



**LSP Advisory B.V.**

Annual Report 2020

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Annual report for the year 2020

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## Directors' report

### General

LSP Advisory B.V. (the Company) was incorporated on 3 March 2008 as an asset manager focussing on investments in life sciences companies. It currently manages the Euronext listed LSP Life Sciences Fund N.V. (the Fund) and five client mandates (the Mandates). During the reporting period the combined Assets under Management of the Fund and the Mandates have increased from € 129.5 million to € 133.2 million, a 3% increase.

LSP Advisory B.V. has its statutory seat at Johannes Vermeerplein 9, Amsterdam, the Netherlands and is registered at the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce in Amsterdam under file number 34296447.

### Governance

LSP Advisory B.V. is a wholly owned subsidiary of LSP Advisory Group B.V. It has been granted a license pursuant to Article 2:65 of the Dutch Act on Financial Supervision (Wft) by the Netherlands Authority for the Financial Markets (AFM) on 12 April 2011. With the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD) that came into force on 22 July 2014, this license has been converted into an AIFM license by legislative decree. On 10 June 2021 the AFM approved the extension of the license to include the management of closed-end Private Equity funds.

### Key Financial Data

In 2020 LSP Advisory B.V. had revenues amounting to € 4.3 million compared to € 1.6 million in the prior year. This revenue consists of € 1.3 million management fee (2019: € 1.6 million) and € 3.0 million performance fee (2019: nil). Operating expenses for the year amount to € 2.0 million (2019: € 1.3 million) and there is no corporate income tax (2019: nil), resulting in a net profit for the period of € 2.2 million (2019: net profit of € 0.3 million). Per year end 2020 the shareholders' equity amounted € 4.0 million (2019: € 1.8 million) which is well above the solvency requirement as included in the AIFMD. Current assets minus current liabilities as of 31 December 2020 amounted to € 4.0 million (2019: € 1.8 million).

**Risk management**

LSP Advisory B.V. has established and maintains a permanent risk management function that implements effective risk management policies and procedures in order to identify, measure, manage and monitor on an ongoing basis all relevant risks.

The risk management function is functionally and hierarchically separated from the investment management function. The risk manager has a dotted line to the Supervisory Board and participates in the Supervisory Board meetings. The risk management function is also subject to the independent review of the Supervisory Board to ensure that decisions are being arrived at independently. The risks of LSP Advisory B.V. itself are mainly related to:

- Market risks
- Credit risk
- Operational risks, including regulatory compliance risk

LSP Advisory B.V. is exposed to market risk as the management fee is linked to the Assets under Management (AuM). In turn the AuM fluctuate with market movements. Also the performance fee is influenced by market movements as well as investment performance. Credit risk mainly relates to the solvency and liquidity of the investment funds from which LSP Advisory B.V. receives its fees. Operational risks relate mainly to people, e.g. skill and retention of key investment personnel, IT systems and regulatory compliance risk.

**Personnel**

During the year no changes occurred to the composition and number of staff members.

**Investments and financing**

LSP Advisory B.V. will continue to make investments in its team and infrastructure in order to further improve the trade execution capabilities, risk management, data analytics and fundraising capability. The Company is completely financed with equity and it is expected to remain that way for the next couple of years. Aforementioned investments will be financed out of retained earnings.

**Administrative organization and internal controls**

LSP Advisory B.V. has documented the administrative organization and internal controls in accordance with the Dutch Act on Financial Supervision (Wft) and the Decree on Conduct of Business Supervision of Financial Undertakings (BGfo). During the reporting period we have reviewed the various aspects of our operations. Our review did not find anything that would lead us to conclude that the administrative organization and the system of internal controls as referenced in article 121 of the BGfo does not satisfy the requirements as laid down in the BGfo and related regulations. Furthermore,

we did not find that the administrative organization and internal controls are ineffective or that they do not operate in accordance with their description.

Based on the above, we declare as LSP Advisory B.V. that we are in possession of a description of the administrative organization and internal controls in accordance with Article 121 of the Bgfo, which fulfils the requirements of the Bgfo. We also state with a reasonable degree of certainty that the administrative organization and the system of internal controls were effective and operated in accordance with its description during the reporting period.

