

**CRH FINANCE
SWITZERLAND AG,
CHAM**

Financial Statements for the year ended
31 December 2021 and Statutory Auditor's Report

Report of the Statutory Auditor

To the General Meeting of
CRH FINANCE SWITZERLAND AG, CHAM

Report of the Statutory Auditor on the Financial Statements

As statutory auditor, we have audited the accompanying financial statements of CRH Finance Switzerland AG, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2021, and the income statement, the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and notes for the year then ended.

Board of Directors' Responsibility

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of these financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Swiss GAAP FER, Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining an internal control system relevant to the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The Board of Directors is further responsible for selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Swiss GAAP FER, Swiss law and Swiss Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control system relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control system. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2021 give a true and fair view and comply with Swiss GAAP FER, Swiss law and the company's articles of incorporation.

Other Matter

The financial statements of the CRH Finance Switzerland AG for the year ended 31 December 2020 were audited by another auditor whose report, dated 22 April 2021, expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Report on Key Audit Matters based on the circular 1/2015 of the Federal Audit Oversight Authority

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgment, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements of the current period. We have determined that there are no key audit matters to communicate in our report.

Report on Other Legal Requirements

We confirm that we meet the legal requirements on licensing according to the Auditor Oversight Act (AOA) and independence (article 728 Code of Obligations (CO) and article 11 AOA) and that there are no circumstances incompatible with our independence.

In accordance with article 728a paragraph 1 item 3 CO and Swiss Auditing Standard 890, we confirm that an internal control system exists, which has been designed for the preparation of financial statements according to the instructions of the Board of Directors.

We further confirm that the proposed appropriation of available earnings complies with Swiss Law and CRH Finance Switzerland AG's article of incorporation. We recommend that the financial statements submitted to you be approved.

Deloitte AG

Roland Mueller
Licensed Audit Expert
Auditor in Charge

Adrian Kaeppli
Licensed Audit Expert

Zurich, 31 March 2022
RMU/AKA/jba

Enclosures

- Financial statements (balance sheet, income statement the statement of changes in equity, the statement of cash flows and notes)
- Proposal regarding the appropriation of available earnings

Balance Sheet - Assets

		31.12.2021	31.12.2020
		CHF	CHF
Current assets			
Cash and equivalents		42'439	3'774
Accrued income and prepaid expenses	1)	68'593	160'050
Financial assets	2)	329'838'693	-
<u>Total current assets</u>		<u>329'949'725</u>	<u>163'824</u>
Non-current assets			
Financial assets	2)	63'458'958	392'228'443
<u>Total non-current assets</u>		<u>63'458'958</u>	<u>392'228'443</u>
<u>Total assets</u>		<u>393'408'683</u>	<u>392'392'267</u>

Balance Sheet - Liabilities and Equity		31.12.2021 CHF	31.12.2020 CHF
Liabilities			
Accrued expenses and payables	3)	1'298'375	1'298'292
Bonds	4)	330'000'000	-
<u>Total current liabilities</u>		<u>331'298'375</u>	<u>1'298'292</u>
Bonds	4)	-	330'000'000
<u>Total long-term liabilities</u>		<u>-</u>	<u>330'000'000</u>
<u>Total liabilities</u>		<u>331'298'375</u>	<u>331'298'292</u>
Equity			
Share capital		100'000	100'000
Capital contribution reserves		55'000'000	55'000'000
General legal reserves		50'000	50'000
Retained earnings			
- Profit carried forward		5'943'976	4'937'410
- Net profit of the financial year		1'016'332	1'006'566
Total retained earnings		<u>6'960'308</u>	<u>5'943'976</u>
<u>Total equity</u>		<u>62'110'308</u>	<u>61'093'976</u>
<u>Total liabilities and equity</u>		<u>393'408'683</u>	<u>392'392'267</u>

Income Statement

		2021	2020
		CHF	CHF
<u>Expense</u>			
Operating expenses	5)	-1'793'908	-1'802'207
Total operating expenses		<u>-1'793'908</u>	<u>-1'802'207</u>
<u>Financial result</u>			
Financial income	6)	7'578'558	7'576'113
Financial expenses	7)	-4'628'957	-4'628'957
Total financial result		<u>2'949'601</u>	<u>2'947'156</u>
Operating profit before tax		1'155'693	1'144'949
Income tax	8)	-139'361	-138'383
Net profit of the financial year		<u>1'016'332</u>	<u>1'006'566</u>

Earnings per share

	2021	2020
Weighted average number of shares outstanding	100	100
Net profit of the financial year in CHF	1'016'332	1'006'566
Diluted and undiluted earnings per share in CHF	<u>10'163</u>	<u>10'066</u>

There are no outstanding stock options or stock subscription rights that could lead to a dilution of earnings per share.

Statement of changes in equity

	Share capital	Reserves	Retained earnings	Total equity
Balance as of 31.12.2019	100'000	55'050'000	4'937'410	60'087'410
Net profit of the financial year 2020			1'006'566	1'006'566
Balance as of 31.12.2020	100'000	55'050'000	5'943'976	61'093'976
Net profit of the financial year 2021			1'016'332	1'016'332
Balance as of 31.12.2021	100'000	55'050'000	6'960'308	62'110'308

The share capital consists of 100 registered shares with a nominal value of CHF 1,000 each.

All 100 shares are held by Jura-Holding AG, Aarau (Switzerland), which is a wholly-owned and fully consolidated subsidiary of CRH plc., Dublin (Ireland).

The non-distributable reserves amount to CHF 50,000.

