# ITALIAN WINE BRANDS

### CONSOLIDATED HALF-YEAR FINANCIAL REPORT 30 JUNE 2019

**ITALIAN WINE BRANDS S.P.A.** 

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## BDO: Limited audit report on the condense consolidated half-year financial statements at 30 June 2019

To the Shareholders of Italian Wine Brands S.p.A.

#### Introduction

We have carried out a limited audit of the attached condensed consolidated half-year financial statements, consisting of the consolidated statement of financial position, the comprehensive consolidated income statement, the statement of changes in consolidated shareholders' equity, the consolidated statement of cash flows and the related notes of Italian Wine Brands S.p.A. and its subsidiaries (Italian Wine Brands Group) at 30 June 2019. The Directors are responsible for preparing the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements in accordance with the international accounting standard applicable to interim financial reporting (IAS 34) endorsed by the European Union. It is our responsibility to express a conclusion on the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements on the basis of the limited audit carried out.

#### Scope of the limited audit

Our work has been carried out in accordance with the International Standard on Review Engagements 2410, "Review of Interim Financial Information Performed by the Independent Auditor of the Entity." The limited audit of the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements consists of conducting interviews, mainly with the company's staff responsible for financial and accounting matters, analysis of the financial statements and other limited audit procedures. The scope of a limited audit is substantially smaller than that of a full audit performed in accordance with the International Standards on Auditing and, consequently, does not allow us to be certain that we have become aware of all significant facts that could be identified by performing a full audit. Therefore, we do not express an opinion on the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements.

#### Conclusions

Based on the limited audit carried out, we have not received any information that would lead us to believe that the condensed consolidated half-year financial statements of the Italian Wine Brands Group at 30 June 2019 have not been prepared, in all material respects, in compliance with the international accounting standard applicable to interim financial reporting (IAS 34) endorsed by the European Union.

Milan, 27 September 2019 BDO Italia S.p.A. Signed Vincenzo Capaccio (partner)



#### **Composition of Corporate Bodies**

#### **Board of Directors**

Alessandro Mutinelli (Chief Executive Officer and Chairman) Simone Strocchi (Deputy Chairman) Pier Paolo Quaranta Angela Oggionni Massimiliano Mutinelli Antonella Lillo (Independent Member) Carlo Giordano (Independent Member)

#### **Board of Statutory Auditors**

David Reali (Chairman of the Board of Statutory Auditors) Eugenio Romita (Statutory Auditor) Debora Mazzaccherini (Statutory Auditor)

#### **Independent Auditors**

BDO Italia S.p.A.

#### Nomad

UBI Banca S.p.A.



#### **Directors' Report on Operations**

#### 1. Analysis of the Company's situation, performance and operating results

#### 1.1. Reference market in which the company operates

The IWB Group is one of the leading Italian players in the production and distribution of domestic wines, which stands out for the size of the reference markets in which it operates, the number of brands it has in its portfolio and the variety of distribution channels.

In terms of reference markets, IWB generates its turnover mainly and increasingly with foreign customers (77.7% in the first six months of 2019 compared with 76.9% in the first six months of 2018) and only a residual part with domestic customers (22.3% in the first six months of 2019 compared with 23.1% in the first six months of 2018).

Sales are made exclusively through a portfolio of proprietary and registered brands. In particular, the group operates under the various brands:



With fully centralised governance functions (finance, marketing and purchasing), the IWB Group is unique because it has two different distribution channels. The first is the "wholesale" channel for the sale of products to operators in the sector, such as large-scale



distribution chains, state monopolies and traditional trade, and the other is the "distance selling" channel for direct sales of products in the portfolio to private consumers.

The two distribution channels also rely on a centralised production structure consisting of two cellars in Diano d'Alba (CN) and Torricella (TA) and two bottling lines owned by the Group and located in Diano d'Alba (CN).

From a corporate point of view, IWB S.p.A. carries out management activities for Group companies as well as management and coordination activities, directly holding controlling interests in the main Group companies: Giordano Vini S.p.A. and Provinco Italia S.p.A.

#### 1.2.1 Consolidated situation

The main comments on the reclassified Statement of Financial Position and Income Statement presented at the end of this section are provided below.

The consolidated half-year report of the Group at 30 June 2019 shows the following results, expressed in millions of  $\in$ :

	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	Change in %
REVENUE FROM SALES	70.07	69.94	0.19%
of which Italy	15.66	16.10	-2.73%
of which Foreign Markets	54.41	53.84	1.06%
RESTATED EBITDA	7.26	6.12	18.63%
including the effect of IFRS 16 equal to	0.53	-	
NET PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD	2.69	2.19	22.83%
including the effect of IFRS 16 equal to	(0.23)	-	
NET FINANCIAL DEBT	21.56	11.29	90.97%
of which net financial debt - lenders	9.86	11.29	-12.67%
of which net financial debt - liabilities	11.70	-	
right-of-use			

The interim profitability index called by the directors "Restated EBITDA," compared to the "Net Profit" shown in the consolidated comprehensive income statement, is made up as follows:

Net income less "Taxes", "Net financial income and charges", "Write-ups/(Write-downs)" including the write-down of inventories and trade receivables, "Provisions for risks" and "Amortisation and Depreciation".



Before examining the economic, capital and financial data for the first half of 2019, it should be noted that they are affected by the first application - as is mandatory for reporting periods on or after 1 January 2019 - of the international accounting standard IFRS 16, which establishes the criteria for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of lease/rental contracts and requires lessees to account for all lease/rental contracts using a single accounting model.

In this context, at the date of commencement of a lease, the lessee will recognise an asset (under fixed assets) representing the right to use the related asset during the contractual term, i.e., the so-called right of use, and at the same time a financial liability relating to the sum of the discounted lease payments. The lessee is required to recognise imputed interest expense on the lease liability and imputed depreciation on the right of use in profit or loss. On the other hand, compared to the previous accounting regime, lease/rental fees are not charged to profit or loss.

As is well known, the Group has, inter alia, a significant multi-year lease agreement in place for the Cherasco logistics plant, where all logistics activities (packaging, order preparation, storage, packaging, loading and unloading of goods) for the distance selling division are carried out, as well as other minor activities.

As shown in the statement of financial position, the first-time adoption of IFRS 16 at 30 June 2019 generated an amount of "Assets for rights of use" of €11,472 thousand and an amount of "Liabilities for rights of use" of €11,700 thousand.

The impact on the income statement for the first half of 2019 of the application of IFRS 16 is equal to:

(€thousand)	IFRS 16
EBITDA	531
EBIT	(52)
Net profit/(loss) for the period	(228)

The reclassified consolidated statement of financial position and income statement are shown below.



#### Reclassified statement of financial position

(€thousand)			
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018	30/06/2018
Other intangible assets	31,929	31,624	31,392
Goodwill	55,455	55,455	55,455
Plant, property and equipment	14,331	14,736	15,238
Right-of-use assets	11,472	-	-
Non-current financial assets	2	2	2
Total fixed assets	113,189	101,817	102,087
Inventory	22,236	18,997	20,069
Net trade receivables	19,770	20,785	16,359
Trade payables	(38,929)	(44,522)	(33,630)
Other assets (liabilities)	(681)	1,000	(2,588)
Net working capital	2,396	(3,740)	210
Payables per employee benefits	(680)	(656)	(851)
Net deferred and prepaid taxes assets (liabilities)	(8,621)	(8,696)	(8,810)
Other provisions	(1,067)	(1,071)	(1,061)
NET INVESTED CAPITAL	105,217	87,654	91,575
Shareholders' equity	83,661	84,282	80,284
Profit (loss) for the period	2,688	6,350	2,187
Share capital	880	880	880
Other reserves	80,093	77,052	77,217
Net financial debt	9,856	3,372	11,291
Right-of-use liabilities	11,700	0	0
TOTAL SOURCES	105,217	87,654	91,575

#### **Reclassified income statement**

(€thousand)			
	Restated 30/06/2019	Restated 30/06/2018	Restated 30/06/2017
Revenue from sales	70,073	69,940	68,989
Change in inventories	3,239	(315)	1,045
Other income	643	728	492
Total revenue	73,955	70,353	70,526
Purchase costs	(42,954)	(40,162)	(36,997)
Costs for services	(19,686)	(19,816)	(22,542)
Personnel costs	(3,706)	(4,132)	(4,524)
Other operating costs	(350)	(126)	(162)
Total operating costs	(66,696)	(64,236)	(64,225)
EBITDA	7,259	6,117	6,301
Write-downs	(672)	(801)	(663)
Depreciation and amortization	(1,599)	(932)	(885)
Operating result from core business	4,988	4,384	4,753
Non-recurring expenses	(589)	(789)	-
Net release (accruals) of provisions for risks and charges	-	-	(54)
Operating profit/(loss)	4,399	3,595	4,699
Net financial income/(expenses)	(671)	(594)	(758)
EBT	3,728	3,001	3,941
Taxes	(1,040)	(813)	(1,105)
Net profit/(loss)	2,688	2,188	2,836
Tax effect of non-recurring charges	164	220	-
Net profit before non-recurring charges and related	2 112	2 757	2.026
tax effect	3,113	2,757	2,836



#### **Reclassified income statement**

(€thousand)			
	Reported 30/06/2019	Management adjustments	Restated 30/06/2019
Revenue from sales	70,073		70,073
Change in inventories	3,239		3,239
Other income	643		643
Total revenue	73,955		73,955
Purchase costs	(42,954)		(42,954)
Costs for services	(19,849)	163	(19,686)
Personnel costs	(3,706)		(3,706)
Other operating costs	(776)	426	(350)
Total operating costs	(67,285)	589	(66,696)
EBITDA	6,670	589	7,259
Write-downs	(672)		(672)
Depreciation and amortization	(1,599)		(1,599)
Operating result from core business	4,399	589	4,988
Non-recurring expenses	-	(589)	(589)
Net release (accruals) of provisions for risks and charges	-		-
Operating profit/(loss)	4,399	0	4,399
Net financial income/(expenses)	(671)		(671)
EBT	3,728	0	3,728
Taxes	(1,040)		(1,040)
Net profit/(loss)	2,688	0	2,688
Tax effect of non-recurring charges			164
Net profit before non-recurring items and related tax effe	ect		3,113

Summary of Management Adjustments

- Other operating costs equal to: €426 thousand relating to charges connected with the transaction with 43 former employees of the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. who remained in the workforce until mid-2016 as part of the change in the contract for telephone contact center services.
- Costs for services equal to: €135 thousand relating to pre-operating charges for the start of the relationship with the new telephone contact center service provider Comdata and €28 thousand for legal advice in the context of the settlement with former employees.

#### 1.2.2 Financial and equity position of the Parent Company

The financial statements of IWB S.p.A. at 30 June 2019 set out herein do not represent the separate financial statements of IWB S.p.A., which have been prepared in compliance with the provisions contained in Article 2423 of the Italian Civil Code, interpreted and supplemented by the accounting standards issued by the OIC. The following accounting schedules refer to a situation prepared in accordance with the Group IFRS standards for the preparation of these consolidated financial statements, and show:

- A Net Profit for the period of €7.08 million (€6.34 million at 30 June 2018);
- Net liquidity of €24.85 million (€18.54 million at 31 December 2018)



Below is a summary of the parent company's statement of financial position, financial position and income statement.

(€thousand)		
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Other intangible assets	57	61
Non-current financial assets	54,256	54,256
Total fixed assets	54,313	54,317
Net trade receivables	867	831
Trade payables	(186)	(164)
Other assets (liabilities)	1,319	3,697
Net working capital	2,000	4,364
Net deferred and prepaid taxes assets (liabilities)	20	39
Other provisions	-	-
NET INVESTED CAPITAL	56,333	58,720
Shareholders' equity	81,187	77,260
Profit (loss) for the period	7,081	6,565
Share capital	880	880
Other reserves	73,226	69,815
Net financial debt	(24,854)	(18,540)
TOTAL SOURCES	56,333	58,720

#### **Reclassified statement of financial position**

In relation to the above statement of financial position, it should be noted that:

- The equity investments in subsidiary companies consist of Giordano Vini S.p.A. for €32,823 thousand and Provinco Italia S.p.A. for €21,433 thousand. The item "Equity investments" takes into account the irrevocable waiver by Italian Wine Brands S.p.A., as sole shareholder of Giordano, of the receivable for shareholders' loans of €18,900 thousand, as the entire capital share of the interest-bearing loan granted on 9 February 2015 to the company with significant positive and simultaneous effects on shareholders' equity and financial debt.
- other reserves include a negative reserve of €498 thousand generated by the direct recognition in equity, in accordance with IAS 32, of the charges incurred by the parent company in relation to the aforementioned capital transactions net of the related deferred taxes.



#### **Reclassified income statement**

(€thousand)		
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Revenue from sales	-	-
Other income	15	51
Total revenue	15	51
Purchase costs	-	-
Costs for services	(356)	(528)
Other operating costs	(35)	(37)
Total operating costs	(391)	(565)
EBITDA	(376)	(514)
Write-downs	-	-
Depreciation and amortization	(15)	(8)
Operating result from core business	(391)	(522)
Non-recurring expenses	-	-
Net release (accruals) of provisions for risks and charges	-	-
Operating profit/(loss)	(391)	(522)
Net financial income/(expenses)	75	98
Dividends from subsidiaries	7,355	6,786
EBT	7,039	6,362
Taxes	42	(20)
Net profit/(loss)	7,081	6,342

In relation to the situation described above in the income statement:

- dividends refer entirely to the subsidiary Provinco Italia S.p.A.;
- financial income refers to interest income accrued on the loan granted to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. (€118 thousand), while financial charges refer mainly to interest expense accrued on the loan received from the subsidiary Provinco Italia S.p.A. (€38 thousand)

#### 1.2.3 Consolidated net financial position

In order to define the consolidated net financial position, the provisions of CONSOB communication no. DEM/6064293 of 28 July 2006 were applied; it refers to the information provided in CESR Recommendation 05-054/b of 10 February 2005 "CESR's recommendations for the consistent implementation of the European Commission's Regulation on Prospectuses:



	30/06/2019	31/12/18	31/12/17
A Cash	127	110	79
B. Other liquid assets	24,485	39,091	30,601
C. Securities held for trading	-	-	-
D. Liquidity (A) + (B) + (C)	24,612	39,201	30,680
E. Current financial receivables	240	286	-
E.2 Derivative financial instruments	-	-	-
F. Current bank payables	3,688	1,833	4,500
G. Current part of non-current debt	5,483	16,549	3,748
H. Other current financial payables	15	23	44
I. Current financial debt (F) + (G) + (H)	9,186	18,405	8,292
J. Net current financial debt (I) - (E) - (D)	(15,666)	(21,082)	(22,388)
K. Non-current financial assets	-	-	-
L. Other non-current financial receivables	-	-	-
M. Non-current bank payables	26,706	24,454	24,694
N. Bonds issued	-	-	-
O. Other non-current payables	10,516	-	-
P. Non-current financial debt (M) + (N) + (O)	37,222	24,454	24,694
Q. Net non-current financial debt (P) - (K) - (L)	37,222	24,454	24,694
Net financial position (J) + (Q)	21,556	3,372	2,306
of which			
Current payables for the acquisition of rights of use	1,184	-	-
Non-current payables for the acquisition of rights of use	10,516	-	-
Net financial position without effect of IFRS 16	9,856	3,372	2,306

#### **1.3 Group Performance**

#### **Business volume - Revenues**

During the first half of 2019 the Group's business volume reached  $\notin$ 70.1 million, bringing the compound annual growth rate (CAGR) in the period 2017/2019 to 0.8%, in line with reference market levels and with consumption substantially stable both in terms of value and quantity in the last three years.

