599	6,144,014
Equity	2,180,775	2,821,858	2,944,015	2,631,185	4,223,418
Investment in property, plant and equipment	10,405	17,795	9,494	19,458	23,732
Ratios					
Operating margin	-57%	-166%	-5%	20%	-4%
Return on invested capital	-2%	-3%	0%	1%	0%
Current ratio	93%	171%	1,432%	546%	285%
Return on equity	-26%	-5%	12%	-47%	-1%
Solvency ratio	66%	55%	57%	60%	69%

The financial ratios have been calculated as follows:

Operating margin $$\frac{\text{Operating profit/loss x 100}}{\text{Revenue}}$$

Return on invested capital $$\frac{\text{Operating profit/loss x 100}}{\text{Average invested capital}}$$

Current ratio $$\frac{\text{Current assets x 100}}{\text{Current liabilities}}$$

Return on equity $$\frac{\text{Profit/loss from ordinary activities after tax x 100}}{\text{Average equity}}$$

Solvency ratio $$\frac{\text{Equity ex. non-controlling interests at year-end x 100}}{\text{Total equity and liabilities at year-end}}$$

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Principal activities

The Company and its subsidiaries and parent companies (the Group) are a leading global operator of high-technology drilling rigs and provide offshore drilling services to oil and gas companies and have one of the world's youngest and most advanced fleets.

Uncertainty regarding recognition and measurement

When preparing the annual report, Management undertakes a number of accounting estimates and judgements to recognise, measure and classify the assets and liabilities. The only significant accounting estimate and judgement relates to the assessment of impairment of property, plant and investment in and receivables from subsidiaries.

Following the revised assumptions to the fair value for the rig Noble Explorer, Management has recognized USD 21 million of impairment reversal on Rig Explorer. Further, Management has recognized impairment on investment in group entities with total amounting to 622 million which comprise of impairment of the cost of the investment and additional losses for subsidiaries with negative equity.

Development in activities and financial position

The Company's income statement for 2023 shows a loss of USD 647,310 thousand as against a loss of USD 131,785 thousand in 2022. Equity in the Company's balance sheet at 31 December 2023 stood at USD 2,180,775 thousand as against USD 2,821,858 thousand at 31 December 2022.

The result of loss for the year is mainly due to the impairment on investment in group entities with total amounting to USD 622 million which comprise of impairment of the cost of the investment and additional losses for subsidiaries with negative equity.

The results for the year 2023 are impacted by merge with Noble Group, when many of corporate functions performed by the Company in 2022, were taken over by Houston in 2023. Nevertheless, The Company still is acting as a supporting function for the other group entities.

The Company result for the 2023 is different from what expected by the end of 2022. Nevertheless, it was foreseen, that the actual development may materially differ from the expectations, due to the uncertainties of various factors, many of which are beyond of the company's control.

Outlook

Outlook for 2024 and Beyond

During 2023, oil prices generally remained at levels that were supportive of offshore exploration and development activity. While ongoing geopolitical crises and related sanctions, inflationary pressures, and recession concerns did create some uncertainty relating to future global energy demand, global rig demand increased in 2023.

Results for 2024 are continued subject to risks and uncertainties as various factors, many of which are beyond the company's control, may cause the actual development and results to differ materially from expectations. The result for 2024 are primarily sensitive to the level of contracting of additional days to the current backlog and the day rates hereon. Capital expenditures are sensitive to final scheduling and scoping of rig upgrades and yard stays, which are subject to commercial and operational planning. Under current circumstances and excluding the potential impact on the Company and its subsidiaries from impairments, reversal of prior year impairments and gains/losses from the disposal of non-current assets, management expects to reach a result for 2024 in the range of USD 0 – 5 million.

This increase in global rig demand has been the result of the combination of growing confidence in

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commodity prices remaining at or above current levels, heightened focus on energy security, recent multi-year underinvestment in the development and exploration of hydrocarbons, and relative attractiveness of offshore plays with respect to both cost and a carbon emissions perspective. This had a positive impact on both utilisation and dayrates for certain of our rig classes.

The global rig supply has come down from historic highs as Noble and other offshore drilling contractors have retired less capable and idle assets. Concurrently, the incoming supply of newbuild offshore drilling rigs has diminished materially, with several newbuild rigs stranded in shipyards. However, we expect many of these stranded newbuild rigs may continue to make their way into the global market over the next few years.

Although the market outlook in our business varies by geographical region and water depth, we remain encouraged by the outlook in the ultra-deepwater floater market, with overall demand having increased from 2020 lows. Our customers continue to focus on the highest specification floaters, which represents the majority of our floater fleet. We have also experienced an overall demand increase in the global jackup market, with the Middle East being the largest component of this increase. While we remain encouraged about increasing overall rig demand, to the extent global macroeconomic concerns become more prevalent, we could experience downward pressure on oil and gas prices as well as overall rig demand for both floaters and jackups.

Foreign branches

The Company is directly engaged in drilling activities in Azerbaijan through the branch named Noble Drilling A/S Azerbaijan Branch, which is mainly responsible for operating Noble Explorer.

Particular risks

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Our business depends on the level of activity in the oil and gas industry. Adverse developments affecting the industry, including a decline in the price of oil or gas, reduced demand for oil and gas products and increased regulation of drilling and production, have in the past had and may in the future have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Financial risks

Currency risks

The Company's functional currency is the US Dollar. However, a portion of our expenses are incurred in local currencies. Therefore, when the US Dollar weakens (strengthens) in relation to the currencies of the countries in which we operate, our expenses reported in US Dollars will increase (decrease).

