

# Darta Saving Life Assurance dac

Directors' report and  
financial statements

**For the financial year ended  
31 December 2020**

*Registered number 365015*

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## Directors and other information

### Directors

James Ruane	Chairman, (Independent Non-Executive)
Angelo Agnelli	Italian (Non-Executive)
Patricia Colton	(Independent Non-Executive)
Gino Fassina	Italian (Non-Executive resigned effective 20 January 2021)
John Finnegan	(Executive Director resigned effective 28 January 2021)
David Kingston	(Independent Non-Executive)
John Lyons	(Non-Executive resigned effective 31 December 2020)
Davide Moia	Italian (Non-Executive Director appointed effective 20 January 2021. Non-Executive Director resigned effective 04 March 2021. Executive Director appointed effective 04 March 2021)
Fabiana Rossaro	Italian (Non-Executive)
Giampaolo Viseri	Italian (Non-Executive)
Pietro S. Iovane	British (Non-Executive Director appointed effective 04 March 2021)

### Registered office

Maple House, Temple Road  
Blackrock  
Dublin

### Secretary

Francis O'Hara  
Maple House, Temple Road  
Blackrock  
Dublin

### Head of Actuarial Function

Niamh Lynch  
Allianz Global Life  
Maple House, Temple Road  
Blackrock  
Dublin

### Independent Auditors

PricewaterhouseCoopers  
One Spencer Dock  
North Wall Quay  
Dublin 1

### Main Bankers

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Germany

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## Directors and other information *(continued)*

### **Main bankers (continued)**

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20123 Milano  
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### **Solicitors**

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33 Sir John Rogerson's Quay  
Dublin 2

### **Service Provider**

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Block C, Irish Life Centre, Lower Abbey Street  
Dublin 1

### **Investment Managers**

ADDVISION Wealth Mgt S.A.  
Agora Investments SGR S.p.A.  
Allianz Global Investors GmbH  
Amundi Asset Management  
Aquila Patrimonial A.G.  
Auriga Partners  
Azimut  
Banca del Ceresio S.A.  
Banca Julius Baer & Co. S.A. Zurich  
Banca Julius Baer & Co. S.A. Lugano - Switzerland  
Banca Leonardo  
Banor Capital Limited  
Banque Morval S.A.  
Blackrock Investment Management Limited  
BG Valeur S.A.  
BPS Suisse  
CA Indosuez Finanziaria S.A.  
Candriam  
Capital Group  
Carmignac Gestione S.A.  
CGM Italia Sim S.p.A.  
CGM Monegasque  
Columbia Threadneedle  
Credit Suisse AM  
Crossinvest S.A.  
EFG Bank S.A. (ex BSI)  
Elutheria Wealth SA  
Fidelity  
Finpartner Financial Services S.A. Lugano  
Franklin Templeton

### **Investment Managers**

Gamma Capital Markets Limited  
Goldman Sachs AM  
Icam & Partners  
Intesa S.Paolo Private Banking S.p.A.  
Invesco Asset Management S.A.  
Investitori SGR S.p.A.  
Janus Henderson  
JP Morgan  
Kairos AM S.A.  
Kairos Partners SGR S.p.A.  
LFG Investment Consulting S.A.  
Londinium  
M&G Investments  
Morgan Stanley  
Nueberger Berman  
Olympia Wealth Management Limited  
Pictet & Cie (Europe SA) – Luxembourg  
Pictet & Cie S.A. Geneve  
Pictet AM Limited – Italy Branch  
PIMCO Europe Limited  
Robeco  
Rothschild (Lugano) S.A.  
Rothschild Milano  
Safe Capital Management SA  
Schroders  
Soave Asset Management  
UBI Pramerica SGR S.p.A.  
Vontobel Asset Management S.A.

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## Directors' Report

The Directors present their report and the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

### **Principal activity, review of key performance indicators and future developments**

The Company is authorised in Ireland to transact life assurance business in the European Union ("EU") under the Solvency II Directive (2009/138/EC) as introduced into domestic Irish Legislation by the EU (Insurance and Reinsurance) Regulations 2015, effective 1 January 2016.

The Company's main business is the sale of single premium policies in Italy, under which the risk related to the underlying investments is carried by the policyholders.

Despite the negative impact from the out-break of COVID-19, in relation to global wide quarantine lockdowns and volatility in world stock markets, the Company continued to perform above expectations. The Company had record sales for 2020 of €3,667m, which were 23% higher than the previous year (2019: €2,981m). The contributing products of total sales were Challenge and Challenge Pro 88% (2019: 86%), Blazar 3% (2019: 8%), Darta New Trend 5% (2019: 2%), Private Insurance contracts 1% (2019: 1%), Personal Way (previously Progetto Reddito) 2% (2019: 1%), Personal Target 0.9% (2019: 1%) and Other 0.1% (2019: 1%). These sales relate to investment contracts and are not included in "Net premiums written and earned" in the Statement of Profit and Loss, in accordance with IFRS 9 (see Note 17 "Financial liabilities – investment contracts"). The amount of net insurance premiums reported in the Statement of Profit and Loss is €7.7m (2019: €6.1m) due to the unbundling of insurance components of investment contracts in line with the Company's accounting policy under IFRS 4 (see Note 3).

During the year gross management fee income of €322m was earned, 9% above the previous year (2019: €295m). Total policyholder funds stood at €21,104m (2019: €18,254m) at the financial year end, driven by net inflows of €2,108m (2019: €1,422m) and net income, expenses and capital gains of €742m (2019: €1,511m). The COVID-19 pandemic has not led to a material increase in claims volumes in 2020, with claims incurred during the year amounting to €1,559m, in line with the prior year (2019: €1,559m).

It is the Company's objective to achieve a satisfactory level of profitability for its shareholder, whilst taking into account statutory, financial and regulatory requirements and the reasonable expectations of its policyholders. In these circumstances, the Directors are satisfied with the Company's performance during the year.

The Company continues to seek to diversify its distribution channel and product range across the markets in which it operates, recognising this as an important path to future growth.

### **Result for the financial year and the state of affairs at the financial year end**

The result for the Company for 2020 is set out in the Statement of Profit and Loss on page 14, and this shows a net profit from total operations of €79.5m, after taxation, compared with a previous year net profit of €68.0m for 2019. The Company's Statement of Financial Position is set out on pages 16 and 17, and this shows that shareholders' equity at the financial year end was €465.0m compared with €385.0m at the end of 2019. Note 16 to the financial statements on page 45 confirms that the Company had a satisfactory surplus over regulatory Solvency II capital requirements at year end.

The Directors' have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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## Directors' Report *(continued)*

### **Dividends Paid**

No dividends were paid by Darta in 2020 (2019: €8.00 per share amounting to €40m) as a result of the restrictions, placed by the Central Bank of Ireland, on payments of dividends under COVID-19.

### **Risk management objectives and policies**

Ultimate responsibility for the Company's internal controls, including risk management, rests with the Directors of the Company. Management are responsible for monitoring, measuring, controlling and reporting on the risks connected with the Company's activities on a day to day basis.

The Directors acknowledge the importance of effective corporate governance and risk management processes, to ensure the Company's continuing compliance with all applicable laws and regulations and to safeguard the Company's value and reputation. These processes are kept under review, so improvements can be made that take account of best practice, increasing regulatory requirements and the requirements of the Group.

The Company is subject to and complies with the Corporate Governance Requirements for Insurance Undertakings 2015 (the "Requirements"), as issued by the Central Bank of Ireland. The Directors note the Company is not subject to Appendix I of the Requirements as they apply to High Impact Insurance undertakings.

The Board is assisted in its governance by the operation of a number of committees, three of which, the Audit Committee, the Board Risk Committee and the Investment Committee, have roles in the development and monitoring of the Company's internal control and risk management systems. The Audit Committee and the Board Risk Committee are chaired by Independent Non-Executive Directors. The Investment Committee is chaired by the Chief Executive Officer, and in addition to the above, provides independent and objective oversight of the investments of the Company and policyholders.

Information on the main financial risks and uncertainties that the Company faces and how these are managed is outlined in Note 2 to the financial statements. In addition to financial risks, Darta is exposed to outsourcing risk and cyber risk due to the nature of its operations.

### **Composition of Group**

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of Allianz S.p.A., a company incorporated in Italy. The Company's ultimate parent company is Allianz SE, a company incorporated in Germany.

### **Directors**

The names of persons who were Directors at any time during the 2020 financial year are set out on page 2. John Lyons resigned from the Board on 31 December 2020. Gino Fassina resigned from the Board on 20 January 2021. John Finnegan resigned as Chief Executive Officer and from the Board on 28 January 2021. Davide Moia was appointed to the Board as Non-Executive Director on 20 January 2021 and resigned from that position to become Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer on 04 March 2021. Pietro S. Iovane was appointed to the Board as Non-Executive Director on 04 March 2021.

### **Directors and secretary and their interests**

The Company has no disclosures to make under Section 329 of the Companies Act, 2014 with regard to the interests of the Directors and Secretary, who held office at 31 December 2020 in the shares or debentures or loan stock of the Company or of group companies at the beginning or end of the year.

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## Directors' Report *(continued)*

### **Accounting records**

The Directors believe that they have complied with the requirements of Section 281 of the Companies Act 2014 with regard to adequate accounting records by employing a service provider and personnel with appropriate expertise and by providing adequate resources to the financial function. The accounting records of the Company are maintained at the premises of its service provider, Irish Progressive Services International Limited, at Block C, Irish Life Centre, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin 1.

### **Events since the financial year end**

There have been no material events since the reporting date requiring amendment to the financial statements.

### **Political Donations**

There have been no political donations made during the year (2019: €Nil).

### **Independent Auditors**

In accordance with Section 383 (2) of the Companies Act 2014 the auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Chartered Accountants, have indicated their willingness to continue in office.

### **Statement of relevant audit information**

The Directors have confirmed that:

- So far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's statutory auditors are unaware; and
- Each Director has taken all of the steps they ought to have taken as Director in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's statutory auditors are aware of that information.

### **Directors' Compliance Statement**

The Directors acknowledge that they are responsible for securing the Company's compliance with its relevant obligations as set out in section 225 of Companies Act 2014 and confirm that:

- A compliance policy statement is documented in the Company's corporate governance framework, setting out its internal policies, respecting compliance by the Company with its relevant obligations;
- Appropriate arrangements and structures have been put in place that are, in the Directors' opinion designed to secure material compliance with the Company's relevant obligations;
- A review has been completed in respect of the financial year to which the report relates, of any arrangements or structures that have been put in place.