The contribution to growth was particularly made by international markets, where the Group recorded 78.0% of total revenues (77.5% in the first half of 2018, 74.0% in the first half of 2017). On the contrary, the Italian market recorded a progressive decrease, mainly due to the structural trend and a significant drop in wine consumption during meals that has characterised Italy for over 20 years.

The table below shows the breakdown of Group revenues by geographical area.



€thousand					
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	∆ <b>%18/19</b>	CAGR 17/19
Revenue from sales - Italy	15,395	15,750	17,952	(2.25%)	(7.40%)
Revenue from sales - Foreign Markets	54,411	53,840	50,638	1.06%	3.66%
Germany	15,775	14,705	14,356	7.27%	4.82%
Switzerland	12,870	12,680	11,344	1.50%	6.51%
England	7,238	5,162	4,688	40.22%	24.26%
Austria	7,062	6,861	6,165	2.93%	7.03%
Denmark	2,686	3,212	2,675	(16.38%)	0.21%
France	2,372	2,694	2,755	(11.95%)	(7.21%)
USA	1,338	653	2,012	104.90%	(18.45%)
Sweden	813	786	456	3.44%	33.53%
China	776	722	450	7.48%	31.32%
Netherlands	445	360	189	23.61%	53.44%
Belgium	418	630	658	(33.65%)	(20.30%)
Canada	346	462	-	-	-
Other countries	2,272	4,913	4,890	(53.76%)	(31.84%)
Other revenues	267	350	399	(23.71%)	(18.20%)
Total revenues from sales	70,073	69,940	68,989	0.19%	0.78%

As known, the IWB Group realises its revenues from sales through two distribution channels; "wholesale" defines the sales of products to operators in the sector, such as large-scale distribution chains, state monopolies and traditional trade; "distance selling" defines direct sales of products to private consumers via the web, direct mailings and teleselling and other channels.

The following table shows a breakdown of revenues by business area.

€thousand						
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	06.30.2016	$\Delta$ %18/19	CAGR 17/19
Revenues from wholesale division	37,325	35,204	30,404	25,316	6.03%	10.80%
Revenues from distance selling division	32,481	34,386	38,186	38,470	(5.54%)	(7.77%)
Other revenues	267	350	399	1,600	(23.71%)	(18.20%)
Total revenues from sales	70,073	69,940	68,989	65,386	0.19%	0.78%

The Wholesale distribution channel became the Group's main source of revenues in the first half of 2019, accounting for 53.3% of total revenues from sales (50.3% in 2018, 44.1% in 2017). Growth was constant and solid over the 2017-2019 period with a compounded annual growth rate (CAGR) of 10.8%.



The following table shows revenues from sales of the wholesale channel, broken down by country:

€thousand					
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	$\Delta$ %18/19	CAGR 17/19
Revenues from wholesale division - Italy	1,481	678	-	118.44%	N/A
Revenues from wholesale division - Foreign Markets	35,844	34,526	30,404	3.82%	8.58%
Switzerland	11,250	10,926	9,245	2.97%	10.31%
Austria	5,975	5,743	4,913	4.04%	10.29%
England	5,421	3,334	2,640	62.60%	43.30%
Germany	4,485	3,080	2,781	45.62%	26.99%
Denmark	2,686	3,212	2,675	(16.38%)	0.21%
USA	1,338	653	1,995	104.90%	(18.11%)
Sweden	813	786	434	3.44%	36.87%
China	776	722	450	7.48%	31.39%
Canada	346	462	-	-	-
Belgium	253	445	381	(43.15%)	(18.51%)
Netherlands	229	163	-	-	-
France	-	87	-	-	-
Other countries	2,272	4,913	4,890	(53.76%)	(31.83%)
Total revenue Wholesale div.	37,325	35,204	30,404	6.02%	10.80%

The figures shown in the table above are very positive and testify to the solid growth achieved by the Group through this distribution channel. In Europe, the reference territory in which it operates, IWB was able to outperform the market in terms of growth rates (approximately equal to about 2-3% of the annual increase in values). These results have been achieved mainly through:

- an expansion and extension of the own brand product portfolio, which today accounts for over 90% of the channel's sales and which makes the IWB Group's commercial offering attractive, recognised on the market and synonymous with quality;
- the acquisition of new accounts, essentially in each country in which the Group operates;
- an increase in the market share of sales from existing accounts thanks to excellent stock rotation parameters of its customers.

As far as the individual markets are concerned, we should point out the brilliant performances achieved in the Switzerland, which remains first in terms of size. This growth is linked to the commercial success of the brands in the portfolio, in particular "Grande Alberone" and "Ronco di Sassi," and the acquisition of new customers.



Like Switzerland, Austria, the second largest foreign country for the division, also confirms a solid growth trend, significantly higher than the growth of the reference market.

As far as England is concerned, there was a very strong growth of the business, mainly due to the considerable success in the market of "Oroperla" brand products, the group's brand dedicated to sparkling wines, semi-sparkling wines and Prosecco.

Germany too, a country that has historically been only marginally represented in sales to large-scale retailers and characterised by very strong competitive pressure on prices imposed by discount chains, has also seen the Group's presence grow exponentially over the last two years, thanks in particular to the acquisition of new accounts.

In Scandinavia, the Group continued its growth trend in Sweden, while in Denmark sales in the first half of 2019 were at the same level as in the same period of 2017, mainly due to the de-stocking effect of a significant customer.

Asia is currently covered by a still limited commercial structure and, though still marginal, it has substantially doubled its revenues in the three-year period under review and the trend in orders also suggests growth in the second half of the current year.

For North America, a reflection is underway on the right organisational structure to better attack a key market for Italian wine, while minimising risks and investments. Revenues picked up in the first half of 2019 and new distribution agreements were signed, in addition to those already in place, with a Texas retail chain that counts around 100 stores.

Since the beginning of 2018, the Group has been operating in Italy through its wholesale division, supplying both Italian organised distribution chains and an important German large-retail chain, already a primary customer of the Group in this business area. In addition, new distribution agreements have been concluded with two other chains of significant size.

During the first half of 2019, the *distance selling* channel accounted for 46.4% of the Group's revenues (49.2% in the first half of 2018 and 55.4% in the first half of 2017), further reducing its weight as a distribution channel within the Group.



The following table shows revenues from sales of the *distance selling* channel, broken down by country:

€thousand					
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	$\Delta$ % 18/19	CAGR 17/19
Revenues from distance selling - Italy	13,916	15,072	17,952	(7.67%)	(11.96%)
Revenues from distance selling - Foreign Markets	18,565	19,314	20,234	(3.88%)	(4.21%)
Germany	11,289	11,626	11,575	(2.90%)	(1.24%)
France	2,372	2,607	2,755	(9.01%)	(7.21%)
Switzerland	1,622	1,754	2,100	(7.53%)	(12.11%)
England	1,816	1,828	2,049	(0.66%)	(5.86%)
Austria	1,086	1,118	1,252	(2.86%)	(6.87%)
Belgium	165	185	277	(10.81%)	(22.82%)
Netherlands	215	196	189	9.69%	6.80%
Other countries	-	-	37	N/A	(100.00%)
Total revenue distance selling div.	32,481	34,386	38,186	(5.54%)	(7.77%)

The decrease in the revenues of the distance selling distribution channel in the first half of the year (-5.5% compared with the first half of 2018) is partly due to the consolidated trend of reduced teleselling telephone sales in the various countries in which the Group operates, which has not been sufficiently offset by the contribution made by other direct sales channels. In addition, the Group has carried out an in-depth organisational overhaul of its inbound telephone contact center and customer service systems, centralising all work on a single external provider. This reorganisation generated a slowdown in the normal order collection flow in February and March.



The table below provides details of the Group's sales revenues in Italy and abroad, broken down into sales through the Direct Mailing, Teleselling and Digital/Web channels.

€thousand					
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	$\Delta$ %18/19	CAGR 17/19
Devenues from distance colling, Italy	42.046	45.070	47.050	(7 6 7 9/)	(44.06%))
Revenues from distance selling - Italy	13,916	15,072	17,952	(7.67%)	(11.96%)
Direct Mailing	6,536	6,991	7,313	(6.51%)	(5.46%)
Teleselling	5,602	6,414	9,547	(12.66%)	(23.40%)
Digital / WEB	1,778	1,667	1,092	6.66%	27.60%
Direct Mailing % on total Italy	47.0%	46.4%	40.7%		
Teleselling % on total Italy	40.3%	42.6%	53.2%		
Digital / WEB % on total Italy	12.8%	11.1%	6.1%		
Revenues from distance selling -	18,565	19,314	20,234	(3.88%)	(4.21%)
Foreign Markets	,	,	,	· · ·	· · ·
Direct Mailing	11,187	11,849	12,054	(5.59%)	(3.66%)
Teleselling	3,594	4,573	6,147	(21.41%)	(23.54%)
Digital / WEB	3,784	2,892	2,033	30.84%	36.43%
Direct Mailing % on total Foreign	60.3%	61.3%	59.6%		
Teleselling % on total Foreign	19.4%	23.7%	30.4%		
Digital / WEB % on total Foreign	20.4%	15.0%	10.0%		
Total revenue distance selling div.	32,481	34,386	38,186	(5.54%)	(7.77%)

The analysis of the above table shows:

- The decrease in sales in the teleselling channel had a particularly negative impact on the Italian market, where the Group has historically had a high concentration of telephone sales on the total (over 50% of the total in 2016 and now just over 40% in 2019); however, the rate of decline in this channel is slower than in the past;
- Foreign markets show greater penetration of the digital/web channel compared to Italy, as well as higher growth rates, with sales almost doubling in the two years;
- The Group confirms its position as the leading Italian digital player on the European wine market, with notable growth in both structural terms and remuneration.

With regard to the development of distance selling activities in the near future, the Group continued to strengthen its digital presence on the European market, with the launch of the Svinando brand in all the countries where it operates and the creation of a marketplace dedicated to the world of Italian artisanal beer. In addition, new markets such as Spain and Denmark will soon be entering the market.

These actions will make it possible to offset the expected further reduction in sales in the teleselling channel over the next two years.



#### Analysis of operating margins

Below is a detailed breakdown of the cost components which, deducted from the item Total Revenues, contributed to the formation of the Restated EBITDA of the Italian Wine Brands Group.

Restated €thousand					
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	30/06/2017	$\Delta$ % 18/19	CAGR 17/19
Revenues from sales and other revenues	70,716	70,668	69,481	0.07%	0.88%
Raw materials consumed	(39,715)	(40,477)	(35,952)	(1.88%)	5.10%
% of total revenues	-56.16%	-57.28%	-51.74%		
Costs for services	(19,686) <sup>(1)</sup>	(19,816)	(22,542)	(0.66%)	(6.55%)
% of total revenues	-27.84%	-28.04%	-32.44%		
Personnel	(3,706)	(4,132)	(4,524)	(10.32%)	(9.49%)
% of total revenues	-5.24%	-5.85%	-6.51%		
Other operating costs	(350)	(126)	(162)	177.78%	46.99%
% of total revenues	-0.49%	-0.18%	-0.23%		
Restated EBITDA (*)	7,259 <sup>(1)</sup>	6,117	6,301	18.68%	7.33%
% of total revenues	10.27%	8.66%	9.07%		

(\*) Restated EBITDA to take into account the effects of non-recurring charges

<sup>(1)</sup> Net of the IFRS 16 effect of €531 thousand

The table above shows that, in the first half of 2019, the incidence of raw <u>material</u> <u>consumption</u> on revenues decreased compared to the same period of the previous year (from 57.28% to 56.16%).

This result is the fruit of two opposing trends: in a positive sense, it is generated by the generalised and well-known easing of the purchase prices of grapes, musts and bulk wines in the first half of this year following the abundant harvest of 2018; in a negative sense, it is generated by a "mix" effect of sales, increasingly shifted to the wholesale channel, structurally characterised by a greater incidence of raw material on sales compared to sales of the distance selling channel.

<u>Costs for services</u> decreased in the period both in absolute terms (- $\leq 2.8$  million), from  $\leq 22.5$  million at 30 June 2017 to  $\leq 19.7$  million, and as a percentage of revenue (from 28.04% to 27.84%).

In general terms, this reduction is linked to a "mix" effect on sales, which is increasingly oriented towards the wholesale distribution channel, which is structurally characterised by a significantly lower percentage of costs for services on revenues compared to sales in the distance selling channel.

Again in the area of costs for services, the introduction of IFRS 16 generated a lower cost for "Leases and Rents" for a total of €0.53 million.



Details are given below for the costs for services incurred by the Group in the first half of 2019, compared with the same items in 2018 and 2017.

