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### Scale & Friends K/S

Amerika Plads 26 A, st. 2100 København Ø CVR No. 40552677

### **Annual report 2023**

The Annual General Meeting adopted the annual report on 19.03.2024

### Jacob Høeg Madsen

Chairman of the General Meeting

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# **Entity details**

### **Entity**

Scale & Friends K/S Amerika Plads 26 A, st. 2100 København Ø

Business Registration No.: 40552677

Registered office: København

Financial year: 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023

### **Board of Directors**

Henning Heiberg Andersen Claus Nielsen Jacob Høeg Madsen Kasper Mule Scott Struve

### **Executive Board**

Scale GP ApS

### **Auditors**

Deloitte Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab Weidekampsgade 6 2300 Copenhagen S

### **Statement by Management**

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board have today considered and approved the annual report of Scale & Friends K/S for the financial year 01.01.2023 - 31.12.2023.

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

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

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

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

Copenhagen, 28.02.2024

**Executive Board** 

Scale GP ApS

**Board of Directors** 

**Henning Heiberg Andersen** 

**Claus Nielsen** 

Jacob Høeg Madsen

**Kasper Mule Scott Struve** 

### Independent auditor's report

### To the limited partners of Scale & Friends K/S

### **Opinion**

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

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

### **Basis for opinion**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### Statement on the management commentary

Management is responsible for the management commentary.

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

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

Moreover, it is our responsibility to consider whether the management commentary provides the information required under the Danish Financial Statements Act.

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

Copenhagen, 28.02.2024

### **Deloitte**

Statsautoriseret Revisionspartnerselskab CVR No. 33963556

### Michael Thorø Larsen

State Authorised Public Accountant Identification No (MNE) mne35823

### Rikke Frydkjær Hansen

State Authorised Public Accountant Identification No (MNE) mne46616

### Management commentary

### **Primary activities**

The Company is a feeder fund to Scale Capital Fund II K/S and all investments are made through this. The purpose of the Limited Partnership is to generate profits by conducting, monitoring, developing and realizing investments in companies, either directly or through wholly or partly owned holdings companies.

### Uncertainty relating to recognition and measurement

The recognition and measurement of items in the annual report is associated with some uncertainty. The associated uncertainty is due to underlying investments in other investments are unlisted investments in venture companies.

### Statutory report on corporate social responsibility

The investments underlying this financial product do not take into account the EU criteria for environmentally sustainable economic activities.

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

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

## **Income statement for 2023**

		2023	2022
	Notes	DKK	DKK
Fair value adjustments of other investment assets		(1,427,744)	(9,995,406)
Other external expenses		(127,540)	(188,215)
Gross profit/loss		(1,555,284)	(10,183,621)
Income from financial assets		6,220,461	24,665,756
Other financial income		570	0
Other financial expenses		(2,715)	(7,970)
Profit/loss for the year		4,663,032	14,474,165
Proposed distribution of profit and loss:			
Retained earnings		4,663,032	14,474,165
Proposed distribution of profit and loss		4,663,032	14,474,165

## **Balance sheet at 31.12.2023**

### **Assets**

		2023	2022
	Notes	DKK	DKK
Other investments		56,419,409	57,847,153
Financial assets	1	56,419,409	57,847,153
Fixed assets		56,419,409	57,847,153
Cash		42,133	111,184
Current assets		42,133	111,184
Assets		56,461,542	57,958,337

### **Equity and liabilities**

		2023 Notes DKK	2022 DKK
	Notes		
Contributed capital		50,102,920	50,102,920
Retained earnings		6,209,960	7,767,386
Equity		56,312,880	57,870,306
Other payables		148,662	88,031
Current liabilities other than provisions		148,662	88,031
Liabilities other than provisions		148,662	88,031
Equity and liabilities		56,461,542	57,958,337
Employees	2		
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# Statement of changes in equity for 2023

	Contributed capital DKK	Retained	
		earnings DKK	Total DKK
Equity beginning of year	50,102,920	7,767,386	57,870,306
Extraordinary dividend paid	0	(6,220,458)	(6,220,458)
Profit/loss for the year	0	4,663,032	4,663,032
Equity end of year	50,102,920	6,209,960	56,312,880

The Partners have committed themselves to contributing up to DKK 50,103 thousand into the Fund, when new capital is required for making investments, paying fund costs etc. The total capital has been called as of 31.12.2023.