### **Appreciation**

The Directors wish to thank everyone who has contributed to the Company's continuing development, in particular our policyholders, our employees, our distributors, our service providers and our advisors.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 11 March 2021, and signed on its behalf by:

  
**Davide Moia**  
*Director*

  
**David Kingston**  
*Director*

**Date: 11 March 2021**

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## Statement of Directors' responsibilities

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Irish company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year giving a true and fair view of the company's assets, liabilities and financial position at the end of the financial year and the profit or loss of the company for the financial year. Under that law, the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") adopted by the EU.

Under Irish company law, the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and Financial Position of the Company and of its profit or loss for that financial year. In preparing the financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether they have been prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the EU; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to:

- correctly record and explain the transactions of the company;
- enable, at any time, the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the company to be determined with reasonable accuracy; and
- enable the directors to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2014 and enable those financial statements to be audited.

The Directors are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Directors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the board



**Davide Moia**  
*Director*



**David Kingston**  
*Director*

**Date: 11 March 2021**



## ***Independent auditors' report to the members of Dartá Saving Life Assurance dac***

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

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#### **Opinion**

In our opinion, Dartá Saving Life Assurance dac's financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the company's assets, liabilities and financial position as at 31 December 2020 and of its profit and cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRSs") as adopted by the European Union; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Directors' Report and Financial Statements, which comprise:

- the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2020;
- the Statement of Profit and Loss and Statement of Other Comprehensive Income for the year then ended;
- the Statement of Changes in Equity for the year then ended;
- the Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Our opinion is consistent with our reporting to the Audit Committee.

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#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) ("ISAs (Ireland)") and applicable law.

Our responsibilities under ISAs (Ireland) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### **Independence**

We remained independent of the company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Ireland, which includes IAASA's Ethical Standard as applicable to public interest entities, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, we declare that non-audit services prohibited by IAASA's Ethical Standard were not provided to the company.

Other than those disclosed in note 6 to the financial statements, we have provided no non-audit services to the company in the period from 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2020.

## Our audit approach

### Overview



### The scope of our audit

As part of designing our audit, we determined materiality and assessed the risks of material misstatement in the financial statements. In particular, we looked at where the directors made subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates that involved making assumptions and considering future events that are inherently uncertain. As in all of our audits, we also addressed the risk of management override of internal controls, including evaluating whether there was evidence of bias by the directors that represented a risk of material misstatement due to fraud.

### Key audit matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in the auditors’ professional judgement, were of most significance in the audit of the financial statements of the current period and include the most significant assessed risks of material misstatement (whether or not due to fraud) identified by the auditors, including those which had the greatest effect on: the overall audit strategy; the allocation of resources in the audit; and directing the efforts of the engagement team. These matters, and any comments we make on the results of our procedures thereon, were addressed in the context of our audit of the financial statements as a whole, and in forming our opinion thereon, and we do not provide a separate opinion on these matters. This is not a complete list of all risks identified by our audit.

<b>Key audit matter</b>	<b>How our audit addressed the key audit matter</b>
<p><i>Existence and valuation of policyholder financial assets</i></p> <p>Refer to note 1 (pages 23 to 25 and page 27), note 2 (pages 28 to 36), note 11 (pages 41 and 42) and note 13 (pages 43 and 44) to the financial statements.</p> <p>The policyholder financial assets included in the statement of financial position are held in the company’s name at 31 December 2020 and are valued at fair value in line with IFRS.</p> <p>The policyholder financial assets comprise primarily equities, fixed income securities, collective investment schemes, derivatives and cash deposits.</p> <p>We focused on this area because it represents the principal element of the financial statements.</p>	<p>We gained an understanding of management’s processes and controls relating to the custody and valuation of financial assets.</p> <p>We obtained independent confirmation from the custodians and discretionary asset managers of nominal asset holdings at 31 December 2020, reconciling the amounts held per the confirmations to the accounting records.</p> <p>We tested the valuation of the policyholder investment portfolio by agreeing the valuation of investments to independent third party vendor sources and investment manager statements.</p> <p>No matters were noted as a result of performing these procedures.</p>



**Key audit matter**

**Recoverability of Italian tax asset**

Refer to note 1 (pages 26 and 27) and note 9 (pages 40 and 41) to the financial statements.

Advance payments of tax are made by the company to the Italian revenue authorities periodically based on the value of policyholder policies. These are recognised as an asset in the statement of financial position and the advance payments are recoverable by way of deductions from policyholder capital gains tax liabilities. Where there are insufficient capital gains tax liabilities available to offset the advance payments made, the asset is recoverable from other taxes payable to the Italian revenue authorities by the company or other group companies.

The directors' assessment that this asset is fully recoverable is a key judgement involving assessment of the various recovery mechanisms and the recovery period. The amount is significant to the financial statements. We focused on this area for those reasons.

**How our audit addressed the key audit matter**

We tested management's calculation of the amount of the Italian tax asset which is dependent upon the value of policyholder policies at the year-end and the tax rate specified in the tax regulations.

We considered management's assessment of the recoverability of the tax prepayment by reference to various recovery mechanisms available to the company, focusing on the financial position of the other group companies from which the asset can be recovered in the event of the other recovery mechanisms not being available.

No matters were noted as a result of performing these procedures.

**How we tailored the audit scope**

We tailored the scope of our audit to ensure that we performed enough work to be able to give an opinion on the financial statements as a whole, taking into account the structure of the company, the accounting processes and controls, and the industry in which it operates.

We performed a full scope audit of the company's financial statements, based on materiality levels.

**Materiality**

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. We set certain quantitative thresholds for materiality. These, together with qualitative considerations, helped us to determine the scope of our audit and the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures on the individual financial statement line items and disclosures and in evaluating the effect of misstatements, both individually and in aggregate on the financial statements as a whole.

Based on our professional judgement, we determined materiality for the financial statements as a whole as follows:

<b>Overall materiality</b>	EUR4.7 million (2019: EUR3.9 million).
<b>How we determined it</b>	Circa 1% of net assets.
<b>Rationale for benchmark applied</b>	We have selected this benchmark as, in our view, net assets is the most appropriate benchmark given the circumstances and nature of the Company's business.

We agreed with the Audit Committee that we would report to them misstatements identified during our audit above EUR230,000 (2019: EUR195,000) as well as misstatements below that amount that, in our view, warranted reporting for qualitative reasons.

In accordance with guidance on the audit of insurers issued by the Financial Reporting Council which is generally accepted in Ireland, we have applied a higher materiality threshold of EUR211.0 million solely for the purpose of identifying and evaluating the effect of misstatements that are likely only to lead to a reclassification between line items within assets and liabilities, in particular unit-linked investment contract assets and liabilities.



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## Conclusions relating to going concern

Our evaluation of the directors' assessment of the company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting included:

- obtaining management's going concern assessment for the going concern period which covers a year from the date of approval of the financial statements;
- reviewing the company's financial and solvency position and the surplus over its regulatory capital requirements;
- considering the company's assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on its underwriting, claims and investments;
- reviewing the company's liquidity position; and
- reviewing the going concern disclosures included in the financial statements in order to assess whether the disclosures are appropriate and in accordance with reporting standards.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the company's ability to continue as a going concern.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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## Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Directors' Report and Financial Statements other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, any form of assurance thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify an apparent material inconsistency or material misstatement, we are required to perform procedures to conclude whether there is a material misstatement of the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report based on these responsibilities.

With respect to the Directors' Report, we also considered whether the disclosures required by the Companies Act 2014 have been included.

Based on the responsibilities described above and our work undertaken in the course of the audit, ISAs (Ireland) and the Companies Act 2014 require us to also report certain opinions and matters as described below:

- In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit, the information given in the Directors' Report for the year ended 31 December 2020 is consistent with the financial statements and has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.
- Based on our knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified any material misstatements in the Directors' Report.

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## Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

### *Responsibilities of the directors for the financial statements*

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.



The directors are also responsible for such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### *Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements*

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

Our audit testing might include testing complete populations of certain transactions and balances, possibly using data auditing techniques. However, it typically involves selecting a limited number of items for testing, rather than testing complete populations. We will often seek to target particular items for testing based on their size or risk characteristics. In other cases, we will use audit sampling to enable us to draw a conclusion about the population from which the sample is selected.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the IAASA website at:

[https://www.iaasa.ie/getmedia/b2389013-1cf6-458b-9b8f-a98202dc9c3a/Description\\_of\\_auditors\\_responsibilities\\_for\\_audit.pdf](https://www.iaasa.ie/getmedia/b2389013-1cf6-458b-9b8f-a98202dc9c3a/Description_of_auditors_responsibilities_for_audit.pdf)

This description forms part of our auditors' report.

### *Use of this report*

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the company's members as a body in accordance with section 391 of the Companies Act 2014 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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## **Other required reporting**

### **Companies Act 2014 opinions on other matters**

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

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### **Other exception reporting**

#### *Directors' remuneration and transactions*

Under the Companies Act 2014 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions specified by sections 305 to 312 of that Act have not been made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



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### **Appointment**

We were appointed by the directors on 13 September 2018 to audit the financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2018 and subsequent financial periods. The period of total uninterrupted engagement is 3 years, covering the years ended 31 December 2018 to 31 December 2020.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paraic Joyce', written over a horizontal line.