Restated €thousand	Restated €thousand						
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	30/06/2017				
Services from third parties	5,773	5,066	6,760				
Transport	5,332	6,000	5,871				
Postage expenses	2,115	1,962	2,816				
Fees and rents	214	819	966				
Consulting	658	930	288				
Advertising costs	2	4	264				
Utilities	378	276	351				
Remuneration of Directors, Statutory Auditors and Supervisory Body	445	407	337				
Maintenance	100	89	146				
Costs for outsourcing	3,237	2,702	3,117				
Commissions	46	93	341				
Other costs for services	1,549	1,794	1,285				
Non-recurring expenses	(163)	(326)	-				
Total	19,686	19,816	22,542				

The downward trend in the cost of services described above should be read in conjunction with the reduction in <u>Personnel Costs</u> both in absolute terms (- $\in$ 0.4 million compared with 2018 and - $\in$ 0.8 million compared with 2017) and as a percentage of total revenue (approximately -5 percentage points). These results testify to the Group's ability to contain its basic operating costs.

The trends in revenues and costs described above made it possible to record a <u>Restated</u> <u>EBITDA</u> of €7.3 million (10.27% of Total Revenues) in the first half of 2019, slightly up compared with the first six months of 2018 (€6.1 million). Without the effect of IFRS 16 mentioned above, EBITDA would have been €6.8 million.

Below is a breakdown of the cost items that from the EBITDA result in the formation of the <u>Operating Income</u> of the Italian Wine Brands Group.



Restated €thousand					
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	30/06/2017	∆%18/19	CAGR 17/19
Restated EBITDA	7,259	6,117	6,301	18.68%	7.33%
Write-downs	(672)	(801)	(663)	(16.10%)	0.65%
% of total revenues	-0.95%	-1.13%	-0.95%		
Depreciation and amortization	(1,599)	(932)	(885)	71.57%	34.44%
% of total revenues	-2.26%	-1.32%	-1.27%		
Non-recurring expenses	(589)	(789)	-	(25.31%)	-
% of total revenues	-0.83%	-1.12%	0.00%		
Release (Provisions) for risks and charges	-	-	(54)	-	(100.00%)
% of total revenues	0.00%	0.00%	-0.08%		
Operating profit/(loss)	4,399	3,595	4,699	22.36%	(3.25%)
% of total revenues	6.22%	5.09%	6.76%		

The above table shows that the income statement of the Italian Wine Brands Group was characterised in the first half of 2019 by a limited incidence of non-monetary items (write-downs, amortisation/depreciation, provisions), which accounted for approximately 3.2% of turnover. The increase in the item "Depreciation and amortisation," which was affected by the introduction of the new accounting standard IAS 16, had a negative effect for a total of 0.58 million. Without the application of IFRS 16, the Group's Operating Profit would have been 0.58 million in the first half of 2019.

Non-recurring charges, amounting to €0.59 million in the first half of the year, are entirely attributable to Costs for services and Other Operating Costs linked to the monetary contribution paid, as part of an overall agreement with Trade Unions, to 43 workers, who were employees of Giordano Vini S.p.A. up to mid-2016 and lost their jobs as a result of the change in the contract for contact center services mentioned in the previous paragraphs.

#### Investments in Capital Assets, Net Working Capital and Financial Position.

There were no specific investments in <u>Capital Assets</u> during the period under review. The owned real estate complex located in Diano d'Alba and the two cellars located in Diano d'Alba and Torricella, as well as the bottling lines of Diano d'Alba are a feather in the cap of the Italian wine industry and are largely able to support, with adequate maintenance investments, the production levels planned for the near future.

<u>Net Working Capital</u> remained substantially unchanged in terms of receivables, inventories and suppliers compared to 30 June 2018.

The dynamics of i) limited volumes of investments in capital assets, ii) reduction in working capital and iii) substantial cash flows generated by operations allowed reducing <u>Net Financial</u> <u>Debt</u>, which went from  $\leq 11.3$  million at 30 June 2018 to  $\leq 9.9$  million at 30 June 2019, net of financial liabilities for Rights of Use amounting to  $\leq 11.7$  million.



#### 2. Significant events after the end of the period

Nothing in particular to report.

#### 3. Outlook

In the second half of 2019, the following will continue:

- 1) commercial actions aimed at increasing the Group's revenues;
- the study of new products and development of new markets in the wholesale division;
- 3) further action to reduce the fixed cost base through targeted actions;
- 4) scouting and negotiation of further company acquisitions to be consolidated.

#### 4. Code of Ethics and Organisational Model

The Code of Ethics, which Giordano Vini S.p.A. adopted in 2010, is an ideal alliance that the Company clearly establishes with its Human Resources and with its main external partners, and is a fundamental tool of the Compliance Programme.

The entrepreneurial objectives of Giordano Vini S.p.A. are pursued without ever losing sight of respect, responsibility, transparency, sobriety and continuous innovation.

These are points of reference that have always allowed us to ensure the centrality of customers to whom we always offer maximum satisfaction.

Giordano Vini S.p.A has adopted a Compliance Programme as required by Legislative Decree no. 231 of 8 June 2001.

This decree introduced the liability of companies for certain crimes committed in their interest or to their advantage by persons acting on their behalf or in their name, such as directors, executives, employees as well as persons in a consulting relationship when they act under the control or direction of persons employed by those companies.

#### 5. Transactions with related parties

Transactions carried out are part of the normal management of the company, within the scope of the typical activity of each interested party, and are regulated at standard conditions. During the period, the company Electa was appointed as a consultant, qualifying



it as a related-party transaction of minor materiality pursuant to Article 3, paragraph 1, letter c) of Consob Regulation No. 17221/2010, since the total value to be paid to Electa is higher than the threshold of €100,000 set forth in Article 9.1 of the RPT Procedure for the identification of "transactions of minor amount" and lower than the parameters contained in Article 10.2 of the RPT Procedure for the identification of "transactions of major materiality."

It should be noted that the parent company IWB has adopted and follows the relative Related Parties Procedure in compliance with the general provisions of the AIM Italia Issuers' Regulations.

#### 6. Information relating to the environment, safety and personnel

#### HEALTH AND SAFETY

Giordano Vini S.p.A. refers to the Risk Assessment Document required by law on workplace safety.

First of all, the document provides for an analysis of the risks present in the company both in terms of work activities and settlement methods; then it identifies the measures taken to minimise risks, those still to be taken and those to maintain an adequate level of safety. Finally, the necessary timeframes for the implementation of the remaining measures are identified.

The method of carrying out the work activity was considered in the analysis of the risks without specific risk situations being identified. The subject is always under control in the periodic updates of these documents.

The Risk Assessment Documents, as well as the Emergency Plans and Maps with safety signs and exit routes are periodically updated.

During 2018, constant health monitoring activities were carried out, as required by current legislation.

During the period, awareness activities continued on environmental and safety issues with ad-hoc training initiatives, as well as on the accident prevention measures and first aid, providing specific training for fire-fighting and first-aid workers, in full compliance with the reference regulatory framework.

#### OHSAS 18001:2007 CERTIFICATION

#### (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series)

Starting in 2012, the companies of the Italian Wine Brands Group adopted an Occupational Health and Safety Management System in compliance with the international standard OHSAS 18001:2007 (Occupational Health and Safety Assessment Series).



OHSAS 18001:2007 certification is not a legal obligation but the voluntary choice of those who feel responsibility for their own safety and that of others and puts these principles into practice through the adoption of a Health and Safety Management System for Workers.

The primary objective of a safety management system is to prevent and minimise accidents and incidents by integrating safe work practices into all areas of an organisation.

Through this certification, the third-party accredited body SGS ITALIA S.p.A. has recognised that the companies of the Group have implemented a management system in line with the highest safety standards and have also pursued its objectives continuously, making significant improvements to safety conditions in the workplace.

As part of its management system, the Group has sanctioned its commitment through the "Quality and Safety Policy" as a tool by which the entire company's mission is to offer an increasing number of customers in the world food and wine products of the finest Italian traditions, in the comfort of the exclusive service of the Group, considering the protection of workers' health and safety as an integral part of its business.



#### FOOD QUALITY AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT

After having obtained ISO 9001 Certification about ten years ago, in March 2015 the Group companies attained IFS Food Certification (for the German market) and the BRC Food Certification (for the United Kingdom) to constantly guarantee their customers who turn to large retailers a high level of production and safety of the supplied products, while improving existing processes, achieving better overall safety, an improvement in the relations with the Customer and greater competitiveness on the market.



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#### **GROUP WORKFORCE**

The precise and average headcount by category at 30 June 2019, at 30 June 2018 and at 30 June 2017 is shown below for the Group companies:

	At 30 June 30/06/2019	Average no. 30/06/2019	At 30 June 30/06/2018	Average no. 30/06/2018	At 30 June 30/06/2017	Average no. 30/06/2017
Executives	6	5	5	6	5	5
Middle managers	9	9	8	9	10	9
Office workers	127	127	130	131	165	173
Workers	16	17	17	31	25	24
Total	158	158	160	177	205	211

#### 7. Treasury shares

At 30 June 2019, the Parent Company held 166,530 ordinary shares, representing 2.25% of the ordinary share capital in circulation.



#### **Consolidated Statement of Financial Position**

BALANCE SHEET			
Amounts in EUR	Notes _	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Non-current assets Intangible fixed assets	5	31,929,053	31,623,880
Goodwill	6	55,454,960	55,454,960
Land, property, plant and equipment	7	14,331,493	14,735,733
Right-of-use assets	7	11,472,330	-
Equity investments	8	2,496	2,496
Other non-current assets	9	805,397	786,647
Deferred tax assets	10	1,458,606	1,457,007
Total non-current assets	10	115,454,335	104,060,723
Current assets			
Inventory	11	22,235,541	18,996,721
Trade receivables	12	19,770,344	20,785,333
Other current assets	13	1,859,759	1,529,861
Current tax as sets	14	2,070,976	3,010,655
Current financial assets		240,010	286,113
Cash and cash equivalents	15	24,612,062	39,200,858
Total current assets		70,788,692	83,809,541
Non-current assets held for sale		-	-
Total assets		186,243,027	187,870,264
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Shareholders' equity			
Share capital		879,854	879,854
Reserves		65,671,026	65,744,306
Reserve for defined benefit plans		(62,876)	(28,916)
Reserve for stock grants		15,959	254,698
Profit (loss) carried forward		14,468,557	11,081,679
Net profit (loss) for the period Total Shareholders' Equity of parent company shareholders		2,688,103 83,660,623	6,350,453 <b>84,282,074</b>
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Shareholders' equity of NCIs		-	-
Total Shareholders' Equity	16	83,660,623	84,282,074
Non-current liabilities			
Financial payables	17	26,705,561	24,454,258
Right-of-use liabilities	17	10,516,330	-
Provision for other employee benefits	18	679,860	656,412
Provisions for future risks and charges	19	1,067,498	1,070,569
Deferred tax liabilities	10	10,079,175	10,153,008
Other non-current liabilities	21	-	-
Total non-current liabilities		49,048,424	36,334,247
Current liabilities			
Financial payables	17	8,003,000	18,404,583
Right-of-use liabilities	17	1,184,370	-
Trade payables	20	38,929,303	44,521,994
Other current liabilities	21	2,721,433	2,152,725
Current tax liabilities	22	2,695,874	2,174,641
Provisions for future risks and charges Derivatives	19	-	-
Total current liabilities		53,533,980	67,253,943
Liabilities directly related to assets held for sale		-	-
		496 0 40 007	407 070 001
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities		186,243,027	187,870,264

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#### Comprehensive consolidated income statement

INCOME STATEMENT			
Amounts in EUR	Notes _	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Revenue from sales	23	70,073,295	69,939,659
Change in inventories Other income	11 23	3,238,818	(315,154)
Total revenue	23	642,550	728,301
	24	73,954,663	70,352,806
Purchase costs Costs for services	24 25	(42,954,422)	(40,162,322)
		(19,848,578)	(20,141,574)
Personnel costs Other operating costs	26 27	(3,705,939)	(4,595,190)
Operating costs		(776,150) (67,285,089)	(126,316) (65,025,402)
EBITDA		6,669,574	5,327,404
Depreciation and amortization	5-7		
Provision for risks		(1,598,507)	(932,464)
Write-ups / (Write-downs)	28	0	0
Operating profit/(loss)	20	(672,024) <b>4,399,043</b>	(801,294) <b>3,593,646</b>
Finance revenue			
Borrowing costs		51,526	45,776
Net financial income/(expenses)	29	(722,735) (671,209)	(639,850) ( <b>594,074)</b>
	29		
EBT		3,727,834	2,999,572
Taxes	30	(1,039,731)	(812,605)
(Loss) Profit from discontinued operations		-	-
Profit (loss) (A)		2,688,103	2,186,967
Attributable to:			
(Profit)/Loss of NCIs		-	-
Group profit (loss)		2,688,103	2,186,967
Other Profit/(Loss) of comprehensive income statement:			
Other items of the comprehensive income statement for the period to be subsequently released to profit or loss			
			-
Other items of the comprehensive income statement for the period not to be subsequently released to profit or loss			
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit plans	18	(33,960)	(530)
Tax effect of Other profit/(loss)		-	-
Total other profit/(loss), net of tax effect (B)		(33,960)	(530)
Total comprehensive profit/(loss) (A) + (B)		2,654,143	2,186,437



#### Statement of changes in consolidated shareholders' equity

Amounts in EUR							
				Reserve			
				from financial	Becone		
					Reserve for defined		
			Reserve for	available for			
	Share capital C	anital reserves	stock grants	sale		Retained earnings	Total
Balance at 1 January 2018	709,878	67,159,147	251,191	0	(26,013)	13,530,413	81,624,616
Capital increase	169,976						169,976
Purchase of own shares		(1,585,211)					(1,585,211)
Dividends						(2,545,578)	(2,545,578)
Dividends						(2,545,576)	(2,545,576)
Stock grant		251,191	3,507				254,698
Reclassifications		(80,821)			(6,661)	96,844	9,362
Total comprehensive profit/(loss)					3,758	6,350,453	6,354,211
Balance at 31 December 2018	879,854	65,744,306	254,698	0	(28,916)	17,432,132	84,282,074
Capital increase		-					0
		(0=0=10)					(
Purchase of own shares		(379,513)					(379,513)
Dividends						(2,896,073)	(2,896,073)
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Stock grant		238,739	(238,739)				0
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Legal reserve		33,995				(33,995)	0
Declarations and there have		22.422				(00 507)	(0)
Reclassifications and other changes		33,499				(33,507)	(8)
Total comprehensive profit/(loss)					(33,960)	2,688,103	2,654,143
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Balance at 30 June 2019	879,854	65,671,026	15,959	0	(62,876)	17,156,660	83,660,623



