# BARINGS

# **Barings European Loan Limited**

(a private limited liability company incorporated in Ireland under registration number 470783)

# **Annual Report & Audited Financial Statements**

for the financial year ended 31 December 2023

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#### **Directors and Other Information**

#### **Directors**

Mr. Alan Behen (Irish) Mr. Paul Smyth (Irish)

#### **Registered Office**

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#### **Manager and Alternative Investment Fund Manager**

Baring International Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited 70 Sir John Rogerson's Quay Dublin D02 R296 Ireland

#### **Investment Managers**

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#### **Depositary**

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# Administrator, Registrar and Transfer Agent

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#### **Independent Auditor**

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#### **Company Secretary**

Matsack Trust Limited 70 Sir John Rogerson's Quay Dublin D02 R296 Ireland



Introduction

Barings European Loan Limited (the "Company") is a private limited liability company incorporated in Ireland under the registration number 470783. The Company is a subsidiary of Barings European Loan Fund (the "Parent"). The Parent is a fund of an Irish incorporated umbrella fund, Barings Global Investment Funds Plc, which is the ultimate parent of the Company (the "Ultimate Parent") which is listed on the Global Exchange Market of Euronext Dublin. As at 31 December 2023, the Company held investments to the value of €3,637,874,185 (31 December 2022: €3,725,998,474). The Company financed its purchases of investments by way of a loan provided by the Ultimate Parent, on behalf of its fund, the Parent.

The Company is managed by Baring International Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited (the "Manager"). Baring Asset Management Limited and Barings LLC (the "Investment Managers") act as Investment Managers to the Company. The following report refers to the Investment Managers but does not distinguish between them.

#### **Company objective**

The Company's objective is to hold investments on behalf of its Parent.



#### **Directors' Report**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

The Directors present their report together with the audited financial statements of the Company for the financial year ended 31 December 2023.

#### Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the Directors' Report and the financial statements

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. Under that law they have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and applicable law.

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 as at the financial year end date and of the profit or loss of the Company for the financial year and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014 (the "Companies Act"). 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 applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and
  note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards;
- assess the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern;
   and
- use the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Company and enable them to ensure that its financial statements comply with the Companies Act. The Directors have appointed State Street Fund Services (Ireland) Limited (the "Administrator") to keep adequate accounting records which are located at the offices of the Administrator at 78 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland.

They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the Company. In this regard they have entrusted the assets of the Company to State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary") for safe-keeping, who have been appointed as Depositary to the Company pursuant to the terms of a Depositary Agreement. They have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities. The Directors are also responsible for preparing a Directors' Report that complies with the requirements of the Companies Act.

The financial statements are published at: www.barings.com. The Directors, together with the Manager and the Investment Managers, are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the website as far as it relates to Barings Funds. Legislation in the Republic of Ireland governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### **Business review and future developments**

The Directors do not anticipate any change in the structure or investment objectives of the Company which is to hold investments on behalf of its Parent.

#### **Directors**

The Directors who served during the financial year were:

Mr. Alan Behen (Irish)

Mr. Paul Smyth (Irish)

Unless stated otherwise, the Directors served for the entire year.

#### **Directors' and Secretary's interests**

None of the current Directors, Matsack Trust Limited (the "Company Secretary") or their families hold or held any beneficial interest in the shares of the Company during the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: Nil).

#### **Transactions involving Directors**

Other than as stated in Note 9 of these financial statements, there were no contracts or arrangements of any significance in relation to the business of the Company in which the Directors had any interest, as defined in the Companies Act, at any time during the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: None).



Directors' Report (continued)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### Transactions involving Directors (continued)

All of the Directors are also Directors of the Ultimate Parent. Mr. Alan Behen and Mr. Paul Smyth are employees of Baring International Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited, Manager and Alternative Investment Fund Manager to the Ultimate Parent.

#### Relevant audit information

The Directors believe that they have taken all steps necessary to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and have established that the Company's statutory auditors are aware of that information. In so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's statutory auditors are unaware.

#### **Directors' compliance statement**

The Directors, in accordance with Section 225(2) of the Companies Act 2014, acknowledge that they are responsible for securing the Company's compliance with certain obligations specified in that sector arising from the Companies Act 2014, where applicable, the Market Abuse (Directive 2003/6/EC) Regulations 2005, the Prospectus (Directive 2003/71/EC) Regulations 2015, the Transparency (Directive 2004/109/EC) Regulations 2007 and Tax laws ('relevant obligations'). The Directors confirm that:

- a compliance policy statement has been drawn up setting out the Company's policies with regard to such compliance;
- appropriate arrangements and structures that, in their opinion, are designed to secure material compliance with the Company's relevant obligations have been put in place; and
- a review has been conducted, during the financial year, of the arrangements and structures that have been put in place to secure the Company's compliance with its relevant obligations.

#### Risk management objectives and policies

An investment in the Company involves a high degree of risk, including, but not limited to, the risks as outlined below. An investment in the Company is only suitable for investors who are in a position to take such risks. There can be no assurance that the Company will achieve its objectives, and the value of shares can go down as well as up. The principal risks and uncertainties faced by the Company are market price risk, foreign currency risk, liquidity risk, credit risk and interest rate risk, which are outlined in Note 10 of these financial statements.

#### Results and distributions

The results of operations for the financial year are set out in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. No dividends are recommended by the Directors in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: Nil).

#### **Accounting records**

The Directors ensure compliance with the Company's obligation to maintain adequate accounting records by appointing competent persons to be responsible for them. The accounting records are kept by the Administrator, 78 Sir John Rogerson's Quay, Dublin 2, Ireland.

#### Significant events during the financial year

There were no significant events during the financial year, which require adjustment to, or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### Significant events after the financial year end

There were no significant events affecting the Company after the financial year end.

#### Ukraine/Russia conflict

In response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the EU, the U.S., the UK and other governmental entities have passed a variety of severe economic sanctions and export controls against Russia, including imposition of sanctions against Russia's Central Bank, largest financial institutions and certain individuals. In addition, a number of businesses have curtailed or suspended activities in Russia or dealings with Russian counterparts for reputational reasons. While current sanctions may not target the Company or the Portfolio Investments and their issuers and industries in which the issuers of the Portfolio Investments operate, these sanctions have had and may continue to have the effect of causing significant economic disruption and may adversely impact the global economy generally, and the Russian economy specifically by, among other things, creating instability in the energy sectors, reducing trade as a result of economic sanctions and increased volatility and uncertainty in financial markets, including Russia's financial sector. Additionally, any new or expanded sanctions that may be imposed by the U.S., EU, UK, or other countries may materially adversely affect the Company or the Portfolio Investments.



**Directors' Report** (continued)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### Independent auditor

The Auditors, KPMG, Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors, have indicated their willingness to continue in office in accordance with Section 383(2) of the Companies Act.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

Director:

Alan Behen

Director:

Paul Smyth

Date: 15 April 2024



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BARINGS EUROPEAN LOAN LIMITED

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

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Barings European Loan Limited ('the Company') for the year ended December 31, 2023 set out on pages 10 to 35, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Comprehensive Income, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows and related notes, including the material accounting policies set out in note 2.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is Irish Law and International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS) as adopted by the European Union.

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial
  position of the Company as at December 31, 2023 and of its profit for the year then
  ended:
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with IFRS as adopted by the European Union; and
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (Ireland) (ISAs (Ireland)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of financial statements in Ireland, including the Ethical Standard issued by the Irish Auditing and Accounting Supervisory Authority (IAASA), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

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

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

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.

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 when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BARINGS EUROPEAN LOAN LIMITED (continued)

#### Other information

The directors are responsible for the other information presented in the Annual Report together with the financial statements. The other information comprises the information included in the directors' report, Schedule of Investments and Significant changes in portfolio composition. The financial statements and our auditor's report thereon do not comprise part of 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 as explicitly stated below, any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether, based on our financial statements audit work, the information therein is materially misstated or inconsistent with the financial statements or our audit knowledge. Based solely on that work we have not identified material misstatements in the other information.

Based solely on our work on the other information undertaken during the course of the audit, we report that:

- · we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' report;
- in our opinion, the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements; and
- in our opinion, the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 2014.

#### Our opinions on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2014 are unmodified

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 and the financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

The Companies Act 2014 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion, the disclosures of directors' remuneration and transactions required by Sections 305 to 312 of the Act are not made. We have nothing to report in this regard.

#### Respective responsibilities and restrictions on use

#### Responsibilities of directors for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on page 4, the directors are responsible for: the preparation of the financial statements including being satisfied that they give a true and fair view; 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; 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 they either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BARINGS EUROPEAN LOAN LIMITED (continued)

#### Auditor's 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 auditor's 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.

A fuller description of our responsibilities is provided on IAASA's website at <a href="https://iaasa.ie/publications/description-of-the-auditors-responsibilities-for-the-audit-of-the-financial-statements/">https://iaasa.ie/publications/description-of-the-auditors-responsibilities-for-the-audit-of-the-financial-statements/</a>.

#### The purpose of our audit work and to whom we owe our responsibilities

Our report is made solely to the Company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 391 of the Companies Act 2014. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

17 April 2024

for and on behalf of
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#### **Statement of Financial Position**

As at 31 December 2023

Accede	Note	31 December 2023 €	31 December 2022 €
Assets Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss:			
- Investments	10	3,637,874,185	3,725,998,474
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	10	11,535,328	24,894,281
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Other receivables	5	64,406,040	53,979,984
Receivable for investments sold	10	62,826,698	41,832,486
Cash and cash equivalents	3	78,676,308	61,070,763
Total assets		3,855,318,559	3,907,775,988
Liabilities			
Financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss:			
- Loan and coupon payable on loan from the Ultimate Parent	9	(3,607,695,114)	(3,833,722,596)
- Unfunded loans	10	(57,676)	-
Financial liabilities held for trading:		, ,	
- Forward foreign exchange contracts	10	(476,930)	(128,760)
Payable for investments purchased	10	(247,008,934)	(73,888,075)
Other payables and accrued expenses	6	(76,896)	(33,735)
Total liabilities		(3,855,315,550)	(3,907,773,166)
Net assets		3,009	2,822
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Equity			
Share capital	4	100	100
Retained earnings		2,909	2,722
Total equity		3,009	2,822
On behalf of the Board of Directors:			
Ale Behr	Parl Spl		
Alan Behen	Director:		
Alail Dellell	Paul Smyth		

Date: 15 April 2024

#### **Statement of Comprehensive Income**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	Note	31 December 2023 €	31 December 2022 €
Income  Net change on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss  Net change on financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss	8 9	405,236,872 (405,001,817)	(376,706,068) 375,971,573
Other income - Net gain on foreign exchange	_	92,466	1,986,926
Net operating income		327,521	1,252,431
Expenses Depositary fee Professional fee Audit and tax reporting fee Miscellaneous fee  Total operating expenses Net profit before finance costs	6 -	(244,238) - (54,513) (27,979) (326,730) 791	(812,576) (16,977) (44,184) (7,565) (881,302) 371,129
Finance costs Interest expense	-	(541)	(370,879)
Profit before income tax for the financial year		250	250
Tax on ordinary activities	14	(63)	(63)
Profit after tax	=	187	187

There are no recognised gains or losses in the financial year other than those dealt with in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. All results are from continuing activities.



