# GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S

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Annual report 2019

Approved at the Company's annual general meeting on 26 June 2020

Chairman





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## Statement by the Board of Directors and the Executive Board

Today, the Board of Directors and the Executive Board have discussed and approved the annual report of GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2019.

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

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company at 31 December 2019 and of the results of the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2019.

Further, in our opinion, the Management's review gives a fair review of the matters discussed in the Management's review.

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

Taastrup, 4 June 2020 Executive Board:

Jacob Kjær

Board of Directors:

Martin Lippert Chairman Jannie Laurberg Sørensen

Louise Hahn



## Independent auditor's report

To the shareholders of GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2019, which comprise income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and notes, including accounting policies. The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company at 31 December 2019 and of the results of the Company's operations for the financial year 1 January - 31 December 2019 in accordance with the Danish Financial Statements Act.

#### 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 believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code) and the additional requirements applicable in Denmark, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these rules and requirements.

#### 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.

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

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

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

ldentify 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.



## Independent auditor's report

- 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 note 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.

Statement on the Management's review

Management is responsible for the Management's review.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the 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 the Management's review and, in doing so, consider whether the 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 the Management's review provides the information required under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

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

Copenhagen, 4 June 2020 ERNST & YOUNG Godkendt Revisionspartnerselskab CVR no. 30 70 02 28

Thomas Bruun Kofoed State Authorised Public Accountant mne 28677



## Management's review

Company details

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CVR no. Established Registered office Financial year

Website E-mail

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## Management's review

#### Business review

GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S was founded with the purpose of acquiring GlobalConnect A/S and subsidiaries.

GlobalConnect is an independent fibre infrastructure provider that offers efficient and secure data networking, data center solutions and cloud services. The digitalization, requirement for efficient communication and outsourcing trends within enterprise and public sectors are continuously redefining how we work and have the potential to deliver immense benefits to society; via its network and datacenter infrastructure, GlobalConnect benefits from these underlying megatrends. GlobalConnect Group covers Denmark, Norway, Northern Germany and parts of Sweden with more than 42,000 km of high-speed optical fibre network and more than 18,000 m2 of data centers. GlobalConnect also acts as a turnkey supplier of international lines and services via partnering with other telecommunication operators outside GlobalConnect's own coverage area.

#### Financial review

In 2019, the Company reported revenue of DKK 217 thousand against DKK 4,417 thousand last year. The income statement for 2019 shows a loss of DKK 24,483 thousand against a loss of DKK 37,496 thousand last year, primarily due to interest expenses. At 31 December 2019, the balance sheet showed equity of DKK 2,751,158 thousand.

In 2019, GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S acquired the majority of the shares in Netteam Technology A/S.

No ordinary dividend has been proposed for 2019.

## Events after the balance sheet date

The impact of COVID-19 has not affected the Company's financial position, but have changed the market conditions for the subsidiaries. Management assess that the COVID-19 outbreak will not have a negative impact on the Company's investments in the long-term.

No events have otherwise occured after the balance sheet which could significantly affect the assessment of the Company's financial position.



## Income statement

Note	DKK'000	2019	2018
	Revenue Other external expenses	217 -3,516	4,417 -2,329
3	Gross profit Staff costs	-3,299 -334	2,088 -3,880
4 5	Profit/loss before net financials Financial income Financial expenses	-3,633 6,119 -28,136	-1,792 6,592 -42,741
6	Profit/loss before tax Tax for the year	-25,650 -18	-37,941 445
	Profit/loss for the year	-25,668	-37,496
	Recommended appropriation of profit/loss		
	Retained earnings/accumulated loss	-25,668	-37,496
		-25,668	-37,496



## Balance sheet

Note	DKK'000	2019	2018
	ASSETS		_
	Fixed assets		
7	Investments	0.450.005	0.055.450
	Investments in group enterprises	3,450,225	3,355,153
		3,450,225	3,355,153
	Total fixed assets	3,450,225	3,355,153
	Non-fixed assets		
	Receivables		
	Receivables from group enterprises	202,546	200,300
	Deferred tax assets	325	11
	Joint taxation contribution receivable	415	4,070
	Other receivables	609	0
		203,895	204,381
	Cash	156	109
	Total non-fixed assets	204,051	204,490
	TOTAL ASSETS	3,654,276	3,559,643



## Balance sheet

Note	DKK'000	2019	2018
	EQUITY AND LIABILITIES Equity		
	Share capital Retained earnings	27,857 2,723,301	27,857 2,748,969
	Total equity	2,751,158	2,776,826
8	Liabilities other than provisions Non-current liabilities other than provisions		
	Payable to group enterprises	899,944	778,852
		899,944	778,852
	Current liabilities other than provisions		
	Trade payables	1,185	0
	Payables to group enterprises	1,888	1,432
	Other payables	101	2,533
		3,174	3,965
	Total liabilities other than provisions	903,118	782,817
	TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	3,654,276	3,559,643

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## Statement of changes in equity

DKK'000	Share capital	Retained earnings	Total
Equity at 1 January 2019 Transfer through appropriation of loss	27,857 0	2,748,969 -25,668	2,776,826 -25,668
Equity at 31 December 2019	27,857	2,723,301	2,751,158



## Notes to the financial statements

## 1 Accounting policies

The annual report of GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S for 2019 has been prepared in accordance with the provisions in the Danish Financial Statements Act applying to reporting class B entities and elective choice of certain provisions applying to reporting class C entities.