#### **Consolidated statement of cash flows**

Amounts in EUR	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Profit (loop) before taxes	2 727 824	2 000 57
Profit (loss) before taxes	3,727,834	2,999,57
Adjustments for:		
- non-monetary items - stock grant	-	
- allocations to the provision for bad debts net of utilizations	672,024	801,29
- non-monetary items - provisions / (releases)	-	
- non-monetary items - amortisation/depreciation	1,598,507	932,464
Adjusted profit (loss) for the period before taxes	5,998,365	4,733,33
Cash flow generated by operations		
Income tax paid	1,460,912	28,84
Other financial (income)/expenses without cash flow (financial amortisation)	92,262	98,02
Total	1,553,174	126,87
Changes in working capital		
Change in receivables from customers	342,965	5,060,473
Change in trade payables	(5,592,691)	(13,323,084
Change in inventories	(3,239,156)	254,86
Change in other receivables and other payables	(819,671)	1,768,63
Other changes	336	(36,770
Change in post-employment benefits and other provisions	(13,583)	(590,651
Change in other provisions and deferred taxes	(75,432)	28,27
Total	(9,397,232)	(6,838,259
Cash flow from operations (1)	(1,845,693)	(1,978,058
Capital expenditure:		
- Tangible	(213,948)	(1,932,860
- Intangible	(703,492)	(809,940
- Net cash flow from business combination (*):	(	(461,827
- Financial	-	257
Cash flow from investment activities (2)	(917,440)	(3,204,370
Financial assets		
Short-term borrowings	10,737,090	2,884,18
Short-term borrowings (paid)	(20,252,000)	(1,000,000
Collections / (repayments) Senior Ioan	(3,250,000)	(.,,
Collections / (repayments) other financial payables	4,411,000	6,595,57
Change in other financial assets	46,103	(61,679
Change in other financial liabilities	(242,262)	70,91
Purchase of own shares	(379,513)	(1,161,373
Dividends paid	(2,896,073)	(2,545,578
Monetary capital increases	-	169,97
Other changes in Shareholders' equity	(8)	9,36
Cash flow from financing activities (3)	(11,825,663)	4,961,38
Cash flow from continuing operations	(14,588,796)	(221,043
Change in cash and cash equivalents (1+2+3)	(14,588,796)	(221,043
	39,200,858	30,680,39
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	24,612,062	30,459,350

(a) Total consideration paid in cash:	650,000
(b) Amount of cash and cash equivalents acquired	188,173
c) Net carrying amount of assets/liabilities acquired	203,042



#### FORM AND CONTENT OF THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL REPORT

#### Introduction

This Financial Report at 30 June 2019 has been prepared in accordance with the AIM Regulation and in compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and approved by the European Union. The designation "IFRS" also includes all currently valid International Accounting Standards ("IAS"), as well as all interpretations of the International Accounting Reporting Interpretations Committee ("IFRIC"), formerly the Standard Interpretations Committee ("SIC").

#### Statement of financial position schedules

This Financial Report at 30 June 2019 consists of the statement of financial position, the statement of comprehensive income, the statement of changes in shareholders' equity, the statement of cash flows and the notes, and is accompanied by the directors' report on operations.

The format adopted for the Statement of Financial Position distinguishes between current and non-current assets and liabilities.

The Group opted to present the items of profit or loss for the year in a single statement of comprehensive income, which includes the result for the period and, by homogeneous categories, income and expenses which, in accordance with IFRS, are posted directly to shareholders' equity. The income statement format adopted provides for the classification of costs by nature.

The statement of changes in shareholders' equity includes, in addition to total profits/losses for the period, the amounts of transactions with equity holders and changes in reserves during the period.

The statement of cash flows analyses the cash flows deriving from the operating activities using the indirect method, whereby the profit (loss) for the period is adjusted for the effects of non-monetary transactions, any deferrals or provisions relating to previous or future operating receipts or payments and the revenue or cost items connected with cash flows deriving from investing or financing activities.



#### 1 Consolidation area

Subsidiaries are defined as all investees in which the Group simultaneously has an interest:

- decision-making power, i.e., the ability to direct the relevant activities of the investee, i.e., those activities that have a significant influence on the results of the investee;

- the right to variable results (positive or negative) from an investment in the consolidated entity;

- the ability to use its decision-making power to determine the amount of profit/loss arising from an investment in a consolidated entity.

The financial statements of subsidiaries are included in the consolidated financial statements from the date on which control is acquired until such time as control ceases to exist. Equity shares and shares in the profit and loss of non-controlling interests are presented in the consolidated statement of financial position and income statement respectively.

The entities included in the scope of consolidation and the relative percentages of direct or indirect ownership by the Group are listed below:

Company	Country	Share Capital in Euro	Parent company	Percentage held	Percentage directly held
IWB S.p.A.	Italy	879,854	-	Parent Company	
Provinco Italia S.p.A.	Italy	132,857	IWB S.p.A.	100%	100%
Giordano Vini S.p.A.	Italy	14,622,511	IWB S.p.A.	100%	100%
Provinco Deutschland GmbH	Germany	25,000	Provinco Italia S.p.A.	100%	0%
Pro.Di.Ve. S.r.I.	Italy	18,486	Giordano Vini S.p.A.	100%	0%

#### 2 General principles of preparation

The consolidated Half-Year Financial Report was prepared on a going concern basis, with the presentation currency being the Euro, and the amounts shown are rounded to the nearest whole number, including, unless otherwise indicated, the amounts shown in the notes.

The general principle adopted in the preparation of this consolidated Half-Year Financial Report is that of cost, with the exception of derivative financial instruments measured at fair value.

The most significant accounting principles adopted in the preparation of these consolidated financial statements are as follows:

#### **Business combinations**

Business combinations are accounted for using the acquisition method. The cost of an acquisition is calculated as the sum of the amount paid, valued at fair value as at the



acquisition date, and the amount of any non-controlling interest held in the acquired asset. For each business combination, the purchaser must assess any non-controlling interest held in the acquired property at fair value, or proportionate to the non-controlling interests held in the net identifiable assets of the acquired property. Acquisition costs are expensed and classified as administrative expenses.

At the acquisition date, the identifiable assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recognised at fair value at the acquisition date; exceptions to this are deferred tax assets and liabilities, assets and liabilities for employee benefits, liabilities or equity instruments relating to sharebased payments of the acquired company or share-based payments issued in place of contracts of the acquired company, and assets (or groups of assets and liabilities) held for sale, which are instead measured according to their reference standard.

Any potential consideration must be recorded by the purchaser at fair value at the date of acquisition and classified according to IAS 32.

Goodwill is initially measured at cost, which is the excess of the sum of the consideration transferred in the business combination, the value of shareholders' equity attributable to non-controlling interests and the fair value of any investment previously held in the acquiree over the fair value of the net assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date. If the value of the net assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the acquisition date exceeds the sum of the consideration transferred, the value of the shareholders' equity pertaining to non-controlling interests and the fair value of any investment previously held in the acquiree, this excess is immediately recognised in profit or loss as income from the transaction concluded.

The portions of shareholders' equity pertaining to non-controlling interests at the acquisition date can be measured at fair value or at the pro-rata value of the net assets recognised for the acquiree. The choice of valuation method is made on a transaction-by-transaction basis.

Any contingent consideration provided for in the business combination contract is measured at fair value at the acquisition date and included in the value of the consideration transferred in the business combination for the purpose of determining goodwill. Any subsequent changes in this fair value, which may be qualified as adjustments arising during the measurement period, are retrospectively included in goodwill. Changes in fair value that qualify as adjustments arising during the measurement period are those resulting from additional information on facts and circumstances that existed at the acquisition date, obtained during the measurement period (which may not exceed one year from the business combination).

In the case of business combinations carried out in stages, the equity investment previously held in the acquiree is revalued at fair value at the date of acquisition of control and any resulting profit or loss is recognised in the income statement. Any amounts deriving from the equity investment previously held and recognised in Other comprehensive income are restated in profit or loss as if the equity investment had been sold.

If the initial amounts of a business combination are incomplete at the reporting date of the financial statements in which the business combination took place, provisional amounts of the items for which recognition cannot be completed are reported in the consolidated



financial statements. These provisional amounts are adjusted during the measurement period to take into account new information obtained about facts and circumstances existing at the acquisition date that, if known, would have affected the amount of the assets and liabilities recognised at that date.

Transactions in which the parent company acquires or sells further bon-controlling interests without changing the control exercised over the subsidiary are transactions with shareholders and therefore the relative effects must be recognised in shareholders' equity: there will be no adjustments to goodwill and no gains or losses recognised in the income statement.

Ancillary charges relating to business combinations are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### Intangible assets with indefinite useful life

#### Goodwill

Goodwill is recognised as an asset with an indefinite useful life and is not amortised, but tested for impairment annually, or more frequently if there is an indication that specific events or changed circumstances may have caused an impairment loss. Impairment losses are immediately recognised in profit or loss statement and are not subsequently reversed. After the initial recognition, goodwill is valued at cost, net of any accumulated impairment losses.

In order to test for impairment, goodwill acquired in a business combination is allocated, at the acquisition date, to the individual cash-generating units or groups of cash-generating units that should benefit from the synergies of the combination, regardless of whether other assets or liabilities of the acquiree are assigned to those units or groups of units.

Each unit or group of units to which goodwill is allocated represents the lowest level at which goodwill is monitored for internal management purposes.

Any loss in value is identified by comparing the carrying amount of the cash generating unit with its realisable value. If the realisable value of the cash-generating unit is lower than the carrying amount attributed, the related impairment loss is recognised. This impairment loss is not reversed if the reasons for it no longer exist.

If goodwill has been allocated to a cash-generating unit and the entity disposes of part of the assets of that unit, the goodwill associated with the disposed asset shall be included in the carrying amount of the asset when determining the gain or loss on disposal. The goodwill associated with the discontinued asset must be determined on the basis of the relative values of the discontinued asset and the portion of the cash-generating unit retained.

#### Trademark

With effect from 1 January 2014, the Directors of Giordano Vini S.p.A., also with the support of an independent expert, attributed an indefinite useful life to the trademark acquired as part of a merger transaction. As part of the business combination carried out in 2015, with



regard to Provinco Italia S.p.A., part of the purchase price was allocated to the trademarks owned by Provinco, attributing an indefinite useful life to them as well.

#### Intangible assets with finite useful life

Intangible assets with finite useful life are valued at purchase or production cost net of amortisation and accumulated impairment losses. Depreciation is commensurate with the expected useful life of the asset and begins when the asset is available for use. The useful life is reviewed annually and any changes are made prospectively.

Whenever there are reasons to do so, intangible assets with a finite useful life are tested for impairment.

#### Other intangible assets

Other intangible assets are recognised in the statement of financial position only if it is probable that the use of the asset will generate future economic benefits and if the cost of the asset can be measured reliably. Once these conditions are met, intangible assets are recorded at purchase cost, which corresponds to the price paid plus accessory charges.

The gross carrying amount of other intangible assets with a finite useful life is systematically allocated over the years in which they are used, by means of constant amortisation charges, in relation to their estimated useful life. Amortisation begins when the asset is available for use and is proportionate, for the first reporting period, to the period of actual use. The amortisation rates used are determined on the basis of the useful life of the related assets.

The useful life values used for the purposes of preparing this Consolidated Half-Year Financial Report are as follows:

CATEGORY	USEFUL LIFE
Concessions, licenses, trademarks and similar rights	10 years
Industrial patent and use of intellectual property	3 years
Project for adjustment of management control	3 years
Teleselling Development Cost	lease agreement
Leased intangible assets	financial lease contract.

#### Right-of-use assets

As a result of the entry into force on 1 January 2019 of the new IFRS 16, lease contracts are recorded as rights of use under non-current assets with a balancing entry in a financial liability. The cost of the fee is broken down into its components of financial expense, recorded in profit or loss over the term of the contract, and repayment of principal, recorded as a reduction of the financial liability. The right of use is amortised on a monthly basis on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the term of the contract.

Rights of use and financial liabilities are initially measured at the present value of future payments discounted using the incremental borrowing rate.

For a more detailed discussion of the subject see paragraph 4.2.



#### Land, property, plant and equipment

Tangible assets are composed of:

- industrial land and buildings
- plant and equipment
- industrial and commercial equipment
- other assets

These are recorded at purchase or production cost, including directly attributable ancillary charges necessary for putting the asset into operation for its intended use.

The cost is reduced by depreciation, with the exception of land, which is not depreciated because it has an indefinite useful life, and any losses in value.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis using percentages that reflect the economic and technical deterioration of the asset and is calculated from the moment in which the asset is available for use.

Significant parts of property, plant and equipment with different useful life are accounted for separately and depreciated over their useful life.

The useful life of assets and residual values are reviewed annually at the time of closing the financial statements. The useful life values used for the purposes of preparing this Consolidated Half-Year Financial Report are as follows:

CATEGORY	USEFUL LIFE
Land	Indefinite
Buildings	18-50 years
Plant and equipment:	
- Means of transport for interiors	10-12 years
- Generic plant	8-18 years
- Machinery	6-15 years
- Vats and tanks	4-20 years
Industrial and commercial equipment	
- Cars	5-8 years
- Equipment	8-12 years
- Electronic machines	4-8 years
- Ordinary office machines and furniture	15 years
- Goods on loan for use	4 years

Routine maintenance and repair costs are recognised directly in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

Profits and losses arising from the sale or disposal of property, plant and equipment are determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the net carrying amount of the asset and are recognised in profit or loss for the period.

Leasehold improvements with the characteristics of fixed assets are capitalised in the category of the asset to which they refer and are depreciated over their useful life or, if shorter, over the duration of the lease agreement.



Financial charges, incurred for investments in assets which normally require a certain period of time to be ready for use or sale (qualifying asset pursuant to IAS 23 - Borrowing Costs), are capitalised and amortised over the useful life of the class of assets to which they refer. All other financial charges are recognised in profit or loss in the period in which they are incurred.