# **Statement of Changes In Equity**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

Financial year ended 31 December 2023	Note	Share Capital €	Retained Earnings €	Total €
Balance at beginning of the financial year Profit for the financial year	4	100	2,722 187	2,822 187
Balance at end of the financial year		100	2,909	3,009
Financial year ended 31 December 2022	Note	Share Capital €	Retained Earnings €	Total €
Balance at beginning of the financial year Profit for the financial year	4	100	2,535 187	2,635 187
Balance at end of the financial year		100	2,722	2,822

#### **Statement of Cash Flows**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

	31 December 2023 €	31 December 2022 €
Cash flows from operating activities Profit after income tax	187	187
Adjustments for:  Net movement on financial assets and financial liabilities  Unrealised net change on derivatives  Coupon expense/(income) on loan from Ultimate Parent	240,308,613 13,707,123 405,001,817	874,377,843 (25,837,946) (375,971,573)
Operating cash inflows before movements in working capital	659,017,740	472,568,511
Movement in other receivables Movement in other payables	(10,426,056) 43,161	(11,157,500) (76,186)
Cash used in working capital	(10,382,895)	(11,233,686)
Net cash inflows from operating activities	648,634,845	461,334,825
Financing activities Proceeds of loan from the Ultimate Parent Repayment of loan to the Ultimate Parent	412,063,970 (1,043,093,270)	730,002,290 (1,309,231,992)
Net cash outflows from financing activities	(631,029,300)	(579,229,702)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	17,605,545	(117,894,877)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial year	61,070,763	178,965,640
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year	78,676,308	61,070,763
Supplemental information Coupon received Dividend received Interest paid Tax paid	304,435,188 1,958,441 (541) (63)	228,729,176 - (370,879) (63)

#### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 1. Basis of measurement

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), interpretations adopted by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") as adopted by the European Union ("EU") and the Companies Act.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets, financial liabilities and derivative financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss ("FVTPL").

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and the reported amounts of assets and 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 year in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that year, or in the year of the revision and future years if the revision affects both current and future years.

The financial statements are presented in Euro ("€") and rounded to the nearest €.

These financial statements were prepared on a going concern basis.

The registered number of the Company is 470783.

#### 2. Material accounting policies

# (a) New standards, amendments and interpretations issued and effective for the financial year beginning 1 January 2023

The following new and amended standards and interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements:

- IFRS 17: Insurance Contracts.
- Disclosure of Accounting Policies (Amendments to IAS 1 and IFRS Practice Statement 2).
- Definition of Accounting Estimates (Amendments to IAS 8).
- Deferred Tax related to Assets and Liabilities arising from a Single Transaction (Amendments to IAS 12).

There are no other new standards, amendments or interpretations issued and effective for the financial year beginning 1 January 2023 that have a material impact on the Company's financial position, performance or disclosures in its financial statements.

# (b) New standards, amendments and interpretations issued but not yet effective for the financial year beginning 1 January 2023 and not early adopted

The following new and amended standards and interpretations are not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements:

- Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-Current (Amendments to IAS 1).
- Lease Liability in a Sale and Leaseback (Amendments to IFRS 16).
- Disclosure of Supplier Finance Arrangements (Amendments to IAS 7 and IFRS 7).
- Lack of Exchangeability (Amendments to IAS 21).

There are no other standards, amendments or interpretations to existing standards that are not yet effective that would be expected to have a material impact on the Company.

#### (c) Foreign currency translation

Functional and presentation currency

The functional currency and presentation currency of the Company is Euro (" $\in$ ").



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### (c) Foreign currency translation (continued)

Transactions and balances

Transactions in currencies other than the functional currency are recorded at the rates of exchange prevailing on the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at financial year end exchange rates of monetary items and non-monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the financial year in which they arise. Foreign exchange gains and losses on financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL are recognised together with other changes in fair value. Net foreign exchange gains/(losses) on non-monetary and monetary financial assets and liabilities other than those classified as at FVTPL are included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (d) Financial assets and liabilities

#### (i) Recognition and initial measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are initially recognised at FVTPL on the Company's Statement of Financial Position 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 at the date they are originated. From this date any gains and losses arising from changes in fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities are recorded in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

A financial asset or financial liability is measured initially at fair value plus, for an item not at FVTPL, transaction costs that are directly attributable to its acquisition or issue. Transaction costs on financial assets and financial liabilities at FVTPL are expensed immediately, while on other financial instruments they are amortised.

#### (ii) Classification and subsequent measurement

Classification of financial assets and financial liabilities

IFRS 9 Financial Instruments ("IFRS 9") contains three principle classification categories for financial instruments: measured at amortised cost, fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI") and FVTPL. The classification (and subsequent measurement) of a financial instrument is based on the business model in which the financial instrument is managed, and where relevant, its cash flow characteristics. Since the Company manages and evaluates the performance of all of its financial instrument on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented investment strategy it must classify its financial assets as FVTPL. Loan from the Ultimate Parent and coupon payable on loan from the Ultimate Parent are recorded at fair value and are classified as financial liabilities designated at FVTPL when they either eliminate or significantly reduce an accounting mismatch.

#### Subsequent measurement

Subsequent to initial recognition, all instruments classified at FVTPL were measured at fair value with changes in their fair value recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Assets and liabilities not carried at fair value were carried at amortised cost; their carrying values were a reasonable approximation of fair value.

#### (iii) Fair value measurement principles

'Fair value' is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date in the principal or, in its absence, the most advantageous market to which the Company has access to at that date. The fair value of a liability reflects its non-performance risk.

The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading at the financial year end date. A market is regarded as active if transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

Financial assets and financial liabilities are priced at current mid prices. However, this does not impact on the profit for this financial year or the comparative financial year as any change is effectively transferred to the Parent, via the loans obtained from the Ultimate Parent. Under the loan agreement, all of the Company's profit or loss (except for a yearly profit of €250) is incorporated into the value of the outstanding loan. Accordingly any additional gains or losses arising from this pricing methodology change (as disclosed above) will be offset by an equal and opposite adjustment to the coupon payable amount on the loan from the Ultimate Parent.

If a quoted price is not available from a recognised market, or is unrepresentative in the opinion of the Directors or their delegate, such a security shall be valued, by estimating with care and in good faith the probable realisation value of the investment, by the Directors or their delegate or a competent person, which may be Baring Asset Management Limited and Barings LLC, the Investment Managers (appointed by the Directors and each approved for the purpose by the Depositary) or valued at the probable realisable value estimated with care and in good faith by any other means, provided that the value is approved by the Depositary.



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

For the financial year ended 31 December 2023

#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### (d) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

#### (iii) Fair value measurement principles (continued)

The value of any security, including debt and equity securities which is not normally quoted, listed or traded on or under the rules of a recognised exchange will be determined in accordance with the above provisions or obtained from an independent pricing source (if available).

The fair value of derivatives that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Company would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the Statement of Financial Position date taking into account current market conditions (volatility, appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties.

#### (iv) Amortised cost measurement principles

The amortised cost of a financial asset or financial liability is the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured on initial recognition minus the principal repayments, plus or minus the cumulative amortisation using the effective interest method of any difference between that initial amount and the maturity amount and, for financial assets, adjusted for any loss allowance.

#### (v) Impairment

IFRS 9 requires an impairment assessment to be carried out on its financial assets. The Directors have assessed that impairment does not apply to financial assets classified as FVTPL. The Directors consider the probability of default to be close to zero, as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised in the financial statements based on 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Company.

#### (vi) Derecognition

The Company derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expires or it transfers the financial asset and the transfer qualifies for derecognition in accordance with IFRS 9.

A financial liability is derecognised when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged, cancelled or expired.

The Company uses the average cost method to determine realised gains and losses on derecognition. Additional gains or losses arising from this pricing methodology change (as disclosed above) will be offset by an equal and opposite adjustment to the coupon payable amount on the loan from the Ultimate Parent.

#### (vii) Forward foreign exchange contracts

Forward foreign exchange contracts are recognised at fair value on the date on which a derivative contract is entered into and are subsequently re-measured at their fair value. All forward foreign exchange contracts are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative. Any changes in fair value is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

The fair value of forward foreign exchange contracts that are not exchange traded is estimated at the amount that the Company would receive or pay to terminate the contract at the financial year end date taking into account current market conditions (volatility, appropriate yield curve) and the current creditworthiness of the counterparties. Specifically, the fair value of a forward foreign exchange contract is determined as a net present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at appropriate market rates on the valuation date. The unrealised gain or loss on open forward foreign exchange contracts is calculated as the difference between the contract price and this forward price.

The best evidence of fair value of a derivative at initial recognition is the transaction price. Subsequent changes in the fair value of any derivative instrument is recognised immediately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (viii) Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS")

Financial assets include investments in open-ended investment funds. Fair value is based on the underlying fund administrator's calculation of the net asset value per share as the best approximation of fair value (market value of the fund's assets less liabilities divided by the number of shares) which will be the latest NAV published by the CIS's, taking into account any adjustments that may be required to account for illiquidity, low trading volumes or any such factors that may indicate that the NAV may not be fair value.

The net asset values at 31 December 2023 provided by the administrators of the underlying funds may subsequently be adjusted when audited financial statements for the underlying funds become available. The Board of Directors and the Investment Managers will consider from time to time other factors that may have an impact on the Net Asset Value per share of the underlying funds and may consider adjusting its price to reflect a more appropriate fair value of a collective investment scheme. There have been no such adjustments at 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: Nil).



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#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### (d) Financial assets and liabilities (continued)

#### (ix) Unfunded loans

Unfunded loans occur when the Company commits to purchase a loan asset and has purchased less than 100% of the commitment as at the financial year end. The percentage undrawn as at the financial year end is the unfunded loan. The unfunded portion is carried at FVTPL on the Statement of Financial Position.

#### (x) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises of current deposits with banks. Cash equivalents are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash, are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and are held for the purpose of meeting short-term cash commitments rather than for investment or other purposes. Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost.

#### (e) Income

#### (i) Coupon income from financial assets at FVTPL

Coupon income on financial assets at FVTPL is included in net change on financial assets at FVTPL in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Income not yet received is included in other receivables in the Statement of Financial Position. Income which suffers a deduction of tax at source is shown gross of withholding tax. Non-recoverable withholding tax is disclosed separately in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (ii) Bank interest and interest expense

Bank interest and interest expense is recognised on an effective interest method and includes interest income and expense from cash and cash equivalents. Bank interest income and expense is included in net change on financial assets at FVTPL and interest expense in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, respectively. Bank interest income not yet received is included in other receivables in the Statement of Financial Position on an accruals basis.

#### (f) Miscellaneous income

Miscellaneous income is comprised of various fees received relating to the loans held in the Company's Schedule of Investments e.g. extension fees and prepayment fees. It is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accruals basis.

#### (g) Net change on financial assets at FVTPL

A financial asset is classified as at FVTPL on initial recognition. Directly attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Financial assets at FVTPL are measured at fair value and changes therein, including any coupon or dividend income, realised and unrealised gains/losses, are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### (h) Net change on financial liabilities designated at FVTPL

Loans from the Ultimate Parent are recorded at fair value and are classified as liabilities designated at FVTPL when they either eliminate or significantly reduce an accounting mismatch. The coupon expense on the loan from the Ultimate Parent is dependent on the financial performance of the Company and is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accrual basis.

#### (i) Expenses

All expenses are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income on an accruals basis.

#### (i) Taxation

Corporation tax is provided on taxable profits at current rates applicable to the Company's activities.

In accounting for uncertainties in income tax, the Investment Managers apply a policy which is based upon the probability and materiality of a tax liability or refund crystallising if the Investment Manager were to realise all assets and wind up the Company T+0. The principals of our policy are detailed below:

- If there is a high probability of a tax position arising which represents a material value or devaluation of the investors interest
  then the Investment Manager will accrue for this in the balance sheet.
- If there is a low probability of a tax position arising, but the position would have a material effect on the value of the investors interests, the Investment Manager will provide a disclosure in the financial statements so as to ensure that investors are aware of the value at risk to their investment.
- If there is a low probability of a tax position arising and the position would not have a material effect on the value of the
  investors interests then the Investment Manager will not accrue for this in the balance sheet or make a disclosure in the
  financial statements.



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#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### (j) Taxation (continued)

The Company is a Qualifying Company within the meaning of Section 110 of the Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997. As such, the profits of the Company are chargeable to corporation tax under Case III of Schedule D at a rate of 25% but are computed in accordance with the provisions applicable to Case I of Schedule D.

#### (k) Receivable for investments sold and payable for investments purchased

Receivable for investments sold and payable for investments purchased represent amounts receivable and payable respectively, for transactions contracted for but not yet delivered at the end of the financial year. These amounts are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently at amortised cost.

#### 3. Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are held with the Depositary. State Street Corporation, the parent company of the Depositary, had a Standard & Poor's ("S&P") credit rating of A (31 December 2022: A) as at 31 December 2023. As at 31 December 2023, the Company held €78,676,308 (31 December 2022: €61,070,763) in cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents are measured at amortised cost.