The Directors of LSP Advisory B.V. confirm to the best of their knowledge that:

- the financial statements for the year 2020 have been prepared in accordance with the statutory provisions of Part 9, Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil Code and give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of LSP Advisory B.V. as at 31 December 2020 and of its result for the period then ended;
- the report includes a fair review of the key developments of the Company during the period and the effects thereof on the annual report, together with the principal risks and uncertainties of upcoming six months;
- the report provides adequate disclosure of the principal transactions with related parties.

### **Recent developments**

Since the beginning of 2021 up until the date of these annual accounts, the Assets under Management have increased to € 116.5 million (minus 13%), mainly as a result of investment performance. On 10 June 2021, the AFM approved the extension of the license to include the management of closed-end Private Equity funds. In connection therewith, the Company changed its Board of Directors and dissolved its Supervisory Board.

### **Outlook**

For the year 2021, LSP Advisory B.V. expects to grow its Assets under Management, in line with the ambition to become a sizable player in its market. It is expected that this growth comes from a combination of investment performance as well as through subscription by new investors. Furthermore, in the course of 2021 the closed-end Private Equity funds of LSP will come under the management of LSP Advisory, adding significant Assets under Manager to the Company.

**Disclosure in respect of COVID-19 virus**

Economic expectations and prospects for capital markets were revised sharply downwards in the first quarter of 2020 due to the spread of the Covid-19 (commonly referred to as ‘Corona’) virus. Extensive measures have been taken worldwide to contain the virus. It is clear that these measures will have a huge impact on the economy. Central bankers and governments have announced measures to mitigate the economic impact of the Covid-19 virus. The further course of the virus will determine how long the measures will remain in effect. These developments have a major impact on society and economies. In 2020 the impact on LSP Advisory B.V.’s result was relatively limited. The directors follow developments closely. Given the uncertainties and successive developments, the directors cannot yet provide a reliable estimate of the quantitative impact for the for LSP Advisory B.V.

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## Balance sheet as at 31 December 2020

(before proposed appropriation of result)

Assets		31 December 2020	31 December 2019
(in Euro)			
<b>Current assets</b>			
Receivables from group companies	<b>1</b>	3,516,523	953,305
Other receivables	<b>2</b>	936,662	678,297
Cash and cash equivalents	<b>3</b>	<u>1,091,895</u>	<u>923,649</u>
		5,545,080	2,555,251
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<b>Liabilities</b>		<b>31 December 2020</b>	<b>31 December 2019</b>
(in Euro)			
<b>Equity</b>	<b>4</b>		
Issued capital		18,000	18,000
Share premium		332,000	332,000
General reserve		1,427,707	1,155,465
Result for the year		<u>2,218,992</u>	<u>272,242</u>
		3,996,699	1,777,707
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Taxes and social security premiums	<b>5</b>	56,809	38,640
Other liabilities	<b>6</b>	<u>1,491,572</u>	<u>738,904</u>
		1,548,381	776,544
		<u>5,545,080</u>	<u>2,555,251</u>

## Profit and loss account for the year 2020

	2020		2019	
(in Euro)				
Management fee	8	1,311,603		1,580,459
Performance fee	9	<u>2,966,993</u>		-
<b>Operating income</b>		4,278,596		1,580,459
Staff expenses	10	1,406,806		855,289
Other operating expenses	11	597,558		399,962
Service fee	12	<u>51,300</u>		<u>52,800</u>
<b>Operating expenses</b>		2,055,664		1,308,051
<b>Operating income (loss)</b>		<u>2,222,932</u>		<u>272,408</u>
Interest expenses		<u>(3,940)</u>		<u>(166)</u>
<b>Financial result</b>		(3,940)		(166)
<b>Income before tax</b>		<u>2,218,992</u>		<u>272,242</u>
<b>Corporate income tax</b>		-		-
<b>Net income (loss) for the year</b>		<u>2,218,992</u>		<u>272,242</u>

## Notes to the financial statements

### General

LSP Advisory B.V. is a private limited liability company established under the laws of the Netherlands on 3 March 2008. LSP Advisory B.V. has its statutory seat at Johannes Vermeerplein 9, Amsterdam, the Netherlands and is registered at the Trade Register of the Chamber of Commerce in Amsterdam under file number 34296447. Its primary activities consist of managing investment funds and mandates in the healthcare sector.