Statement of cash flows

	2021 CHF	2020 CHF
Net profit of the financial year	1'016'332	1'006'566
+/- Accrued income and prepaid expenses and other receivables	91'457	91'457
+/- Accrued expenses and payables	83	-60'083
Cash flow from operating activities	<u>1'107'872</u>	<u>1'037'940</u>
Investment in interest-bearing loans	-1'069'208	-1'035'763
Cash flow from investing activities	<u>-1'069'208</u>	<u>-1'035'763</u>
Cash flow from financing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>38'664</u>	<u>2'177</u>
 <u>Reconciliation of opening to closing cash and cash equivalents</u>		
Cash and cash equivalents as of 1 January	3'774	1'598
Cash and cash equivalents as of 31 December	42'439	3'774
Increase (+) / Decrease (-) in cash and cash equivalents	<u>38'664</u>	<u>2'177</u>

Notes to the financial statements

Accounting policies

The financial statements of CRH Finance Switzerland AG have been prepared in accordance with the Swiss accounting and reporting recommendation of Swiss GAAP FER according to the principle of "true and fair view". The full set of Swiss GAAP FER recommendations have been applied.

The financial statements also comply with the regulations of Swiss Code of Obligations.

Accounting principles

Current assets

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand, demand deposits and time deposits with a residual term to maturity from the balance sheet date of 90 days at the most. Cash and cash equivalents are reported at their nominal value.

Financial assets

The financial assets are recognized at acquisition costs less impairment, if any.

Liabilities

The liabilities consist of short-term and long-term debts. The accrued expenses and deferred income and payables are reported at its nominal amount. The bonds are recorded at par value.

Related party transaction

Related party transactions refer to the parent company and to other fully-consolidated subsidiaries of the parent company. Related party transactions and related party balances are properly disclosed in the relevant line item of the financial statements or the notes. All transactions with related parties are conducted at arm's length.

Other notes

Company information

CRH Finance Switzerland AG has its registered office in Cham (Switzerland) and serves solely as a finance company within CRH group. CRH plc. in Dublin (Ireland) is the ultimate parent company.

Employees

The company has no employees.

Segment information

As CRH Finance Switzerland AG is a group finance company in Switzerland the business activities comprise only one segment.

Events after the balance sheet date

No material events have occurred after the balance sheet date which could adversely affect the validity of the annual financial statements 2021 or which would have to be disclosed. The Board of Directors approved and authorised the financial statements in respect of the year ended 31 December 2021 on 31 March 2022.

Notes to the financial statements

(all amounts in CHF)

1) Accrued income and prepaid expenses	2021	2020
Total capitalized costs of bond issuance	68'593	160'050

The costs related to the issuance of the bond have been capitalized.
These costs are amortised over the term to maturity.

2) Financial assets	2021	2020
Interest-bearing loans to related parties	393'297'651	392'228'443

Loans are granted in Swiss francs to the parent company plus two affiliated companies.
The interest rates are based on the principles of the Swiss Tax Authorities.

Contractual maturity date of loans in the amount of CHF 330m is September 2022.
There are no security arrangements.

3) Accrued expenses and payables	2021	2020
Interest	1'134'375	1'134'375
Taxes	141'000	140'000
Other services	23'000	23'917
Total accrued expenses and payables	1'298'375	1'298'292

4) Bonds	2021	2020
Total bonds	330'000'000	330'000'000

Information of the issued bonds:

Security number	25359273 / ISIN: CH0253592734
Nominal amount	CHF 330 Mio.
Issue price	100.989%
Interest rate	1.375% (30/360)
Term	from 30 September 2014 until 30 September 2022 (8 years)
Maturity date	on 30 September 2022 at nominal value

The bonds are secured by the listed group company CRH plc. The annual guarantee fee is paid on 31 December.

5) Operating expenses	2021	2020
Guarantee fee CRH plc.	-1'650'000	-1'650'000
Management fees related parties	-53'850	-53'850
Capital tax	-1'891	-1'766
Other administration expenses	-88'167	-96'591
Total operating expenses	-1'793'908	-1'802'207

The auditor's remuneration for statutory audit services amounts to CHF 23,051 (prior year CHF 22,084).

6) Financial income	2021	2020
Interest income related parties	7'578'558	7'576'113
Total financial income	7'578'558	7'576'113

7) Financial expenses	2021	2020
Interest expenses on bonds	-4'537'500	-4'537'500
Other interest expenses (see 1)	-91'457	-91'457
Total financial expenses	-4'628'957	-4'628'957

8) Income tax	2021	2020
Total income tax	-139'361	-138'383

The average income tax rate is 12.1% (prior year 12.1%).

Disclosure of contingent liabilities

Cash pooling

CRH Finance Switzerland AG is participant of the notional cash pooling of Jura-Holding AG. According to the cash pooling agreement all future credit balances in the pool account are pledged in favour of the bank. Furthermore, CRH Finance Switzerland AG is jointly and severally liable for possible debit interests and commissions incurred of the pool leader's overall position of the pool participants accounts, but only to the amount that would have been incurred as debit interests and commissions without the pooling on CRH Finance Switzerland AG's participant accounts.

Proposal for the appropriation of retained earnings

	31.12.2021 CHF	31.12.2020 CHF
Balance carried forward from prior year	5'943'976	4'937'410
Net profit of the financial year	1'016'332	1'006'566
Retained earnings available for appropriation	6'960'308	5'943'976
Allocation to legal reserves	-	-
Balance to be carried forward	6'960'308	5'943'976