Paraic Joyce

for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers  
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Audit Firm  
Dublin  
11 March 2021

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## Statement of Profit and Loss

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
Gross premiums written		<b>9,819</b>	7,689
Outward reinsurance premiums		<b>(2,076)</b>	(1,638)
Net premiums written and earned	3	<b>7,743</b>	6,051
Investment return	4	<b>1,079,486</b>	1,809,622
Fees and other income	5	<b>330,253</b>	306,553
<b>Total income/(expense)</b>		<b><u>1,417,482</u></b>	<b><u>2,122,226</u></b>
Change in investment contract liabilities	17	<b>(1,079,740)</b>	(1,811,406)
Change in technical provisions for insurance contracts	18	<b>(50)</b>	(50)
<b>Total change in technical provisions</b>		<b><u>(1,079,790)</u></b>	<b><u>(1,811,456)</u></b>
Insurance claims and benefits incurred		<b>(465)</b>	(723)
Ceded insurance claims and benefits incurred		<b>314</b>	574
<b>Claims paid net of reinsurance</b>		<b>(151)</b>	(149)
Acquisition and administration expenses	6	<b>(246,555)</b>	(232,690)
Finance costs	7	<b>(140)</b>	(145)
<b>Profit before taxation</b>		<b>90,846</b>	77,786
Taxation	8	<b>(11,345)</b>	(9,750)
<b>Profit for the financial year attributable to equity holders</b>		<b><u>79,501</u></b>	<b><u>68,036</u></b>

The accounting policies and the notes on pages 20 to 51 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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## Statement of Other Comprehensive Income for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 €'000	2019 €'000
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to the Statement of Profit and Loss</i>		
Movements in financial assets:		
- fair value movement	604	1,721
- deferred tax effect of fair value movement	<u>(76)</u>	<u>(215)</u>
<b>Net gains recognised in equity</b>	<b>528</b>	1,506
Profit for the financial year	<u>79,501</u>	<u>68,036</u>
<b>Total comprehensive income</b>	<u><b>80,029</b></u>	<u><b>69,542</b></u>

The accounting policies and the notes on pages 20 to 51 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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## Statement of Financial Position

as at 31 December 2020

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
<b>Assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents		<b>214,882</b>	113,354
Deferred Tax Asset	8	-	76
Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax	9	<b>339,614</b>	314,976
Deferred acquisition costs	10	<b>71,816</b>	71,375
<b>Shareholders' financial assets</b>			
Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	11	-	10,396
<b>Policyholder financial assets</b>			
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	11	<b>21,103,847</b>	18,254,147
Other receivables	12	<b>44,722</b>	36,171
Right-of-use asset	21	<b>7,314</b>	7,757
<b>Total assets</b>		<b><u>21,782,195</u></b>	<b><u>18,808,252</u></b>

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## Statement of Financial Position *(continued)* as at 31 December 2020

		2020	2019
	<i>Note</i>	€'000	€'000
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>			
Called up share capital	14	5,000	5,000
Capital contributions	15	51,000	51,000
FVOCI reserve		-	(528)
Profit and loss reserve		408,990	329,489
<b>Total Shareholders' equity interests</b>		<b>464,990</b>	<b>384,961</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Financial liabilities - investment contracts	17	21,103,847	18,254,147
Technical provisions for insurance contracts	18	200	150
Deferred income	19	27,638	24,452
Creditors and other payables	20	177,768	136,572
Lease Liability - current	21	299	294
Lease Liability - non-current	21	7,319	7,618
Corporation tax payable		134	58
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>21,317,205</b>	<b>18,423,291</b>
<b>Total liabilities and shareholders' equity</b>		<b>21,782,195</b>	<b>18,808,252</b>

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On behalf of the board



**Davide Moia**  
*Director*



**David Kingston**  
*Director*

**Date: 11 March 2021**

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## Statement of Changes in Equity

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	Called up Share Capital €'000	Capital Contributions €'000	FVOCI reserve €'000	Profit and loss Reserve €'000	Total Share- holders' equity interests €'000
<b>Balance at 1 January 2020</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>51,000</b>	<b>(528)</b>	<b>329,489</b>	<b>384,961</b>
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	79,501	79,501
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to the Statement of Profit and Loss</i>					
Movement in investments FVOCI:					
- fair value movement	-	-	604	-	604
- deferred tax effect of fair value movement	-	-	(76)	-	(76)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the financial year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>79,501</b>	<b>80,029</b>
Dividends paid (Note 15)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>51,000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>408,990</b>	<b>464,990</b>
<b>Balance at 1 January 2019</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>51,000</b>	<b>(2,034)</b>	<b>301,453</b>	<b>355,419</b>
Profit for the financial year	-	-	-	68,036	68,036
<i>Items that may be reclassified subsequently to the Statement of Profit and Loss</i>					
Movement in investments available for sale					
- fair value movement	-	-	1,721	-	1,721
- deferred tax effect of fair value movement	-	-	(215)	-	(215)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the financial year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,506</b>	<b>68,036</b>	<b>69,542</b>
Dividends paid (Note 15)	-	-	-	(40,000)	(40,000)
<b>Balance at 31 December 2019</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>51,000</b>	<b>(528)</b>	<b>329,489</b>	<b>384,961</b>

The accounting policies and the notes on pages 20 to 51 form an integral part of these financial statements.

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## Statement of Cash Flows

for the financial year ended 31 December 2020

	2020 €'000	2019 €'000
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	<b>90,846</b>	77,786
Net change in fair value of investments	(1,079,740)	(1,811,406)
Net change in investment contract liabilities	<b>1,079,740</b>	1,811,406
Finance charges for lease liability	<b>140</b>	145
Net change in deferred acquisition cost	<b>(441)</b>	(2,138)
Net change in provision for deferred income	<b>3,186</b>	(1,987)
Interest Expense	<b>268</b>	616
Depreciation of right-of-use asset from IFRS16	<b>443</b>	443
	<b>94,442</b>	74,865
Increase in trade and other receivables	<b>(33,198)</b>	(30,325)
Increase/(Decrease) in trade and other payables	<b>41,247</b>	(47,644)
	<b>8,049</b>	(77,969)
Interest paid	<b>(268)</b>	(616)
Corporation tax paid	<b>(11,265)</b>	(10,897)
	<b>(11,533)</b>	(11,513)
<b>Net cash flows generated from/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>90,958</b>	(14,617)
Sale of investments FVOCI	<b>11,131</b>	34,995
Net cash flows from Company holdings in UL Funds	<b>82</b>	172
Net cash flows from investments FVOCI	<b>(209)</b>	(850)
Net cash flows from IFRS 16 Leases	<b>(434)</b>	(434)
<b>Net cash flows generated from investing activities</b>	<b>10,570</b>	33,883
Dividends paid	-	(40,000)
<b>Net cash flows used in financing activities</b>	-	(40,000)
<b>Net cash flows generated/(used in) from total operations</b>	<b>101,528</b>	(20,734)
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	<b>113,354</b>	134,088
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31 December</b>	<b>214,882</b>	113,354

# Darta Saving Life Assurance dac

## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies

Darta Saving Life Assurance dac is a company domiciled in the Republic of Ireland and the principal accounting policies adopted by the Company are set out in this note.

#### Statement of compliance

As permitted under Irish company law, the Company has chosen to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as adopted by the EU (“IFRS”).

The IFRS adopted by the EU and applied by the Company are those that were effective at 31 December 2020. These have been consistently applied for the preparation of these financial statements.

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014 and IFRS as adopted by the EU, and on the historical cost basis except that the financial assets and liabilities are classified as at fair value through profit or loss.

The financial statements are expressed in Euro (€), which is the functional and presentation currency of the Company. All amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest €1,000.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

In light of the potential impact of COVID-19 on the insurance industry and the Company business, the Directors’ considered a formal going concern assessment which included, the impact of COVID-19 on the business, investment and financial performance, solvency coverage, liquidity, cyber risk and operational resilience. The assessment looked at future projections over its 3 year planning cycle to include a base case scenario and various stress tests which have been carried out as part of the Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (“ORSA”) process. The Directors’ are satisfied that it is a reasonable basis for concluding that it is appropriate for the financial statements to be prepared on a going concern basis.

The Company applies the accruals concept for the recognition of expenses in the Statement of Profit and Loss in order to reflect the effect of the transactions as they occur and not as cash or its equivalent is paid.

#### Adoption of newly effective and future Standards

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2020.

The amendments of the standards noted below has not had a material impact on the financial statements.

1. Amendments to References to the Conceptual Framework in IFRS Standards
2. Definition of Material (Amendments to IAS 1 and IAS 8)
3. Interest Rate Benchmark Reform (Amendments to IFRS 9, IAS 39 and IFRS 7)
4. Definition of a Business (Amendment to IFRS 3)
5. Covid-19-Related Rent Concessions (Amendment to IFRS 16) (effective on or after 1 June 2020)

Standards not yet adopted, relevant to the Company are set out below:

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### Adoption of newly effective and future Standards (*continued*)

1. IFRS 17: Insurance Contracts (effective in the future for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023).

IFRS 17 Insurance Contracts establishes the principles for the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of insurance contracts within the scope of the Standard and was initially effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2021, with early adoption not permitted. In November 2018, the IASB announced the deferral of this implementation date to annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2022. This was followed by another deferral, announced in March 2020, which will see the Standard becoming effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023.

The objective of IFRS 17 is to ensure that an entity provides relevant information that faithfully represents those contracts which gives a basis for users of financial statements to assess the effect that insurance contracts have on the entity's financial position, financial performance and cash flows. It applies to insurance contracts issued, to all reinsurance contracts, and to investment contracts with discretionary participating features if an entity also issues insurance contracts.

The Standard requires a current measurement model where estimates are remeasured in each reporting period. The general default measurement model is the 'Building Block Approach' (which is a discounted probability-weighted cash flow based model), with a simplified version of this called the 'Premium Allocation Approach' (for short term contracts with little variability). There is also a 'Variable Fee Approach' to deal with participating business where the policyholder liability is linked to underlying items. This will be the predominant measurement model for the Company's business.

The Company is currently preparing for the implementation of IFRS 17. To date, this has involved the development of IFRS 17 methodology on a number of conceptual topics (e.g. unit of account, measurement models, contract boundaries), the development of new, and refinement to existing, financial reporting processes and the participation in a number of test/parallel runs.

Insurers are required to disclose information about amounts, judgements and risks arising from insurance contracts. The disclosure requirements are more detailed than currently required under IFRS 4 and the Company has started considering how these additional disclosure requirements will be addressed under IFRS 17.

#### **Product classification – investment and insurance contracts**

Contracts under which the Company accepts significant insurance risk from another party by agreeing to compensate the policyholder if a specified uncertain future event adversely affects the policyholder are classified as insurance contracts.

Insurance risk is significant if, and only if, an insured event could cause an insurer to pay significant additional benefits in any scenario. An insurer shall assess the significance of insurance risk contract by contract. Contracts that qualify as insurance contracts remain an insurance contract until all risks and obligations are extinguished or expired.

Where the risk is primarily borne by the policyholder, the contract is deemed to be an investment contract.

Where a direct contract contains both an investment and an insurance element (death benefit) the Company "unbundles" this contract into its constituent parts. The insurance element of the contract is accounted for as an insurance contract under IFRS 4 and the investment element of the contract is accounted for as an investment contract under IFRS 9.

An investment contract classified as such on inception could subsequently be reclassified as an insurance contract, if it meets the insurance definition as described above.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### **Product classification – investment and insurance contracts** (*continued*)

*Revenue* - premiums earned in respect of insurance contracts (unbundling) are accounted for in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the same period in which they are earned. Reinsurance premiums are accounted for in accordance with the terms of the reinsurance contracts and the original contracts for which the reinsurance was concluded. Premiums ceded for reinsurance are deducted from premiums earned.