To certain limited partnerships shares are attached special rights (carried interest rights) regarding the distribution of distributions from the Fund to the limited partners when the total realized return in the Fund exceeds an agreed minimum return between the investors. The calculation is made after the so-called "European Waterfall" method, which is agreed in the Limited Partnership Agreement.

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### **Notes**

### 1 Financial assets

Other investments recognized under financial assets include unlisted capital shares, in Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs), which are measured at fair value via the income statement.

The Company has through its investment in a portfolio fund ownership of solely unlisted investments. The Company does not posses controlling or significant influence on the portfolio fund in which the Company has invested.

As a part of the compilation of the annual report, Management assesses the fair value principles and accounting estimates of the portfolio fund, and evaluate if the applied principles are fair, based upon management experience and knowledge regarding the specific portfolio fund. Given the nature of the unlisted equities the valuation is inherently associated with uncertainty, and the final valuation or sale price of the investments held by the portfolio fund, will depend on the future developments in market and specific factors, including earnings, interest rates, foreign exchange, etc.

The unrealised fair value adjustments recognized in this annual report is a result of the performance and valuation of the portfolio fund. Annually the Company receives audited financial statements by an independent auditor from the portfolio fund, which serve as the basis for the year-end valuation.

Neither Management nor the Company has any influence on the fair value assessments in the portfolio fund, and since the fair value is based upon audited figures, no quantitative inputs can be disclosed. The portfolio fund in which the Company has invested use common accepted guidelines for measuring the fair value. The fair value measuring of the investments held by the portfolio fund is made by the manager of the portfolio fund. The fair value of all investments held by the Company are based on level 3 in the fair value hierarchy (unobservable inputs) under IFRS.

For further considerations see accounting policies.

### 2 **Employees**

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

### 3 Fair value information

Investments
DKK
56,419,409

(1,427,744)

Unlisted

Fair value end of year 56

Unrealised fair value adjustments recognised in the income statement

### **4 Contingent liabilities**

The company has a outstanding investment commitments to Scale Capital fund II K/S on 504 T.DKK.

### **Accounting policies**

### **Reporting class**

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

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

#### **Recognition and measurement**

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

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

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

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

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

### **Income statement**

#### Fair value adjustments of other investment assets

Fair value adjustments of other investment assets comprise adjustments for the financial year of the Entity's investment assets measured at fair value at the balance sheet date. It comprises the pro rata share of the investments profit/loss.

### Other external expenses

Other external expenses include expenses relating to administration etc.

### **Income from financial assets**

Income from financial assets comprises the pro rata share of dividends from other investments.

#### Other financial income

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

#### Other financial expenses

Other financial expenses comprise interest expenses.

#### **Balance sheet**

#### Other investments

Other investments recognized under financial assets include unlisted capital shares, in Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs), which are measured at fair value via the income statement.

When measuring unlisted capital shares in companies at fair value, recognized valuation methods are used as a starting point.

When measuring at fair value investments in Alternative Investment Funds (AIFs), the valuation is based on the fair value of the assets and liabilities included in the individual fund, which appears in the individual funds' audited annual reports. The fair values in these funds are calculated based on recognized valuation methods, including the IPEV valuation guidelines, which essentially correspond to the recognition and measurement provisions in IFRS 13. The calculated fair value thus corresponds to the owner's share of the calculated capital account.

As a result of the investment taking place via other alternative investment funds, it is not possible to provide further information about the multiples used, return requirements etc. in the valuation.

Since the valuation in the funds is dependent on assumptions about e.g. future earnings in underlying companies owned by the funds and the development in market multiples, the valuation is associated with a natural uncertainty. This uncertainty will naturally be greater in periods of fluctuations in the financial markets, where market multiples, and thus the valuation, will be affected by, among other things, developments in illiquidity premiums and the possibility of selling underlying companies in the funds.

### Cash

Cash comprises bank deposits.

### Other financial liabilities

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