#### 4. Share capital

#### **Authorised**

The authorised share capital of the Company is €1,000 divided into 1,000 shares of €1.00 each.

#### Issued and fully paid

The issued and paid up share capital is €100 and it is held by State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary").

The Company does not have any externally imposed capital requirements.

#### 5. Other receivables

mber 2023	31 December 2022
€	€
55,146,802	44,458,919
1,392,264	584,725
7,859,965	8,849,683
7,009	86,657
64,406,040	53,979,984
	€ 55,146,802 1,392,264 7,859,965 7,009

#### 6. Other payables and accrued expenses

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	€	€
Depositary fees payable	(51,583)	(25,118)
Miscellaneous payables	(25,313)	(8,617)
	(76,896)	(33,735)

The table below outlines the Statutory audit fees and tax advisory and compliance services fees charged (exclusive of VAT) for the financial years ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	€	€
Statutory audit	(42,000)	(32,500)
Tax advisory and compliance services	(12,513)	(11,684)
Total	(54,513)	(44,184)



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#### 7. Dividends

No dividends are recommended by the Directors in respect of the financial year ended 31 December 2023 (31 December 2022: Nil)

#### 8. Net change on financial assets at FVTPL

	31 December 2023 €	31 December 2022 €
Coupon income from financial assets at FVTPL Dividend income Income from investments	314,133,352 1,958,441	239,594,137
- Realised loss on investments - Unrealised net change on investments - Realised loss on derivatives - Unrealised net change on derivatives	(227,976,350) 341,307,907 (10,479,357) (13,707,123)	(47,822,952) (534,994,888) (59,320,310) 25,837,945
	405,236,870	(376,706,068)

#### 9. Related party transactions

#### **Loan from the Ultimate Parent**

The Company is a subsidiary of Barings European Loan Fund (the "Parent"), which is a sub-fund of Barings Global Investment Funds Plc (the "Ultimate Parent"). The Company is funded for its acquisition of investments on behalf of the Parent by way of loans from the Ultimate Parent, which are granted pursuant to a loan agreement and repayable on demand. The obligations of the Company to the Parent shall be limited recourse obligations payable solely from the portfolio held by or on behalf of the Company after satisfying in full all senior obligations. Net gain/loss of the loan (coupon charged on loan) will be dependent on the profit of the Company.

The carrying amount of the Loan and coupon payable on the loan from the Ultimate Parent, designated at FVTPL as at 31 December 2023 was €3,607,695,114 (31 December 2022: €3,833,722,596). The net change on financial liabilities designated at FVTPL for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 was €(405,001,817) (31 December 2022: (€375,971,573)).

In the event that accumulated losses prove not to be recoverable during the life of the Company, this will reduce the obligation to the loans from the Parent (i.e. contractual amounts at maturity by an equivalent amount).

#### Revolving credit facility and security deed

The Company acts as the Guarantor for revolving credit facilities entered into by the Ultimate Parent, on behalf of the Parent and the Company with Bank of America N.A., Barclays Bank PLC, BNP Paribas, HSBC Bank plc, National Australia Bank Limited and State Street Bank International GmbH. Before 5 July 2023, State Street Bank and Trust Company was one of the lenders and was replaced with State Street Bank International GmbH on 5 July 2023. As at 31 December 2023, there was no amount outstanding on this credit facility (31 December 2022: no amount outstanding). Lines were not drawn through 2023.

### **Investment Managers**

The Company is managed by Baring International Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited. Baring Asset Management Limited and Barings LLC act as Investment Managers to the Company. The Investment Managers implement the investment strategy as specified in the Prospectus and Supplements. The Investment Managers are paid by the Parent.

#### **Directors' and Secretary's interests**

Directors' fees for the financial year amounted to €Nil (31 December 2022: €Nil) of which €Nil (31 December 2022: €Nil) was payable at the financial year end.

Mr. Alan Behen and Mr. Paul Smyth are also Directors of the Ultimate Parent. Mr. Alan Behen and Mr. Paul Smyth are employees of Baring International Fund Managers (Ireland) Limited, the Manager and Alternative Investment Fund Manager to the Ultimate Parent. While these Directors don't receive fees from the Company directly for their role as Directors, they are paid through their employment with the Manager and Alternative Investment Fund Manager.

Neither the Directors nor the Company Secretary held any shares in the Company.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks

The Company is exposed to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk arising from the financial instruments it holds.

#### (a) Market risk

Market risk embodies the potential for both losses and gains and includes foreign currency risk, interest rate risk and price risk, which are discussed in detail under separate headings within this note.

The Company's exposure to market risk is that the value of assets will generally fluctuate with, among other things, general economic conditions, the condition of certain financial markets, international political events, developments or trends in any particular industry and the financial condition of the issuers of the loans that the Company invests in.

The Company's market risk is managed on a daily basis by the Investment Managers in accordance with policies and procedures in place. The Company's overall market positions are reported to the Board of Directors on a quarterly basis.

As the majority of the financial instruments are carried at FVTPL, all changes in market conditions will directly impact the Company's results.

#### Managing interest rate benchmark reform and associated risks

A fundamental reform of IBOR benchmarks was triggered by the Financial Conduct Authority and was undertaken globally, leading to their replacement with alternative nearly risk-free rates (referred to as "IBOR reform"). Publication of 24 of the 35 IBOR settings ceased from 1 January 2022 and risk-free rates like Sterling Overnight Index Average ("SONIA") and Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") benchmarks were the replacement. The Company was exposed to IBOR benchmarks through investments in fixed income and loan securities, derivatives and other interest-bearing assets.

The fallback language review for IBOR reform in respect of GBP was completed in Q4 2021, with GBP LIBOR assets transitioning to SONIA in all cases. The transition occurred before the first post-LIBOR interest rate payment date in the first half of 2022. The GBP LIBOR assets held by the Company all matured in the same timeframe and no GBP LIBOR assets remained after June 2022.

The Company assessment of whether a change to an amortised cost financial instrument was substantial, was made after applying the practical expedient introduced by IBOR reform Phase 2. The Company updated the effective interest rate, without modifying the carrying amount of the financial instrument when the basis for determining the contractual cash flows of the financial instrument, measured at amortised cost, changed as a direct consequence from the reform and if the change was economically equivalent to the previous basis (i.e. the basis immediately before the change).

As at 31 December 2022, the Company's remaining IBOR exposure was indexed to USD LIBOR. In March 2021 the FCA agreed to extend the life of USD LIBOR to 30 June 2023. At the same time the Alternative Reference Rates Committee ("ARRC") proposed updated language for legislation addressing the IBOR transition, which served as a model for legislation that was enacted by the states of New York and Alabama. On 29 July 2021 the House Committee on Financial Services voted to further the "Adjustable Interest Rate (LIBOR) Act of 2021" ("H.R. 4616"). These two pieces of legislation applied to contracts that lacked clearly defined fallback provisions and offered these assets a process to fall back to SOFR.

In effect this created two USD LIBOR transition categories: assets with strong fallback transition language which fell back to a contractually agreed non-LIBOR reference rate and assets with weak fallback transition language, which fell back to SOFR under the Safe Harbour provision.

As at 31 December 2022, the fallback language review for IBOR reform in respect of USD was completed, with USD LIBOR assets transitioning to SOFR in all cases. The transition itself occurred before the first post-LIBOR interest rate payment date (prior to the 30 June 2023 deadline).

As a result of the Safe Harbour provision, the AIFM ceased its reviews of fallback language, as it assessed fallback risk rating as no longer relevant. As at 31 December 2023, all USD LIBOR assets had completed the transition to SOFR.

#### (i) Foreign currency risk

The Company uses forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge against foreign exchange risks on a portion of its portfolio. The Company does not seek to establish a perfect correlation between the hedging instruments utilised and the portfolio being hedged. The hedging transactions may result in a poorer overall performance for the Company than if it had not engaged in such hedging transactions. Since the characteristics of many securities change as markets change, the success of the Company's hedging strategy is also subject to the Company's ability to continually recalculate, readjust and execute hedges in an efficient and timely manner. The Company does not regard the probability of foreign exchange risk occurring to be significantly high as to justify the cost of the hedge. The Investment Managers implement and manage this process through the use of various counterparties.



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (i) Foreign currency risk (continued)

The Investment Managers regularly review such positions to ensure that they are in line with the Company's investment policies.

The following table sets out the Company's total exposure to foreign currency risk and the net exposure to foreign currencies of the monetary assets and liabilities at 31 December 2023:

	Financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL €	Cash and cash equivalents €	Other assets and liabilities* €	Forward foreign exchange contracts €	Net exposure €	% of Total assets %**
CHF	-	3,770	-	(3,784)	(14)	0.00
GBP	413,071,679	3,064,252	6,652,488	(436,089,820)	(13,301,401)	(0.37)
USD	312,147,698	48,153,059	3,231,077	(320,077,477)	43,454,357	1.21

<sup>\*</sup>Other assets and liabilities are comprised mainly of trade payables and receivables.

The following table sets out the Company's total exposure to foreign currency risk and the net exposure to foreign currencies of the monetary assets and liabilities at 31 December 2022:

	Financial assets and liabilities at FVTPL €	Cash and cash equivalents €	Other assets and liabilities* €	Forward foreign exchange contracts €	Net exposure €	% of Total assets %**
CHF	-	3,537	-	(3,549)	(12)	0.00
GBP	680,337,023	12,477,424	6,302,421	(710,864,026)	(11,747,158)	(0.31)
USD	323,810,958	23,303,382	1,412,126	(353,123,966)	(4,597,500)	(0.12)

<sup>\*</sup>Other assets and liabilities are comprised mainly of trade payables and receivables.

#### Sensitivity analysis

The following currency sensitivity analysis information is a relative estimate of risk and is not intended to be a precise and accurate number. The calculations are based on historical data. Future rate movements and correlations between currencies could vary significantly from those experienced in the past.

The Company is exposed to foreign currency risk, however the risk is effectively transferred to the Parent, via the loans obtained from the Ultimate Parent, since under the loan agreement, all of the Company's profit or loss (except for a yearly profit of €250) will be incorporated into the value of the outstanding loans (please see Note 9). Accordingly any additional gains or losses arising from changes in foreign currency rates will be offset by an equal and opposite adjustment to the coupon payable amount on the loan from the Ultimate Parent.



<sup>\*\*%</sup> of Total Assets refers to the Total Net Assets of the Parent.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (i) Foreign currency risk (continued)

Sensitivity analysis (continued)

As at 31 December 2023, had the exchange rate increased or decreased by 5% with all other variables held constant, the increase or decrease respectively in the value of the Company's investments, denominated in currencies other than the base currency of the Company, would be as follows:

31 December 2022	31 December 2023	
€	€	
(1)	(1)	CHF
(587,358)	(665,070)	GBP
(229,875)	2.172.718	USD

#### (ii) Interest rate risk

The Company is exposed to the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of its financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. The Company's investments which are subject to interest rate risk are bonds and loans. The loans have a floating rate payment structure, whereby a fixed basis point spread is paid over the prevailing reference rate, typically SONIA or SOFR, reset on a quarterly or semi-annual basis.

Changes in interest rates can also have an effect on the valuation of financial asset and liability instruments held by the Company.

Other than the loan from the Ultimate Parent and unfunded loans, the Company has no liabilities as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 that are exposed to changes in interest rates.