*Claims* – claims incurred and paid in respect of insurance contracts are unbundled under IFRS 4 and are accounted for in the Statement of Profit and Loss as Insurance claims and benefits incurred in the same period in which they are incurred. Reinsured claims are deducted from the Insurance claims and benefits incurred.

#### **Investment contracts - recognition and measurement**

Investment contract contributions received from policyholders are not recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss as premiums but are accounted for as deposits in the Statement of Financial Position. Financial liabilities in respect of such contracts are presented in the Statement of Financial Position as “financial liabilities - investment contracts”.

All investment contracts issued by the Company are designated on initial recognition as at fair value through profit or loss. The basis of this designation is that the financial assets and liabilities are managed and evaluated on a fair value basis.

The designation also eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement inconsistency that would otherwise arise if these financial liabilities were not measured at fair value since the assets held to back the investment contract liabilities are also measured at fair value.

The fair value of the Company’s unit-linked investment contract liabilities is based on the fair value of the financial assets held within the appropriate unit-linked funds.

Changes in the fair value of investment contracts are included in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the period in which they arise.

*Investment contract receivables and payables* - Amounts due to and from policyholders, agents and others in respect of investment contracts are included in other receivables and creditors and other payables.

*Deferred acquisition costs* - Acquisition costs on investment contracts include sales commissions.

Also included within acquisition costs are the value of additional units credited to policyholder account balances upon initial investment in relation to certain products. These sales inducement costs are recoverable through penalties payable on surrender and from ongoing charges.

Acquisition costs are deferred as an explicit deferred acquisition cost asset, gross of tax, to the extent that they are recoverable out of future revenue margins to which they relate. Such costs are amortised through the Statement of Profit and Loss over the period in which the future revenue margins on the related contracts are expected to be earned. The rate of amortisation is based on a prudent assessment of the expected pattern of receipt of future revenue margins, taking account of persistency, from the related contracts. All other costs are recognised as expenses when incurred.

*Investment management services* - Investment contracts issued by the Company involve the provision of investment management services. Fees charged for such services are recognised as revenue based upon the stage of completion of the contracts and are included under “fees and other income” in the Statement of Profit and Loss. Recurring fees are recognised as earned on an accruals basis. Front-end fees received at the inception of a contract are deferred and amortised over the anticipated period for which the services will be provided, over the expected term of the contract.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### **Investment contracts - recognition and measurement** (*continued*)

*Claims and surrenders* - For investment contracts, benefits paid are not included in the Statement of Profit and Loss but instead are deducted from investment contract liabilities in the Statement of Financial Position. The additional payment paid to policyholders in the event of a death claim is deducted from 'fees and other income' in the Statement of Profit and Loss. For Insurance contracts, claims incurred and benefits paid including the ceded portion are disclosed separately in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

#### **Investment return**

Income from financial assets comprises interest and dividend income, net gains/losses on financial assets classified as fair value through profit or loss, and net gains/losses on financial assets classified as fair value through other comprehensive income.

Net changes in the fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are included in the Statement of Profit and Loss in the period in which they arise, as well as dividend and interest income earned from these assets. Net changes in the fair value of available for sale financial assets are included in the Statement of Other Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise.

Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date. Bond income is recorded on the accrual basis and deposit interest is recorded on a receipts basis, calculated using an effective interest methodology.

Realised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the net sale proceeds and original cost. Unrealised gains and losses are calculated as the difference between the fair value of financial assets at the end of the accounting period and the fair value at the beginning of the period or the purchase price for assets acquired during the period.

#### **Financial assets**

Financial assets are initially measured at fair value, plus, in the case of assets not designated at fair value through profit or loss, transaction costs that are directly attributable to their acquisition. Transaction costs in relation to financial assets designated at fair value through profit or loss are expensed immediately. After initial recognition, the Company measures financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and fair value through other comprehensive income without any deduction for transaction costs it may incur on disposal. The fair values of investments are based on quoted bid prices.

The financial assets for unit-linked contracts are exclusively held on behalf and for the benefit of unit-linked policyholders. To ensure consistency with the corresponding accounting treatment for the unit-linked contracts, these investments are designated at fair value through profit and loss on initial recognition. The basis of this designation is that the financial assets and liabilities are managed and evaluated together on a fair value basis. This designation also eliminates or significantly reduces a measurement inconsistency that would otherwise occur if these financial assets were not measured at fair value and the changes in fair value were not recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

#### **Offsetting**

Financial assets and financial liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the Statement of Financial Position when, and only when, the Company has a legal right to offset the amounts and it intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### Offsetting (*continued*)

Income and expenses are presented on a net basis for gains and losses from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss and foreign exchange gains and losses. There were no offset trading positions in 2020 (2019: €Nil).

#### Impairment

The Company recognises loss allowances for ECL for those financial instruments, which are not measured at fair value through profit or loss.

The IFRS 9 forward-looking ‘expected credit loss’ (“ECL”) model requires considerable judgement about how changes in economic factors affect ECLs and is determined on a probability-weighted basis. This impairment model applies to financial assets measured at amortised cost or FVOCI. Under IFRS 9, loss allowances are measured on either of the following bases and accounted for in the Statement of Profit and Loss:

- *12-month ECLs*: these are ECLs that result from possible default events within the 12 months after the reporting date; and
- *Lifetime ECLs*: these are ECLs that result from all possible default events over the expected life of a financial instrument.

Lifetime ECL measurement applies if the credit risk of a financial asset at the reporting date has increased significantly since initial recognition and 12-month ECL measurement applies if it has not.

#### Measurement

The Company measures ECL over the remaining life of a financial instrument in a way that reflects:

- an unbiased and probability-weighted amount that is determined by evaluating a range of possible outcomes;
- the time value of money; and
- reasonable and supportable information about past events, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts of future events and economic conditions at the reporting date.

The amount of ECL recognised as a loss allowance depends on the change in credit risk of the financial instrument since origination and whether the credit risk on those financial instruments has increased significantly since initial recognition. In order to determine the appropriate ECL, a financial instrument is allocated to a stage dependent on the credit risk relative to when the financial instrument was originated:

Stage 1 – includes financial instruments that have not had a Significant Increase in Credit Risk (SICR) since initial recognition. For these assets, 12-month ECL is recognised. 12-month ECL is the ECL that results from default events that are possible within 12 months of the reporting date. It is not the expected cash shortfalls over the 12-month period but the entire credit loss on an asset weighted by the probability that the loss will occur in the next 12 months. Therefore, all financial assets in scope will have an impairment provision equal to at least 12-month ECL;

Stage 2 – includes financial instruments that have had a SICR since initial recognition but that does not have objective evidence of impairment. For these assets, lifetime ECL is recognised, being the ECL that results from all possible default events over the expected life of the financial instrument;

Stage 3 – includes financial assets that have objective evidence of impairment at the reporting date, i.e. are credit-impaired. For these assets, lifetime ECL is recognised.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### **Impairment** (*continued*)

##### *Held at amortised cost:*

As at 31 December 2020, the amount arising from ECL on debt securities measured at amortised cost is negligible (31 December 2019: negligible). The ECL on debt instruments measured at amortised cost is offset against the carrying amount of the assets in the Statement of Financial Position.

##### *Held at fair value through other comprehensive income (FVOCI):*

As at 31 December 2020, the amount arising from ECL on debt securities measured at FVOCI is nil as these securities have matured and the remaining securities were sold during the year (31 December 2019: (negligible).

#### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash and bank balances and deposits with a maturity of less than 90 days. These assets are measured at amortised cost. All cash is available on demand.

#### **Recognition of financial assets and liabilities**

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised on the trade date, which is the date on which the Company becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Other financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised on the date on which they are originated.

#### **De-recognition of financial assets and liabilities**

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or when it transfers the financial asset and the asset qualifies for de-recognition in accordance with IFRS 9. A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expires.

#### **Taxation**

Taxation comprises current and deferred taxation and is recognised in the Statement of Profit and Loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognised directly in equity, in which case it is recognised in equity.

Current tax, including Irish corporation tax and foreign tax, is provided on the Company's taxable profits, at amounts expected to be paid (or recovered) using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantially enacted by the Statement of Financial Position date.

Except where otherwise required by accounting standards, full provision without discounting is made for all temporary differences which have arisen but not reversed at the Statement of Financial Position date. Deferred tax balances are provided at rates of taxation expected to prevail at the time of reversal.

A deferred tax asset is recognised where it is probable that taxable profit will be available against which the deductible temporary difference can be utilised.

#### **Deferred income**

The income that is deferred is in respect of investment contracts on which a front-end fee is applied in relation to services to be provided in future periods. The deferred income reserve is amortised over the anticipated life of the contracts.

# Darta Saving Life Assurance dac

## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### **Advance Payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax**

Payments to the Italian authorities as a result of the Company being a withholding tax agent are recognised as assets. Those assets are presented within the Statement of Financial Position in their nominal amounts (no discounting is applied). The payments are recoverable from deductions made from capital gains made by policyholders, by offset against taxes payable to Italian revenue within a period of five years or, after five years they may be transferred to a company in the same group.

The exit tax liability ("ETL") at year end is netted firstly against the previous sixth year recoverable asset. Any excess ETL is netted against the remaining recoverable asset, whereas any excess sixth year recoverable asset is netted against the year-end liability. Italian legislation makes provision for a cap on the size of the Advance Payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax held on the Statement of Financial Position. For the end of 2020 this was 180 basis points ("bps") (2019: 190bps) of the Italian policyholder mathematical reserves. This cap reduces by 10bps per annum until 2025 when it will be 125bps thereafter. The recoverable amount of the asset is reviewed at each year end.

#### **Foreign currencies**

The reporting and functional currency of the Company is the Euro. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into Euro at the exchange rates ruling at the Statement of Financial Position date and revenues, costs and non-monetary assets at the exchange rates ruling at the dates of the transactions. Non-monetary assets and liabilities that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies that are stated at fair value are translated to Euros at foreign exchange rates ruling at the dates the fair value is determined. Profits and losses arising from foreign currency translations and on settlement of amounts receivable and payable in foreign currency are included in the Statement of Profit and Loss.

#### **Provision**

A provision is recognised in the Statement of Financial Position when the Company has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events, under which it is more likely than not that an outflow of economic resources will be required to settle the obligation and the amount of the provision can be reliably estimated.