In accordance with section 112(1) of the Danish Financial Statements Act, the Company has not prepared consolidated financial statements.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of the financial statements are consistent with those of last year.

#### Reporting currency

The financial statements are presented in Danish kroner (DKK'000).

## Intra-group business combinations

The book value method is applied to business combinations such as acquisition and disposal of investments, mergers, demergers, contributions of assets and share conversions, etc. in which entities controlled by the parent company are involved, provided that the combination is considered completed at the time of acquisition without any restatement of comparative figures. Differences between the agreed consideration and the carrying amount of the acquiree are recognised directly in equity.

## Foreign currency translation

On initial recognition, transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate 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 and payables and other monetary items denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the exchange rate 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 most recent financial statements is recognised in the income statement as financial income or financial expenses.

#### Income statement

## Revenue

Income from the rendering of management services is recognised as revenue as the services are rendered.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the agreed consideration excluding VAT and taxes charged on behalf of third parties. All discounts and rebates granted are recognised in revenue.

## Other external expenses

Other external expenses include the year's expenses relating to the Company's core activities, including expenses relating to administration, premises, consulting assistance, etc.

#### Staff costs

Staff costs include wages and salaries, including compensated absence and pension to the Company's employees, as well as other social security contributions, etc. The item is net of refunds from public authorities.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Financial income and expenses

Financial income and expenses are recognised in the income statement at the amounts that relate to the financial reporting period. The items comprise interest income and expenses, e.g. from group entities, exchange gains and losses and amortisation of financial assets and liabilities, bank fees, etc.

#### Tax

The parent company is covered by the Danish rules on mandatory joint taxation of the Group's Danish subsidiaries. Subsidiaries are included in the joint taxation arrangement from the date at which they are included in the consolidated financial statements and up to the date when they are no longer consolidated.

The parent company acts as management company for the joint taxation arrangement and consequently settles all corporate income tax payments with the tax authorities.

On payment of joint taxation contributions, the Danish corporate income tax charge is allocated between the jointly taxed entities in proportion to their taxable income. Entities with tax losses receive joint taxation contributions from entities that have been able to use the tax losses to reduce their own taxable income.

Tax for the year, which comprises the current income tax charge, joint taxation contributions and deferred tax adjustments, including adjustments arising from changes in tax rates, is recognised in the income statement as regards the portion that relates to the profit/loss for the year and directly in equity as regards the portion that relates to entries directly in equity.

#### Balance sheet

#### Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries and associates are measured at cost, which includes the cost of acquisition calculated at fair value plus direct costs of acquisition. If there is evidence of impairment, an impairment test is conducted. Where the carrying amount exceeds the recoverable amount, a write-down is made to such lower value.

## Impairment of fixed assets

The carrying amount of investments in subsidiaries is assessed for impairment on an annual basis.

Impairment tests are conducted on assets or groups of assets when there is evidence of impairment. The carrying amount of impaired assets is reduced to the higher of the net selling price and the value in use (recoverable amount).

The recoverable amount is the higher of the net selling price of an asset and its value in use. The value in use is calculated as the present value of the expected net cash flows from the use of the asset or the group of assets and the expected net cash flows from the disposal of the asset or the group of assets after the end of the useful life.

Previously recognised impairment losses are reversed when the reason for recognition no longer exists. Impairment losses on goodwill are not reversed.

#### Receivables

Receivables are measured at amortised cost.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 1 Accounting policies (continued)

The Company has chosen IAS 39 as interpretation for impairment of financial receivables.

An impairment loss is recognised if there is objective evidence that a receivable or a group of receivables is impaired. If there is objective evidence that an individual receivable has been impaired, an impairment loss is recognised on an individual basis.

Receivables in respect of which there is no objective evidence of individual impairment are tested for objective evidence of impairment on a portfolio basis. The portfolios are primarily based on the debtors' domicile and credit ratings in line with the Company's risk management policy. The objective evidence applied to portfolios is determined based on historical loss experience.

Impairment losses are calculated as the difference between the carrying amount of the receivables and the present value of the expected cash flows, including the realisable value of any collateral received. The effective interest rate for the individual receivable or portfolio is used as discount rate.