We are exposed to risks on future cash flows to the extent that foreign currency expenses exceed revenues denominated in the same foreign currency. Company is monitoring the foreign exchange risk and may act accordingly, entering into derivative instruments to manage its net exposure to fluctuations in currency exchange rates.

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Interest rate risks

The Company are subject to market risk exposure related to changes in interest rates on borrowings and may be subject to similar exposure on future borrowing arrangements. Future cash flows for financial instruments will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Credit risks

Any concentration of customers increases the risks associated with any possible termination or nonperformance of drilling contracts, failure to renew contracts or award new contracts or reduction of their drilling programmes.

For drilling contracts, credit risk is minimised by undertaking a credit assessment of the counterparty prior to entering into the contracts. Depending on creditworthiness, the Company may seek protection in the form of parent company guarantees, prepayments or other types of collateral.

Further, the Company has a concentration of customers. This concentration of customers increases the risks associated with any possible termination or nonperformance of contracts, in addition to our exposure to credit risk. If any of these customers were to terminate or fail to perform their obligations under their contracts and the Group were not able to find other customers for the affected drilling units promptly, the financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Liquidity risk

The Group maintains sufficient committed facilities to meet projected borrowing requirements based on cash flow forecasts. Additional headroom is maintained to protect against the variability of cash flows. Key ratios are monitored to ensure continued compliance with covenants contained in the Group's principal credit agreements.

Corporate Social Responsibility (statement accounting for 99a)

Refer to the section "Principal activities" for a brief description of the Company's business model.

The Company is committed to operating with excellent health, safety, and environmental ("HSE") performance as part of our business strategy in order to add further value for employees, customers, and shareholders. All personnel, regardless of job or position onboard our vessels or at any Noble facility, has the authorization and obligation to immediately stop any unsafe act, practice, or job that poses an unaddressed or unreasonable risk or danger to people or the environment. Noble's pursuit of exceptional HSE performance begins with our strong corporate culture and by starting SAFE every day: one tour, one task and one person at a time. SAFE is an acronym for the phrase: follow Standards, be Accountable, stay Focused, achieve Excellence. Daily, the crew onboard each rig works together to achieve specific safety and environmental objectives and if all objectives are met, then the day is counted as a SAFE Day. Under our SAFE Day program, in 2023, our rigs achieved the SAFE objectives 98.7% of available days, which is a slight improvement over 2022 performance. As at 31 December 2023, this metric was only available to vessels owned by Noble prior to the Business Combination with Maersk Drilling and all but four vessels acquired as part of the Business Combination. Once integration activities are completed during the first quarter of 2024, all current Noble vessels will utilize this program.

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Climate and environment

Grounded in our core value of Environmental Stewardship, Noble wants to do its part in addressing the risk of pollution and climate change. Our approach is comprehensive and includes pursuing low carbon initiatives, protecting the environment within which we operate, and being conscious of consumption patterns.

The well-being of future generations depends on the wisdom of today's decisions. That is why we follow all government-mandated environmental regulations as well as all Noble policies regarding environmental safeguarding, incident prevention and reporting, and minimizing waste - no exceptions. Every Noble employee or contractor is accountable for always conducting operations in an environmentally responsible manner. To ensure that Noble meets its commitments to the environment and the protection of its people, our environmental requirements are communicated on a regular basis to all employees.

Building resilience to climate change while ensuring that global energy demand is met is fundamental to Noble's role as a leading provider of offshore drilling services. Noble collaborates with customers to explore mutually beneficial decarbonisation efforts that reduce emissions and increase efficiency in rig operations. Noble has sought to further reduce CO2 emissions by contributing to the Carbon Capture and Storage ("CCS") movement, specifically as a partner in Project Greensand, a consortium led by INEOS Energy and Wintershall Dea. Early investments such as this have the potential to position Noble at the forefront of the offshore drilling industry in relation to the global offshore CCS market.

IIn 2023, Noble assessed the climate-related risks and opportunities that exist between now and 2050. The assessment, undertaken in line with the recommendations of the TCFD, involved the creation of three custom scenarios: Net Zero 2050 (1.5°C), Announced Pledges (1.7-2°C), and Hot House World (2.5-3°C). These were based on scenarios published by the International Energy Agency ("IEA") and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change ("IPCC")1. In order to assess the risks and opportunities identified in the scenarios, a workshop was held with members of Noble's management team. The results were then assessed for financial materiality and potential impact on Noble's strategy. As a result of this scenario analysis, five climate-related risks were identified that can have a material negative impact on Noble's Enterprise Value ("EV"):

Risk 1: Reduced demand for oil and gas (Market-related transition risk)

Risk 2: Decreased access to offshore licensing (Regulation-related transition risk)

Risk 3: Climate-related regulations on rig design (Regulation-related transition risk)

Risk 4: Customer preferences evolve to include climate-criteria (Market-related transition risk)

Risk 5: Challenges attracting and retaining talent (Reputational, transition risk)

Additionally, two climate-related opportunities were identified that can have a material positive impact on Noble's EV: Opportunity

1: Sustainable energy and decarbonisation Opportunity

2: Participation in the emerging CCS value chain

Energy Efficiency Efforts

Noble has introduced a fleet-wide fuel consumption monitoring system in order to support energy-efficient operations. As part of our decarbonisation efforts in 2023, Noble completed the implementation of Energy Efficiency Insights ("EEI") on all of our marketed rigs, virtually doubling the number of EEI-enabled rigs to 29 in total. EEI is an emission-monitoring system that supports the rigs in tracking, analysing, and modelling emissions from operations, thereby allowing the crew to gain insights into potential emission reductions.