#### **Critical accounting estimates and judgments**

The Company's critical accounting policies and estimates and the application of these policies and estimates are considered by management for each reporting period.

#### ***Deferred acquisition costs***

In determining the amount of front-end fees and acquisition costs to defer in relation to the Company's contracts, judgments must be made in relation to the lives of the contracts and therefore the time period over which these balances are amortised to the Statement of Profit and Loss. For open ended unit-linked products, the expected life of the policy is subject to a high degree of judgement and can change significantly over time with changes in investor sentiment and market or product development. In making an appropriate estimate for each reporting period, account is taken of actual past experience and future expectations and of practice, where appropriate, within the Allianz Group.

#### ***Product classification***

A key judgement relates to the classification of the insurance policies written by the Company as investment contracts. Contracts with an insurance risk of 10% or greater are classified as insurance contracts by the Company. Contracts under which the transfer of insurance risk to the Company from the policyholder is not significant are classified as investment contracts. In cases where an investment contract contains both an insurance and deposit component, the Company unbundles these components if the insurance component can be measured reliably.

# Darta Saving Life Assurance dac

## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### ***Italian tax asset***

The asset arising from the advance payment of Italian policyholder Italian tax obligations is expected to be recoverable either by deduction from tax withheld on behalf of policyholders, by offset against taxes payable to Italian revenue within a period of five years or by surrender to group companies after five years. A key judgement exercised by Directors is that it is appropriate to carry this asset at its full future recoverable value without impairment.

#### ***Deferred income***

Deferred income typically refers to where the Company deducts an upfront charge from the premium in order to fund payment of upfront commission but which is not recognised immediately in the Statement of Profit and Loss. Such income is amortised over the expected life of the policy, in line with the amortisation of deferred acquisition costs, and any unamortised amount is recognised when the policy is surrendered.

#### **Valuation of financial instruments**

The Company classifies fair values using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the fair value measurements.

Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.

Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices).

This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs.

This category includes all instruments where the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instrument's valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

In general, financial assets and liabilities are transferred from level 1 to level 2 when liquidity, trade frequency and activity are no longer indicative of an active market. Conversely, the same policy applies for transfers from level 2 to level 1.

Fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities that are traded in active markets are based on quoted market prices or dealer price quotations. For all other financial instruments, the Company determines fair values using valuation techniques.

Observable prices and model inputs are usually available in the market for listed Equity and Fixed Income securities, Collective Investment Schemes and exchange traded derivatives. Availability of observable market prices and model inputs reduces the need for management judgement and estimation and also reduces the uncertainty associated with determination of fair values. Availability of observable market prices and inputs varies depending on the products and markets and is prone to changes based on specific events and general conditions in the financial markets.

The portfolio bonds which are classified in the Collective Investment Schemes category are priced from first principles when individual holdings are known. Where the portfolio bonds are managed under a discretionary asset management agreement the valuations are provided directly by the investment managers.

# Darta Saving Life Assurance dac

## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 1. Accounting Policies (*continued*)

#### **Technical provisions for insurance contracts**

The Company's Personal Way (previously Progetto Reddito), Soluzione Reddito and Periodical Solution products allow policyholders to add an optional additional death benefit to their policies. This amount is €50k per policy (maximum of €100k per life assured). Where the life assured is under 66 years old, the Company's Challenge Pro product automatically provides an additional death benefit (10% of premiums paid less partial withdrawals taken, capped at €50k). Premium charges taken in relation to these additional death benefits are unbundled from total premiums collected and presented in the Statement of Profit and Loss as Insurance premium income under IFRS 4. Any insurance claims paid in relation to these additional death benefits during the year are also unbundled and are presented separately in the Statement of Profit and Loss as Insurance claims and benefits incurred under IFRS 4. Calculations were performed at 31 December 2020 to assess the level of additional technical provisions which might be required for these products. Having carried out those calculations, which involved the projection of expected future income and outgo on the products in question, technical provisions for insurance contracts of €200k (2019: €150k) in the Statement of Financial Position in respect of the additional death benefits on these contracts have been accounted for.

### 2. Financial risks and risk management

The Company is exposed to a range of risks through its financial assets and its financial liabilities and also in relation to the accounting estimates and judgements it needs to make in the preparation of its financial statements and its regulatory returns.

These risks are described below together with the risk management approaches adopted by the Company.

Ultimate responsibility for the Company's risk management rests with the Directors and the Board is supported by the operation of a number of committees that meet on a regular basis to review and monitor the Company's risk exposures. A number of policy statements have been prepared and approved by the Directors which set out parameters and limitations to manage and limit financial risks. The Company has not substantially changed the approaches adopted to manage its financial risks from the previous accounting period.

#### **Risks associated with investment and insurance contracts**

The Company matches all the liabilities under investment contracts with assets in the funds for which the unit prices for the contracts are based, and the Company aims to ensure that the investment policy adopted for these funds is consistent with that communicated to policyholders in their contract documentation. The market and credit risk relating to policyholder financial assets is borne by policyholders as any change in the value of their assets results in an equivalent change in the amount of the Company's obligation to them. However, the Company does have exposure to persistency and an indirect exposure to market risk in respect of the contracts.

Traditionally the Company's unit-linked products have offered a minimal additional death benefit of up to 1% of the fund value. The Personal Way, Soluzione Reddito and Periodical Solution product offerings include the option of additional death benefits with an extra charge levied to pay for the additional benefit.

The Challenge Pro product offers policyholders an additional death benefit of 10% premiums paid less partial withdrawals taken, capped at €50k.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 2. Financial risks and risk management (*continued*)

#### **Risks associated with investment and insurance contracts** (*continued*)

**Persistency risk** is the risk that the policyholder cancels the contracts, in whole or in part, thereby exposing the Company to lower annual management fees than that projected in the product pricing. The Company manages this risk by ensuring that its distributors only sell such policies to customers with a medium to long term investment horizon and through maintaining high levels of customer care. Early redemptions are reviewed and analysed to determine potential trends requiring attention. Persistency risk is regularly monitored to ensure it is in line with expectations.

**Market risk** arises for the Company on the value of the fees earned, from the consequent impact of a loss of fair value resulting from adverse fluctuations in equity prices, interest rates and foreign currencies.

A number of financial risks also arise within the investment contracts and these are carried by the holders of these contracts. These risks are:

- Market risk in respect of fluctuation in interest rates, equity prices and foreign currency rates.
- Credit risk in respect of exposure to counterparties.

The Company manages these risks taking into account the objectives of the investment funds in which the policyholders invest, as set out in the documentation given to the policyholders.

Market risk is managed on a daily basis by the investment managers who are responsible for monitoring the effect of changes in the fair value of assets in each fund. The investment managers execute purchases and sales of securities in accordance with its expectations of future market movements. The performance of the funds that results from the investment managers choices is monitored on a regular basis by the Investment Committee.

#### **Underwriting risk**

The Company is exposed to minimal mortality risk due to the nature of its business and due to having reinsurance arrangements in place on the death benefits attaching to the unit linked business.

#### **Risks associated with other financial assets**

The Company holds other financial assets that are not attributable to investment contracts, as backing for its general solvency requirements and to maintain an effective working capital level whilst complying with company law and with the regulations and guidelines issued by the Central Bank of Ireland (see Note 11 "Shareholder financial assets"). During 2020, these shareholder financial assets have matured and been sold during the year and the proceeds retained in cash.

An investment policy, which is considered by the Company to be prudent, is adopted with regard to these assets and this is set out in policy statements which have been approved by the Board and are monitored by the Investment Committee.

The asset allocation is determined in order to optimise the risk return within a specific risk tolerance and the assets were predominately euro-denominated short to medium term EU government bonds and existing bank deposits. A proportion of the assets, within specified limits, may be invested in short term corporate bonds and equities and in derivatives that are associated with the Company's structured products.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 2. Financial risks and risk management (*continued*)

#### Risks associated with other financial assets (*continued*)

The main risks that the Company is exposed to for these assets are ‘credit risk’, ‘market risk’ and ‘liquidity risk’.

**Credit risk** occurs for these assets if the counterparty is unable to pay amounts in full when due and the key areas where the Company may be exposed are in respect of:

- Cash balances and deposits held with credit institutions.
- Receivables due from debtors and reinsurers.
- Recovery of the advance payment of the Italian Policyholders’ Tax.
- Policyholder financial assets.

Substantially all of the assets backing retail business of the Company are held with two counterparties. In relation to the assets backing the private insurance business, these are held with a number of individual counterparties. Bankruptcy or insolvency of these counterparties may cause the Company’s rights with respect to the investments held by these counterparties to be delayed or limited. The Company monitors its risk by monitoring the credit quality of each counterparty.

The Company does not directly invest in unlisted investments for the retail unit linked funds. As the Company does not appoint the individual custodians to the Collective Investment Schemes in which they invest, the Board has agreed to allow investment in such instruments only where they are regulated by a recognised regulator.

For Private Insurance policies, the investment policy allows investment in a universe of assets, some of which may not be regularly traded. However, the policy conditions for private insurance allows for the settlement of a claim by way of an in-specie transfer, thereby allowing for the settlement of claims, even where the asset is illiquid.

Bond issuer risk for retail business is reduced by investing in bonds that are backed by an EU Government or if corporate bonds are held, these are limited to a specified limit and are restricted to those of a short-term duration.

Risk exposure to credit institutions is managed by only using approved institutions and includes for the Company the cash-pool arrangement with Allianz SE., which has significant cash holdings at year end.

Amounts receivable from debtors are subject to a credit control process.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### 2. Financial risks and risk management (continued)

#### Risks associated with other financial assets (continued)

##### Credit risk (continued)

The balance remaining on the Italian Policyholders' Tax is recoverable from deductions made from gains made by policyholders when they surrender their policies, and in the event that any balance remains unrecovered after five years, an agreement has been made to transfer that balance to the parent company at face value.

Policyholder assets are the assets backing the unit-linked investment contracts and the holders of these contracts bear the credit risk arising from these assets.