### Principles of accounting

#### Basis of preparation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Title 9, Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil code and the Generally Accepted Accounting Principles in the Netherlands. In view of the size of the Company, the exemption provided for in article 396, Title 9, Book 2 of the Netherlands Civil code (small company) has been applied.

#### Going concern

These financial statements have been prepared on the basis of the going concern assumption.

### General

An asset is disclosed in the balance sheet when it is probable that the expected future economic benefits that are attributable to the asset will flow to the entity and the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. A liability is recognised in the balance sheet when it is expected to result in an outflow from the entity of resources embodying economic benefits and the amount of the obligation can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income is recognised in the profit and loss account when an increase in future economic potential related to an increase in an asset or a decrease of a liability has arisen, the size of which can be measured reliably. Expenses are recognised when a decrease in the economic potential related to a decrease in an asset or an increase of a liability has arisen, the size of which can be measured with sufficient reliability.

If a transaction results in a transfer of future economic benefits and or when all risks relating to assets or liabilities to a third party, the asset or liability is no longer included in the balance sheet. Assets and liabilities are not included in the balance sheet if economic benefits are not probable and/or cannot be measured with sufficient reliability.

Income and expenses are allocated to the financial year to which they relate.

All amounts are in Euro (€), the Company's functional currency, unless otherwise stated.

**Using estimates and judgments**

The preparation of the financial statements requires that management make judgements and use estimates and assumptions that affect the application of the accounting principles and the reported value of the assets and liabilities and the income and expenses. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are continually reviewed. Revised estimates are incorporated in the period in which the estimate is revised and in future periods for which the revision has consequences.

**Foreign exchange translation**

Transactions denominated in foreign currency are translated into the relevant functional currency of the Company at the exchange rate applying on the transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are translated at the balance sheet date into the functional currency at the exchange rate applying on that date. Translation gains and losses are taken to the profit and loss account.

Non-monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currency that are stated at historical cost are translated into the functional currency at the applicable exchange rates applying on the transaction date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities in foreign currency that are stated at present value are translated into the functional currency at the applicable exchange rates at the moment the present value is determined. Translation gains and losses are taken directly to equity as part of the revaluation reserve.

**Financial instruments**

Financial instruments include investments in shares and bonds, trade and other receivables, cash items, loans and other financing commitments, derivative financial instruments, trade payables and other financial liabilities. These financial statements contain the following financial instruments: trade and other receivables, cash items and other financial liabilities.

Financial instruments are initially stated at fair value, including discount or premium and directly attributable transaction costs. However, if financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value through profit and loss, then directly attributable transaction costs are directly recognised in the profit and loss account at the initial recognition.

After initial recognition, financial instruments are valued in the manner described below.

**Other receivables**

Other receivables are carried at amortised cost on the basis of the effective interest method, less impairment losses.

**Equity**

Financial instruments taking the legal form of shareholders' equity instruments are presented under shareholders' equity. Distributions to the holders of these instruments are deducted from shareholders' equity.

**Current liabilities**

Current liabilities are stated after their initial recognition at amortised cost on the basis of the effective interest rate method.

**Taxes**

Taxes are calculated on the result, taking into account existing tax facilities. LSP Advisory B.V. is part of a fiscal unity with LSP Advisory Group B.V. being the ultimate holding company. The income tax for the group is payable at group level and only recorded in the financial statements of the mother. Current tax comprises the expected tax payable or recoverable on the taxable profit or loss for the financial year, calculated using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date, and any adjustments to tax payable in respect of previous years.