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Social and personnel matters

Noble is first and foremost a people business, focused on acting with integrity and respect, and keeping people safe. With operations globally, Noble recognizes the risk of safety and its responsibility with regard to the impact it has on people on many levels, including employees, partners, customers, and the local communities where we operate.

By maintaining a structured approach and actively pursuing procedural discipline, we maintain our focus on the health, safety, and social wellbeing of our personnel, and support our goal to advance the development and retention of our diverse and talented workforce.

Noble is committed to operating with excellent health, safety, and environmental ("HSE") performance as part of our business strategy in order to add further value for employees, customers, and shareholders. All personnel, regardless of job or position onboard our vessels or at any Noble facility, has the authorisation and obligation to immediately stop any unsafe act, practice, or job that poses an unaddressed or unreasonable risk or danger to people or the environment.

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Human rights and assessment of results

Noble Corporation and each of its wholly owned subsidiaries ("Noble Group") are committed to acting ethically and responsible in carrying out our business. This includes complying with applicable anti-slavery and human trafficking laws and implementing policies to mitigate the risk related to human rights violation in the supply chain.

The Board confirms that it has acted in a way that it considers, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of Noble for the benefit of its members as a whole and, in so doing, has had regard (amongst other matters) to:

(a) the likely consequences of any decision in the long term,
(b) the interests of the employees of Noble plc,
(c) the need to foster the business relationships of Noble plc with suppliers, customers, and others,
(d) the impact of the operations of Noble plc on the community and the environment,
(e) the desirability for maintaining the Noble plc's reputation for high standards of business conduct, and
(f) the need to act fairly between members of the Noble.

We respect the human rights of all those working for or with us and of the people in the communities where we operate.

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The Company is committed to respect and adhere to human and labor rights. Human and labor rights assessment parameters are integrated into the strategic pre-market entry risk picture. Legal compliance risk assessments for potential new jurisdictions cover, among other things, corruption, exposure to financial and trade sanctions, level of protection of personal data, the general rule of law and internationally accepted reports regarding the observance of human rights. We require that all third parties doing work for Noble commit to follow the principles of the Noble Code, either by having a code that encompasses these principles or by adopting the Noble Code, including a commitment to help ensure that slavery and human trafficking do not occur in any part of the business or supply chain. We subject our third parties to screening for international trade and human rights issues, health and safety compliance, and financial security. In 2023, Noble implemented a new master services agreement and purchase order, which requires all suppliers to commit to upholding human rights consistent with UN guiding principles on human rights. Another focus area in 2023 was a review and risk assessment of a supplier group known as agents, acting on Noble's behalf. Screening and re-assessment processes for this supplier group have been reviewed and updated to prioritize high-risk agents and help reduce the risk of non-ethical behavior in our supply chains. Training in how to engage with agents was delivered to more than 70 employees within marketing and supply chain functions to further strengthen our approach to agents.

The Company reviews its policies each year and anticipates expanding its commitment to human rights by implementing more comprehensive policies and practices across all operations. Future efforts will focus on enhancing transparency, ensuring accountability, and fostering partnerships with relevant stakeholders to uphold and promote human rights standards globally.

Anti-corruption and anti-bribery

Our commitment to conducting business with honesty and integrity is reflected in the Code of Conduct, which sets out the basic principles for how we expect our business to be conducted. The Code applies to all Noble employees, including executives, officers, and members of our Board of Directors, and it impacts those we do business with, including customers, contractors, suppliers, and agents. We regularly review the Code and reassess compliance processes to determine relevancy and consistency with regulatory requirements and the organization's structure and update it accordingly.

Policies on anti-corruption and bribery & action-assessment

The Code of Conduct is available in nine languages and can be found on the Noble Corporate Governance Documents page.

New employees are required to undertake online mandatory training on our Code of Conduct and complete and sign an acknowledgement statement that the employee fully understands the Company's policy with respect to anti-corruption and anti-bribery, the FCPA, UKBA and acknowledges commitment to adhere to the Code and its related policies when they join the Company.

All employees are required to complete an annual self-certification on their understanding of the anticorruption and anti-bribery programs and compliance with laws against financial crimes and requirements to communicate any information of concerns or possible violation of applicable polices. To help ensure that all employees are thoroughly familiar with the Company's policies and applicable laws, all Company personnel are required to complete mandatory ethics and compliance trainings. The Chief Compliance Officer, in cooperation with the General Counsel, is responsible for helping ensure that educational materials are developed and provided to appropriate persons.

In 2023, to enhance ethics education the Company launched a complete in-person compliance training program targeting 800 employees across major onshore locations. Internal live training sessions covered a range of compliance topics, including anti-corruption, export controls, competition law, and data protection for functions most sensitive to these compliance risks.

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Any violation of anti-bribery or anti-corruption laws, including the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the United Kingdom Bribery Act, or similar laws and regulations could result in significant expenses, divert management attention, and otherwise have a negative impact on the company. Increasing attention and expanding requirements relating to environmental, social, and governance ("ESG") matters compounded by the varied and expansive scope of ESG standards, ESG rating criteria, our sustainability and ESG disclosures, and the perception and expectations of the public, may negatively impact our business and financial results.

Going forward, we continue to be committed to conducting business responsibly and prohibit bribery in the conduct of all our business, all over the world.

Sustainability – Environmental, Social & Governance

As a responsible drilling contractor with a comprehensive approach to sustainability, Noble remains committed to building on the Company's strategy of enabling long-term sustainable value creation.