The credit risk exposure and ratings of financial and other assets which are most susceptible to credit risk are set out in tables below:

**Table 1 - Credit risk exposure and ratings of financial and other assets which are most susceptible to credit risk as at 31 December 2020.**

					Not rated	Assets held for policy- holders	Total
	From AAA to AA+	From AA to A+	From A to BBB	From BBB- to B-			
	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's
<b>Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax</b>	-	-	-	-	339,614	-	339,614
<b>Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Investments at fair value through profit or loss:</b>							
Equities	-	-	-	-	-	66,108	66,108
Fixed income securities	-	-	-	-	-	563,454	563,454
Investments in Collective Investment Schemes **	-	-	-	-	-	20,256,272	20,256,272
Derivatives	-	-	-	-	-	3,152	3,152
Deposits, Cash & Cash equivalents and other	-	-	-	-	-	214,861	214,861
<b>Other receivables</b>	-	-	-	-	44,722	-	44,722
<b>Right-of-use asset</b>	-	-	-	-	7,314	-	7,314
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	-	222,510	(19,336)	-	11,708	-	214,882
<b>Total assets bearing credit risk</b>	-	222,510	(19,336)	-	403,358	21,103,847	21,710,379

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### 2. Financial risks and risk management (continued)

#### Risks associated with other financial assets (continued)

##### Credit risk (continued)

**Table 2 - Credit risk exposure and ratings of financial and other assets which are most susceptible to credit risk as at 31 December 2019.**

				Not rated	Assets held for policy- holders	Total
	From AAA to AA+	From AA to A+	From A to BBB	From BBB- to B-		
	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's
<b>Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax</b>	-	-	-	-	314,976	314,976
<b>Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income</b>	1,790	1,527	7,079	-	-	10,396
<b>Investments at fair value through profit or loss:</b>						
Equities	-	-	-	-	76,795	76,795
Fixed income securities	-	-	-	-	690,306	690,306
Investments in Collective Investment Schemes **	-	-	-	-	17,264,007	17,264,007
Derivatives	-	-	-	-	2,596	2,596
Deposits, Cash & Cash equivalents and other	-	-	-	-	220,443	220,443
<b>Other receivables</b>	-	-	-	-	36,171	36,171
<b>Right-of-use asset</b>	-	-	-	-	7,757	7,757
<b>Cash and cash equivalents</b>	-	124,192	(15,184)	-	4,346	113,354
<b>Total assets bearing credit risk</b>	<b>1,790</b>	<b>125,719</b>	<b>(8,105)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>363,250</b>	<b>18,254,147</b>

\*\* The Investments in Collective Investment Schemes are various Unit Linked SICAV funds which are all UCITS compliant and as a consequence are required to have an independent custodian taking custody of the assets of the SICAV. Therefore, counterparty credit risk exists to the extent of the ability of the custodian to return assets held. These CIS are chosen by the various asset managers, responsible for the investment portfolio of each fund. These SICAVs are mainly domiciled in Luxembourg, Ireland, Italy, United Kingdom, Switzerland and France.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

## 2. Financial risks and risk management (*continued*)

### Risks associated with other financial assets (*continued*)

#### Credit risk (*continued*)

**Table 3** - Credit risk exposure and ratings of Fixed income securities within policyholder assets (see table 1 above) which are most susceptible to credit risk as at 31 December 2020.

	From AAA to AA+	From AA to A+	From A to BBB	From BBB- to B-	Total
	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's
<b>Investments at fair value through profit or loss:</b>					
Fixed income securities	111,488	90,501	117,244	244,221	563,454
<b>Total Fixed income securities bearing credit risk</b>	<b>111,488</b>	<b>90,501</b>	<b>117,244</b>	<b>244,221</b>	<b>563,454</b>

**Table 4** - Credit risk exposure and ratings of Fixed income securities within policyholder assets (see table 2 above) which are most susceptible to credit risk as at 31 December 2019.

	From AAA to AA+	From AA to A+	From A to BBB	From BBB- to B-	Total
	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's	€000's
<b>Investments at fair value through profit or loss:</b>					
Fixed income securities	35,655	67,128	244,357	343,166	690,306
<b>Total Fixed income securities bearing credit risk</b>	<b>35,655</b>	<b>67,128</b>	<b>244,357</b>	<b>343,166</b>	<b>690,306</b>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### 2. Financial risks and risk management (continued)

#### Risks associated with other financial assets (continued)

**Market risk** is the risk of change in fair value of a financial instrument due mainly to fluctuations in interest rates, equity prices, and foreign currency rates.

- a) **Interest rate risk** arises primarily from the Company's investments in deposits and fixed income securities. The change in interest yields is reviewed on a regular basis when the Company prepares projections of its solvency position.

In 2019 both Deposits and Fixed income securities were held and therefore exposed to interest rate risk. In 2020, only Deposits were held at year end and exposed to interest rate risk.

The sensitivity of interest rate movements on the Company's profits can be seen in the following table, by reference to an increase or decrease of 1% in the overall yield curve for the shareholder assets exposed to the interest rate risk at the end of the financial year.

	2020 €000's	2019 €000's
<b>Increase of 1% in overall yield:</b>		
<b>Impact on profit before tax</b>	<u>(355)</u>	<u>343</u>
<b>Decrease of 1% in overall yield:</b>		
<b>Impact on profit before tax</b>	<u>355</u>	<u>(87)</u>

- b) The Company's net exposure to **equity price risk** is limited to the equity securities content of its holdings in unit-linked funds.

There is exposure to direct equity price risk through equities held by policyholders of €66m in 2020 (2019: €77m). A 1% price increase would lead to equities increasing by €661k in 2020 (2019: €768k). Such a movement would be offset by the financial liabilities - investment contracts.

There is indirect exposure to equity and other market price risk through investments in collective investment schemes of ("CIS") €20,256m (2019: €17,264m) held by the policyholders. A 1% price increase would lead to "CIS" increasing by €203m in 2020 (2019: €173m). Such a movement would be offset by the financial liabilities – investment contracts. The Company does not directly hold any investment in a CIS at year end (2019: Nil).

- c) **Foreign currency risk** can arise due to fluctuations in foreign exchange rates. The Company does not have any significant exposure to such movements as its investments are mainly denominated in Euro. For investment contracts, no direct market risk arises for the Company, as changes in the value of and income arising from the assets and liabilities underlying these contracts are matched with the changes in the Company's obligations to the policyholders.

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

## 2. Financial risks and risk management *(continued)*

### Risks associated with other financial assets *(continued)*

#### Liquidity risk

The liquidity risk is defined as risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

In managing the Company's assets and liabilities, the Company seeks to ensure that cash is at all times available to settle liabilities as they fall due. Available funds are invested in call accounts and available on demand. The Company's treasury position is reviewed on a regular basis and cash balances are maintained to meet due liabilities. The Company can avail of a line of credit arranged by its parent company for short term liquidity requirements that arise from timing factors. The Company also participates in a cash-pool arrangement with Allianz SE where most of the Company cash was held at year end.

For investment contract redemptions, cash paid out is funded by the redemption of the unit linked assets supporting the contract liability.

An analysis of the contractual maturity of the Company's financial liabilities at 31 December 2020 is set out in the following table:

<b>2020</b>	<b>No stated maturity</b>	<b>Within 1 year</b>	<b>Between 1 and 5 years</b>	<b>Over 5 years</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>€000's</b>	<b>€000's</b>	<b>€000's</b>	<b>€000's</b>	<b>€000's</b>
Liabilities - investment contracts	<b>21,103,847</b>	-	-	-	<b>21,103,847</b>
Technical provisions for insurance contracts	<b>200</b>	-	-	-	<b>200</b>
Creditors and other payables	-	<b>175,410</b>	<b>2,358</b>	-	<b>177,768</b>
Corporation tax payable	-	<b>134</b>	-	-	<b>134</b>
Lease liability	-	<b>299</b>	<b>1,566</b>	<b>5,753</b>	<b>7,618</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>21,104,047</b>	<b>175,843</b>	<b>3,924</b>	<b>5,753</b>	<b>21,289,567</b>

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Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

## 2. Financial risks and risk management *(continued)*

### Risks associated with other financial assets *(continued)*

#### Liquidity risk *(continued)*

The table below sets out comparative contractual maturity data as at 31 December 2019:

2019	<u>No stated maturity</u> €000's	<u>Within 1 year</u> €000's	<u>Between 1 and 5 years</u> €000's	<u>Over 5 years</u> €000's	<u>Total</u> €000's
Liabilities - investment contracts	18,254,147	-	-	-	18,254,147
Technical provisions for insurance contracts	150	-	-	-	150
Creditors and other payables	-	134,810	1,762	-	136,572
Lease Liability	-	294	1,452	6,166	7,912
Corporation tax payable	-	58	-	-	58
<b>Total</b>	<u>18,254,297</u>	<u>135,162</u>	<u>3,214</u>	<u>6,166</u>	<u>18,398,839</u>

Where the liabilities - investment contracts are classified as having “no stated maturity”, the policies are whole of life contracts, which can be surrendered at any time, subject to penalty charges and notice periods as set out in the policy documentation. Within the first three months, policyholders can request disinvestment of their funds with five working days’ notice.

### 3. Net premiums written and earned

	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
<b>Insurance premium income</b>		
Gross premium written and earned	<b>9,819</b>	7,689
Less Outward reinsurance premiums	<b>(2,076)</b>	(1,638)
Net premium written and earned	<u><b>7,743</b></u>	<u>6,051</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 3. Net premiums written and earned *(continued)*

As permitted per the Company's accounting policy for certain products under IFRS 4, premiums relating to death benefits are unbundled from total premiums collected and presented in the Statement of Profit and Loss as insurance premium income, with the investment element accounted for as investment under IFRS 9. For the financial year ended 31 December 2020 premium income of €3,667m (2019: €2,981m) relates to investment contracts and are not included in "Net premiums written and earned" in the Statement of Profit and Loss, in accordance with IFRS 9 (see Note 17 "Financial liabilities – investment contracts").

### 4. Investment return

	2020	2019
	€'000	€'000
<b>Policyholder investment return</b>		
Investment income from equities	729	1,141
Interest income from fixed income securities	6,976	8,651
Investment income from collective investment funds	2,922	6,603
Income from other financial assets	16,893	10,535
Fund expenses borne by policyholders	(5,084)	(4,325)
Net realised gains on financial assets	7,106	372,684
Net unrealised gains on financial assets	1,050,198	1,416,117
	<u>1,079,740</u>	<u>1,811,406</u>
<b>Shareholders' investment return</b>		
Interest income from financial assets	91	513
Interest income/(expense) from cash	355	(128)
Net realised losses on financial assets	(683)	(2,169)
Net unrealised losses of financial assets	(17)	-
	<u>(254)</u>	<u>(1,784)</u>
	<u><u>1,079,486</u></u>	<u><u>1,809,622</u></u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 5. Fees and other income

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
Fees from investment contracts		<b>333,360</b>	304,555
Other income		<b>79</b>	11
Movement in deferred income	<i>19</i>	<b>(3,186)</b>	1,987
		<b><u>330,253</u></b>	<u>306,553</u>

### 6. Acquisition and administration expenses

		<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
Acquisition costs		<b>13,485</b>	17,985
Change in deferred acquisition costs	<i>10</i>	<b>(441)</b>	(2,138)
Loyalty bonus expense		<b>742</b>	796
Administration expenses		<b>232,769</b>	216,047
		<b><u>246,555</u></b>	<u>232,690</u>

All of the acquisition costs are in respect of commissions paid and sales inducements on new business.