## Balance sheet as at 31 December 2020

### Current Assets

#### 1. Receivables from group companies

The receivables from group companies consist of a receivable from LSP Advisory Group B.V. of € 0.7 million as well as a receivable from LSP Life Sciences Fund N.V. for management fee of € 77 thousand regarding December 2020 and performance fee of € 2.7 million. All these receivables are due within one year.

#### 2. Other receivables

Other receivables consist of a receivable from the Client Mandates for management fee of € 0.3 million and performance fee of € 0.2 million. Next to this there are receivables from LSP Management Group B.V. of € 0.2 million and from LSP Bioventures Management B.V. of € 0.2 million. All these receivables are due within one year.

#### 3. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents consist of cash at banks with ING Bank in Amsterdam. All cash and cash equivalents are available on demand.

**4. Equity**

(in Euro)	Issued capital	Share premium	General reserve	Result for the year	Total
Balance as at 31 December 2018	18,000	332,000	794,049	361,416	1,505,465
Changes during the year					
Transfer of result to reserve			361,416	(361,416)	-
Result for the year				272,242	272,242
Balance as at 31 December 2019	18,000	332,000	1,155,465	272,242	1,777,707
Changes during the year					
Transfer of result to reserve			272,242	(272,242)	-
Result for the year				2,218,992	2,218,992
Balance as at 31 December 2020	18,000	332,000	1,427,707	2,218,992	3,996,699

In the year 2020 the Company paid no dividend to its (sole) shareholder (2019: none).

**Issued capital**

The authorised capital of the Company amounts to € 90,000, divided in 90,000 common shares, with a par value of € 1.00, of which 18,000 shares have been issued and fully paid.

**Appropriation of result**

The management proposes to add the net profit for the year 2020 to the general reserve. This proposal has not been included in the financial statements.

**Current liabilities****5. Taxes and social security premiums**

Taxes and social security premiums consist of VAT payable for the fourth quarter of 2020 of € 57 thousand. This liability is due within one year.

**6. Other liabilities**

Other liabilities consist of various expenses made in 2020, which will be paid in 2021 for an amount of € 0.2 million, a payable to LSP Operations B.V. of € 1.0 million and a payable to LSP Bioventures Inc. of € 0.3 million. All these liabilities are due within one year.

## 7. Off-balance sheet assets and liabilities

LSP Advisory B.V. is part of a fiscal unity with LSP Advisory Group B.V. being the ultimate holding company. The income tax for the group is payable at group level and only recorded in the financial statements of the mother. LSP Advisory B.V. is however jointly and severally liable for the aggregate Corporate Tax liability of this group in case LSP Advisory Group B.V. does not timely or fully pay the group's taxes.

## Income Statement for the year 2020

### 8. Management fee

LSP Advisory B.V. has concluded an investment management agreement with LSP Life Sciences Fund N.V. pursuant to which LSP Advisory B.V. is entitled to receive a management fee equal to 1.5% per annum of the Net Asset Value excluding (i.e. before deduction of) the accrued management fee and performance fee. The management fee accrues on a daily basis by reference to the latest Net Asset Value and is payable by the Fund in arrears as per the last business day of each month.

In addition, LSP Advisory B.V. has concluded an investment management agreement with the Client Mandates pursuant to which LSP Advisory B.V. is entitled to receive a management fee of up to 1.5% per annum of the average Net Asset Value of the respective Client Mandate.

The aggregate management fee for the year 2020 amounts to € 1.3 million (2019: € 1.6 million).

### 9. Performance fee

LSP Advisory B.V. has concluded an investment management agreement with LSP Life Sciences Fund N.V. pursuant to which LSP Advisory B.V. is entitled to receive a performance fee of 20% of the increase (if any) in the Net Asset Value per share accrued during the year for each share outstanding at the end of the relevant year, but only to the extent such increase exceeds the hurdle, being the initial issuance price of the Fund (€ 100) plus 8% per annum cumulative and compounded since inception of the Fund. The performance fee is furthermore subject to a perpetual high watermark which means that performance fee shall only be payable if, and to the extent that, the Net Asset Value per share at the end of a year is greater than the highest value of this variable which has been determined at the end of all of the preceding years. The performance fee is calculated and accrues on a daily basis. The performance fee, if any, is payable as per the last valuation day of each calendar year.