Noble's sustainability mission is to help provide affordable energy efficiently, safely and sustainably, by leveraging long-standing customer relationships and unique innovation capabilities.

Operating business in a responsible way is fundamental to who we are as a company. Our commitments are manifested in our core values of Safety, Environmental Stewardship, Honesty and Integrity, Respect, and Performance.

Goals and policies for the underrepresented gender

Caring for our people and fostering a diverse, inclusive, and equitable workplace is an integrated part of Noble's vision, our core values, and how the Company conducts its business. Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) is a key focus area in Noble's sustainability framework based upon our firm belief that the strength and longevity of Noble are centered on our people. In addition, our DEI commitments will serve to benefit each of us and those with and around us.

DEI policy reflects commitment and efforts:

During 2023, Noble implemented a DEI policy reflecting the Company's commitment to and outlining our efforts regarding DEI. Our DEI policy can be found on Noble's corporate website. Within DEI, Noble is focusing on:

- Promoting equal opportunity and non-discrimination
- Building diverse talent and fostering inclusion
- Safeguarding good working conditions

Noble's DEI initiatives in 2023 included ambitions for developing diverse slates during recruitment, establishing feedback loops from the organization, building diverse talent pipelines, and promoting inclusion to provide healthy working conditions that enable our employees to reach their full potential.

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Ambition of diverse slate for onshore leadership positions

Embedded in Noble's DEI policy is an ambition to include at least one individual on the slate of final candidates for senior onshore leadership positions who is diverse relative to the team by either gender, age, nationality, ethnicity, and/or education. Since we commenced tracking slate diversity in August 2023 at Noble, a female candidate has been included in the final slate in more than 60 percent of the cases, and a minimum of one candidate who is diverse relative to the team was observed in close to 90 percent of the cases. During 2023, female representation in Noble's onshore workforce has increased to 37 percent. Female representation in onshore leadership roles has increased to almost 30 percent, and throughout 2023, Noble saw a 50/50 split in onboarding of new onshore colleagues. Offshore female representation has improved to 1.4 percent. Gender representation continues to be a challenge across the offshore oil and gas industry. Therefore, one of Noble's DEI focuses is to promote equal employment opportunities and attract a gender diverse offshore talent pool. See the ESG data table for current performance on key DEI metrics.

In 2023, Noble embedded questions on the DEI experience for employees across our global workforce into a global employee engagement survey. This feedback loop is a critical element of Noble's DEI roadmap and will help guide future efforts in the right direction.

At Noble Drilling A/S, both the Management and the Board is aware of the social expectations for measures to promote gender equality in business, and the composition of the Board is currently 100% male:

	2023
Top management body	
Total number of members	3
Underrepresented gender in %	0%
Target figure in %	33.33%
The year in which the target figures are estimated to be fulfilled	2025
Other Management levels	
Total number of members	NA
Underrepresented gender in %	NA
Target figure in %	NA
The year in which the target figures are estimated to be fulfilled	NA

Due to the influence of the management of Noble Drilling on the Company's operations, there is no other management as defined by ÅRL § 99 b. Consequently, the Company is not required to disclose targets for other management.

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Talent Management

Noble is committed to a number of initiatives that directly support our employee talent management. Noble has implemented a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion ("DEI") policy reflecting the Company's commitment to and outlining the Company's efforts regarding DEI. As part of our DEI policy, Noble aspires to: Promote equal opportunity and non-discrimination; Build diverse talent and fostering inclusion; and safeguard good working conditions In order to enable regular feedback loops and a continuous focus on employee engagement, we have implemented quarterly Employee Engagement Surveys, results of which are shared with the organization and leaders engage their teams in a conversation regarding the results and subsequent actions. During 2023, Noble implemented a new approach across the combined organization which focuses on enabling performance through continuous conversations between leaders and employees. The conversations are intended to take place at least twice a year and follow a structured framework pertaining to contributions, engagement, and development, and incorporate two-way feedback. We also identify high-performing and high-potential individuals within Noble and aspire to ensure succession planning regarding all critical positions. We focus on engagement and retention of such individuals by aspiring to offer experiences and opportunities that demonstrate our commitment to their ongoing growth.

Going forward, we will continue to strive to create a workplace that keeps people safe and offers meaningful career opportunities. In 2023, as of merger result, the Company role has decreased in overall organization structure. Employment has been decreased; sale of the rig is planned. Nevertheless, the Company will still play a vital role, as a service provider for the entities from the Noble Group.

Data Ethics and Data Security

The Company recognizes the increasing importance of data ethics and data security in today's digital business environment. We have implemented stringent policies and procedures to ensure that our processing and handling of data align with applicable laws and good practices.

We safeguard the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of our customers' and stakeholders' data. Our responsible data processing entails careful and ethical utilization of data collection, storage, processing, and sharing.

The Group strive to minimize the risks associated with data collection and processing and ensure that our IT systems are robust and protected against unauthorized access, data loss, or misuse.

Furthermore, the Group continue to monitor and evaluate our data ethics practices ensuring they align with best practices and expectations. We are committed to maintaining the trust of our customers, stakeholders, and the broader society through responsible data handling and data security.