#### Impairment of assets

At least once a year it is checked whether the assets and/or the cash generating units ("CGUs") to which the assets are attributable may have suffered an impairment loss. If there is such evidence, the realisable value of the assets/CGUs is estimated. Goodwill and other intangible assets with an indefinite useful life are tested for impairment annually or more frequently, whenever there is an indication that the asset may be impaired.

Realisable value is defined as the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and value in use. The value in use is defined on the basis of the discounting back of the future cash flows expected from the use of the asset, gross of taxes, applying a discount rate that reflects current market changes in the time value of money and the risks of the asset.

If it is not possible to estimate the realisable value of the individual fixed asset, the recoverable value of the cash-generating unit (CGU) to which the fixed asset belongs is determined.

If the realisable value of an asset (or cash-generating unit) is lower than its carrying amount, the carrying amount is reduced to its recoverable amount and the loss is recognised in profit or loss. Subsequently, if an impairment loss on assets other than goodwill ceases to exist or decreases, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the new estimate of its realisable value (which, however, may not exceed the net carrying amount that the asset would have had if the impairment loss had never been recognised). This reversal is immediately recognised in profit or loss.

#### Equity investments

Investments in subsidiaries not included in the scope of consolidation are stated at cost, adjusted for impairment. The positive difference resulting from the acquisition between the acquisition cost and the portion of the shareholders' equity at replacement cost of the investee company pertaining to the period is therefore included in the carrying amount of the investment. If there is evidence that these investments have suffered a loss in value, this is recorded in the income statement as a write-down. In the event that any share of the losses of the investee exceeds the carrying amount of the investment, and the entity has an obligation to account for them, the value of the investment is written off and the share of any further losses is recognised as a provision under liabilities. If, subsequently, the loss in value no longer exists or is reduced, a reversal of the impairment loss within the limits of cost is recognised in profit or loss.

Associates are all companies over which the Group is able to exercise significant influence as defined by IAS 28 - Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures. Such influence is normally presumed to exist when the Group holds a percentage of voting rights between 20% and



50%, or when - even with a lower percentage of voting rights - it has the power to participate in the determination of financial and management policies by virtue of particular legal ties such as, for example, participation in shareholders' agreements together with other forms of significant exercise of governance rights.

Joint arrangements are agreements under which two or more parties have joint control on the basis of a contract. Joint control is the contractually agreed sharing of control of an arrangement, which exists only when decisions about the relevant activities require the unanimous consent of the parties sharing control. Such agreements may give rise to joint ventures or joint operations.

A joint venture is a joint arrangement whereby the parties that have joint control of the arrangement have rights to the net assets of the arrangement Joint ventures differ from joint operations, which are arrangements that give the parties to the arrangement which have joint control over the initiative, rights over the individual assets and obligations for the individual liabilities relating to the arrangement. In the case of joint operations, it is mandatory to recognise the assets and liabilities, costs and revenues of the arrangement in accordance with the relevant accounting standards. The Group has no joint operation arrangements in place.

#### Financial instruments

Financial instruments are included in the statement of financial position items described below. Investments and other non-current financial assets include investments in subsidiaries and other non-current financial assets. Current financial assets include trade receivables and cash and cash equivalents. In particular, cash and cash equivalents include bank deposits. Financial liabilities refer to financial payables, including payables for advances on orders, assignment of receivables, as well as other financial liabilities (which include the negative fair value of derivative financial instruments), trade payables and other payables.

#### Non-current financial assets

Non-current financial assets other than equity investments, as well as financial liabilities, are accounted for in accordance with IFRS 9. Loans and receivables not held for trading and assets held with the intention of keeping them in the portfolio until maturity are valued at amortised cost, using the effective interest method. When financial assets do not have a fixed maturity, they are valued at purchase cost. Evaluations are regularly carried out to verify whether there is objective evidence that a financial asset may have been impaired. If there is objective evidence, the impairment loss shall be recognised as an expense in the income statement for the period. With the exception of derivative financial instruments, financial liabilities are stated at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

#### Trade receivables and payables

Trade receivables are initially recorded at amortised cost, which coincides with the adjusted nominal value, in order to adjust it to the presumed realisable value, by recording a provision for bad debts. This provision for bad debts is commensurate with both the size of the risks



relating to specific receivables and the size of the general risk of non-collection impending on all the receivables, prudentially estimated based on past experience and the degree of known financial equilibrium of all debtors.

Trade and other payables are recorded at their nominal value, which is considered representative of the settlement value. Receivables and payables in foreign currencies are aligned with the exchange rates prevailing on the reporting date and gains or losses deriving from conversion are entered in profit or loss.

Receivables assigned as a result of factoring transactions are eliminated from the statement of financial position if the risks and rewards of ownership have been substantially transferred to the assignee, thus constituting a non-recourse assignment. The portion of disposal costs that is certain to be included in the quantum amount is recognized as a financial liability.

Collections received on behalf of the factoring company and not yet transferred, generated by the contractual terms and conditions that provide for the periodic and predetermined transfer, are stated under financial liabilities.

## Cash and cash equivalents

The item relating to cash and cash equivalents includes cash, bank current accounts, postal current accounts, deposits repayable on demand and other short-term highly liquid financial investments that are readily convertible into cash and are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

## Financial payables

Financial liabilities include financial payables, including payables for deferred price parts relating to the assignment of non-recourse receivables, as well as other financial liabilities. Financial liabilities, other than derivative financial instruments, are initially recorded at market value (fair value) less transaction costs; they are subsequently valued at amortised cost, i.e., at their initial value, net of principal repayments already made, adjusted (upwards or downwards) on the basis of the amortisation (using the effective interest method) of any differences between the initial value and the value at maturity.

#### Inventory

Inventory is recorded at the lower of purchase or production cost and realisable value, represented by the amount that the entity expects to obtain from their sale in the normal course of business. The cost configuration adopted is the weighted average cost. Purchase costs include prices paid to suppliers increased by ancillary costs incurred up to entry into the warehouse, net of discounts and rebates. Production costs include both direct costs of materials and labour and reasonably attributable indirect production costs. In the allocation of production overheads, the normal production capacity of the plants is taken into account for the allocation of the cost of the products.

Provisions are made for the value of inventory determined in this way to take into account inventory considered obsolete or slow-moving.



Inventory also includes production cost relating to returns expected in future periods in connection with deliveries already made, estimated based on the sales value less the average mark-up applied.

# Assets and liabilities held for sale

Assets and liabilities held for sale and discontinued operations are classified as such if their carrying amount will be recovered principally through sale rather than through continuing use. These conditions are considered to have been met when the sale or discontinuance of the group of assets being disposed of is considered highly probable and the assets and liabilities are immediately available for sale in the conditions in which they are located.

When an entity is involved in a disposal plan that results in a loss of control of an investee, all assets and liabilities of that investee are classified as held for sale when the above conditions are met, even if, after disposal, the entity continues to hold a non-controlling interest in the subsidiary.

Assets held for sale are valued at the lower of their net carrying amount and fair value net of selling costs.

# Employee benefits

Bonuses paid under defined-contribution plans are recognised in profit or loss for the portion accrued during the year.

Until 31 December 2006, the provision for employee severance indemnities (TFR) was considered a defined benefit plan. The rules governing this fund were amended by Law 296 of 27 December 2006 ("2007 Finance Act") and subsequent Decrees and Regulations issued in early 2007. In light of these changes, and in particular with reference to companies with at least 50 employees, this scheme is now to be considered a defined benefit plan solely for the amounts accrued before 1 January 2007 (and not yet paid at the reporting date), while for the amounts accrued after that date it is similar to a defined contribution plan.

Defined-benefit pension plans, which also include severance indemnities due to employees pursuant to Article 2120 of the Italian Civil Code, are based on the working life of the employees and the remuneration received by the employee during a predetermined period of service. In particular, the liability representing the benefit due to employees under defined benefit plans is recorded in the financial statements at its actuarial value.

The recognition of defined benefit plans requires the actuarial estimation of the amount of benefits accrued by employees in exchange for service rendered in the current and prior periods and the discounting back of such benefits in order to determine the present value of the entity's commitments. The present value of the commitments is determined by an independent actuary using the projected unit credit method. This method considers each period of service provided by employees at the company as an additional unit under law: actuarial liability must therefore be quantified only on the basis of the seniority accrued at the valuation date; therefore, total liability is normally re-proportioned based on the ratio between the years of service accrued at the valuation date of reference and the total seniority achieved at the time envisaged for the payment of the benefit. In addition, the



above method provides to consider future salary increases, for whatever reason (inflation, career, contract renewals, etc.), until the time of termination of employment.

The cost of defined-benefit plans accrued during the year and recorded in profit or loss as part of personnel expenses is equal to the sum of the average current value of the rights accrued by the employees present for the work performed during the period, and the annual interest accrued on the present value of the commitments of the entity at the beginning of the period, calculated using the discount rate of future disbursements adopted for the estimate of the liability at the end of the previous period. The annual discount rate adopted for the calculations is assumed to be equal to the market rate at the end of the period for zero coupon bonds with a maturity equal to the average residual duration of the liability.

The amount of actuarial losses and gains deriving from changes in the estimates made is charged to profit or loss.

It should be noted that the valuation of the employee severance indemnity in accordance with IAS 19 concerned only Giordano Vini S.p.A., whose financial statements were prepared in accordance with IAS/IFRS and did not have an impact on Provinco Italia S.p.A.; the effect on this company is estimated to be insignificant.

## Salary benefits in the form of equity participation

The Group also remunerates its top management through stock grant plans. In such cases, the theoretical benefit attributed to the parties concerned is debited to profit or loss in the years covered by the plan, with a balancing entry in the shareholders' equity reserve. This benefit is quantified by measuring the fair value of the assigned instrument at the assignment date using financial valuation techniques, including any market conditions and adjusting the number of rights that are expected to be assigned at each reporting date.

## Provisions for future risks and charges

These are provisions arising from current obligations (legal or implicit) and relating to a past event, for the fulfilment of which it is probable that an outlay of resources will be necessary, the amount of which can be reliably estimated. If the expected use of resources goes beyond the next financial year, the obligation is recorded at its present value determined by discounting the expected future cash flows discounted at a rate that also takes into account the cost of money and the risk of the liability.

Provisions are reviewed at each reporting date and, if necessary, adjusted to reflect the best current estimate; any changes in estimate are reflected in profit or loss for the period in which the change occurred.

Risks for which the occurrence of a liability is only possible are mentioned in the notes without making any provision.

## **Revenue from sales**

Revenues are recognised to the extent that it is probable that economic benefits will flow to the entity and the amount can be measured reliably. Revenues are recognised net of discounts, allowances and returns.



Revenues from the distance selling division are recognised when the carrier delivers them to the customer. Revenues from the sale of wine, food products and gadgets are recognised as a single item.

The distance selling division accepts, for commercial reasons, returns from customers for distance selling under the terms of sale. In relation to this practice, the amounts invoiced at the time of shipment of the goods are adjusted by the amounts for which, even on the basis of historical experience, it can reasonably be expected that at the reporting date not all the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have been transferred. The returns thus determined are stated in profit or loss as a reduction in revenues.

## Interest income

Interest income is recorded in profit or loss on an accruals basis according to the effective rate of return method. These mainly refer to bank current accounts.

# Public funds

Public grants are recorded when there is a reasonable certainty that they can be received (this moment coincides with the formal resolution of the public bodies granting them) and all the requirements of the conditions for obtaining them have been met.

Revenues from public grants are recognised in profit or loss based on the costs for which they were granted.

# Dividends

The distribution of dividends to shareholders, if resolved, generates a debt at the time of approval by the Shareholders' Meeting.

## Cost recognition

Selling and marketing expenses are recognised in profit or loss at the time they are incurred or the service is rendered.

Costs for promotional campaigns, mailings or other means are charged at the time of shipment of the material.

Non-capitalisable research and development costs, consisting solely of personnel costs, are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

## Interest charges

Interest expense is recognised on an accruals basis, based on the amount financed and the effective interest rate applicable.

## Taxes

Taxes for the period represent the sum of current and deferred taxes.

Current taxes are based on the taxable income for the period. Taxable income differs from the result reported in profit or loss in that it excludes positive and negative components that will be taxable or deductible in other years and also excludes items that will never be taxable



or deductible. Current tax liabilities are calculated using the rates in force at the reporting date, or if known, those that will be in force at the time the asset is realised or the liability is extinguished.

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are the taxes that are expected to be paid or recovered on temporary differences between the carrying amount of assets and liabilities in the statement of financial position and the corresponding tax value used in the calculation of taxable income, accounted for using the full liability method. Deferred tax liabilities are generally recognised for all taxable temporary differences, while deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that there will be taxable results in the future that will allow the use of deductible temporary differences. These assets and liabilities are not recognised if the temporary differences arise from goodwill or the from initial recognition (not in business combination transactions) of other assets or liabilities in transactions that have no influence on either the accounting result or the taxable result. The tax benefit deriving from the carryforward of tax losses is recognised when and to the extent that it is considered probable that future taxable against which these losses can be used.

The carrying amount of deferred tax assets is reviewed at each reporting date and reduced to the extent that it is no longer probable that sufficient taxable income will exist to permit the recovery of all or part of those assets.

Deferred taxes are calculated based on the tax rate that is expected to be in force when the asset is realised or the liability is settled.

Deferred taxes are charged directly to profit or loss, with the exception of those relating to items recognised directly in equity, in which case the related deferred taxes are also charged to equity.

Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI)

This category includes equity instruments for which the Group - at the time of initial recognition or at the time of transition - has exercised the irrevocable option to present the profits and losses deriving from fair value changes in shareholders' equity (FVOCI). These are classified as non-current assets under "Other financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income".

These are initially recognised at fair value, including transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition.

They are subsequently measured at fair value, and gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in a specific equity reserve. This reserve will not be reflected in profit or loss. In the event of disposal of the financial asset, the amount suspended at equity is reclassified to retained earnings.

Dividends deriving from these financial assets are recorded in profit or loss at the time when the right to collection arises.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (FVPL) This valuation category comprises:



• equity instruments for which the Group - at the time of initial recognition or at the time of transition - did not exercise an irrevocable option to present the profits and losses deriving from changes in fair value in shareholders' equity. These are classified as non-current assets under "Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss";

• debt instruments for which the Group's business model for asset management provides for the sale of the instruments and the cash flows associated with the financial asset represent the payment of outstanding capital. These are classified as current assets under "Other financial assets at fair value through profit or loss";

• derivative instruments, with the exception of those designated as hedging instruments, classified under the item "derivative financial instruments".