The following table details the Company's exposure to interest rate risks. It includes the Company's assets and trading liabilities at fair values, categorised by maturity date and measured by the carrying value of the assets and liabilities at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022:

31 December 2023	Within one year €	1-5 years €	Greater than 5 years €	Non- interest bearing €	Total €
Assets Financial assets at FVTPL: - Investments - Forward foreign exchange contracts Other receivables Receivable for investments sold Cash and cash equivalents	48,456,324 - - - - 78,676,308	2,573,470,839	721,124,403 - - - -	294,822,619 11,535,328 64,406,040 62,826,698	3,637,874,185 11,535,328 64,406,040 62,826,698 78,676,308
Total assets	127,132,632	2,573,470,839	721,124,403	433,590,685	3,855,318,559
Liabilities Financial liabilities designated at FVTPL: - Loan and coupon payable on loan from Ultimate Parent - Unfunded loans Financial liabilities held for trading:	(3,607,695,114)	(57,676)	-	-	(3,607,695,114) (57,676)
- Forward foreign exchange contracts Payable for investments purchased Other payables and accrued expenses	- - -	- - -	- - -	(476,930) (247,008,934) (76,896)	(476,930) (247,008,934) (76,896)
Total liabilities	(3,607,695,114)	(57,676)	-	(247,562,760)	(3,855,315,550)
Total interest sensitivity gap	(3,480,562,482)	2,573,413,163	721,124,403		



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Interest rate risk (continued)

31 December 2022	Within one year €	1-5 years €	Greater than 5 years €	Non- interest bearing €	Total €
Assets Financial assets at FVTPL: - Investments - Forward foreign exchange contracts Other receivables Receivable for investments sold Cash and cash equivalents	91,948,186 - - 61,070,763	2,574,581,713 - - - -	822,534,202 - - - - -	236,934,373 24,894,281 53,979,984 41,832,486	3,725,998,474 24,894,281 53,979,984 41,832,486 61,070,763
Total assets	153,018,949	2,574,581,713	822,534,202	357,641,124	3,907,775,988
Liabilities Financial liabilities designated at FVTPL: - Loan and coupon payable on loan from Ultimate Parent Financial liabilities held for trading: - Forward foreign exchange contracts	(3,833,722,596)	-		(128,760)	(3,833,722,596)
Payable for investments purchased Other payables and accrued expenses	-	-	- -	(73,888,075) (33,735)	(73,888,075) (33,735)
Total liabilities	(3,833,722,596)	-		(74,050,570)	(3,907,773,166)
Total interest sensitivity gap	(3,680,703,647)	2,574,581,713	822,534,202		

#### Interest rate sensitivity

The below interest rate sensitivity analysis information is a relative estimate of risk and is not intended to be a precise and accurate number. The calculations are based on historical data. Future interest rate movements could vary significantly from those experienced in the past.

The interest rate risks of the Company are effectively transferred to the Parent via the loans obtained from the Ultimate Parent on behalf of its fund, the Parent. Accordingly any additional gains or losses arising from changes in interest rates will be offset by an equal and opposite adjustment to the coupon payable amount on the loan from the Ultimate Parent.

It should be noted that a change in the SONIA or SOFR interest rates may affect the fair value of the loan from the Ultimate Parent as follows (assuming negligible duration on floating rate instruments):

Interest change %	% Effect on Loan Fair Value 31 December 2023	Interest change %	% Effect on Loan Fair Value 31 December 2023
(1.00)	+0.44	+1.00	(0.43)
(1.50)	+0.66	+1.50	(0.64)
(2.00)	+0.89	+2.00	(0.85)
Interest change %	% Effect on Loan Fair Value	Interest change %	% Effect on Loan Fair Value
	31 December 2022		31 December 2022
(1.00)	+0.44	+1.00	(0.43)
(1.50)	+0.66	+1.50	(0.64)
(2.00)	+0.89	+2.00	(0.85)

#### (iii) Price risk

All of the Company's financial investments (loans, bonds, equities, collective investment schemes and forward foreign exchange contracts) are carried at fair value on the Statement of Financial Position. Usually the fair value of the investments can be reliably determined within a reasonable range of estimates. For certain other financial instruments, including other receivables, interest receivable on bank, receivable for investments sold, payable for investments purchased other payables and accrued expenses, the carrying amounts approximate fair value due to the immediate or short-term nature of these financial instruments.



Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (a) Market risk (continued)

#### (iii) Price risk (continued)

Fair value estimates are made at a specific point in time, based on market conditions and information about the financial instrument. These estimates are subjective in nature and involve uncertainties and matters of significant judgement (e.g. interest rates, volatility, estimated cash flows etc.) and therefore, cannot be determined with precision.

#### Sensitivity analysis

The below price sensitivity analysis information is a relative estimate of risk and is not intended to be a precise and accurate number. The calculations are based on historical data. Future price movements could vary significantly from those experienced in the past.

A 5% increase in investment prices at 31 December 2023 would have increased the value of investments at FVTPL by €181,893,709 (31 December 2022: €186,299,924) and it would have also increased the value of the loans from the Ultimate Parent by an equal amount. The net impact on the net assets of the Company would be €Nil (31 December 2022: €Nil).

#### (b) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a counterparty to a financial instrument will fail to discharge an obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Company resulting in a financial loss to the Company. The Company may invest in investments such as loans which are below investment grade, which as a result carry greater credit risk than investment grade sovereign or corporate bonds or loans.

The Company's credit risk concentration is spread between a number of counterparties. The top ten holdings in the Company represented 19.81% (31 December 2022: 17.35%) of the market value of the Company's assets.

Furthermore, where exposure to loans is gained by purchase of Sub-Participations, there is the additional credit and bankruptcy risk of the direct participant and its failure for whatever reason to account to the Company for monies received in respect of loans directly held by it. In analysing each loan or Sub-Participation, the Investment Managers will compare the relative significance of the risks against the expected benefits of the investment.

In purchasing Sub-Participations, the Company generally will not have the right to enforce compliance by the obligor with the terms of the applicable debt agreement nor directly benefit from the supporting collateral for the debt in respect of which it has purchased a Sub-Participation.

The carrying amounts of financial assets best represent the maximum credit risk exposure at the financial year end-date. The Investment Managers through their investment strategy will endeavour to avoid losses relating to defaults on the underlying assets. In-house research is used to identify asset allocation opportunities amongst various fixed income asset classes and to take advantage of episodes of market mid-pricing.

The Company may utilise different financial instruments to seek to hedge against declines in the value of the Company's positions as a result of changes in currency exchange rates. The Company is exposed to credit risk associated with the forward currency counterparties with whom it trades and will also bear the risk of settlement default.

None of the financial assets and financial liabilities are offset in the Statement of Financial Position. The Company's financial assets and financial liabilities are subject to an enforceable master netting arrangement or similar agreement that covers similar financial instruments. While the terms and conditions of these agreements may vary, all transactions under any such agreement constitute a single contractual relationship. Each party's obligation to make any payments, deliveries or other transfers in respect of any transaction under such an agreement may be netted against the other party's obligations under such agreement. A default by a party in performance with respect to one transaction under such an agreement would give the other party the right to terminate all transactions under such agreement and calculate one net amount owed from one party to the other. The following tables present information about the offsetting of derivative instruments.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk (continued)

At 31 December 2023, the Company's derivative assets and liabilities are as follows:

Description	Counterparty	Value of derivative assets	Financial instruments	Collateral received	Net
Forward foreign exchange contracts	National Australia Bank	<b>€</b> 5,571,826	€ -	€ -	<b>€</b> 5,571,826
Forward foreign exchange contracts	State Street Bank	5,963,502	(476,930)	-	5,486,572
		11,535,328	(476,930)	-	11,058,398
Description	Counterparty	Value of derivative liabilities	Financial instruments	Collateral pledged	Net
Forward foreign exchange contracts	State Street Bank	<b>€</b> (476,930)	<b>€</b> 476,930	€ -	€
		(476,930)	476,930		
At 31 December 2022, th	e Company's derivative assets	and liabilities are as	follows:		
Description	Counterparty	Value of derivative assets €	Financial instruments €	Collateral received €	Net €
Forward foreign exchange contracts	National Australia Bank	12,939,215	-	-	12,939,215
Forward foreign exchange contracts	State Street Bank	11,955,066	(128,760)	-	11,826,306
		24,894,281	(128,760)		24,765,521
Description	Counterparty	Value of derivative liabilities	Financial instruments	Collateral pledged	Net
Forward foreign exchange contracts	State Street Bank	<b>€</b> (128,760)	<b>€</b> 128,760	€ -	€ -
•		(128,760)	128,760		



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk (continued)

The Company's financial assets exposed to credit risk were concentrated in the following geographical areas:

% of Market Value	% of Market Value
31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Australia -	0.5
Belgium 2.6	1.7
Czech Republic 0.3	0.3
Denmark 2.7	3.6
Finland 0.7	0.4
France 9.4	11.1
Germany 15.2	16.1
Ireland 3.7	2.7
Italy 2.1	2.1
Luxembourg 5.1	3.8
Netherlands 7.3	6.2
Norway 0.8	0.6
Portugal 0.6	0.7
Spain 4.9	6.2
Sweden 2.0	1.5
Switzerland 3.6	1.4
United Kingdom 21.7	29.3
United States 17.3	11.8
100.0	100.0

The Company held investments in bonds and loans with the following publicly quoted credit ratings:

Moody's Rating	% of Market Value 31 December 2023	% of Market Value 31 December 2022
Ba1	1.2	0.1
Ba2	2.8	0.3
Ba3	8.8	3.7
B1	14.6	17.4
B2	28.9	27.1
B3	31.8	31.3
Caa1	5.2	11.2
Caa2	3.2	4.2
Caa3	1.3	3.1
Ca	2.2	1.6
Total	100.0	100.0

Credit risk arising on transactions with brokers relates to transactions awaiting settlement. The Company monitors the credit rating and financial positions of the brokers used to mitigate this risk. The Investment Managers also monitor the settlement process on a regular basis.

The nature of the non-publicly rated assets is entirely consistent with the loan market. The Investment Managers undertake extensive due diligence on all deals before initial investment. Post initial approval by the credit committee and throughout the holding period of the investment, the Investment Managers continually evaluate the investment's performance including such measures as reviewing pricing levels, monthly accounts, budgets and meeting management, where appropriate.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk (continued)

At the reporting date, the Company's financial assets exposed to credit risk are as follows:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	€	€
Investments at fair value	3,610,216,144	3,690,631,906
Forward foreign exchange contracts	11,535,328	24,894,281
Other receivables	64,406,040	53,979,984
Receivable for investments sold	62,826,698	41,832,486
Cash and cash equivalents	78,676,308	61,070,763
Total	3,827,660,518	3,872,409,420

Amounts in the above table are based on the carrying value of the financial assets as at the financial year end date.

Substantially all of the non-loan assets of the Company (including cash) are held by the State Street Custodial Services (Ireland) Limited (the "Depositary"). Bankruptcy or insolvency of the Depositary may cause the Company's rights with respect to securities held by the Depositary to be delayed or limited. The Company monitors its risk by monitoring the credit quality and financial positions of the Depositary the Company uses. The S&P credit rating of State Street Corporation as at 31 December 2023 was A (31 December 2022: A). The S&P credit rating of National Australia Bank Limited as at 31 December 2023 was AA-(31 December 2022: AA-).

All of the loan assets of the Company have agent banks, and are not safeguarded within the Depositary's network. Bankruptcy or insolvency of an agent bank may cause the Company's rights with respect to amounts held by the agent bank (on behalf of the associated loan) to be delayed or limited.

The Company's Investment Managers analyse credit concentration based on the counterparty, industry and geographical location of the financial assets that the Company holds.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (b) Credit risk (continued)

The Company's financial assets exposed to credit risk were concentrated in the following industries:

	% of Market Value	% of Market Value
A D.f.	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Aerospace and Defense	1.6	1.7
Automobile	2.4	2.7
Banking  Payaran Food and Takaran	4.9	3.6
Beverage, Food and Tobacco	2.7	3.0
Broadcasting and Entertainment	3.9	1.9
Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	5.3 2.0	3.3 2.6
Containers, Packaging and Glass		4.3
Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	4.9	4.3 13.2
Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	14.0	0.4
Ecological Electronics	1.4	0.4
Finance	5.2	3.8
Healthcare, Education and Childcare	22.3	21.9
Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares, and Durable Consumer Products	1.2	1.7
Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	3.7	8.1
Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment	5.0	5.1
Machinery Non-Agriculture, Non-Construction, Non-Electronic	2.5	2.7
Oil and Gas	1.3	1.2
Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products Mfg. Only	0.1	1.2
Personal Transportation	0.5	0.4
Printing and Publishing	-	0.8
Retail Stores	0.5	2.1
Telecommunications	13.8	12.9
Utilities	0.8	1.7
	100.0	100.0

Credit risk also incorporates counterparty risk which covers the likelihood of a counterparty failing which would principally arise on transactions with brokers that are awaiting settlement. As at 31 December 2023, the Company had trade receivables of  $\in$ 62,826,698 (31 December 2022:  $\in$ 41,832,486) and trade payables of  $\in$ 247,008,934 (31 December 2022:  $\in$ 73,888,075) of which  $\in$ Nil of the receivables (31 March 2023:  $\in$ Nil) and  $\in$ 16,864,089 of the payables (31 March 2023:  $\in$ 14,247,917) remained outstanding at 31 March 2024, all other amounts have been settled. Risk relating to unsettled transactions is considered small due to the approval process of the brokers used and an active weekly settlement process employed from the outset by the Investment Managers.

