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## MANAGEMENT REPORT

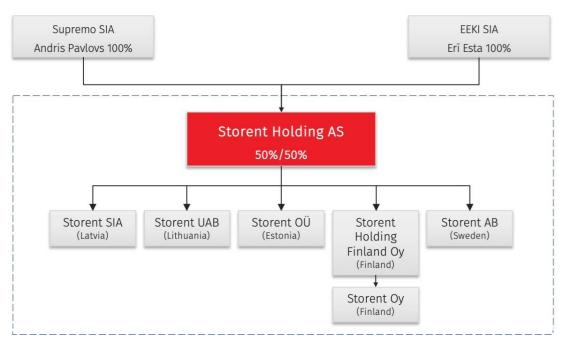
Storent was founded in Latvia in 2008 with the primary goal of establishing itself as the most efficient and innovative construction equipment rental company in the Baltics and the Nordic countries. Currently it is operating in Europe with 27 rental depos over five countries. In 2023, the turnover of the Group reached 43.8 million euro.

In Q1 of 2024 the Group reached turnover of 8.46 million euro, EBITDA 1.67 million euros. In accordance with the Group's strategic framework, as of January 1st, the Group has completed very complicated transition from existing ERP systems to the new cloud-based systems in all 5 operating countries and Holding company consisting of Intelligent Rental Management System (IRMS), Microsoft Dynamics 365 for finance and operations, business intelligent system Microsoft Power BI, Private web shop and GPS Telemetry with integration with PreferRent Marketplace, PreferRent Equipment sharing, PreferRent Equipment provision and Cargopoint Digital Freight Platform. Group was preparing to this transition for 2 years since existing system that was in use starting from 2008 when Group was established, the previous ERP systems was a bottle neck for planed rapid growth of the Group. Taking in account complicity and size of rental business, the main focus from all team was for implementation process. The change of ERP systems was planned for the low season to ensure that there are no issues during the high season to make rental process as smoothly as possible and to have the lower implementation effect on Group results. Although the transition turned out to be more challenging than anticipated, the teams from all Groups operational countries have worked closely with IT support leading to significant progress in overcoming technical obstacles. The biggest part of implementation process is already done and management estimates to finish full ERP systems implementation by the end of Q2. Despite of challenging implementation of ERP systems the rental income increased by 2%, compared to Q1 of 2023 with the highest income growth in Baltic countries reaching 7% increase. The Group's total sales decrease in Q1 of 2024 by 5% compared to the same period last year. This change is explained by the challenges of repair and transportation services invoicing and lower sales of older equipment to the auctions. IT system implementation and low season leaded to 942 thousand euro losses during the first guartal, with largest increase in interest expenses, depreciation and personal expenses.

In April and May season is picking up and rental income estimation is with two-digit growth compared to the same period last year and estimation already is with positive bottom line and more positive trend should come with each next month. Great focus of the Group is the logistics of managing the new equipment acquired in the worth of 13 million euro in 2023 and new investment plan in amount more than 20 million euro. As new deliveries are arriving constantly, additional trainings for sales teams and mechanical specialists are organized to ensure high quality maintenance and thorough understanding of the use of every new addition to the fleet. It takes 2-8 weeks from equipment receiving until they are ready for rent due to equipment checking, registration and delivering between 27 rental depos so effect on income comes with delay.

Reorganization of company was completed in March 2024, that simplified the Group's legal structure. The shares of Storent SIA (Latvia), Storent OÜ (Estonia), Storent UAB (Lithuania), Storent Holding Finland Oy (Finland), and Storent AB (Sweden) from Storent Investments were invested in Storent Holdings as material investments. Also, the Group disposed its equity interest of Storent OOO, a company registered in the Kaliningrad region, Russia. As a result of this reorganization, the share capital of the Group increased to 33.5 million euro. Additionally, the corporate name of Storent Holdings was changed to Storent Holding and its corporate form from was altered from a limited liability company (Iv sabiedrība ar ierobežotu atbildību or SIA) to a joint-stock company (Iv akciju sabiedrība or AS). The new structure of the Group is illustrated in the next page.