Financial statements 1 January – 31 December

Income statement

USD'000	Note	2023	2022
Revenue	2	119,714	117,714
Other operating income		4,669	20,910
Other external costs		-110,127	-91,292
Gross profit		14,256	47,332
Staff costs	3	-93,692	-102,026
Depreciation, amortisation and impairment losses		10,851	-141,085
Loss before financial income and expenses		-68,585	-195,779
Impairment on investments in group entities	10	-622,139	0
Financial income	4	110,460	132,452
Financial expenses	5	-102,235	-68,199
Loss before tax		-682,499	-131,526
Tax on loss for the year	6	35,189	-259
Loss for the year	7	-647,310	-131,785

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Balance sheet

USD'000	Note	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
ASSETS			
Fixed assets			
Intangible assets	8		
Other rights		834	1,419
Software		9,865	12,597
Development projects in progress		552	504
		11,251	14,520
Property, plant and equipment	9		
Plant and machinery		0	3,487
Fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment		70,014	65,473
Leasehold improvements		760	789
Property, plant and equipment under construction		1,754	3,203
		72,528	72,952
Investments	10		
Investments in group entities		1,471,928	3,722,552
Other receivables		740,763	0
		2,212,691	3,722,552
Total fixed assets		2,296,470	3,810,024
Current assets			
Inventories			
Assets held for sale		25,000	0
Receivables			
Trade receivables		468	3,953
Receivables from group entities		817,906	1,181,069
Other receivables		6,156	9,101
Deferred tax asset	11	110	2,713
Corporation tax		20,086	11,605
Prepayments	12	4,899	4,605
		849,625	1,213,046
Cash at bank and in hand		114,194	138,745
Total current assets		988,819	1,351,791
TOTAL ASSETS		3,285,289	5,161,815

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Balance sheet

USD'000	Note	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Contributed capital		88,354	88,354
Retained earnings		2,092,421	2,733,504
Total equity		2,180,775	2,821,858
Provisions			
Other provisions	13	47,674	24,336
Total provisions		47,674	24,336
Liabilities other than provisions			
Non-current liabilities other than provisions	14		
Payables to group entities		0	1,514,272
Other payables		0	9,507
		0	1,523,779
Current liabilities other than provisions			
Current portion of non-current liabilities	14	57	726,563
Trade payables		18,006	26,007
Payables to group entities		982,058	22,346
Other payables	14	56,719	16,526
Deferred income	15	0	400
		1,056,840	791,842
Total liabilities other than provisions		1,056,840	2,315,621
TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		3,285,289	5,161,815
Contractual obligations, contingencies, etc.	16		
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Statement of changes in equity

USD'000	Contributed capital	Retained earnings	Total
Equity at 1 January 2022	88,354	2,884,525	2,972,879
Impact of change in accounting policy	0	-28,864	-28,864
Equity at 1 January 2022	88,354	2,855,661	2,944,015
Share-based payments	0	4,021	4,021
Other equity movements	0	2,152	2,152
Transferred over the distribution loss	0	-131,785	-131,785
Hedges	0	3,455	3,455
Equity at 31 December 2022	88,354	2,733,504	2,821,858
Share-based payments	0	6,227	6,227
Transferred over the distribution loss	0	-647,310	-647,310
Equity at 31 December 2023	88,354	2,092,421	2,180,775

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1 Accounting policies

The annual report of Noble Drilling A/S for 2023 has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applying to reporting class C large entities under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements are consistent with those of last year, besides the change described below regarding accounting policies for investment in subsidiaries.

Omission of consolidated financial statements

Pursuant to section 112(1) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, no consolidated financial statements have been prepared. The financial statements of Noble Drilling A/S and subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements of Noble Corporation plc, 1 Ashley Road, 3rd Floor, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 2 DT, UK.

Omission of cash flow statement

Pursuant to section 86(4) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, no cash flow statement has been prepared. The Company's cash flows are included in the consolidated cash flow statements of Noble Corporation plc.

Change in accounting policies

The Company has changed accounting policies for investments in subsidiaries in accounting for these using the cost method going forward with dividends received from investments in subsidiaries recognised through the income statement. In prior years, investments in subsidiaries were accounted for at equity method, with the share of the profit for the year for subsidiaries recognised through the income statement. The change in accounting policy has not had an impact on deferred or current taxes.

Above have resulted in changes to comparative figures and have been restated to refelct the change to using the cost method going forward in the financial statements. The following effects on the comparative figures have been recognised:

- Income from investments in group entities, increase of USD 69,692 thousand.

- Investments in group entities, increase of USD 38,784 thousand.

- Receivables from group entities, increase of USD 4,476 thousand.

- Total equity, increase of USD 40,828 thousand.

- Other payables, increase of USD 2,432 thousand.

The current year's effect is recognised directly in the relevant financial statements captions.

Omission of audit fee disclosure

Pursuant to section 96(3) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, audit fee disclosures have been omitted as this information is included in the consolidated financial statements of Noble Corporation plc.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Foreign currency translation

On initial recognition, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the transaction date. Foreign exchange differences arising between the exchange rates at the transaction date and the date of payment are recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

Receivables, payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rates at the balance sheet date. The difference between the exchange rates at the balance sheet date and the date at which the receivable or payable arose or was recognised in the latest financial statements is recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

Fixed assets acquired in foreign currencies are measured at the exchange rates at the transaction date.

USD is used as functional currency and as presentation currency because the majority of transactions are in USD. At 31 December 2023, the DKK/USD exhange rate was 6.74 (2022: 6.95).

Share-based payment

Equity-settled restricted shares allocated to employees as part of Noble Drilling A/S' long-term incentive programme are recognised as staff costs over the vesting period at estimated fair value at the grant date and a corresponding adjustment in equity.

At the end of each reporting period, Noble Drilling A/S revises its estimates of the number of awards that are expected to vest based on the non-market vesting conditions and service conditions. Any impact of the revision is recognised in the income statement with a corresponding adjustment in equity.