In addition, LSP Advisory B.V. has concluded an investment management agreement with the Client Mandates pursuant to which LSP Advisory B.V. is entitled to receive a performance fee of up to 10% per annum of the outperformance of the respective Client Mandate over a predefined index.

The aggregate performance fee for the year 2020 amounts to € 3.0 million (2019: nil).

**10. Staff expenses**

(in Euro)	2020	2019
Gross wages and salaries	689,774	677,735
Social security charges	51,346	55,048
Pension insurance	79,603	78,647
Performance based remuneration	582,500	40,276
Other staff expenses	3,583	3,583
Total staff expenses	1,406,806	855,289
FTE at year end	3.5	3.5

As part of the AIFMD implementation, the Investment Managers and the Risk Manager have been seconded to LSP Advisory B.V. as of 1 July 2014. As part of this secondment agreement LSP Operations B.V. charges the fully loaded personnel expenses to LSP Advisory B.V.

LSP Advisory B.V. has implemented the AIFMD regulations regarding remuneration and has established a compliant remuneration policy. The objective of this remuneration policy is to motivate and retain the investment managers and other employees. The remuneration policy of the Company is designed such that it is consistent with and promotes sound and effective risk management and does not encourage risk-taking in a manner inconsistent with the risk policy of the Funds under management.

During the year 2020 LSP Advisory B.V. paid € 1.4 million (2019: € 0.9 million) to its staff members. Of this amount € 0.8 million (2019: € 0.8 million) was fixed remuneration and € 0.6 million (2019: € 40 thousand) was variable.

Of the total remuneration referenced above an amount of € 1.0 million (2019: € 0.6 million) related to the directors of the Fund Manager. This consists of a fixed remuneration of € 0.6 million (2019: € 0.6 million) and a variable compensation for the period of € 0.4 million (2019: nil).

2020 (in Euro)	Beneficiaries	Fixed remuneration	Variable remuneration	Total remuneration
Directors	2	601,721	363,500	965,221
Identified staff	1	31,852	73,000	104,852
Other employees	2	190,733	146,000	336,733
Total	5	824,306	582,500	1,406,806

  

2019 (in Euro)	Beneficiaries	Fixed remuneration	Variable remuneration	Total remuneration
Directors	2	570,246	-	570,246
Identified staff	1	31,839	12,394	44,233
Other employees	3	212,928	27,882	240,810
Total	6	815,013	40,276	855,289

**11. Other operating expenses**

(in Euro)	2020	2019
Advisory costs	172,418	133,361
Supervisory board remuneration	11,664	12,552
Travel, meeting and representation expenses	31,118	22,905
Performance based compensation	145,000	-
Other costs	237,358	231,144
<b>Total other operating expenses</b>	<b>597,558</b>	<b>399,962</b>

**12. Service fee**

(in Euro)	2020	2019
Service fee LSP Operations B.V.	51,300	52,800

From 1 July 2014 onwards LSP Operations B.V. charges a service fee at arm's length conditions to LSP Advisory B.V. for financial and legal services, office automation, service provider management and housing costs. For the year 2020 the total fee charged amounted to € 51 thousand (2019: € 53 thousand).

**13. Related party transactions**

LSP Operations B.V. on charges third party expenses to LSP Advisory B.V. for travel costs, office expenses and marketing costs paid. For 2020 the total amount charged is € 37 thousand (2019: € 40 thousand). Furthermore, as detailed in notes 10 and 12, LSP Operations B.V. has charged LSP Advisory B.V. under the secondment agreement and the services agreement.