#### (c) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations arising from its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset, or that such obligations will have to be settled in a manner that is disadvantageous to the Company.

The loan from the Ultimate Parent is repayable at any moment in time. However, the amount repayable shall be an amount equal to the relevant assets in the same currency as the loan.

No other assets will be available to the Ultimate Parent and the obligation to make payments shall be reduced accordingly (if necessary). Therefore, liquidity risk in relation to repayment of the loan from the Ultimate Parent is reduced.

The Company may invest in investments such as loans which are below investment grade, which as a result carry greater liquidity risk than investment grade sovereign or corporate bonds or loans.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (c) Liquidity risk (continued)

Due to the unique and customised nature of loan agreements evidencing private debt assets and the private syndication thereof, these assets are not as easily purchased or sold as publicly traded securities. Although the range of investors in private debt has broadened in recent years, there can be no assurance that future levels of supply and demand in loan trading will provide the degree of liquidity which currently exists in the market. In addition, the terms of these assets may restrict their transferability without borrower consent. The Investment Managers will consider any such restriction, along with all other factors, in determining whether or not to advise the Company to acquire participation in each asset.

The requirement to sell investments quickly may result in an adverse impact on the value of holdings as forced sales will potentially be made below the fair value of investments. The Company may have to execute forced sales to satisfy large redemption requests in the Parent. However, to mitigate this risk, the Prospectus of the Ultimate Parent and the Supplement for the Parent provide for the restrictions in repurchasing redeemable shares. These restrictions will influence how quickly the Company's assets could be liquidated, if necessary, and include satisfying a repurchase of redeemable shares request of less than 5% of the Net Asset Value ("NAV") of the Parent by a distribution of investments in-specie.

There are unfunded loans held in the portfolio for which there are unfunded loan commitments to purchase loan assets. Although there may be a requirement to provide funding for these loan commitments, there is limited exposure to liquidity risk associated with these unfunded loans as the loans could be sold to other market participants.

The Company must generate sufficient cash to satisfy redemption requests in the Parent. The Parent's constitutional documentation makes provision for a range of measures to assist with the management of liquidity on an ongoing basis, including, for example, the deferral of redemption applications exceeding 10% of the NAV of the Parent. The Company is typically managed with a small 'buffer' of cash (to minimise the cash drag impact on returns for investors) but also typically has investments in senior secured public floating rate notes whose settlement period (T+2 through Euroclear) permits more rapid sale where this might be required for liquidity purposes.

The Company acts as the Guarantor for revolving credit facilities entered into by the Ultimate Parent, on behalf of the Parent and the Company with Bank of America N.A., Barclays Bank PLC, BNP Paribas, HSBC Bank plc, National Australia Bank Limited and State Street Bank International GmbH. Before 5 July 2023, State Street Bank and Trust Company was one of the lenders and was replaced with State Street Bank International GmbH on 5 July 2023. As at 31 December 2023, there was no amount outstanding on this credit facility (31 December 2022: no amount outstanding). Lines were not drawn through 2023.

All of the Company's financial liabilities as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 were payable within three months.

The table below sets out the Company's gross-settled derivative financial instruments at 31 December 2023. The forward foreign exchange contracts held are for both portfolio and share class hedging purposes:

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	month	1-3 months	3 months	Total
Derivative financial assets and liabilities	€	€	€	€
- Asset - Forward foreign exchange contracts	856,216,167	-	-	856,216,167
- Liability - Forward foreign exchange contracts	(845,157,769)	-	-	(845,157,769)
	11,058,398		-	11,058,398

The table below sets out the Company's gross-settled derivative financial instruments at 31 December 2022. The forward foreign exchange contracts held are for both portfolio and share class hedging purposes:

	Less than 1 month	1-3 months	Greater than 3 months	Total
Derivative financial assets and liabilities	€	€	€	€
- Asset - Forward foreign exchange contracts	1,118,607,175	-	-	1,118,607,175
- Liability - Forward foreign exchange contracts	(1,093,841,654)			(1,093,841,654)
	24,765,521			24,765,521



Greater than

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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (d) Fair value hierarchy

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

- Level 1 Quoted market price in an active market for an identical instrument.
- Level 2 Valuation techniques based on observable inputs. This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market
  prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for 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 could have a significant
  impact 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.

#### **Valuation Framework**

The Company has an established control framework with respect to measurement of fair values. This framework includes a Valuations Committee which is independent of front office management. Specific controls include:

- · Review and approval of valuation methodologies;
- Review and approval process for changes to pricing models;
- · Review of unobservable inputs and valuation adjustments;
- · Review of independent third party pricing sources; and
- Review of prices where no third party pricing source is available.

The level in the fair value hierarchy within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Company. The Company considers observable data to be that market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market. The majority of holdings as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 were based on broker quotes received from Markit Group Limited. The remainder were priced from market makers and other pricing providers providing quotes directly to the Investment Managers or the Administrator and were classified as Level 2. Where only single broker quotes are obtained for particular holdings, these holdings are classified as either Level 2 or Level 3 depending on trading and inputs into the price. The Investment Managers independently review the prices received as single broker quotes and ensure that they are in line with expectations.

If a quoted market price is not available on a recognised stock exchange or from a broker/dealer for non-exchange traded financial instruments, the fair value of the instrument is estimated using valuation techniques, including use of recent arm's length market transactions, (i.e., an exit price) reference to the current fair value of another instrument that is substantially the same, discounted cash flow techniques, option pricing models or any other valuation technique that provides a reliable estimate of prices obtained in actual market transactions. Where other pricing models are used, inputs are based on market data at the Statement of Financial Position date.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (d) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

#### Valuation Framework (continued)

Fair value for unquoted equity investments is estimated, if possible, using applicable price/earnings ratios for similar listed companies adjusted to reflect the specific circumstances of the issuer. If a quoted price is not available from a recognised market, or is unrepresentative in the opinion of the Directors or their delegate, such a security shall be valued, by estimating with care and in good faith the probable realisable value of the investment, by the Directors or their delegate or a competent person, which may be the Investment Managers (appointed by the Directors and approved for the purpose by the Depositary) or valued at the probable realisation value estimated with care and in good faith by any other means provided that the value is approved by the Depositary.

Security type categorised as Level 3:	Fair value 31 December 2023 €	Fair value 31 December 2022 €
Bonds	51,564,896	48,681,910
Equities	13,521,481	16,456,512
Loans	222,065,102	282,666,669
Unfunded loans	(57,676)	<u> </u>
	287,093,803	347,805,091

The value of any security, including debt and equity securities which is not normally quoted, listed or traded on or under the rules of a recognised market and the value of loans and sub-participations in loans will be determined in accordance with the above provisions or obtained from an independent pricing source (if available).

Please refer to the Schedule of Investments for the fair value of individual investments which were classified as Level 3.

For each class of assets and liabilities not measured at fair value in the Statement of Financial Position but for which fair value is disclosed, IFRS 13 requires the Company to disclose the level within the fair value hierarchy which the fair value measurement would be categorised and a description of the valuation technique and inputs used in the technique.

Assets and liabilities not carried at fair value are carried at amortised cost; their carrying values are a reasonable approximation of fair value.

Cash and cash equivalents include deposits held with banks and other short-term investments in an active market and they are categorised as Level 1.

Receivable for investments sold and other receivables include the contractual amounts for settlement of trades and other obligations due to the Company. Payable for investments purchased and other payables and accrued expenses represent the contractual amounts and obligations due by the Company for settlement of trades and expenses. All receivable and payable balances are categorised as Level 2.

The majority of investments held by the Company as at 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022 were classified as Level 2 and were classified as Level 2 since the date of purchase. The loan and the coupon payable on the loan from the Ultimate Parent is classified as Level 2 since its value is based on the underlying investments, the majority of which are classified as Level 2.

All forward foreign exchange contracts are classified as Level 2 since they are valued using observable inputs but are not quoted in an active market.



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# 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (d) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

#### Valuation Framework (continued)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value at 31 December 2023:

	Level 1 €	Level 2 €	Level 3 €	Total Fair Value €
Financial assets at FVTPL: - Investments - Forward foreign exchange contracts	271,129,213	3,079,593,493 11,535,328	287,151,479	3,637,874,185 11,535,328
Total financial assets	271,129,213	3,091,128,821	287,151,479	3,649,409,513
Financial liabilities designated at FVTPL:  - Loan and coupon payable on loan from the Ultimate Parent  - Unfunded loans Financial liabilities held for trading:		(3,607,695,114)	(57,676)	(3,607,695,114) (57,676)
- Forward foreign exchange contracts		(476,930)		(476,930)
Total financial liabilities		(3,608,172,044)	(57,676)	(3,608,229,720)

The following table analyses within the fair value hierarchy the Company's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value at 31 December 2022:

	Level 1 €	Level 2 €	Level 3 €	Total Fair Value €
Financial assets at FVTPL: - Investments - Forward foreign exchange contracts	207,019,093	3,171,174,290 24,894,281	347,805,091	3,725,998,474 24,894,281
Total financial assets	207,019,093	3,196,068,571	347,805,091	3,750,892,755
Financial liabilities designated at FVTPL:  - Loan and coupon payable on loan from the Ultimate Parent Financial liabilities held for trading:	-	(3,833,722,596)	-	(3,833,722,596)
- Forward foreign exchange contracts		(128,760)	-	(128,760)
Total financial liabilities		(3,833,851,356)		(3,833,851,356)

Transfers between levels of the fair value hierarchy are deemed to have occurred at the end of the financial year. There were no transfers between Level 1 and Level 2 during the financial year (31 December 2022: None). Transfers between Level 2 and Level 3 are discussed after the Level 3 reconciliation tables below, where relevant.



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#### 10. Financial instruments and associated risks (continued)

#### (d) Fair value hierarchy (continued)

#### Valuation Framework (continued)

The following table shows the movement in Level 3 of the fair value hierarchy for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 and 31 December 2022.

	Financial assets at FVTPL	Financial assets at FVTPL
	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
	€	€
Opening balance	347,805,091	159,834,761
Gains/(losses) recognised in profit or loss	2,586,586	(41,658,010)
Purchases	162,863,426	129,204,036
Sales	(190,766,425)	(72,664,032)
Transfers out of Level 3	(35,394,875)	(8,519,919)
Transfers into Level 3		181,608,255
Closing balance	287,093,803	347,805,091
Total unrealised losses recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income for assets held at the end of the reporting financial year:		
- Included within unrealised loss on investments	(34,017,319)	(12,910,949)

The table below sets out information about significant unobservable inputs used at 31 December 2023 in measuring financial instruments categorised as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy:

Assat Olses	Fair Value	Unobservable	Danner	Weighted
Asset Class	€	Inputs	Ranges	Average
Loans	222,065,102	Broker Quotes/Recent Sales	0.00-100.00	92.46
Bonds	51,564,896	Broker Quotes	0.00-136.82	115.14
Equity	13,521,481	EBITDA Multiples/Recent Sales	0.00-0.40	0.40
Unfunded loans	(57.676)	Broker Quotes	95.00	95.00

The table below sets out information about significant unobservable inputs used at 31 December 2022 in measuring financial instruments categorised as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy:

	Fair Value	Unobservable		Weighted
Asset Class	€	Inputs	Ranges	Average
Loans	282,666,669	Broker Quotes/Recent Sales	0.00-101.00	91.097
Bonds	48,681,910	Broker Quotes	0.00-149.64	125.69
Equity	16.456.512	EBITDA Multiples/Recent Sales	0.00-56.47	3.24

Sensitivity of Level 3 asset measured at fair value to changes in assumptions

The results of using reasonably possible alternative assumptions for valuing the Level 3 asset may result in the fair value estimate and recoverability of the asset being subject to uncertainty and a range of possible outcomes are likely. Such differences, if any, would not have a material effect on the overall portfolio as at 31 December 2023 or as at 31 December 2022.