## Cash

Cash comprise cash and short term securities which are readily convertible into cash and subject only to minor risks of changes in value.

## Equity

#### Proposed dividends

Dividend proposed for the year is recognised as a liability once adopted at the annual general meeting (declaration date). Dividends expected to be distributed for the financial year are presented as a separate item under "Equity".

#### Income taxes

Current tax payables and receivables are recognised in the balance sheet as the estimated income tax charge for the year, adjusted for prior-year taxes and tax paid on account.

Deferred tax is measured according to the liability method on all temporary differences between the carrying amount and the tax base of assets and liabilities. However, 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 business combinations, arise at the date of acquisition without affecting either profit/loss for the year or taxable income. Where alternative tax rules can be applied to determine the tax base, deferred tax is measured based on Management's intended use of the asset or settlement of the liability, respectively.

Deferred tax is measured according to 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. Deferred tax assets are recognised 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. Changes in deferred tax due to changes in the tax rate are recognised in the income statement.

As management company for all the entities in the joint taxation arrangement, the parent company is liable for payment of the subsidiaries' income taxes vis à vis the tax authorities as the subsidiaries pay their joint taxation contributions. Joint taxation contributions payable or receivable are recognised in the balance sheet as income tax receivables or payables.



## Notes to the financial statements

## 1 Accounting policies (continued)

## Liabilities

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Financial liabilities are recognised at the date of borrowing at the net proceeds received less transaction costs paid. On subsequent recognition, financial liabilities are measured at amortised cost, corresponding to the capitalised value, using the effective interest rate. Accordingly, the difference between the proceeds and the nominal value is recognised in the income statement over the term of the loan. Financial liabilities also include the capitalised residual lease liability in respect of finance leases.

Other liabilities are measured at net realisable value.

#### 2 Events after the balance sheet date

The impact of COVID-19 has not affected the Company's financial position, but have changed the market conditions for the subsidiaries. Management assess that the COVID-19 outbreak will not have a negative impact on the Company's investments in the long-term.

No events have otherwise occured after the balance sheet which could significantly affect the assessment of the Company's financial position.

DKK'000	2019	2018
3 Staff costs Wages/salaries Pensions Other social security costs	235 98 1 334	3,643 235 2 3,880
Average number of full-time employees	0	1
4 Financial income Interest receivable, group entities Foreign currency translation Other financial income	6,103 16 0 6,119	6,028 30 534 6,592
5 Financial expenses Interest expenses, group entities Other financial expenses	28,106 30 28,136	3,625 39,116 42,741

The Company initiated an early redemption of issued mortgages and loan facilities resulting in a one-off expense of DKK 15,554 thousand, which has been recognised in other financial expenses in 2018.

Invactments in



## Financial statements 1 January - 31 December

## Notes to the financial statements

2019	2018
-415	-4,070
-325	3,625
758	0
18	-445
	-415 -325 758

#### 7 Investments

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group
enterprises
3,355,153 95,072
3,450,225
3,450,225

Name	<u>Domicile</u>	Interest	Equity DKK'000	Profit/loss DKK'000
Subsidiaries				
GlobalConnect A/S	Taastrup, Denmark Lynge,	100.00%	1,070,342	-33,106
Netteam Technology A/S	Denmark	70.00%	14,301	5,078

## 8 Non-current liabilities other than provisions

Of the long-term liabilities, DKK 0 thousand fall due for payment after more than 5 years after the balance sheet date.

GlobalConnect Holding AS has confirmed not to recall the loan to GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S, at lease until 31 December 2020.

#### 9 Contractual obligations and contingencies, etc.

## Contingent liabilities

The Parent Company is jointly taxed with its Danish subsidiaries. GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S acts as management company and is jointly and severally liable with other jointly taxed group entities for payment of all Danish income taxes and withholding taxes on dividend, interest and royalties within the group of jointly taxed entities. Any subsequent corrections of income subject to joint taxation and withholding taxes, etc., could entail an increase in the entities' tax liability. The Group as a whole is not liable vis-à-vis any third parties.

GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S has declared to its subsidiriary, GlobalConnect A/S, not to recall the intra-group balance, at least until 31 December 2020.

#### 10 Collateral

The Company has not provided any security or other collateral in assets at 31 December 2019.

Oslo, Norway



## Financial statements 1 January - 31 December

## Notes to the financial statements

## 11 Related parties

GlobalConnect Invest DK A/S' related parties comprise the following:

Parties exercising control

Related party	Domicile	Basis for control	
GlobalConnect Holding AS	Oslo, Norway	Principal Shareholder	
Information about consolidated fin	ancial statements		
Parent	Domicile	Requisitioning of the parent company's consolidated financial statements	
GlobalConnect Topholding AS	Oslo, Norway	Tjuvholmen allé 1, 0252	