<b>Administration expenses</b>		<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
Commission expenses – ongoing		<b>205,240</b>	189,153
<i>Operating expenses:</i>			
Wages and salaries		<b>3,953</b>	4,182
Social welfare costs		<b>405</b>	346
Pension costs		<b>213</b>	232
Third party administration expenses		<b>15,341</b>	14,759
Depreciation of right-of-use asset		<b>443</b>	443
Investment management fees and expenses		<b>7,174</b>	6,932
		<b><u>232,769</u></b>	<u>216,047</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 6. Acquisition and administration expenses *(continued)*

Included in the administration expenses are the following:

<i>Auditors' remuneration</i> (excluding VAT)	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
Audit of statutory financial statements	<b>62</b>	62
Other assurance services	<b>40</b>	40
	<u><b>102</b></u>	<u>102</u>

Other assurance services relate to Solvency II audit services which are prescribed under law or regulation.

### *Directors' emoluments*

Salaries and related benefits	<b>265</b>	261
Fees as directors	<b>165</b>	165

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>Number</b>	Number
Administration	<b>40</b>	40
Finance	<b>11</b>	8
	<u><b>51</b></u>	<u>48</u>

### 7. Finance costs

	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
Finance charges for IFRS 16 - Lease liabilities	<b>140</b>	145

### 8. Taxation

	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
Current tax expense	<b>11,345</b>	9,750
Total corporation tax expense	<u><b>11,345</b></u>	<u>9,750</u>
Deferred tax recorded in other comprehensive income	<u><b>76</b></u>	<u>215</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

<b>8. Taxation (continued)</b>	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
<b>Reconciliation of effective tax charge:</b>		
<b>Profit before taxation</b>	<b>90,846</b>	77,786
Corporation tax at the standard rate of 12.5% (2019: 12.5%)	11,356	9,723
<i>Effects of</i>		
Over provision in prior years	<b>(38)</b>	-
Capital allowances	<b>(29)</b>	(29)
Disallowed and capital items expensed	<b>56</b>	56
<b>Total corporation tax charge</b>	<b>11,345</b>	9,750
<b>Deferred Tax Asset</b>	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
Balance at 1 January	76	291
Movement during the financial year recognised in other comprehensive income	<b>(76)</b>	(215)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>-</b>	76

## 9. Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax

The Company operates in Italy on a “freedom of services” basis and in 2005 opted to implement the *sostituto d'imposta* tax regime. The *sostituto d'imposta* tax regime entails an annual “advance payment” to the Italian fiscal authorities of an amount currently equal to 0.45% (2019: 0.45 %) of the Company’s financial liabilities - investment contracts, as at the year end. Each annual advance payment can be recovered from any exit tax subsequently deducted from policyholders or by offset against taxes payable to Italian revenue within a period of five years. To the extent that an unrecovered balance remains after five years have elapsed, the balance of the advance payment made five years earlier can be sold to the parent company at face value for recovery against their Italian tax liabilities €339,614k (2019: €314,976k).

<b>Asset</b>	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b>	2019
		<b>€'000</b>	€'000
<b>Balance at 1 January</b>		<b>314,976</b>	291,961
Net payable in respect of the financial year	20	<b>41,625</b>	43,679
Recoveries in respect of the financial year		<b>(16,219)</b>	(13,133)
Over provision in respect of prior period		<b>(768)</b>	(7,531)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>		<b>339,614</b>	314,976

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 9. Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax *(continued)*

<b>Liability</b>	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b> <b>€'000</b>	2019 €'000
<b>Balance at 1 January</b>		<b>43,679</b>	47,952
Net payable in respect of the financial year	20	<b>41,625</b>	43,679
Over provision in respect of prior period		<b>(768)</b>	(7,531)
Paid during the financial year		<b>(42,911)</b>	(40,421)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>		<b>41,625</b>	43,679

Italian legislation makes provision for a cap on the size of the Advance Payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax. For the end of 2020 this was 180bps (2019: 190bps) of the Italian policyholder mathematical reserves. The effect of the capping was to reduce the amount of net payment to the Italian Tax Authorities by €0.79m (2019:€7.5m) in 2020, compared to that expected in the respective financial statements.

<b>10. Deferred acquisition costs</b>	<b>2020</b> <b>€'000</b>	2019 €'000
<b>Balance at 1 January</b>	<b>71,375</b>	69,237
Acquisition costs incurred in the financial year	<b>17,881</b>	19,465
Amount credited to Statement of Profit and Loss	<b>(17,440)</b>	(17,327)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>71,816</b>	71,375

<b>11. Financial assets</b>	<b>Market Value</b>	<b>Market Value</b>
<b>Shareholder financial assets</b>	<b>2020</b> <b>€'000</b>	2019 €'000
Investments at fair value through other comprehensive income	-	10,396
	-	10,396

All shareholder financial assets were held under the business model Hold to Collect and Sell. All assets were within stage 1 (See Note 1, Accounting Policies, Impairment on Page 24). There have been no transfers between stages in the year and all of the shareholder portfolio of assets matured or were sold during the year.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 11. Financial assets *(continued)*

<b>Policyholder financial assets</b>	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
<b>Investments at fair value through profit or loss</b>		
Equities	<b>66,108</b>	76,795
Fixed income securities	<b>563,454</b>	690,306
Collective Investment Schemes	<b>20,256,272</b>	17,264,007
Derivative Instruments	<b>3,152</b>	2,596
Deposits, Cash & Cash Equivalents and Others	<b>214,861</b>	220,443
	<b><u>21,103,847</u></b>	<u>18,254,147</u>

### 12. Other receivables

	<b>2020</b>	2019
	<b>€'000</b>	€'000
<b>Amounts falling due within one year</b>		
Management fees receivable from the funds	<b>31,150</b>	29,591
Accrued interest receivable	-	110
Prepayments	<b>2,611</b>	1,427
Other	<b>10,961</b>	5,043
	<b><u>44,722</u></b>	<u>36,171</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 13. Fair value disclosures

Note 1 Valuation of financial instruments, details the valuation techniques and inputs used for fair value hierarchy and measurement.

The table below analyses financial instruments, measured at fair value at the end of 2020, by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurements is categorised:

<b>Financial assets as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>Total fair value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>
	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>
<b>Shareholder financial assets</b>			
–FVOCI	-	-	-
<b>Policyholder financial assets</b>	<b>21,103,847</b>	<b>20,452,934</b>	<b>650,913</b>
Equities	66,108	66,108	-
Fixed income securities	563,454	563,454	-
Collective Investment Schemes	20,256,272	19,605,359	650,913
Derivative Instruments	3,152	3,152	-
Deposits, Cash & Cash Equivalents and Others	214,861	214,861	-
<b>Total Financial Assets</b>	<b>21,103,847</b>	<b>20,452,934</b>	<b>650,913</b>
<b>Financial liabilities as at 31 December 2020</b>	<b>Total fair value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>
	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>
<b>Financial liabilities - investment contracts</b>	<b>21,103,847</b>	-	<b>21,103,847</b>
<b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>	<b>21,103,847</b>	-	<b>21,103,847</b>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 13. Fair value disclosures *(continued)*

<b>Financial assets as at 31 December 2019</b>	<b>Total fair value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>
	€'000	€'000	€'000
<b>Shareholder financial assets</b>			
–FVOCI	<b>10,396</b>	<b>10,396</b>	-
Government and government agency bonds	786	786	-
Corporate bonds	9,610	9,610	-
<b>Policyholder financial assets</b>	<b>18,254,147</b>	<b>17,616,111</b>	<b>638,036</b>
Equities	76,795	76,795	-
Fixed income securities	690,306	690,306	-
Collective Investment Schemes	17,264,007	16,625,971	638,036
Derivative Instruments	2,596	2,596	-
Deposits, Cash & Cash Equivalents and Others	220,443	220,443	-
<b>Total Financial Assets</b>	<b>18,264,543</b>	<b>17,626,507</b>	<b>638,036</b>
<b>Financial liabilities as at 31 December 2019</b>	<b>Total fair value</b>	<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Level 2</b>
	€'000	€'000	€'000
<b>Financial liabilities - investment contracts</b>	18,254,147	-	18,254,147
<b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>	<b>18,254,147</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18,254,147</b>

There were no transfers between levels in 2020 and 2019.

There were no Level 3 assets at 31 December 2020 (2019: €Nil).

With the exception of Advanced Payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax, there are no differences between fair values and carrying amounts of other financial assets at the Statement of Financial Position date. The carrying value of the Advanced Payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax is €339,614k (fair value: €345,991k) (2019: €314,976k (fair value: €317,943k).

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (*continued*)

### 14. Called up share capital

	2020	2019
	€'000	€'000
<i>Authorised:</i>		
5,000,000 (2019: 5,000,000) ordinary shares of €1 each	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<i>Issued</i>		
5,000,000 (2019: 5,000,000) ordinary shares of €1 each	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,000</u>

### 15. Capital contributions

The Company received no capital contributions during the year (2019: €Nil).

During the year ended 31 December 2020, the Company has paid no dividend (2019: €40m) to the immediate parent Allianz S.p.A in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2020.

### 16. Capital position statement (Unaudited)

Effective from 1 January 2016, the Solvency II Directive replaced the Solvency I regulatory solvency requirements. The Company has assessed its overall solvency needs using the Solvency II basis. This covers the preparation of the Solvency II Balance Sheet (which differs from the IFRS balance sheet) and the Solvency Capital Requirement (“SCR”)/Minimum Capital Requirement (“MCR”). For the purposes of calculating its Solvency II Pillar I capital requirements, the SCR is calculated by applying the Standard Formula in accordance with the requirements set out in Regulation 114 of SI 485 of 2015. At the 31 December 2020, the Company’s available capital resources were in excess of the regulatory capital requirements on a Solvency II basis.

The Company’s capital coverage ratio is 165% of SCR as at 31 December 2020 (2019: 165%). The final amount of the SCR is still subject to Supervisory assessment.

The Company maintains a capital structure with a combination of share capital, capital contributions and retained profits, consistent with the Company’s risk profile and the regulatory and market requirements of its business.