If the value of level 3 securities increased/(decreased) by 5%, the effect on the NAV would be  $\le$ 14,354,690 (31 December 2022:  $\le$ 17,390,255).



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#### 11. Interests in other entities

#### Interests in Unconsolidated Structured Entities

IFRS 12 defines a structured entity as an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, such as when any voting rights relate to the administrative tasks only and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual agreements. A structured entity often has some of the following features or attributes:

- restricted activities:
- a narrow and well defined objective;
- · insufficient equity to permit the structured entity to finance its activities without subordinated financial support; and
- · financing in the form of multiple contractually linked instruments that create concentrations of credit or other risks.

Below is a summary of the Company's holdings in non-subsidiary unconsolidated structured entities as at 31 December 2023:

			Total Net		
			Assets of the	Carrying amount	
Structured	Line item in		underlying	included in 'Financial	% of Total
Entity	Statement of	No. of	SE*	assets at FVTPL'	Net
("SE")	Financial Position	investments	€	€	Assets**
,	Financial Assets at				
CIS	FVTPL	3	51,461,704,620	267,164,578	7.41

Below is a summary of the Company's holdings in non-subsidiary unconsolidated structured entities as at 31 December 2022:

		Total Net		
		Assets of the	Carrying amount	
Line item in		underlying	included in 'Financial	% of Total
Statement of	No. of	SE*	assets at FVTPL'	Net
Financial Position	investments	€	€	Assets**
Financial Assets at				
FVTPL	3	29,508,000,000	201,567,805	5.31
	Statement of Financial Position Financial Assets at	Statement of No. of Financial Position investments Financial Assets at	Line item in  Statement of Financial Position  No. of Financial Assets at  Assets of the underlying No. of No. of SE* Financial Position investments  €	Assets of the Carrying amount Line item in underlying included in 'Financial Statement of No. of SE* assets at FVTPL' Financial Position investments € € Financial Assets at

<sup>\*</sup>Based on the latest available Net Assets of the Structured Entities.

#### 12. Exchange rates

The following exchange rates (against the €) were used in the Statement of Financial Position to translate foreign currency amounts, convert the investments and other assets and liabilities denominated in currencies other than €:

	31 December 2023	31 December 2022
Swiss Franc (CHF)	1.0770	1.0103
Great British Pound (GBP)	1.1546	1.1294
United States Dollar (USD)	0.9058	0.9342

#### 13. Contingent liabilities

The Directors are not aware of any contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2023 or 31 December 2022.

#### 14. Taxation

Current financial year tax	31 December 2023 € (63)	31 December 2022 € (63)
Reconciliation of tax charge to profit before tax: Profit before tax	250	250
Corporation tax at 25%	(63)	(63)



<sup>\*\*%</sup> of Total Net Assets refers to the Net Assets of the Parent.

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#### 15. Ultimate Parent undertaking and Parent undertaking of larger groups

The Company's Ultimate Parent undertaking is Barings Global Investment Funds Plc, a company incorporated in Ireland.

The immediate Parent of Barings European Loan Limited is Barings European Loan Fund.

#### 16. Charges

The loans from the Ultimate Parent on behalf of the Parent are secured by the assignment of a fixed first charge of the Company's rights, title and coupon on debt investments.

#### 17. Significant events during the financial year

There were no significant events during the financial year, which require adjustment to, or disclosure in the financial statements.

#### 18. Significant events after the financial year end

There were no significant events affecting the Company after the financial year end.

#### 19. Ukraine/Russia conflict

In response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, the EU, the U.S., the UK and other governmental entities have passed a variety of severe economic sanctions and export controls against Russia, including imposition of sanctions against Russia's Central Bank, largest financial institutions and certain individuals. In addition, a number of businesses have curtailed or suspended activities in Russia or dealings with Russian counterparts for reputational reasons. While current sanctions may not target the Company or the Portfolio Investments and their issuers and industries in which the issuers of the Portfolio Investments operate, these sanctions have had and may continue to have the effect of causing significant economic disruption and may adversely impact the global economy generally, and the Russian economy specifically by, among other things, creating instability in the energy sectors, reducing trade as a result of economic sanctions and increased volatility and uncertainty in financial markets, including Russia's financial sector. Additionally, any new or expanded sanctions that may be imposed by the U.S., EU, UK, or other countries may materially adversely affect the Company or the Portfolio Investments.

#### 20. Comparative financial year

The comparative amounts in these financial statements are for the financial year ended 31 December 2022.

#### 21. Approval of financial statements

The Directors approved these financial statements on 15 April 2024.



#### Schedule of Investments (Unaudited)

Loans	Industry	Obligar	Fair Value	% of Net
Country Belgium	Industry Aerospace and Defense	Obligor CEP IV Investment 16 SARL EUR Term	<b>€</b> 17,055,009	<b>Assets</b> * 0.47
		Loan B CEP IV Investment 16 SARL USD 2nd Lien Term Loan**	41,111,188	1.14
	Telecommunications	Telenet International Finance SARL 2020 EUR Term Loan AQ	36,941,194	1.02
Czech Republic	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	Al Sirona (Luxembourg) Acquisition SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan B	10,838,016	0.30
Denmark		Auris Luxembourg III SARL EUR Term Loan B1A	42,021,126	1.17
	Telecommunications	Nuuday AS EUR Term Loan B	25,166,750	0.70
		TDC Net A/S 2022 EUR Term Loan**	2,051,661	0.06
		TDC Net A/S 2022 EUR Term Loan B**	27,605,006	0.77
Finland	Containers, Packaging and Glass	Spa Holdings 3 Oy EUR Term Loan B	8,126,979	0.23
		Spa Holdings 3 Oy USD Term Loan B	1,799,817	0.05
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	Amer Sports Oyj EUR Term Loan B	13,050,570	0.36
France	Beverage, Food and Tobacco	Pimente Investissement SASU EUR Term Loan B	12,964,770	0.36
		Solina Bidco 2021 EUR Term Loan B	9,987,650	0.28
	Broadcasting and	Technicolor Creative Studios 2023 EUR	2,439,745	0.07
	Entertainment	PIK Incremental New Money Term Loan**	, ,	
		Technicolor Creative Studios 2023 EUR PIK New Money Tranche**	4,697,713	0.13
		Technicolor Creative Studios 2023 EUR PIK New Money Tranche A2 Undrawn**	4,291,492	0.12
		Technicolor Creative Studios 2023 EUR PIK Reinstated Term Loan B	11,957,421	0.33
		Technicolor Creative Studios 2023 EUR PIK Term Loan**	-	0.00
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	Al Sirona (Luxembourg) Acquisition SARL 2021 EUR 1st Lien Term Loan B	8,753,100	0.24
	Containers, Packaging and Glass	Kouti B.V. 2021 EUR Term Loan	7,646,228	0.21
		Silica Bidco EUR Term Loan B	10,577,496	0.29
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	Rubix Group Midco 3 Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan B	23,915,991	0.66
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	BCP V Modular Services Holdings IV Limited EUR Term Loan B	21,954,001	0.61
		Cegid Group SAS 2021 EUR Term Loan B	10,745,429	0.30
		Cegid Group SAS 2023 EUR Term Loan B	16,639,295	0.46
		Granite France Bidco SAS EUR Term Loan B	7,175,253	0.20
	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	Biogroup-LCD 2021 EUR Term Loan B	13,178,962	0.37
		CAB 2021 EUR Add-on Term Loan B	961,250	0.03
		Cerba Healthcare SAS 2021 EUR Term	1,794,290	0.05
		Loan B Cerba Healthcare SAS 2022 EUR Term	6,441,594	0.18
		Loan C Cerba Healthcare SAS 2022 EUR Term	8,872,878	0.25
		Loan D Colisee Partrimoine Group 2021 EUR Incremental Term Loan	9,872,750	0.27



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Loans (continued)			Fair Value	% of Net
Country	Industry	Obligor	Fall Value €	Assets*
France (continued)	Healthcare, Education and Childcare (continued)	Financiere Verdi I SAS 2021 GBP Term Loan B	38,506,795	1.07
	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	Casper Bidco SAS 2020 EUR Term Loan B3A	43,238,410	1.20
		Casper Bidco SAS 2021 EUR Term Loan B4	11,422,586	0.32
	Telecommunications	Altice France SA 2023 EUR Term Loan B14	18,193,825	0.50
Germany	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	Flint Group Midco Limited EUR Super Senior Term Loan	8,927,311	0.25
		Flint Group Midco Limited USD Opco Term Loan**	16,523,509	0.46
		Flint Group Packaging INKS North America Holdings LLC EUR Opco Term Loan	17,949,212	0.50
		Flint Group Packaging INKS North America Holdings LLC EUR PIK 2nd Lien Holdco Term Loan	2,351,480	0.07
		Flint Group Packaging INKS North America Holdings LLC EUR PIK Holdco Term Loan	9,497,802	0.26
		Flint Group Topco Limited USD First Lien Holdco Facility	6,454,476	0.18
		Flint Group Topco Limited USD Second Lien Holdco Facility	2,592,672	0.07
	Containers, Packaging and Glass	LSF11 Folio Bidco GmbH 2022 EUR Term Loan	18,392,604	0.51
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	Arvos Bidco SARL USD 1st Lien Term Loan B1	5,708,409	0.16
		Arvos Bidco SARL USD 1st Lien Term Loan B2	5,708,409	0.16
		INNIO Group Holding GmbH 2023 EUR Term Loan B	3,065,475	0.09
		LSF10 XL Bidco SCA 2021 EUR Term Loan B4	24,822,786	0.69
		PharmaZell GmbH EUR Term Loan B	10,893,892	0.30
		SGB-SMIT Management GmbH EUR Term Loan B	29,044,604	0.81
		TK Elevator Topco GmbH EUR Term Loan B	10,010,700	0.28
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Adevinta ASA EUR Term Loan B	6,516,640	0.18
		Marcel LUX IV SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan B4	11,334,013	0.31
	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	Aenova Holding GmbH 2021 EUR Term Loan B	29,981,400	0.83
		Amedes Holding AG 2021 EUR Term Loan B	3,310,790	0.09
		Amedes Holding AG 2023 EUR Add on Term Loan B	9,222,915	0.26
		Blitz F21-433 GmbH GBP Term Loan B CeramTec AcquiCo GmbH 2022 EUR	6,341,254 18,308,591	0.18 0.51
		Term Loan B Cheplapharm Arzneimittel GmbH 2022 EUR Term Loan B	10,017,850	0.28
		Iris Bidco GmbH EUR Term Loan B	44,153,365	1.23
		Median B V 2021 EUR Term Loan B	26,065,591	0.72
		Median B V 2021 GBP Term Loan B	16,903,732	0.47
		Nidda Healthcare Holding AG 2020 EUR Term Loan F	19,652,400	0.55