Derivative financial instruments

On initial recognition, derivative financial instruments are recognised in the balance sheet at cost and subsequently measured at fair value. Positive and negative fair values of derivative financial instruments are recognised as other receivables and other payables, respectively.

Changes in the fair value of derivative financial instruments designated as and qualifying for recognition as a fair value hedge of a recognised asset or liability are recognised in the income statement together with changes in the fair value of the hedged asset or liability.

Income statement

Revenue

Income from drilling activities, which are typically carried out under long-term agreements with fixed day rates, is recognised as revenue for the operating time related to the financial year.

Internal income is mainly recognised for management and manning services performed for related entities during the financial year.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Other operating income

Other operating income comprises income from activities that are not undertaken in the ordinary course of the main drilling business.

Other external costs

Other external costs comprise costs incurred during the year for bareboat hire of the rigs (operating lease), repair and maintenance, catering, hired crew and administrative expenses.

Staff costs

Staff costs comprise wages and salaries, including holiday allowance, pension and other social security costs, etc., to the Company's employees, excluding reimbursements from public authorities.

Financial income and expenses

Financial income and expenses are recognised in the income statement at the amounts relating to the financial year.

Tax on loss for the year

Tax for the year comprises current corporation tax for the year and changes in deferred tax, including changes in tax rates. The tax expense relating to the profit/loss for the year is recognised in the income statement, and the tax expense relating to amounts directly recognised in equity is recognised directly in equity. For the period 1 January - 3 October 2022, the Company was part of A.P. Møller Holding A/S' joint taxation, thereafter, the Company was jointly taxed with The Drilling Company of 1972 A/S. Current Danish income tax is allocated among the jointly taxed companies in proportion to their taxable income (full allocation with refund for tax losses).

Balance sheet

Intangible assets

Capitalised development costs are amortised from the date of completion on a straight-line basis over the period when the development work is expected to generate economic benefits.

IT software is amortised over a useful life of 3-5 years.

Property, plant and equipment

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

Cost comprises the purchase price and any costs directly attributable to the acquisition until the date on which the asset is available for use. Indirect production overheads and borrowing costs are not recognised in cost.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

The basis of depreciation is cost less any projected residual value after the end of the useful life. Depreciation is provided on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful life. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Plant and machinery	25 years
Fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	5-10 years
Leasehold improvements	5 years

The useful life and residual value are reassessed annually. Changes are treated as accounting estimates, and the effect on depreciation is recognised prospectively.

Fixed assets under construction are recognised and measured at cost at the balance sheet date. Upon entry into service, the cost is transferred to the relevant group of property, plant and equipment.

Decision of dispose a noncurrent asset through a sale transaction result in recognition of asset held for sale. Assets held for sale measured at the lower of carrying amount and fair value less costs to sell. They are presented separately in the statement of financial position. Assets held for sale are recognized if the expected sale is planned within 12 months from the balance sheet date.

Cost of yard stays for rigs are recognised when incurred in the value of the rigs, etc. and depreciated over the period until the next yard stay.

Impairment

The carrying amount of intangible assets and property, plant and equipment as well as equity investments in subsidiaries is subject to an annual test for indications of impairment other than the decrease in value reflected by depreciation or amortisation.

Impairment tests are conducted of individual assets or groups of assets when there is an indication that they may be impaired. Write-down is made to the recoverable amount if this is lower than the carrying amount.

The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's net selling price and its value in use. The value in use is determined as the present value of the forecast net cash flows from the use of the asset or the group of assets, including forecast net cash flows from the disposal of the asset or the group of assets after the end of the useful life.

Inventories

Inventories are measured at cost in accordance with the FIFO method. Where the net realisable value is lower than cost, inventories are written down to this lower value.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Receivables

Receivables are measured in the balance sheet at the lower of amortised cost and net realisable value, which corresponds to nominal value less write-down for bad debts. Write-down for bad debts is determined on the basis of an individual assessment of each receivable. Other receivables mainly pertain to note receivable from the sale of rigs. Note receivable is initially measured at the fair value, and subsequently at amortized cost using the effective interest method, less any provision for impairment. The company assesses at each reporting date whether there is any objective evidence that a note receivable is impaired, and recognizes an impairment loss as the difference between the carrying amount of the note receivable and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the original effective interest rate.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand comprise cash.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation from past events. The item includes, among other, provisions for legal disputes, disputes over indirect taxes or duties and restructuring provisions. Provisions are recognised based on best estimates and are discounted where the time element is significant and where the time of settlement is reasonably determinable.

Corporation tax and deferred tax

Current tax payable and receivable is recognised in the balance sheet as tax computed on the taxable income for the year, adjusted for tax on the taxable income of prior years and for tax paid on account.

Deferred tax is measured using the balance sheet liability method on all temporary differences between the carrying amount and the tax value of assets and liabilities based on the planned use of the asset or settlement of the liability. However, deferred tax is not recognised on temporary differences relating to goodwill non-deductible for tax purposes and on office premises and other items where the temporary differences arise at the date of acquisition without affecting either profit/loss or taxable income.

Deferred tax assets, including the tax value of tax loss carryforwards, are recognised at the expected value of their utilisation within the foreseeable future; 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. Any deferred net assets are measured at net realisable value.

Deferred tax is measured in accordance with the tax rules and at the tax rates applicable at the balance sheet date when the deferred tax is expected to crystallise as current tax. Changes in deferred tax as a result of changes in tax rates are recognised in the income statement or equity, respectively.

Liabilities other than provisions

Financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost, which essentially corresponds to nominal value.

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1 Accounting policies (continued)

Deferred income

Deferred income comprise payments received relating to subsequent financial years. Deferred income are measured at payment for invoiced revenue net of VAT, duties and sales discounts.