These are initially recognised at fair value. Transaction costs directly attributable to the acquisition are recognised in profit or loss. They are subsequently measured at fair value, and gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are recognised in profit or loss.

Derivative financial instruments designated as hedging instruments

In line with the provisions of IFRS 9, derivative financial instruments are accounted for in accordance with the procedures established for hedge accounting only when:

• the items covered and the hedging instruments meet the eligibility requirements;

• at the beginning of the hedging relationship, there is a formal designation and documentation of the hedging relationship, the Group's risk management objectives and the strategy for hedging;

- the hedging relationship meets all of the following efficacy requirements:
  - there is an economic relationship between the hedged item and the hedging instrument;
  - the effect of credit risk is not dominant with respect to the changes associated with the hedged risk;
  - the hedge ratio defined in the hedging relationship is met, including through rebalancing actions, and is consistent with the risk management strategy adopted by the Group.

These derivative instruments are measured at fair value.

Depending on the type of hedge, the following accounting treatments are applied:

• Fair value hedge - if a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of exposure to changes in the fair value of an asset or liability attributable to a particular risk, the gain or loss from subsequent changes in the fair value of the hedging instrument is recognised in profit or loss. The gain or loss on the hedged item, for the part attributable to the hedged risk, modifies the carrying amount of that asset or liability (basis adjustment) and is also recognised in profit or loss;

• Cash flow hedge - if a derivative financial instrument is designated as a hedge of the exposure to variability in cash flows of a recognized asset or liability or a highly probable



future transaction, the effective portion of the change in fair value of the hedging derivative is recognized directly in equity, while the ineffective portion is recognized immediately in profit or loss. Amounts that have been recognised directly in equity are reclassified to profit or loss in the year in which the hedged item has an effect on profit or loss.

If the hedge of a highly probable future transaction subsequently results in the recognition of a non-financial asset or liability, the amounts that are suspended in equity are included in the initial value of the non-financial asset or liability.

# Fair value estimation

The fair value of financial instruments listed on an active market is determined on the basis of market prices at the reporting date. The reference market price for financial assets held is the current sale price (purchase price for financial liabilities).

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded on an active market is determined using various valuation techniques and assumptions based on market conditions at the reporting date. For medium and long-term liabilities, the prices of similar listed financial instruments are compared; for the other categories of financial instruments, the cash flows are discounted.

The fair value of IRSs is determined by discounting the estimated cash flows deriving from them at the reporting date. For loans, it is assumed that the nominal value, net of any adjustments made to take int account their collectability, approximates the fair value. The fair value of financial liabilities for disclosure purposes is determined by discounting the cash flows from the contract at an interest rate that approximates the market rate at which the entity is financed.

# 3 Fair value measurement

In relation to financial instruments measured at fair value, the classification of these instruments based on the hierarchy of levels provided for by IFRS 13 is shown below, which reflects the significance of the inputs used in determining fair value. The following levels can be distinguished:

Level 1 - unadjusted quotations recognised on an active market for the assets or liabilities being measured;

Level 2 - inputs other than the quoted prices mentioned in the previous point, which are observable on the market, either directly (as in the case of prices) or indirectly (i.e., derived from prices);

Level 3 – inputs that are not based on observable market data.

There are no assets or liabilities outstanding that are measured at fair value at 30 June 2019.



# 3.1 Financial risks

The Group is mainly exposed to financial risks, credit risk and liquidity risk.

# Risks deriving from exchange rate fluctuations

The Group is subject to the market risk deriving from exchange rate fluctuations, as it operates in an international setting, with transactions carried out in different currencies. Exposure to risk arises both from the geographical distribution of the business and from the various countries in which purchases are made.

# Risks deriving from changes in interest rates

Since financial debt is mainly regulated by variable interest rates, it follows that the Group is exposed to the risk of their fluctuation. The trend of interest rates is constantly monitored by the Company and depending on their changes it will be possible to evaluate the opportunity to adequately hedge the interest rate risk. The Group is currently not hedged, considering the insignificant impact on the income statement of interest rate changes.

Derivative financial instruments (for exchange rate hedging) in relation to which it is not possible to identify an active market, are recorded at fair value and are included in the items of financial assets and liabilities and other assets and liabilities. The relative fair value was determined using valuation methods based on market data, in particular by using specific pricing models recognised by the market.

## **Credit risk**

Credit risk is the Group's exposure to potential losses that may result from the failure to meet obligations with counterparts.

The receivables recorded essentially comprise receivables from final consumers for whom the risk of nonrecovery is moderate and in any case of a minimum individual amount. The Company has instruments for the preventive control of the solvency of each customer, as well as instruments for monitoring and reminding of receivables through the analysis of collection flows, payment delays and other statistical parameters.

# Liquidity risk

The Group finances its activities both through the cash flows generated by its operations and through the use of external sources of funding and is therefore exposed to liquidity risk, represented by the fact that its financial resources are not sufficient to meet its financial and commercial obligations in accordance with agreed terms and maturities. The Group's cash flows, borrowing requirements and liquidity are controlled by considering the maturity of financial assets (trade receivables and other financial assets) and the cash flows expected from the related transactions. The Group has both secured and unsecured credit lines,



consisting of revocable short-term credit lines in the form of revolving loans, current account overdrafts and signature loans.

# Default and covenant risk on debt

This risk arises from the presence in loan agreements of provisions that, if certain events were to occur, would entitle the counterparties to demand that the borrower repay immediately the loaned amounts, thereby generating liquidity risk.

In detail, following the full refinancing of the debt attributable to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. in July 2017, financial covenants were defined based on the performance of certain parameters at Group level. These covenants have been met.

# **Operational and management risks**

The Group neither manages nor owns vineyards and purchases the raw materials necessary for the production of wines (grapes, must and bulk wine) directly from third-party producers. The market trend of these raw materials, which are natural products, largely depends on the results of the harvests, which in turn are influenced, in quantitative and qualitative terms, by climatic, phytopathological or polluting factors. Although the Group has adopted a flexible purchasing system based on the purchase of raw materials from year to year in the main Italian wine-making regions according to harvest trends and has developed consolidated relationships with suppliers, it cannot be excluded that particularly poor harvests may lead to a significant increase in the prices of raw materials or make it more difficult to obtain grapes, musts and bulk wine in the quantities and qualities needed to sustain customer demand. Moreover, the Group's catalogue is mainly composed of DOC, DOCG and IGT wines and the negative trend in harvests could affect the Group's ability to continue to maintain a basket of products centred on wines with these characteristics. These circumstances could have a negative effect on the Group's economic and financial situation.

# 4 Accounting standards

# 4.1 Accounting standards adopted

The accounting standards adopted are the same as those used for the preparation of the consolidated financial statements at 31 December 2018, to which reference should be made for further details, with the exception of:

• the following new standards or amendments to existing standards, which are applied from 1 January 2019:



**IFRS 16 - Leases**: the impacts deriving from the first-time adoption of this standard, which replaces the previous IAS 17, are described in note 4.2 "Impacts deriving from the adoption of IFRS 16 - Leases";

**IFRIC 23 - Uncertainty over Income Tax Treatments**: there are no impacts on the Group financial statements due to the application of this interpretation;

**Amendments to IFRS 9 - Financial instruments**: prepayment features with negative compensation and amendments to financial liabilities: there are no impacts on the Group financial statements due to the application of these amendments;

**Amendments to IAS 28 - Investments in Associates and Joint Ventures:** Long-term Interests in Associates and Joint Ventures: there are no impacts on the Group Financial Statements due to the application of these amendments;

**Improvements to IFRS - 2015-2017 cycle** (issued by the IASB in December 2017): there are no impacts on the Group Financial Statements;

**Amendments to IAS 19 "Employee Benefits"**: there are no impacts on the Group Financial Statements due to the application of these amendments.

 income taxes are recognised based on the best estimate of the weighted average rate expected for the entire financial year, in line with the indications provided by IAS 34 for the preparation of interim financial statements.

# 4.2 Impacts deriving from the adoption of IFRS 16 -Leases

Following the application of the standard, the Group accounted, at the transition date (1 January 2019), for the leases previously classified as operating:

- a financial liability equal to the present value of the remaining future payments at the transition date, discounted using for each contract the incremental borrowing rate applicable at the transition date.
- a right of use equal to the value of the financial liability at the transition date, net of any accrued income and prepaid expenses relating to the lease and recorded in the statement of financial position at the transition date.

The following table shows the impacts of the adoption of IFRS 16 at the transition date:



_(€thousand)	
NON-CURRENT ASSETS	
Plant, property and equipment	
- Right-of-use assets	12,054.49
Total	12,054.49
CURRENT ASSETS	-
TOTAL	12,054.49
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Right-of-use liabilities	11,212.30
CURRENT LIABILITIES	
Right-of-use liabilities	842.20
TOTAL	12,054.50

The Group has chosen to apply the standard retrospectively, recognising the cumulative effect of applying the standard in shareholders' equity at 1 January 2019 (modified retrospective method). The comparative figures for the first half of 2018 have not been restated.

With reference to the transition rules, the Group has availed itself of a practical expedient available in the event of the choice of the modified retrospective transition method, i.e., the classification of contracts that expire within 12 months of the transition date as short-term leases. For these contracts, lease payments will be recorded in profit or loss on a straight-line basis;

The transition to IFRS 16 introduces some elements of professional judgement and the use of assumptions and estimates in relation to the lease term and the definition of the incremental borrowing rate. The main one is related to contract renewal clauses, which are considered for the purposes of determining the term of the contract, i.e., when the Group has the option to exercise them without the need to obtain the counterparty's consent and their exercise is considered reasonably certain.

## IFRS 16 Leases - accounting policies adopted since 1 January 2019

The following are the changes to the accounting policies adopted by the Group compared to those applied at 31 December 2018 as a result of the entry into force on 1 January 2019 of the new IFRS 16.

At the date on which the assets covered by the lease contract are available for use by the Group, the lease contracts are recorded as rights of use under non-current assets with a balancing entry in a financial liability.

The cost of the fee is broken down into its components of financial expense, recorded in profit or loss over the term of the contract, and repayment of principal, recorded as a reduction of the financial liability.



The right of use is amortised on a monthly basis on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the term of the contract.

Rights of use and financial liabilities are initially measured at the present value of future payments.

The present value of financial liabilities under leases includes the following payments:

- Fixed payments
- Variable payments based on an index or a rate
- Price to exercise a redemption option, if the exercise of the option is considered reasonably certain
- Payment of penalties to terminate the contract, if the exercise of the option to terminate the contract is considered reasonably certain
- Optional payments after the non-cancellable period, if the extension of the contract beyond the non-cancellable period is considered reasonably certain.

Future payments are discounted using the incremental borrowing rate. This rate is the free risk rate of the country in which the contract is negotiated and based on the term of the contract. It is then adjusted according to the Group's credit spread and the local credit spread.

Rights of use are valued at cost, which is composed of the following elements:

- Initial amount of financial liability
- Payments made before the start of the contract net of lease incentives received;
- Direct accessory charges
- Estimated costs for dismantling or restoration.

The lease payments associated with the following types of lease contracts are recorded in profit or loss on a straight-line basis for the term of the respective contracts:

- Contracts with a term of less than 12 months for all asset classes;
- Contracts for which the underlying asset is a low-value asset, i.e., the unit value of the underlying assets does not exceed €5 thousand when new;
- Contracts for which the payment for the right to use the underlying asset varies according to changes in facts or circumstances (not related to sales performance), not foreseeable at the start date.

Low-value contracts mainly relate to the following categories of goods:

- Computers, phones and tablets;
- Office and multifunction printers;
- Other electronic devices.



# Notes

# 5 Intangible fixed assets

Intangible fixed assets refer almost entirely to the trademarks owned by the Group. The changes are shown below:

INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS							
Net carrying amount							
Net carrying amount	01/01/2019	increases	decreases	amortisation	Reclassifi- cations	30/06/2019	
Trademarks and patents	29,787	6	-	(5)	-	29,788	
Software	917	208	-	(185)	-	941	
Other intangible assets	920	484	-	(209)	(5)	1,190	
Intangible assets under construction and advances	-	461	(456)	-	5	10	
Net carrying amount intangible assets	31,624	1,159	(456)	(398)	0	31,929	

The item "Trademarks and patents" indicated consists of the trademark Giordano Vini, consisting of the value resulting from the merger of Ferdinando Giordano S.p.A. into Giordano Vini S.p.A. (formerly Alpha S.r.I.) carried out in previous years. Also included are the trademarks owned by Provinco Italia S.p.A., amounting to  $\xi$ 8,586 thousand, valued at the time of allocation of the purchase price in accordance with IFRS 3.

These trademarks are identified as having an indefinite useful life and, consequently, are not amortised but tested for impairment annually, as is the case for goodwill. The carrying amount is unchanged from that of the Consolidated Annual Financial Report at 31 December 2018, in line with that used for the purposes of goodwill, for which reference should be made to the next paragraph.

The increases in the first half of 2019 mainly relate to the development of the following computerisation processes concerning the company Giordano Vini S.p.A.:

- Computerisation of the accounts payable cycle procedure and preparation for electronic invoicing (project started in 2017 and completed in the first few months of the current year);
- Website restyling activities;
- Configuration of the IT network of the new offices in Milan
- Revision of the applications for the solvency check and reminder of overdue receivables (VAD)
- Improvements to courier interfacing and package valorisation programmes.

The increases in Other intangible fixed assets mainly concern Assets under construction and advances.



# 6 Goodwill

Total goodwill - equal to €55,455 thousand - derives from the following business combinations: Provinco Italia S.p.A. for €11,289 thousand; Giordano Vini S.p.A. for €43,719 thousand; Pro.Di.Ve. S.r.I. for €447 thousand, the latter at the beginning of 2018.

The value in use corresponds to the present value of the future cash flows that are expected to be associated with the CGUs, identified as being congruent with the legal entities, Giordano Vini S.p.A. and Provinco Italia S.p.A., using a rate that reflects the specific risks of the individual CGUs at the valuation date.

The key assumptions used by management are the estimate of future increases in sales, operating cash flows, the growth rate of terminal values and the weighted average cost of capital (discount rate).