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Loans (continue	d)			
Country	Industry	Obligor	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
Germany (continued)	Healthcare, Education and Childcare (continued)	Nidda Healthcare Holding AG 2020 GBP Term Loan F	45,671,449	1.27
(continued)	Machinery Non- Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non-	Arvos Bidco SARL EUR 1st Lien Term Loan B1	3,990,040	0.11
	Electronic Utilities	Techem Verwaltungsgesellschaft 675 GmbH EUR Term Loan B4	30,039,150	0.83
Ireland	Telecommunications	Eircom Finco SARL 2019 EUR Term Loan B	14,220,429	0.39
		Virgin Media Ireland Limited EUR Term Loan	9,876,000	0.27
Italy	Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares, and Durable Consumer Products	Global Garden Products C SARL (LUX) 2022 EUR Term Loan B1	31,997,151	0.89
Luxembourg	Finance	Saphilux SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan	8,040,000	0.22
Netherlands	Beverage, Food and Tobacco	Sunshine Investments B.V. 2022 GBP Term Loan	16,212,445	0.45
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	Nouryon Finance B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B	20,068,314	0.56
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Infinitas Learning Holding B.V. 2021 EUR Term Loan B	14,933,025	0.41
	Corvido	Precise Bidco BV 2023 EUR Term Loan B4	7,465,943	0.21
		TMF Group Holding B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B	21,955,973	0.61
	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	Sandy Bidco B.V. EUR Term Loan B	19,820,400	0.55
	Machinery Non- Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non- Electronic	Ammeraal Beltech Holding B.V. 2018 EUR 1st Lien Term Loan B	3,721,313	0.10
	21001101110	Ammeraal Beltech Holding B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B	15,011,250	0.42
	Retail Stores	Peer Holding III B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B3	10,062,785	0.28
		Yonderland Finco BV EUR Term Loan B**	8,804,331	0.24
	Telecommunications	Odido Holding B.V. EUR Term Loan	39,571,890	1.10
Norway	Leisure, Amusement,	Ziggo B.V. 2019 EUR Term Loan H Hurtigruten ASA EUR Term Loan A**	36,516,799 5,518,025	1.01 0.15
	Entertainment	Silk Bidco AS EUR Term Loan B	24,862,610	0.69
Portugal	Telecommunications	Altice Financing SA 2022 USD Term	7,797,281	0.22
		Altice Financing SA 2023 EUR Term Loan	6,244,800	0.17
Spain	Broadcasting and Entertainment	Dorna Sports, S.L. 2022 EUR Term Loan B	21,574,633	0.60
	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	HNVR Holdco Limited EUR Term Loan C	32,947,365	0.91
	Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment	International Park Holdings B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B	20,041,700	0.56
		Parques Reunidos SAU 2019 EUR Term Loan B1	20,827,800	0.58
	Personal Transportation	Anarafe, S.L.U 2023 EUR New Money Delayed Draw Term Loan**	3,404,352	0.09
		Anarafe, S.L.U 2023 EUR New Money Facility C**	808,247	0.02



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Loans (continued)			Fair Value	% of Net
Country	Industry	Obligor	rair value €	% of Net Assets*
Spain (continued)	Telecommunications	Lorca Holdco Limited 2021 EUR Term Loan B2	46,462,351	1.29
Sweden	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Verisure Holding AB 2020 EUR Term Loan B	5,455,259	0.15
		Verisure Holding AB 2021 EUR Term Loan	22,885,115	0.63
	Home and Office Furnishings, Housewares, and Durable Consumer Products	Hilding Anders International AB 2022 EUR PIK Reorg Holdco**	-	0.00
		Hilding Anders International AB 2022 EUR PIK Reorg Opco Term Loan**	9,136,086	0.25
		Hilding Anders International AB 2023 EUR New Money Facility**	3,339,576	0.09
Switzerland	Automobile	Garrett LX I SARL 2021 EUR Term Loan B	1,041,567	0.03
		Garrett LX I SARL 2021 USD Term Loan B	6,326,059	0.18
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	Ineos Finance Plc 2021 EUR Term Loan B	5,528,537	0.15
	rabboi	Ineos Finance Plc 2022 EUR Term Loan B	12,611,340	0.35
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Global Blue Acquisition B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B**	16,300,000	0.45
	Telecommunications	Matterhorn Telecom SA 2020 EUR Term Loan B	13,024,375	0.36
		UPC Broadband Holding B.V. 2020 EUR Term Loan AU	18,326,686	0.51
		UPC Broadband Holding B.V. 2021 EUR Term Loan AY	40,546,454	1.13
		UPC Financing Partnership 2021 USD Term Loan AX	11,755,051	0.33
United Kingdom	Automobile	Constellation Automotive Limited GBP 2nd Lien Term Loan B	13,265,589	0.37
		Constellation Automotive Limited GBP Term Loan B	12,939,392	0.36
	Beverage, Food and Tobacco	Froneri International Ltd. 2020 EUR Term Loan B1	59,038,875	1.64
	Broadcasting and Entertainment	DLG Acquisitions Limited 2019 EUR Term Loan C	10,009,000	0.28
		VMED O2 UK Holdco 4 Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan Z	30,901,519	0.86
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	INEOS Quattro Holdings UK Ltd 2023 EUR 1st Lien Term Loan B	12,509,500	0.35
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Aston FinCo SARL 2019 GBP Term Loan B	18,863,890	0.52
		Element Materials Technology Group US Holdings Inc. 2022 EUR Term Loan B	3,985,320	0.11
		Element Materials Technology Group US Holdings Inc. 2022 USD Delayed Draw Term Loan***	1,417,751	0.04
		Element Materials Technology Group US Holdings Inc. 2022 USD Term Loan	3,071,795	0.09
		IRIS Bidco Limited 2018 GBP Term Loan B	25,394,680	0.70
		IVC Acquisition Ltd 2023 EUR Term Loan B	26,197,603	0.73



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Loans (continued)						
Country	Industry	Obligor	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*		
United Kingdom (continued)	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service (continued)	IVC Acquisition Ltd 2023 GBP Term Loan B	11,738,234	0.33		
		Summer (BC) Holdco B SARL 2021 USD Term Loan B2	3,195,134	0.09		
		Summer (BC) Holdco B SARL USD Term Loan B1	26,763,987	0.74		
	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	Advanz Pharma Corp 2021 EUR Term Loan B	9,199,593	0.26		
		Eagle Bidco Limited 2021 GBP Term Loan B	16,569,728	0.46		
		Fugue Finance B.V. 2023 EUR Term Loan B	61,333,670	1.70		
		Lernen Bidco Limited EUR Term Loan B1	34,080,304	0.95		
		Markermeer Finance B.V. 2020 EUR Term Loan B	29,360,590	0.81		
		Triley Midco 2 Ltd EUR Term Loan B	39,096,844	1.08		
		Tunstall Group Holdings Limited 2023 EUR Reinstated Term Loan B**	26,321,505	0.73		
		Tunstall Group Holdings Limited 2023 EUR Super Senior Term Loan**	26,851,602	0.75		
	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	Awaze Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan B3	7,303,589	0.20		
	Carming	Awaze Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan B4	2,296,821	0.06		
	Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment	Motion Finco SARL EUR Term Loan B	31,940,000	0.89		
		Vue International Bidco Plc 2022 EUR Term Loan	9,366,386	0.26		
		Vue International Bidco Plc 2023 EUR PIK Term Loan	16,426,170	0.46		
	Machinery Non- Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non- Electronic	Alloy Finco Limited 2020 GBP Term Loan B1	9,387,672	0.26		
	Liectionic	Alloy Finco Limited 2020 USD Term Loan B2	15,934,924	0.44		
		Alloy Finco Limited GBP Holdco PIK Term Loan	19,044,221	0.53		
	Telecommunications	Virgin Media SFA Finance Limited EUR Term Loan O	5,925,000	0.16		
United States	Automobile	Clarios Global LP 2021 EUR Term Loan B	8,793,231	0.24		
		DexKo Global Inc. 2021 EUR German Term Loan	9,929,521	0.28		
		DexKo Global Inc. 2021 EUR Term Loan B	14,582,269	0.40		
	Broadcasting and Entertainment	Banijay Entertainment SAS EUR Term Loan	11,173,648	0.31		
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	Archroma Finance SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan B1A	10,390,018	0.29		
		Olympus Water US Holding Corporation 2021 EUR Term Loan B	2,981,250	0.08		
		Olympus Water US Holding Corporation 2023 Incremental Term Loan	8,720,466	0.24		
		Windsor Holdings III, LLC EUR Term Loan B	13,806,997	0.38		
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	Albion Financing 3 SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan	28,945,344	0.80		



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Loans (continued)				
		Obligan	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
Country United States (continued)	Industry Diversified/ Conglomerate Service (continued)	Obligor Cloud Software Group, Inc. 2022 USD Term Loan B	2,569,015	0.07
(continued)	Service (continued)	Cloud Software Group, Inc. 2023 EUR Add on Term Loan B	20,653,196	0.57
		Foundever Group 2021 EUR Term Loan	1,947,780	0.05
		Foundever Worldwide Corporation 2021 USD Term Loan	14,766,474	0.41
		Helios Software Holdings, Inc. 2021 EUR Term Loan B	11,945,040	0.33
		I-Logic Technologies Bidco Limited 2021 EUR Term Loan B	19,075,388	0.53
		McAfee, LLC 2022 EUR Term Loan B2	24,576,621	0.68
		McAfee, LLC 2022 USD Term Loan B	7,181,479	0.20
		Veritas US Inc. 2021 EUR Term Loan B	13,284,832	0.37
	Electronics	MKS Instruments, Inc. 2022 EUR Term Loan B	15,710,227	0.44
		Polaris Newco LLC GBP Term Loan B	37,035,827	1.03
	Finance	GTCR W Merger Sub LLC EUR Term Loan B	8,241,000	0.23
		GTCR W Merger Sub LLC USD Term Loan B	24,710,273	0.69
	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	Grifols, SA EUR 2019 Term Loan B	62,729,030	1.74
		Hunter Holdco 3 Limited USD Term Loan B	9,050,816	0.25
		Lifescan Global Corporation 2023 Term Loan	26,746,986	0.74
		Medline Borrower, LP EUR Term Loan B	21,590,724	0.60
		Medline Borrower, LP USD Term Loan B	9,045,223	0.25
		Organon & Co EUR Term Loan B	9,351,147	0.26
	Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment	Carnival Corporation EUR Term Loan B	25,013,324	0.69
	Machinery Non- Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non- Electronic	Engineered Machinery Holdings, Inc. 2021 USD 2nd Lien Incremental Term Loan	5,578,830	0.15
	Licetoriie	Engineered Machinery Holdings, Inc. 2021 USD 2nd Lien Term Loan	11,630,774	0.32
	Telecommunications	Banff Merger Sub Inc 2021 EUR Term Loan	10,018,800	0.28
		Banff Merger Sub Inc. 2023 EUR Term Loan	20,889,198	0.58
		ION Trading Technologies SARL 2021 EUR Term Loan B	38,380,087	1.06
		Venga Finance SARL 2021 EUR Term Loan B	8,024,778	0.22
Total Loans (31 De	882)	2,809,292,579	77.95	
Bonds				0.4
Country	Industry Hol	ding Details	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
Finland	Forest products & 2,600 paper		2,362,750	0.07
France	Distribution & 10,728 wholesale		10,833,274	0.30



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Bonds (continue	ed)				
Country	Industry	Holding	Details	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
France (continued)	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	11,825,000	BCP V Modular Services Finance II Plc 4.750%, due 30/11/2028	11,016,418	0.31
	Oil and Gas	11,300,000	CGG SA 7.750%, due 01/04/2027	10,457,901	0.29
Germany	Broadcasting and Entertainment	20,014,000	Tele Columbus AG 3.875%, due 02/05/2025	12,939,051	0.36
	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	12,170,000	Monitchem Holdco 3 SA 9.175%, due 01/05/2028	12,314,397	0.34
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	2,974,200	Galapagos SA 4.421%, due 15/06/2021**	-	0.00
	3	396,900	Galapagos SA 4.448%, due 15/06/2021**	-	0.00
		504,900	Galapagos SA 5.375%, due 15/06/2021**	-	0.00
		35,176,816	Mangrove Luxco III SARL 7.775%, due 09/10/2025	32,890,323	0.91
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	17,393,000	APCOA Parking Holdings GmbH 8.965%, due 15/01/2027	17,435,700	0.48
	Forest products & paper	3,280,000	WEPA Hygieneprodukte GmbH 2.875%, due 15/12/2027	3,079,749	0.09
	Healthcare, Education and Childcare	9,000,000	Cheplapharm Arzneimittel GmbH 4.375%, due 15/01/2028	8,798,355	0.24
		10,000,000	Nidda Healthcare Holding GmbH 7.500%, due 21/08/2026	10,324,860	0.29
	Personal and Non Durable Consumer Products Mfg. Only	1,950,000	WEPA Hygieneprodukte GmbH 6.800%, due 15/12/2026	1,945,613	0.05
Ireland	Containers, Packaging and Glass	9,150,000	Ardagh Packaging Finance Plc / Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc. 2.125%, due 15/08/2026	8,178,331	0.23
		14,000,000	Ardagh Packaging Finance Plc / Ardagh Holdings USA, Inc. (Unsecured) 2.125%, due 15/08/2026	12,520,979	0.35
Italy		4,941,000	Bormioli Pharma SpA 9.502%, due 15/05/2028	4,928,400	0.14
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	10,000,000	Fiber Bidco SpA 9.955%, due 25/10/2027	10,189,900	0.28
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	8,180,000	Engineering - Ingegneria Informatica - SpA 11.125%, due 15/05/2028	8,774,571	0.24
	Finance	15,000,000	Castor SpA 9.175%, due 15/02/2029	14,573,850	0.40
		7,476,000	Cerved Group SpA 6.000%, due 15/02/2029	6,844,308	0.19
Netherlands	Chemicals, Plastics and Rubber	9,900,000	Nobian Finance BV 3.625%, due 15/07/2026	9,541,125	0.27
	Diversified/ Conglomerate Manufacturing	8,814,000	Trivium Packaging Finance BV 3.750%, due 15/08/2026	8,563,242	0.24
	J	1,591,000	Trivium Packaging Finance BV 7.752%, due 15/08/2026	1,595,495	0.04
	Telecommunication	s19,425,000	TMNL Holding BV 3.750%, due 15/01/2029	18,492,114	0.51