The Company is regulated in Ireland by the Central Bank of Ireland and is required to observe the rules for the amount and structure of the solvency capital for the business that it carries on.

The Company carries out regular projections of its capital adequacy and these are reviewed by the Board to ensure that satisfactory levels of cover are maintained. Capital adequacy and solvency cover are reported to the Central Bank of Ireland on a quarterly and annual basis.

No instances of non-compliance with solvency capital requirements were reported by the Company to the Central Bank of Ireland during the year.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 17. Financial liabilities – investment contracts

	2020	2019
<b>Investment contracts:</b>	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>
Balance at 1 January	18,254,147	15,321,471
Premiums collected	3,667,240	2,981,189
Change in investment contract liabilities	1,079,740	1,811,406
Claims paid	(1,559,130)	(1,558,799)
Fees paid by the unit funds	(343,180)	(312,242)
Sales inducements	5,030	11,122
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b><u>21,103,847</u></b>	<b><u>18,254,147</u></b>

### 18. Technical provisions for insurance contracts

	2020	2019
<b>Insurance contracts:</b>	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>
Balance at 1 January	150	100
Change in technical provisions for insurance contracts	50	50
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b><u>200</u></b>	<b><u>150</u></b>

### 19. Deferred income

	2020	2019
	€'000	€'000
Balance at 1 January	24,452	26,439
Movement during the year	3,186	(1,987)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b><u>27,638</u></b>	<b><u>24,452</u></b>

The income that is deferred is in respect of investment contracts on which a front-end fee applied in relation to services to be provided in future periods. The deferred income reserve is amortised over the anticipated life of the contracts.

The amount of deferred income that is expected to be earned more than 12 months after the Statement of Financial Position date is €21.0m (2019: €12.0m).

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 20. Creditors and other payables

	<i>Note</i>	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
<i>Amounts falling due within one year</i>			
Amounts due to group companies		<b>10,700</b>	5,841
Advance payment of Italian Policyholders' Tax	9	<b>41,625</b>	43,679
Premium deposits		<b>35,537</b>	36,119
Claims payable		<b>84,524</b>	46,326
Value Added Tax		<b>166</b>	108
Social welfare / PAYE		<b>126</b>	112
Loyalty bonus payable		<b>2,358</b>	1,762
Other creditors and accruals		<b>2,732</b>	2,625
		<u><b>177,768</b></u>	<u>136,572</u>

Amounts due to group companies are principally in respect of initial and ongoing commissions and investment management fees.

### 21. Leases

	<b>2020</b> €'000	2019 €'000
<b>Right-of-use asset – PPE</b>		
Gross Acquisition Cost	<b>8,200</b>	8,200
Accumulated Depreciation	<b>(886)</b>	(443)
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<u><b>7,314</b></u>	<u>7,757</u>
<b>Lease Liability</b>		
<b>Current:</b> Within one year	<u><b>299</b></u>	294
<b>Non-current:</b>		
One to five years	<b>1,566</b>	1,452
Over five years	<b>5,753</b>	6,166
	<u><b>7,319</b></u>	<u>7,618</u>
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<u><b>7,618</b></u>	<u>7,912</u>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### 21. Leases *(continued)*

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>Interest Expenses relating to leases</b>	<b>€'000</b>	<b>€'000</b>
Within one year	<b>135</b>	140
One to five years	<b>474</b>	501
Over five years	<b>631</b>	739
<b>Balance at 31 December</b>	<b>1,240</b>	1,380

### 22. Ultimate parent undertaking and parent undertaking of larger group

The Company's ultimate parent undertaking is Allianz SE, a company incorporated in Germany. The Company's immediate parent undertaking is Allianz S.p.A., a company incorporated in Italy.

The largest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Allianz SE, incorporated in Germany. The consolidated financial statements of this group are available to the public and may be obtained from Allianz SE, Konigstrasse 28, 80802 Munich, Germany.

The smallest group in which the results of the Company are consolidated is that headed by Allianz S.p.A., a company incorporated in Italy.

### 23. Related party transactions

The Company received/provided a number of services from related parties. The related party activities which the Company now has are as follows:

- The Company has agreements with Allianz S.p.A., Allianz Global Investors GmbH, Investitori SGR S.p.A. and PIMCO Europe Limited for the receipt of fund management services;
- The Company has an agreement with Allianz S.p.A. for the receipt of fiscal and legal services;
- The Company has an agreement with Allianz Technology SE for the receipt of IT services;
- The Company has agreements with Allianz Bank Financial Advisors S.p.A. for the receipt of banking and custodian services and for product distribution;
- The Company has agreements with Allianz Ireland plc. for the receipt of internal audit services;
- The Company has an agreement with Allianz Global Life dac for the provision of compliance, office space, other infrastructural services, the receipt of actuarial function and risk function services.
- The Company has an agreement with Metafinanz Informationssysteme GmbH for the receipt of IT consultancy services.
- The Company has an agreement with Allianz SE for the receipt of marketing and distribution activities, Solvency II models, insurance and other services.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### 23. Related party transactions (continued)

#### Transactions with Directors

The Directors' compensations are short term in nature and are as follows:

	2020 €'000	2019 €'000
Salaries and related benefits	265	261
Fees as directors	<u>165</u>	<u>165</u>

The above figures reflect the remuneration paid by the Company to all Board members.

#### Transactions with Key Management Personnel

Transactions with key management personnel including the chief executive officer are set out below.

The key management personnel compensations are short term in nature and are as follows:

	2020 €'000	2019 €'000
Salaries and related benefits	<u>825</u>	<u>849</u>

#### Transactions with other related parties:

Name of the Company	Relationship	Payable at 1	Expense	Income	Payments	(Payable)
		January	payable by	receivable		/Receivable
		2020	the	by the		at 31
		€'000	Company	Company	€'000	December
		€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	2020
		€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000	€'000
Allianz SE	parent	(373)	(694)	-	1,026	(41)
Allianz S.p.A.	parent	(193)	(219)	-	270	(142)
Allianz Bank Financial Advisors S.p.A.	group	(3,518)	(217,818)	-	211,450	(9,886)
Allianz Global Investors GmbH	group	(699)	(2,364)	2,120	2,526	1,583
Allianz Global Life dac	group	(25)	(1,772)	1,010	895	108
Allianz Ireland p.l.c.	group	(65)	(262)	-	327	-
Allianz Technology SE	group	(113)	(938)	-	1,051	-
Investitori SGR S.p.A.	group	(626)	(1,863)	-	2,071	(418)
Metafinanz Informationssysteme GmbH	group	(8)	(49)	-	51	(6)
PIMCO Europe Limited	group	(221)	(839)	-	853	(207)

€16,179m (2019: €13,162m) of the €21,104m (2019: €18,254m) policyholder assets at year-end were managed by related Allianz SE companies. Total realised and unrealised gains on policyholder assets managed by related Allianz SE companies are €927m gain (2019: €1,195m gain). €11.7m (2019: €4.3m) of the shareholders' cash and cash equivalents at year end were managed by Allianz Bank Financial Advisors S.p.A. and a further €218m (2019: €115m) was managed through an inter-company cash-pool agreement with Allianz SE.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

### 24. Disclosure of interests in unconsolidated structured entities

Included in policyholder financial assets are investments in Collective Investment Schemes (“CIS”) which may be considered to be interests in unconsolidated structured entities under IFRS 12 ‘Disclosure of interests in unconsolidated structured entities’. The CIS are predominantly regulated SICAV funds which are all UCITS compliant. These CIS are chosen by the various asset managers, responsible for the investment portfolio of each fund. These SICAVs are mainly domiciled in Luxembourg, Ireland, Italy, United Kingdom, Switzerland and France.

The table below sets out the country of domicile of these CIS investments:

<b>Country</b>	<b>Value of Total CIS 31 December 2020 €’000</b>	<b>Value of Total CIS 31 December 2019 €’000</b>
Luxembourg	<b>12,003,926</b>	10,312,376
Ireland	<b>7,353,676</b>	6,318,212
Italy	<b>396,356</b>	233,734
Switzerland	<b>362,809</b>	274,691
France	<b>134,004</b>	110,752
Other	<b>5,501</b>	14,242
<b>Total CIS</b>	<b><u>20,256,272</u></b>	<b><u>17,264,007</u></b>

The table below sets out the interest held by the policyholders with regard to the geographical region where the underlying investments of the CIS are held as at 31 December 2020:

<b>Geographical Region (Unaudited)</b>	<b>Percentage of underlying CIS on look through basis</b>	<b>Value of underlying CIS on look through basis €’000</b>
Europe	46.0%	9,310,236
North America	31.4%	6,355,543
Asia	10.5%	2,131,300
United Kingdom	7.4%	1,493,754
South America	1.0%	211,749
Middle East	0.9%	182,758
Cayman Islands	0.7%	145,827
Central America	0.6%	129,055
Australia	0.6%	116,990
Africa	0.6%	112,193
Other	0.2%	35,566
British Virgin Islands	0.1%	31,301
<b>Total CIS – Policyholder</b>	<b><u>100%</u></b>	<b><u>20,256,272</u></b>

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## Notes to the Financial Statements *(continued)*

### **24. Disclosure of interests in unconsolidated structured entities (continued)**

The CIS are of varying sizes and are all financed by investor equity, having been established for the purpose of collective investment activity.

The maximum gross exposure to loss is the carrying value of €20,256m (2019: €17,264m) but the net exposure to loss borne by the shareholders of the Company is €Nil for these CIS as the investments are held on behalf of the policyholders. The shareholders do not directly hold any investment in a CIS at the year-end (2019: Nil).

The majority of the units in the CIS can be redeemed daily. The Company has been advised that it is legally possible to suspend pricing of internal policyholder funds in the presence of exceptional circumstances outside the control of the Company. This would also apply in cases where CIS prices are available but trading has been restricted.

The policyholder financial assets as at 31 December 2020 were €21,104m of which €20,256m were made up of CIS. At 31 December 2020 €16,179m (2019: €13,151m) of the policyholder financial assets were managed by other entities in the Allianz Group.

During the financial year, the Company or policyholders did not provide financial support to unconsolidated structured entities and has no current intention of providing financial or other support.

### **25. Subsequent events**

There were no events subsequent to the year-end which require disclosure in, or amendment to, these financial statements.

### **26. Contingencies**

There were no contingent liabilities at 31 December 2020 (2019: €Nil).

### **27. Approval of financial statements**

The Board of Directors approved these financials statements on 11 March 2021.