Segment information

Segment information is provided on geographical markets and lines of services. The segment information is in line with the Group's accounting policies, risks and internal financial management.

2 Revenue

USD'000	2023	2022
Geographical markets		
Revenue, Azerbaijan	0	16
Revenue, Denmark	119,714	117,698
Total revenue	119,714	117,714
Lines of services		
Jack-up market	38,313	42,469
Floaters market	63,107	71,945
Unallocated activities	18,294	3,300
Total revenue	119,714	117,714

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3 Staff costs

USD'000	2023	2022
Wages and salaries	79,723	91,617
Pensions	8,714	13,189
Other social security costs	5,255	350
Capitalised staff costs	0	-3,130
	93,692	102,026
Average number of full-time employees	390	330

Existing Executive Board serves as Executive Management of a number of Noble Drilling entities, but are not remunerated for their Executive positions in addition to their regular salary. For the purpose of information of the Executive Management salaries and amount is estimated for the Executive efforts. The compensation of the Executive Management consists of a combination of fixed pay
and short-term and long-term incentive pay.

In 2023, the remuneration of the Executive Board and Board of Directors was paid by other companies within the Noble Drilling Group. An estimated amount of USD 5 thousand is attributable to the Company.

For the period 1 January - 2 October 2022, the Company has hold the Executive Board of directors who has served as Executive Management of a number of former Maersk Drilling entities. For their services to the Group overall, the Executive Board has received total remuneration of USD 4 million in 2022.

Under the Short-term Incentive Plan, the target annual cash-based bonus payable could constitute an amount of up to 50% of the member of the Executive Management's fixed pay at the end of the
performance period of earning the cash incentive. Maximum bonus was 200% of the individual target. Under the Long-term Incentive Programme, the Executive Management for the period 1 January - 2 October 2022 was awarded an annual grant of restricted share units with a three-year vesting period and a further two-year holding period amounting to 100% (CEO) and 80% (CFO) of their fixed pay. As a result of the business combination with Noble Corporation an additional compensation package and long-term incentive vested shares of total USD 7 million was paid-out in lieu of the termination of employment of the Executive Board.

For additional information about remuneration in Noble Corporation, reference is made to the 2022 UK Annual Report of Noble Corporation plc and the section regarding Directors Remuneration Report – which is available on noblecorp.com - see link below:
https://find-and-update.company-information.service.gov.uk/company/12958050

4 Financial income

USD'000	2023	2022
Interest income from group entities	92,196	43,783
Dividends received from group entities	12,938	35,181
Other financial income	3,320	5,969
Exchange adjustments from group entities	2,006	47,519
	110,460	132,452

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USD'000	2023	2022

5 Financial expenses

	2023	2022
Interest expense to group entities	91,342	0
Other financial expenses to group entities	1,320	53,826
Other financial expenses	0	14,373
Exchange losses to group entities	9,573	0
	102,235	68,199

6 Tax on loss for the year

	2023	2022
Current tax for the year	-19,654	-10,419
Deferred tax for the year	2,603	2,304
Adjustment of tax concerning previous years	-18,138	8,172
Adjustment of tax concerning previous years - other adjustments	0	-298
Adjustment of uncertain tax provisions in 2022	0	500
	-35,189	259

7 Proposed distribution of loss

	2023	2022
Retained earnings	-647,310	-201,477

8 Intangible assets

USD'000	Other rights	Software	Development projects in progress	Total
Cost at 1 January 2023	2,000	13,128	504	15,632
Additions for the year	0	0	48	48
Cost at 31 December 2023	2,000	13,128	552	15,680
Amortisation and impairment losses at 1 January 2023	-581	-531	0	-1,112
Amortisation for the year	-585	-2,732	0	-3,317
Amortisation and impairment losses at 31 December 2023	-1,166	-3,263	0	-4,429
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023	834	9,865	552	11,251

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9 Property, plant and equipment

USD'000	Plant and machinery	Fixtures and fittings, tools and equipment	Leasehold improvements	Property, plant and equipment under construction	Total
Cost at 1 January 2023	353,444	80,656	1,692	3,203	438,995
Additions for the year	0	5,718	0	4,687	10,405
Transfer to asset held for sale	-353,444	0	0	0	-353,444
Transfers for the year	0	4,829	1,307	-6,136	0
Cost at 31 December 2023	0	91,203	2,999	1,754	95,956
Depreciation and impairment losses at 1 January 2023	-349,957	-15,183	-903	0	-366,043
Impairment reversal for the year	21,550	0	0	0	21,550
Depreciation for the year	-37	-6,006	-1,336	0	-7,379
Transfer to asset held for sale	328,444	0	0	0	328,444
Depreciation and impairment losses at 31 December 2023	0	-21,189	-2,239	0	-23,428
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023	0	70,014	760	1,754	72,528

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10 Investments

USD'000	Equity investments in subsidiaries
Cost at 1 January 2023	6,588,872
Additions for the year	9
Disposals for the year	-1,753,617
Cost at 31 December 2023	4,835,264
Allowance for impairment at 1 January 2023	-2,866,320
Provision for impairment, net*	-497,016
Provision for impairment 31 December 2023	-3,363,336
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023	1,471,928

Name/legal form	Registered office	Voting rights and ownership interest
Subsidiaries:		
Noble Drilling Offshore International A/S	Denmark	100%
Noble Drilling Australia Pty. Ltd.	Australia	100%
Noble Drilling Norge AS	Norway	100%
Noble Drilling DS A/S	Denmark	100%
Noble Drilling North Sea A/S	Denmark	100%
Noble Drilling Operations Americas A/S	Denmark	100%
Noblecorp Drilling Holdings Singapore Pte. Ltd.	Singapore	100%
Noble Drilling Operating Services A/S	Denmark	100%

USD'000	Other receivables
Cost at 1 January 2023	0
Additions for the year	740,763
Cost at 31 December 2023	740,763
Carrying amount at 31 December 2023	740,763

In 2023, total impairment on investments in group entities amounted to USD 622,139 thousand. This comprise of impairment of the cost of investment as indicated above, and additional losses for subsidiaries with negative equity amounting to USD 125,123 thousand.