In the absence of "impairment indicators", no interim impairment test has been carried out at 30 June 2019. The impairment test carried out for the purposes of the 2018 financial statements did not reveal any impairment of the relevant CGUs.

# 7 Land, property, plant and equipment

The change in tangible fixed assets is shown below:



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€thousand	DDODED		UDMENT			
	PROPER	TY, PLANT AND EQI Gross value	UIPMENI			
Historical cost	01/01/2019	increases	divestments	reclassifications/ other changes	increases from business combinations	30/06/2019
Land and buildings	12,694	-	-	1	-	12,695
Plant and equipment	15,971	48	(31)	(1)	-	15,986
Equipment	712	7	-	(0)	-	719
Other plant, property and equipment	4,647	12	(19)	2	-	4,642
Assets under construction and advances	3	146	-	(1)	-	14
Right-of-use assets	-	12,054	-	-	-	12,054
Total historical cost	34,027	12,268	(50)	(1)	0	46,245
	PROPER	TY, PLANT AND EQ	UIPMENT			
	Acc	umulated deprecia	tion			
Accumulated depreciation	01/01/2019	depreciation	divestments	other changes		30/06/2019
Land and buildings	(3,291)	(123)			-	(3,414
Plant and equipment	(11,591)	(319)	31	-	-	(11,878
Equipment	(538)	(16)	-	-	-	(554
Other plant, property and equipment	(3,872)	(159)	19	-	-	(4,012
Right-of-use assets	-	(582)	-	-	-	(582
Total accumulated depreciation	(19,291)	(1,200)	50	0	0	(20,441
	PROPER	TY, PLANT AND EQ	UIPMENT			
		Net value				
Net carrying amount	01/01/2019	increases	divestments	depreciation	Other changes	30/06/2019
Land and buildings	9,404	-	-	(123)	1	9,28
Plant and equipment	4,380	48	-	(319)	(1)	4,10
Equipment	174	7	-	(16)	(0)	16
Other plant, property and equipment	776	12	-	(159)	2	63
Assets under construction and advances	3	146	-	-	(1)	14
Right-of-use assets	-	12,054	-	(582)	-	11,472
Total net carrying amount	14,736	12,268	0	(1,200)	(1)	25,80

The most significant increase from the point of view of the actual acquisitions concerns the item Assets under construction and advances to which the costs for the setting-up of the new offices in Milan have been charged.

As already mentioned in the report, on 1 January 2019, the accounting standard IFRS 16 came into force, which provided for the recording in the accounts of lease contracts indicating under non-current assets the amount corresponding to the "Right of use" as a balancing entry to a liability calculated as the present value of future cash disbursements relating to the contract itself. The aforementioned "Right of use" is subsequently amortised on a straight-line basis over the shorter period between the useful life of the asset and the term of the contract, while the liability is gradually reduced at the time of payment of the individual instalments. The cost of the fee is broken down into its components of financial expense, recorded in profit or loss over the term of the contract, and repayment of principal, recorded as a reduction of the financial liability.



The right of use is amortised on a monthly basis on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the asset's useful life and the term of the contract.

The amount of the assets for Rights of Use recorded under fixed assets refers to the lease contracts for the properties located in Cherasco, Milan and Rovereto.

# 8 Equity investments

Equity investments, almost entirely attributable to the company Giordano Vini S.p.A., are detailed as follows:

Amounts in EUR			
	Country	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Other companies			
BCC of Alba and Roero	Italy	258	258
Consorzio Conai	Italy	670	670
Unione Italiana Vini Scarl	Italy	258	258
Consorzio Natura è Puglia	Italy	500	500
Consorzio Granda Energia	Italy	517	517
Banca Alpi Marittime C.C. Carrù Scpa	Italy	293	293
Total		2,496	2,496

## 9 Other non-current assets

This item includes €764 thousand for IRAP (regional business tax) receivable in relation to labour costs pursuant to Italian Decree Law No. 201 of 2011 and the remainder for the amount of security deposits.

## 10 Deferred Taxes

Deferred tax assets and liabilities arise from the following temporary differences:



#### Amounts at 31 December 2018

€thousand			
Description	Tax base	Tax rate	Balance
Tangible and intangible fixed assets	1,053	27.90%	294
Provision for risks and charges	855	24.00%	205
Provisions for returns and inventory write-			
downs	836	27.90%	233
Non-deductible interest expense	1,060	24.00%	254
Provision for bad debts	1,321	24.00%	317
Remuneration of directors	260	24.00%	62
Exchange rate adjustment	3	24.00%	0.80424
Provisions for pensions	182	27.90%	50.778
Total deferred tax assets			1,457
Description			
Business combinations / Goodwill	8,586	27.90%	2,395
Tangible and intangible fixed assets	27,804	27.90%	7,757
Total provision for deferred taxes			10,153

#### Amounts at 30 June 2019

€thousand

Description	Tax base	Tax rate	Balance
Tangible and intangible fixed assets	734	27.90%	205
Provision for risks and charges	883	24.00%	212
Provisions for returns and inventory write-			
downs	1,025	27.90%	286
Non-deductible interest expense	1,060	24.00%	254
Non-capitalisable long-term charges for IFRS			
purposes	140	27.90%	39
Provision for bad debts	1,321	24.00%	317
Remuneration of directors	260	24.00%	62
Provisions for pensions	182	26.28%	48
Other IRAP - Trentino Region	30	2.68%	1
Others	122	27.90%	34
Total deferred tax assets			1,458
Description			
Business combinations / Goodwill	6,425	27.90%	1,793
Tangible and intangible fixed assets	29,700	27.90%	8,286
Total provision for deferred taxes			10,079



# 11 Inventory

The composition is shown below:

€thousand		
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Raw materials and consumables	2,569	1,911
Semi-finished products	12,803	11,971
Finished products	6,850	5,102
Advances	13	13
Total	22,236	18,997

Individual items include:

- components for the production of bottles (glass, caps and labels), packaging, wine products (raw materials);
- food, bulk and bottled wine, liqueurs (semi-finished products);
- packaging and gadgets (finished products).

The change in raw materials is mainly due to the growth in components for the production of bottles (+€307 thousand).

The change in semi-finished products mainly concerns bulk wine (+€716 thousand).

The change in finished products is mainly due to the growth in packaging.

The carrying amount of the inventories is shown net of an provisions for bad debts of €939 thousand, the changes of which in the period are shown below: €thousand

Provision at 1 January 2019	807
Provisions	183
Amounts used	(51)
Provision at end of period	939

# **12** Trade receivables

Trade receivables at 30 June 2019 and 31 December 2018 are detailed below:



€thousand	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Trade receivables	22,716	23,636
Provision for writedown	(2,946)	(2,851)
Total	19,770	20,785

Changes in the provision for bad debts during the first half of 2019 were as follows:

	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Initial amount	2,851	2,728
Provisions	672	1,465
Amounts used	(577)	(1,343)
Provision at end of period	2,946	2,851

Provisions were made based on the estimated realizable value of the receivables, also in light of the possible risks of total or partial non-recoverability thereof and according to economic and statistical criteria, in compliance with the principle of prudence. In addition, the provisions are deducted from the total of the item on a lump-sum and indistinct basis.

Specifically, the criterion adopted for the write-down of receivables relating to the Distance Selling Division is based on an analysis of the "stage of credit reminder"; the variables of this analysis is the reminder time after the receivable has become due and the percentage of reduction linked to each geographical area based on the statistical analysis of the probability of recovering the amount.

There are no receivables with a contractual duration of more than 5 years.

# 13 Other assets

Other assets at 30 June 2019 and 31 December 2018 are detailed in the following table:



€thousand		
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Receivables from distributors for cash on delivery	164	166
Security deposits	392	356
Others	657	550
Advances to suppliers	375	322
Accruals and prepayments	273	135
Total	1,860	1,530

# 14 Current tax assets

Tax receivables at 30 June 2019 and 31 December 2018 are detailed in the following table: €thousand

	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
VAT receivables	1,645	2,227
IRAP receivables	384	431
IRES receivables	-	327
Others	42	26
Total	2,071	3,011

With effect from the 2016 period, the Parent Company (together with its subsidiaries Giordano Vini S.p.A. and Provinco Italia S.p.A.) has opted for the national IRES tax consolidation scheme, the effects of which are also reported in the economic and financial results at 30 June 2019.

Participation in tax consolidation is governed by specific regulations that apply throughout the period of validity of the option.

The economic relations of tax consolidation are summarised below:

- for the years with positive taxable income, the subsidiaries pay to the consolidating company the higher tax it owes to tax authorities;
- consolidated companies with negative taxable income receive from the parent company a compensation corresponding to 100% of the tax savings realised at Group level and recorded on an accrual basis. Compensation is paid only when it is actually used by the Parent Company, for itself and/or for other companies in the Group;
- in the event that the Parent Company and its subsidiaries do not renew the option for national consolidation, or in the event that the requirements for continuing national consolidation are no longer met before the end of the three-year period of



validity of the option, the tax losses carried forward resulting from the tax return are attributed to the consolidating company or entity.

#### 15 Cash and cash equivalents

A breakdown of cash and cash equivalents at 30 June 2019 and 31 December 2018 is provided in the table below:

€thousand

	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Devile device its	00.450	00.044
Bank deposits	23,452	38,241
Postal deposits	1,034	850
Cheques	110	83
Cash	17	26
Total	24,612	39,201

#### 16 Shareholders' equity

The company's shareholders' equity is made up as follows:

#### Amounts in EUR

	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Share capital	879,854	879,854
Legal reserve	175,971	141,976
Share premium reserve	64,565,446	64,565,446
Reserve for actuarial gains on defined benefit plans	(62,876)	(28,916)
Reserve for stock grants	15,959	254,698
Reserve for the purchase of treasury shares	(1,959,365)	(1,852,090)
Other reserves	2,888,974	2,888,974
Prior profits/(losses)	14,468,556	11,081,679
Profit/(loss) of the period	2,688,104	6,350,453
Total reserves	82,780,769	83,402,221
Total Group shareholders' equity	83,660,623	84,282,074
Shareholders' equity of NCIs	-	-
Total shareholders' equity	83,660,623	84,282,074

## Share capital

The share capital of Italian Wine Brands is equal to €879,853.70 divided into 7,402,077 ordinary shares, all without indication of the nominal value, unchanged compared to 31 December 2018.



# **Reserves**

The share premium reserve was generated as a result of listing that took place in 2015.

The reserve for defined-benefit plans is generated by the actuarial profits/(losses) deriving from the valuation of the accrued termination benefits in accordance with IAS 19.

Other reserves include  $\notin$ 3,112 thousand in the reserve for transactions "under common control" generated by the first consolidation of the company Giordano Vini S.p.A. during the first half of 2015, net of a negative reserve of  $\notin$ 498 thousand generated by the direct recognition in equity, in accordance with IAS 32, of the expenses incurred by the parent company in relation to the aforementioned capital transactions net of the related deferred taxes.

At 30 June 2019, the Parent Company held 166,530 ordinary shares, representing 2.25% of the ordinary share capital in circulation.

The reconciliation schedule between the shareholders' equity and the result of the parent company and those of the consolidated companies is set out below:

Amounts in EUR	30 Jur	ne 2019
	Profit/(loss) for the period	Shareholders' equity
Shareholders' equity IWB SpA - ITA GAAP standards	6,913,027	78,226,050
Differences in accounting standards	167,856	2,960,441
Shareholders' equity IWB SpA - IFRS standards	7,080,883	81,186,491
Elimination of carrying amount of consolidated equity investments:		
Carrying amount of consolidated equity investments	-	(54,255,982)
Pro-quota share of consolidated equity investments net of consolidation differences	2,950,289	56,797,750
Dividends from subsidiaries	(7,355,390)	-
Consolidation adjustments for transactions between consolidated companies	12,321	(67,636)
Application of the financial method to assets held under financial leases		
Group shareholders' equity and profit/(loss) for the period	2,688,103	83,660,623
Non-controlling interest	-	-
Consolidated shareholders' equity and profit/(loss)	2,688,103	83,660,623



# 17 Financial payables

The situation at 30 June 2019 is as follows:

The statement of Group financial payables at 31 December 2018 is given below for comparison purposes:

€thousand				30/06/2019
	Short term	Medium/long term (within 5 years)	Long term (over 5 years)	Total
Pool financing - Senior	3,250	17,685	-	20,935
Short-term unsecured loans	2,248	-	-	2,248
GV revolving loans	2,000	7,000	-	9,000
Other loans in addition to e.g. unsecured loa	ns	2,021	-	2,021
IWB mortgage	300	-	-	300
Financial accrued expenses and charges to be settled	40	-	-	40
Total banks	7,838	26,706	0	34,544
Payables to factoring companies	165	-	-	165
Total other lenders	165	-	-	165
Total	8,003	26,706	0	34,709
€thousand				31.12.2018
	Short term	Medium/long term (within 5 years)	Long term (over 5 years)	Total
Deal francian Conice	4.075	40.000	5 252	04.000
Pool financing - Senior Short-term unsecured loans	4,875 11,500	13,869	5,352	24,096 11,500
GV revolving loans	11,500	-	<u>-</u> 3.000	3,000
Other loans in addition to e.g. unsecured loans	1,075	2,233		3,308
IWB mortgage	600	-	-	600
Financial accrued expenses and charges to be settled	259	-	-	259
Total banks	18,309	16,102	8,352	42,763
Payables to factoring companies	96	-	-	96
Payables to factoring companies		-	-	0
Total other lenders	96	-	-	96
Total	18,405	16,102	8,352	42,859

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#### The table below shows the changes in financial liabilities

#### €thousand

	31.12.2018	Disbursements / Other changes	Refunds / Other changes	Fair value adjustment	Operating costs/expenses	30/06/2019
Pool financing - Senior	24,096	-	(3,250)	89	-	20,935
Short-term unsecured loans	11,500	11,000	(20,252)	-	-	2,248
GV revolving loans	3,000	6,000	-	-	-	9,000
Other loans in addition to e.g. unsecured loans	3,308	-	(1,289)	2	-	2,021
IWB mortgage	600	-	(300)	-	-	300
Accrued interest expense GV	259	40	(259)	-	-	40
Total banks	42,763	17,040	(25,350)	91	0	34,544
Payables to factoring companies	96	165	(96)	-	-	165
Total other lenders	96	165	(96)	-	-	165
Total	42,859	17,205	(25,446)	91	0	34,709

The bank debt at 30 June 2019 consisted of the following loans:

- Loan of €1.5 million granted to the Parent Company with a duration of 36 months of which 6 months of pre-amortisation with half-yearly instalments, interest rate equal to the 6-month Euribor plus a spread of 1.95, Italian amortisation plan, issuance costs equal to 0.80%. The residual debt at 30/06/2019 was equal to €300 thousand.
- Medium/long-term loan granted to Giordano Vini S.p.A. for a total of €35 million paid out on 19 July 2017 and expiring on 30 June 2024, divided as follows:
  - Amortizing" tranche totalling €28 million with repayment in increasing sixmonthly instalments of principal in arrears and a rate, adjusted as from 1 July 2018 following compliance with the "Margin Variation" contract clause, equal to 6-month Euribor plus 1.60%. At 30 June 2019, the residual debt valued using the amortised cost method amounted to €20.9 million. Revolving tranche of a total of €7 million with interest rate, adjusted from 1 July 2018 following compliance with the "Margin Variation" contract clause, equal to Euribor at 1, 3 or 6 months depending on the relative period of use plus 1.15% used in this way:
    - €3 million paid out on 23 April 2018 with a duration of 6 months, renewed on 23 October 2018 for an additional 6 months and expiring on 23 April 2019;
    - €4 million reimbursed on 28 August 2018 and subsequently no longer required further disbursement.