In March 2024, Storent Holding AS had a new bond issue of 7 million euro, that was the second bond issue in a row to be oversubscribed. During the offer period investors submitted 1,445 subscription orders. As a result of the big investor interest, through issuance of bonds the Group raised total amount of 10 million euro in March 2024. Funds are used to accelerate the company's expansion, continue enlarging the equipment park, and open new rental depots.

The operations in the Baltic region, which account for approximately 72% of the Group's net revenue, showed a rental revenue increase of 7%, compared to Q1 of 2023. The increase was promoted by involvement in large industrial projects, such as the Rail Baltic, wind parks in Lithuania, as well as many projects in the military sector. Especially the demand for large machinery, forklifts, telescopic loaders, etc., rose. The Group is already renting out the new equipment acquired last year, as well as continuing its work on further digitalization. Market data shows that overall, the construction market in Baltics will grow steadily.

In the Nordic countries construction volumes in 2023 are stagnating and market forecasts show that the construction sector will start to grow again in 2025. The Group's strategy to overcome the market drop is to continue the focus on specific product groups that prove to be in demand. As groundwork for the niche player strategy has been laid, the Group is seeing the first results of diversifying the customer segment and diminishing its reliance on construction market in Nordic countries. Finland operations is working with several large industrial customers in the Northern region of Finland. Sweden is fully focusing on rental telescopic handlers and related services as its spearhead in the market.

The management of the Group predicts that in 2024 the turnover will continue to grow, as a result of system improvements, structural changes and investments in the fleet exceeding 20 million euro. The construction market has a big impact on the company's result. The management of the Group monitors its tendencies closely, and swiftly adjusts its strategy. Additionally, the Group is leveraging other markets to sustain business success, such as the military, event and agricultural sectors. The strategy is clear, external financing is attracted, now the focus of the Group for 2024 is to execute the plans and therefore to increase the market share and improve the company's profitability even more. The Group is actively looking for further growth in all countries via additional investments in fleet, as well as Merger and Acquisition deals. The Group owners are looking for capital increase and considering IPO to be one of the options.



# STATEMENT OF THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

The financial and other additional information published in the Interim report January – March 2024 is true and complete. The consolidated financial statement gives a true and fair view of the actual financial position and results of operations.

Consolidated financial statements in the report for the period January – March 2024 is not yet audited.

**Andris Pavlovs** 

Chairman of the Management Board



# CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

#### (unaudited) EUR

	2024 - Q1	2023 - Q1	2023 total
	EUR	EUR	EUR
Net revenue	8 110 704	8 731 336	42 667 128
Other operating income	347 736	231 473	1 086 126
Cost of materials and services	(2 954 494)	(3 317 833)	(15 499 946)
Personnel costs	(2 395 420)	(2 066 422)	(8 830 068)
Other operating expenses	(1 381 342)	(1 483 675)	(6 185 693)
Impairement gain / (loss) on trade receivables and contract asset	(49 848)	34 463	475 170
EBITDA	1 677 337	2 129 343	13 712 718
EBITDA %	20%	24%	31%
Depreciation and amotrization	(1 735 388)	(1 601 670)	(6 135 910)
EBITDA	(58 051)	527 673	7 576 807
EBIT %	-1%	6%	17%
Finance income	17 032	446	680 403
Finance expenses	(901 836)	(430 017)	(2 751 468)
Profit / (loss) before income tax	(942 856)	98 102	5 505 742
Profit / (loss) before income tax, %	-11%	1%	13%
Income tax income / (expenses)	-	<u>-</u>	(902 461)
Profit/(loss) from continuing operations	(942 856)	98 102	4 603 281
Profit/(loss) from discontinuing operation, net of tax	-	(55 809)	177 782
Profit / (loss) for the period	(942 856)	42 293	4 781 063
Items that may be reclasified subsequently to profit or loss			
Exchange differences on foreign currency operations	-	-	16 335
Revaluation reserve			40 419 028
Other comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	-	-	40 435 363
Total comprehensive income/(loss) for the period	(942 856)	42 293	45 216 426



# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

#### (unaudited) EUR

#### **ASSETS**

NON-CURRENT ASSETS	31.03.2024 EUR	31.03.2023 EUR	31.12.2023 EUR
Intangible assets	LOIK	LOIX	Lon
Licences and similar rights	41 021	54 177	44 084
Computer software	2 665 508	1 967 966	2 364 665
Intangible assets in process	463 690	_	252 950
Goodwill	10 987 123	10 987 122	10 987 122
TOTAL Intangible assets	14 157 342	13 009 265	13 648 821
Property, plat and equipment			
Lands and buildings	558 706	186 341	187 129
Machinery and equipment	76 226 647	26 929 497	75 817 942
Other fixed assets	1 507 698	534 659	1 271 859
Creation of property, plant and equipment	186 851	140 454	706 589
TOTAL Property, plat and equipment	78 479 902	27 790 952	77 983 519
Other non-current assets			
Loans to Company's shareholders	2 098 384	150 000	3 000 000
TOTAL Other non-current assets	2 098 384	150 000	3 000 000
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	94 735 628	40 950 217	94 632 340
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	1 159 896	1 027 099	804 899
Receivables			
Trade receivables	6 311 970	5 420 779	5 768 478
Contract assets	1 143	2 286	1 143
Other receivables	969 434	240 904	362 880
Prepaid expenses	252 768	246 730	320 117
TOTAL Receivables	7 535 316	5 910 699	6 452 618
Cash and cash equivalents	6 656 170	482 787	1 717 088
Non-current assets held for sale	-	100 000	188 820
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	15 351 382	7 520 585	9 163 425
TOTAL ASSETS	110 087 010	48 470 802	103 795 765



# **CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**

### (unaudited) EUR | EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

EQUITY	31.03.2024 EUR	31.03.2023 EUR	31.12.2023 EUR
Share capital	33 500 000	18 150 000	18 150 000
Reserves:			
Revaluation reserve	25 069 028		40 419 028
Foreign currency translation reserve	-	(42 254)	(78 993)
Other reserves	26 774	26 774	26 774
Retained earings:			
Retained earings/ (accumulated losses)	(942 856)	42 293	4 781 063
Previous reporting periods retained earings/ (loses)	5 814 631	4 912 380	2 513 910
TOTAL EQUITY	63 467 577	23 089 194	65 811 782
CREDITORS			
Long-term liabilities			
Issued bonds	23 576 310	-	14 609 965
Lease liabilities	11 376 271	3 112 479	10 071 222
Other borrowing	-	5 160 649	-
Deferred income	300 213	-	280 577
Deferred income tax liabilities	-	-	211 891
TOTAL Long-term liabilities	35 252 795	8 273 128	25 173 655
Short-term liabilities			
Issued bonds	-	4 870 500	41 250
Borrowings from related parties	-	340 633	901 717
Lease liabilities	4 527 811	4 587 189	4 141 824
Other borrowing	221 313	1 322 923	676 832
Contract liabilities	250 282	228 103	459 935
Trade payables	3 385 618	3 039 699	3 882 761
Corporate income tax	242 115	-	36 835
Taxes and mandatory state social insurance contributions	473 380	625 106	541 407
Deferred income	74 821	42 064	94 457
Other provisions	289 444	361 367	310 616
Other liabilities	388 268	342 353	418 728
Accured liabilities	1 513 587	1 229 071	1 215 146
Liabilities directly associated with the assets held for sale	-	119 474	88 820
TOTAL Short-term liabilities _	11 366 639	17 108 480	12 810 328
TOTAL LIABILITIES	46 619 433	25 381 608	37 983 983
TOTAL EQUITY ND LIABILITIES	110 087 010	48 470 802	103 795 765



# **FINANCIAL COVENANTS**

#### (unaudited) EUR

Storent has fulfilled both financial covenants at the end of March 2024.

	31.03.2024
EBITDA 2023 total	13 712 718
EBITDA 2023 3 month	(2 129 343)
EBITDA 2024 3 month	1 677 336
EBITDA 12 month	13 260 711
Issued bonds	23 576 310
Lease liabilities	11 376 271
Other borrowing	
Long-term liabilities	34 952 581
Lease liabilities	4 527 811
Other borrowing	221 313
Short-term liabilities	4 749 124
Cash and cash equivalents	(6 656 170)
Net debt	33 045 535
Net Debt /EBITDA Ratio	2.49
Total Equity	63 467 577
Total assets	110 087 010
Shareholder equity to Assets	58%