Only significant subsidiaries (total assets above USD 10 million) have been listed. A comprehensive list of companies is included in the Annual Report for 2023 of Noble Corporation plc, which is available on https://noblecorp.com/investors/reports-and-filings.

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11 Deferred tax

Deferred taxes attributable to the carrying amounts of the rigs, intangible assets, provisions and fair value adjustments of derivatives. The deferred tax asset is expected to be utilised by the Company or jointly taxed entities within 3 years.

USD'000	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
Deferred tax at 1 January	-2,713	-5,017
Deferred tax adjustment for the year in the income statement	2,603	2,304
	-110	-2,713

12 Prepayments

Prepayments of USD 4,899 thousand (2022: USD 4,605 thousand) include advance payments for the next year for insurance, training, rent, etc.

13 Other provisions

Provisions relate to operating costs and claims, pensions, etc. for occurred events, but where the costs are subject to uncertainty. Provisions are recognised at Management's best estimate.

14 Non-current liabilities other than provisions

USD'000	31/12 2023	Repayment, first year	Outstanding debt after five years
Loan from group entities	840,135	34,898	0
Payables for acquisitions	4,116	4,416	0
Other payables	56,709	46,495	0
Total	900,960	85,809	0

15 Deferred income

Deferred income of USD 0 thousand (2022: USD 400 thousand) comprises payments received from customers for revenue relating to future financial years.

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16 Contingencies

Contingent assets

The Company has non-recognised deferred tax assets amounting to USD 75,000 thousand.

Contingent liabilities

The Company is jointly taxed with all other Danish companies in the The Drilling Company of 1972 Group. As a fully owned subsidiary, the Company has unlimited and joint liability together with the other companies under joint taxation for Danish company tax, withholding taxes on dividends, interest and royalties within the jointly taxed companies.

Operating lease obligations

The Company has entered into an operating lease contract with an annual lease payment within 1 year of USD 4,7 million (2022: USD 4,6 million). The lease contract's duration is up to 60 months and includes total nominal remaining payments of USD 7,6 million (2022: USD 14,0 million).

USD'000	31/12 2023	31/12 2022
Rental commitments (office building and warehouse)		
Within 1 year	4,703	4,650
Between 1 and 5 years	2,911	7,061
After 5 years	0	2,320
	7,614	14,031

17 Mortgages and collateral

The Company is a party to a revolving credit agreement with USD 550 million in commitments made between a group of banks including JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. as Administrative Agent and Noble Finance II LLC, Noble International Finance Company, and Noble Drilling A/S as borrowers. The revolving commitments mature in April 2028. The Company, jointly with certain other Noble entities, has guaranteed the obligations under this revolving credit agreement, and substantially all assets of the Company and the equity interest of the Company have been pledged as security. There were no borrowings outstanding as of 31 December 2023. The Company, jointly with certain other Noble entities, is a guarantor of USD 600 million senior unsecured notes issued by Noble Finance II LLC with maturity in April 2030.

Rigs classified as asset held for sale with a carrying amount of USD 25 million has been provided as collateral for these borrowings. In addition to the collateral rigs, insurance coverage and certain bank accounts related to the collateral rigs and certain intra-group charterers in respect of the collateral rigs are provided as collateral. In certain circumstances, earnings in respect of drilling contracts for the collateral rigs will be assigned in favour of the lenders under the loan agreements.

Shares in subsidiaries being owners or operators of collateral rigs are provided as collateral.

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18 Derivatives

The Company takes out derivative financial instruments as part of hedging the currency risk related to other recognised and unrecognised transactions (primarily overheads and administrative expenses). The notional amount of currency derivative financial instruments at December 31 2023 amounts to:

Million	Foreign currency	2023 USD	Foreign currency	2022 USD
2023				
DKK/USD	20	3	485	69

The majority of currency derivative contracts hedge future cash outflows. Accordingly, the respective foreign currencies are purchased, and USD is sold.

19 Related party disclosures

Noble Drilling A/S' related parties comprise the following:

Control

The Drilling Company of 1972 A/S, Lyngby Hovedgade 85, DK-2800 Kgs. Lyngby, holds the majority of the contributed capital in the Company.

Noble Drilling A/S is part of the consolidated statements of Noble Corporation plc, 1 Ashley Road, 3rd Floor, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 2 DT, UK, which is the smallest group in which the Company is included as subsidiary.

The consolidated financial statements of Noble Corporation plc can be obtained by contacting this company or at https://noblecorp.com/investors/reports-and-filings.

Related party transactions

Transactions with related parties are carried out on an arm's length basis and are therefore not separately disclosed pursuant to section 98 C (7) of the Danish Financial Statements Act.

20 Disclosure of events after the balance sheet date

In April 2024, according to the business decision, sale of the rig took place. This was Explorer, built by Caspian Shipyard Company Ltd in 2003. The Company entered into the agreement with Caspian Drilling Company Limited in Azerbaijan. Sale price was USD 25,000 thousand.