The medium/long-term loan provides for financial covenants based on the trend of certain parameters at Group level. These covenants have been largely met.

The loan also includes a clause to reduce or increase the spread on the Euribor (the socalled "Margin Variation") given by the result of the ratio of net financial debt to annual



EBITDA. This ratio was less than 1.0x at 31 December 2017 so as to activate the 0.35% spread reduction clause, as specified in detail above.

At 30 June 2019, the "Margin Variation" was also lower than 1.0x, confirming the same interest rate conditions for the following year.

- Short-term "hot money" loan granted by Banca d'Alba to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. with current account credit facility of €1.5 million, renewed quarterly at a rate of 1.25%. The maturity of the loan is fixed at the maturity of each quarter.
- Medium-term loan of €2 million granted to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. on 20 February 2017 by Intesa Sanpaolo, with repayment in quarterly instalments and extinction on 20 February 2022 at a rate equal to the 3-month Euribor increased by a spread of 2.10%. The residual debt at 30 June 2019 valued using the amortised cost method amounts to €1.1 million.
- Short-term "Revolving" loan granted on 6 May 2019 to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. by Crédit Agricole for an amount of €2.0 million with quarterly maturity and a rate equal to the 3-month Euribor plus a spread of 0.60%.
- Medium-term loan of €2 million granted to the subsidiary Provinco Italia S.p.A. disbursed on 27 December 2018 repayable in quarterly instalments and extinguished on 27 December 2021, at a rate equal to the 3-month Euribor plus a spread of 1.75%.

Financial payables are recorded in the financial statements at the value resulting from application of the amortised cost, determined as the initial fair value of the liabilities net of the costs incurred to obtain the loans, increased by the cumulative amortisation of the difference between the initial value and the value at maturity, calculated using the effective interest rate.

In relation to the above loans, certain commitments have been issued to guarantee them.

The aforesaid loan agreements contain similar clauses and practices for this type of transaction, such as, for example: (i) a financial covenant (calculation at the level of the Italian Wine Brands Group) based on the performance of certain financial parameters at the consolidated level of the group; (ii) disclosure obligations in relation to the occurrence of significant events for the Company, as well as corporate disclosure; (iii) commitments and obligations, usual for such loan transactions, such as, by way of example, limits on the assumption of financial debt and the sale of its assets, prohibition to distribute dividends or reserves where certain financial parameters are not met.



In order to guarantee the correct and timely fulfilment of the Company's obligations under the aforementioned medium-term loans, guarantees have been provided in line with market practices for this type of transaction issued by the parent company IWB.

"Liabilities for rights of use" refer to the entry into force from 1 January 2019 of IFRS 16, which requires the recording of lease contracts in the accounts, indicating under non-current assets the amount corresponding to the "Right of use" as a balancing entry to a liability calculated as the present value of future cash disbursements relating to the contract.

# **18** Termination benefits

# Defined contribution plans

In the case of defined contribution plans, the Company pays contributions to public or private insurance institutions on the basis of a legal or contractual obligation, or on a voluntary basis. By paying the contributions, the Group fulfils all its obligations.

Payables for contributions to be paid at the reporting date are included in the item "Other current liabilities"; the cost pertaining to the period accrues on the basis of the service rendered by the employee and is recorded in the item "Personnel costs" in the area of belonging.

## Defined benefit plans

Employee benefit plans, which can be classified as defined benefit plans, are represented by the termination benefits (TFR); the liability is instead determined on an actuarial basis using the "projected unit credit" method. Actuarial gains and losses determined in the calculation of these items are shown in a specific equity reserve. The changes in the liability for termination benefits at 30 June 2019 are shown below:

€thousand	2019	2018	
Provision at 1 January	656	815	
Provisions	17	27	
Advances paid during the period	(12)	(6)	
Benefits paid out in period	(15)	(174)	
Actuarial (gains)/losses	34	(4)	
Borrowing costs	-	(2)	
Provision at end of period	680	656	

The component "allocation of costs for employee benefits" and "contribution/benefits paid" are recorded in profit or loss under the item "Personnel costs" in the area to which they refer. The component "financial income/(expenses)" is recognised in profit or loss under



"Financial income/(expenses)", while the component "actuarial income/(expenses)" is recognised under other comprehensive income and transferred to a Shareholders' equity reserve called "Reserve for defined benefit plans".

The main actuarial assumptions used are as follows:

Actuarial assumptions	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Discount rate	0.83%	1.61%
Inflation rate	1.50%	1.50%
Average Annual Percentage of Staff Exit	8.17%	8.17%

#### 19 Provisions for risks and charges

During the period, the item changed as follows: €thousand

	Non-current	Current	Total
Provision at 1 January 2018	1,551	134	1,685
Provisions	-	36	36
Amounts used	(480)	(170)	(650)
Provision at 31 December 2018	1.071	0	1.071

€thousand

	Non-current	Current	Total
Provision at 1 January 2019	1,071	-	1,071
Provisions	-		-
Amounts used	(4)		(4)
Provision at 31 December 2018	1,067	0	1,067

Non-current liabilities mainly include:

- provisions made at Giordano Vini S.p.A. for legal disputes with suppliers for €853 thousand;
- a provision of €182 thousand relating to potential liabilities relating to the agents' termination benefit set aside by Provinco Italia S.p.A., determined taking into account collective economic agreements and the maximum limit of Article 1751 of the Italian Civil Code.



# 20 Trade payables

This item includes all trade payables with the following geographical distribution:

€thousand

	30.06.2019	31.12.2018
Suppliers - Italy	38,011	43,521
Suppliers - Foreing Markets	919	1,001
	38,929	44,522

## 21 Other liabilities

Other liabilities are made up as follows:

€thousand		
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
Employees	1,028	707
Social security institutions	421	433
Directors	85	6
Accruals and deferred income	317	316
Others	871	692
Total current	2,721	2,153

Payables to employees mainly include wages and salaries for June 2019 paid in July 2019 and deferred compensation for vacation and public holidays accrued but not yet taken.

The item deferred income mainly consists of the portion pertaining to future years of grants for plants obtained in 2010 and 2011.

# 22 Current tax liabilities

These are made up as follows:



€thousand		
	30/06/2019	31.12.2018
VAT	1,030	1,211
IRES	746	-
IRPEF withholding tax	334	310
IRAP	-	-
Excise duties	434	467
Other taxes	152	187
Total	2,696	2,175

"Other taxes" include the value of €148 thousand relating to taxes paid in instalments (IRES and IRAP) following judicial settlement by the company Provinco Italia S.p.A.

# 23 Revenues from sales and other revenues

Revenues from sales and other revenues and income at 30 June 2019, compared with those of the two previous periods, are detailed below:

€thousand					
	30/06/2019	30.06.2018	30/06/2017	$\Delta$ %18/19	CAGR 17/19
Revenue from sales - Italy	15,395	15,750	17,952	(2.25%)	(7.40%)
Revenue from sales - Foreign Markets	54,411	53,840	50,638	1.06%	3.66%
Germany	15,775	14,705	14,356	7.27%	4.82%
Switzerland	12,870	12,680	11,344	1.50%	6.51%
England	7,238	5,162	4,688	40.22%	24.26%
Austria	7,062	6,861	6,165	2.93%	7.03%
Denmark	2,686	3,212	2,675	(16.38%)	0.21%
France	2,372	2,694	2,755	(11.95%)	(7.21%)
USA	1,338	653	2,012	104.90%	(18.45%)
Sweden	813	786	456	3.44%	33.53%
China	776	722	450	7.48%	31.32%
Netherlands	445	360	189	23.61%	53.44%
Belgium	418	630	658	(33.65%)	(20.30%)
Canada	346	462	-	-	-
Other countries	2,272	4,913	4,890	(53.76%)	(31.84%)
Other revenues	267	350	399	(23.71%)	(18.20%)
Total revenues from sales	70,073	69,940	68,989	0.19%	0.78%



## 24 Purchase costs

Purchase costs include  $\leq 18.0$  million ( $\leq 18.9$  million at 30/06/2018) for Giordano Vini S.p.A.,  $\leq 0.18$  million for Pro.Di.Ve. S.r.l. and  $\leq 24.7$  million ( $\leq 38.7$  million at 31/12/17) for the subsidiary Provinco Italia S.p.A.

# 25 Costs for services

The costs for services at 30 June 2019, compared with those of the previous year, are detailed below:

	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	30/06/2017
Services from third parties	5,773	5,066	6,760
Transport	5,332	6,000	5,871
Postage expenses	2,115	1,962	2,816
Fees and rents	214	819	966
Consulting	658	930	288
Advertising costs	2	4	264
Utilities	378	276	351
Remuneration of Directors, Statutory Auditors and Supervisory Body	445	407	337
Maintenance	100	89	146
Costs for outsourcing	3,237	2,702	3,117
Commissions	46	93	341
Other costs for services	1,549	1,794	1,285
Total	19,849	20,142	22,542

The compensation of directors, statutory auditors and supervisory body is detailed below: €thousand

	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Directors	402	364
Auditors	40	39
SB	3	4
Total	445	407

In the first half of 2019, fees for the Independent Auditors amounted to €40 thousand (€45 thousand at 30 June 2018).

# 26 Personnel costs

Personnel costs at 30 June 2019, compared with those of the previous year, are detailed below:



€thousand		
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Wages and salaries	2,654	3,323
Social security charges	850	1,005
Termination benefits	161	189
Stock grant	-	-
Administration cost	37	31
Other costs	4	47
Total	3,706	4,595

The following table shows the number of employees:

	At 30 June 30/06/2019	Average no. 30/06/2019	At 30 June 30/06/2018	Average no. 30/06/2018
Executives	6	5	5	6
Middle managers	9	9	8	9
Office workers	127	127	130	131
Workers	16	17	17	31
Total	158	158	160	177

# 27 Other operating costs

The item "Other operating costs" amounted to  $\notin$ 776 thousand and mainly includes: charges for transactions with former employees (equal to  $\notin$ 426 thousand), non-deductible taxes and duties, and non-deductible VAT as a result of the pro-rata payment. The item in the comparative financial year shows a balance of  $\notin$ 126 thousand.

## 28 Write-downs

The item relates entirely to the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. and to the write-down of trade receivables recorded in the period.

## 29 Financial income and expenses

Financial income and expenses are detailed in the following tables:



€thousand			
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018	
On current accounts	9	12	
Exchange rate gain/(loss)	42	33	
Others	1	1	
Total	52	46	

#### €thousand

	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
Loans	(311)	(429)
Right-of-use liabilities	(177)	-
Bank current accounts	(20)	(3)
Financial instruments	-	-
Bank fees and charges	(115)	(128)
Exchange rate gain/(loss)	(53)	(38)
Others	(47)	(42)
Total	(723)	(640)

In detail, interest on loans includes:

- interest paid on medium/long-term loans;
- Interest expense on bank current accounts mainly relating to the use of the current account overdraft with the various banks;
- realised exchange differences and end-of-period adjustments relating to foreign currency items;
- bank commissions and charges, including those for sureties.

## 30 Taxes

The taxes at 30 June 2019, compared with those of the previous year, are detailed below:



€thousand		
	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
IRES	(1,111)	(997)
IRAP	(42)	(154)
Taxes for prior periods	37	-
Total current taxes	(1,115)	(852)
Prepaid taxes	2	(34)
Deferred taxes	74	73
Total deferred taxes	75	39
Total	(1,040)	(813)

# 31 Related-party transactions

# At 30 June 2019 there was:

(i) a commercial lease agreement entered into on 1 February 2012 between Provinco Italia S.p.A. and Provinco S.r.l. pursuant to which Provinco S.r.l. leased the property located in Rovereto (TN) - Via per Marco, 12/b to Provinco Italia S.p.A.; the lease is valid for six years (until 31 January 2018) with tacit renewal for the same period unless notice of termination is given 12 months before expiry; the agreed rent is equal to  $\leq 60$  thousand per year plus VAT. The above relationship is regulated at conditions at arm's length.

# 32. Atypical and unusual transactions

Pursuant to Consob communication no. DEM/6064293 of 28 July 2006, during the period the Group did not carry out atypical or unusual transactions, as defined by the communication itself, according to which atypical and/or unusual transactions are those that, due to their significance/relevance, the nature of the counterparties, the object of the transaction, the method of determining the transfer price and the timing of the event, may give rise to doubts regarding: the correctness/completeness of the information in the financial statements, the conflict of interest, the safeguard of the company's assets, the protection of non-controlling interests.

# 33. Grants received

During the period 2018, the subsidiary Giordano Vini S.p.A. received grants pursuant to Article 1, paragraph 125, of Law 124/2017 amounting to €33,394.

The following table shows the data relating to the lenders, their amounts and a brief description of the reasons for the benefit.



Amounts in EUR		
Paying entity	Grant received	Reason
AGEA - through ATI Bacco International	33,394	OCM grant 2018 for exports to Swiss market
Total	33,394	

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