**14. Disclosure in respect of COVID-19 virus**

Economic expectations and prospects for capital markets were revised sharply downwards in the first quarter of 2020 due to the spread of the Covid-19 (commonly referred to as ‘Corona’) virus. Extensive measures have been taken worldwide to contain the virus. It is clear that these measures will have a huge impact on the economy. Central bankers and governments have announced measures to mitigate the economic impact of the Covid-19 virus. The further course of the virus will determine how long the measures will remain in effect. These developments have a major impact on society and economies. In 2020 the impact on LSP Advisory B.V.’s result was relatively limited. The directors follow developments closely. Given the uncertainties and successive developments, the directors cannot yet provide a reliable estimate of the quantitative impact for the for LSP Advisory B.V.

Amsterdam, 29 June 2021

**As Statutory Directors**

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## Other information

### **Statutory regulations as to appropriation of profit**

According to Article 21 of the Articles of Association, profit as evidenced by the adopted financial statements shall be at the disposal of the General Meeting of Shareholders.

The Company may only make payments from the distributable profit to the shareholders and other parties having a profit entitlement in so far as its shareholders' equity exceeds the value of the paid-in portion of the capital augmented by such reserves as required to be maintained, either by law or, in so far as applicable, pursuant to these Articles of Association.

## Independent auditor's report

The independent auditor's report is included on the next pages.



## **Independent auditor's report**

To: the General Meeting and the Supervisory Board of LSP Advisory B.V.

### **Report on the audit of the accompanying financial statements**

#### ***Our opinion***

We have audited the financial statements 2020 of LSP Advisory B.V., based in Amsterdam.

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of LSP Advisory B.V. as at 31 December 2020, and of its result for the year 2020 in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

The financial statements comprise:

- 1 the balance sheet as at 31 December 2020;
- 2 the profit and loss account for the year 2020; and
- 3 the notes comprising a summary of the accounting policies and other explanatory information.

#### ***Basis for our opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with Dutch law, including the Dutch Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report.

We are independent of LSP Advisory B.V. in accordance with the Wet toezicht accountantsorganisaties (Wta, Audit firms supervision act), the 'Verordening inzake de onafhankelijkheid van accountants bij assurance-opdrachten' (ViO, Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants, a regulation with respect to independence) and other relevant independence regulations in the Netherlands. Furthermore, we have complied with the 'Verordening gedrags- en beroepsregels accountants' (VGBA, Dutch Code of Ethics).

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

#### ***Report on the other information included in the annual report***

In addition to the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon, the annual report contains other information that consists of:

- director's report;
- other information pursuant to Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code;

Based on the following procedures performed, we conclude that the other information:

- is consistent with the financial statements and does not contain material misstatements; and
- contains the information as required by Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.



We have read the other information. Based on our knowledge and understanding obtained through our audit of the financial statements or otherwise, we have considered whether the other information contains material misstatements.

By performing these procedures, we comply with the requirements of Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code and the Dutch Standard 720. The scope of the procedures performed is less than the scope of those performed in our audit of the financial statements.

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the other information, including the director's report, in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code, and other information pursuant to Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code.

### **Description of the responsibilities for the financial statements**

#### ***Responsibilities of the directors and the Supervisory Board for the financial statements***

The directors are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Part 9 of Book 2 of the Dutch Civil Code. Furthermore, the directors are responsible for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to errors or fraud.

As part of the preparation of the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern. Based on the financial reporting framework mentioned, the directors should prepare the financial statements using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so. The directors should disclose events and circumstances that may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern in the financial statements.

The Supervisory Board is responsible for overseeing the company's financial reporting process.

#### ***Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements***

Our objective is to plan and perform the audit engagement in a manner that allows us to obtain sufficient and appropriate audit evidence for our opinion.

Our audit has been performed with a high, but not absolute, level of assurance, which means we may not have detected all material errors and fraud during our audit.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or errors 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. The materiality affects the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and the evaluation of the effect of identified misstatements on our opinion.

We have exercised professional judgement and have maintained professional scepticism throughout the audit, in accordance with Dutch Standards on Auditing, ethical requirements and independence requirements.

Our audit included:

- identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to errors or fraud, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining 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 errors, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- obtaining 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;
- evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors;
- concluding on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting 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 ceasing to continue as a going concern;
- evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures; and
- evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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 findings in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Amstelveen, 29 June 2021

KPMG Accountants N.V.

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