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Bonds (continued	)			Ecia Valera	0/ af N-4
Country	Industry	Holding	Details	Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
Netherlands (continued)	Telecommunications (continued)	_	United Group BV 4.000%, due 15/11/2027	4,890,219	0.14
(		7,000,000	United Group BV 4.625%, due 15/08/2028	6,655,236	0.19
Norway	Leisure, Amusement, Entertainment	237,500	Explorer II AS 3.375%, due 24/02/2025	218,139	0.01
Portugal		0,100,000	Altice Financing SA 3.000%, due 15/01/2028	9,049,600	0.25
Spain	Personal		Anarafe SL 15.705%, due		
		4,036,141	31/03/2026**	15,142,769	0.42
	Telecommunications 17	7,490,000	Lorca Telecom Bondco SA 4.000%, due 18/09/2027	17,118,250	0.48
Sweden	Diversified/ 2 <sup>2</sup> Conglomerate Service	4,025,000	Verisure Holding AB 3.250%, due 15/02/2027	23,130,429	0.64
	10	0,220,000	Verisure Holding AB 3.875%, due 15/07/2026	10,059,597	0.28
Switzerland	Telecommunications 7		Matterhorn Telecom SA 3.125%, due 15/09/2026	7,279,665	0.20
United Kingdom	Entertainment	1,730,000	Pinewood Finance Co. Ltd. 3.625%, due 15/11/2027	23,172,704	0.64
		3,144,000	Vmed O2 UK Financing I Plc 4.500%, due 15/07/2031	3,149,101	0.09
		6,754,000	Travelex Financing Plc 8.000%, due 15/05/2022**	-	0.00
		6,619,838	Travelex Issuerco Ltd. 12.500%, due 05/08/2025**	36,422,126	1.01
	Healthcare, 12 Education and Childcare	2,194,000	Cidron Aida Finco SARL 6.250%, due 01/04/2028	13,325,839	0.37
	Hotels, Motels, Inns and Gaming	8,425,000	TVL Finance Plc 9.452%, due 28/04/2028	8,621,303	0.24
	6	6,300,000	TVL Finance Plc 10.250%, due 28/04/2028	7,579,058	0.21
	Leisure, 17 Amusement, Entertainment	7,369,000	CPUK Finance Ltd. 4.875%, due 28/08/2025	19,480,642	0.54
	•	1,635,000	CPUK Finance Ltd. 5.876%, due 28/08/2027	1,935,399	0.05
	•	1,635,000	CPUK Finance Ltd. 6.136%, due 28/02/2047	1,967,469	0.05
	3	3,375,000	CPUK Finance Ltd. 6.500%, due 28/08/2026	3,776,927	0.11
	Oil and Gas	5,858,986	KCA Deutag Pikco Plc 15.000%, due 01/12/2027	5,386,902	0.15
		5,000,000	KCA Deutag UK Finance Plc 9.875%, due 01/12/2025	13,816,765	0.38
	7	7,971,564	KCA Deutag UK Finance Plc 14.420%, due 01/12/2025	7,320,234	0.20
		2,689,000	House of Fraser Funding Plc 0.000%, due 15/09/2020	157,184	0.00
United States	Automobile 8	8,000,000	Clarios Global LP / Clarios U.S. Finance Co. 4.375%, due 15/05/2026	7,959,712	0.22
	Chemicals, 9 Plastics and Rubber	9,660,000	Olympus Water U.S. Holding Corp. 9.625%, due 15/11/2028	10,383,920	0.29



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

Bonds (continued	)			Fair Value	% of Net
Country	Industry	Holding	Details	Fall Value €	Assets*
United States (continued)	Diversified/ Conglomerate Service	11,555,000	Albion Financing 1 SARL / Aggreko Holdings, Inc. 5.250%, due 15/10/2026	11,583,888	0.32
	Machinery Non- Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non- Electronic	6,125,000	EMRLD Borrower LP / Emerald Co-Issuer, Inc. 6.375%, due 15/12/2030	6,568,450	0.18
	Pharmaceuticals	20,635,000	Organon & Co / Organon Foreign Debt Co-Issuer BV 2.875%, due 30/04/2028	19,006,754	0.53
Total Bonds (31 D	ecember 2022: €621	,151,719)		533,758,987	14.81
Equity					
_4,				Fair Value	% of Net
Country	Industry	Holding	Details	€	Assets*
France	Broadcasting and		Technicolor Animation		
	Entertainment	42,981,181	Productions SASU**	43	0.00
		163,821	Technicolor Creative Studios**	-	0.00
		1,523,526	Technicolor Creative Studios SA	2,483,348	0.07
	D: :c !/	12,704,004	Vantiva SA	1,481,287	0.04
	Diversified/		Alma Canaultina Croup LuyCa		
	Conglomerate Service	53,110	Alma Consulting Group LuxCo Shares**		0.00
	Service	55,110	Alma Consulting Group Senior	_	0.00
		2,348,902	Debt PPL**	2	0.00
		2,010,002	Alma Consulting Group Senior	_	0.00
		127,656	PPL**	_	0.00
Germany	Chemicals,	,			
•	Plastics and				
	Rubber	38,899,882	Campfire Topco Ltd.**	39	0.00
Netherlands	Retail Stores	554,103	Yonderland B.V.**	1	0.00
		5,597	Yonderland BVS**	-	0.00
Spain	Personal				
	Transportation	41,521	Bahia Class A2**	-	0.00
		52,914	Bahia Class B2**	-	0.00
		5,962	Bahia De Las Isletas SL Class A3**		0.00
		5,962	Bahia De Las Isletas SL	-	0.00
		7,604	Class B3**	_	0.00
United Kingdom	Finance	146,921	Travelex Ltd.**	_	0.00
• mount miguom		14,034	Travelex Ltd.	708,926	0.02
	Healthcare,	,		,	
	Education and				
	Childcare	33,458,754	Tunstall Group Holdings Limited**	13,521,328	0.38
	Leisure,				
	Amusement,	45.050.070		50	0.00
	Entertainment	45,056,879	Jubilee Topco Ltd.**	52	0.00
	Machinery Non-				
	Agriculture, Non- Construction, Non-				
	Electronic	13,949,533	Alloy Topco Ltd.**	16	0.00
	Oil and Gas	151,731	KCA Deutag	9,462,999	0.26
Total Equity (31 December 2022: €35,366,568) 27,658,041					0.77



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Collective In	nvestment Schemes						
Country	Industry	Holding	Details			Fair Value €	% of Net Assets*
Ireland	Banking	88,521,450	Deutsche		quidity ed Euro Fund	88,521,450	2.46
Luxembourg		8,770		Liquidity	Funds - EUR	88,783,635	2.46
	Finance	8,859		anley Liq	uidity Funds -	89,859,493	2.49
Total Collec	tive Investment Schemes	(31 Decembe	er 2022: €20	1,567,80	5)	267,164,578	7.41
Total invest €3,725,998,	ments at fair value throug 474)	h profit or lo	ss (31 Decer	mber 202	22:	3,637,874,185	100.94
Unfunded L	oans						
0	la de atm.	Oblines				Fair Value	% of Net
<b>Country</b> Spain	Industry Personal Transportation	Obligor Anarafe, S Facility F**	.L.U 2023 EU *&***	JR PIK N	lew Money	<b>€</b> (57,676)	<b>Assets</b> * (0.00)
Total Unfun	ded Loans (31 December 2	2022: €Nil)				(57,676)	(0.00)
Forward Fo	reign Exchange Contracts						
						Unrealised	
Maturity	Counterparty	Currency	Amount Bought	Curren	Amount ncv Sold	Gain €	% of Net Assets*
16/01/2024	National Australia Bank	_	34,169,117	GBP	201,084,299	2,092,651	0.06
16/01/2024	National Australia Bank		57,375,248	USD	169,979,432	3,479,175	0.10
16/01/2024	State Street Bank		34,167,481	GBP	201,084,299	2,091,015	0.06
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	3,270,150	GBP	2,808,797	28,446	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank		57,370,149	USD	169,979,432	3,474,076	0.10
16/01/2024 16/01/2024	State Street Bank State Street Bank	EUR EUR	7,439,720 2,318,826	USD USD	8,013,977 2,500,000	184,021 55,374	0.00 0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	2,310,620	USD	2,500,000	48,151	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	9,027,739	USD	9,937,500	30,520	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	1,851,156	USD	2,019,277	22,943	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	1,232,925	USD	1,347,895	12,567	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	854,379	USD	931,973	10,589	0.00
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	569,042	USD	622,105	5,800	0.00
€24,894,281	lised gain on forward forei	gn exchange	contracts (	31 Decei	mber 2022:	11,535,328	0.32
						Unrealised	
			Amount		Amount	Loss	% of Net
Maturity	Counterparty	Currency	Bought	Curren		€	Assets
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	EUR	3,723	CHF	3,511	(61)	(0.00)
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	GBP	4,443,750	EUR	5,152,007	(23,363)	(0.00)
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	GBP	4,925,000	EUR	5,715,897	(31,831)	(0.00)
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	GBP	3,065,716	EUR	3,571,859	(33,639)	(0.00)
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	GBP	14,689,815	EUR	17,048,827	(94,941)	(0.00)



Schedule of Investments (Unaudited) (continued)

As at 31 December 2023

#### Forward Foreign Exchange Contracts (continued)

						Unrealised	
			Amount		Amount	Loss	% of Net
Maturity	Counterparty	Currency	Bought	Currency	Sold	€	Assets
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	USD	5,903,029	EUR	5,475,192	(130,704)	(0.01)
16/01/2024	State Street Bank	USD	8,400,450	EUR	7,767,996	(162,391)	(0.01)
Total unrealised loss on forward foreign exchange contracts (31 December 2022:						(0.02)	
€(128,760))						(476,930)	(0.02)
Net unrealised gain on forward foreign exchange contracts (31 December 2022:							
€24,765,521	)					11,058,398	0.30

<sup>\* %</sup> of Net Assets refers to the Net Assets of the Parent.
\*\* This is a level 3 position.



<sup>\*\*\*</sup> An element of this loan is unfunded.

**Significant Changes in Portfolio Composition (Unaudited)** 

As at 31 December 2023

#### **Purchases**

	Cost
Issuer	€
Deutsche Global Liquidity Series Plc - Managed Euro Fund	204,521,450
JPMorgan Liquidity Funds - EUR Liquidity LVNAV Fund	161,500,000
Morgan Stanley Liquidity Funds - Euro Liquidity Fund	141,500,000
Altice France SA 2023 EUR Term Loan B14	68,647,009
Fugue Finance BV 2023 EUR Term Loan B	65,950,500
HNVR Holdco Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan B2	62,264,679
Grifols, SA EUR 2019 Term Loan B	61,988,670
UPC Broadband Holding BV 2021 EUR Term Loan AY	39,680,688
Vue International Bidco Plc 2023 EUR PIK Term Loan	36,973,727
Telenet International Finance SARL 2020 EUR Term Loan AQ	36,123,179
Lifescan Global Corporation 2023 Term Loan	31,666,285
Odido Holding BV EUR Term Loan	30,788,125
VMED O2 UK Holdco 4 Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan Z	30,539,000
International Park Holdings BV 2023 EUR Term Loan B	30,137,550
Froneri International Ltd. 2020 EUR Term Loan B1	29,754,170
Albion Financing 3 SARL 2023 EUR Term Loan	28,482,847
TDC Net A/S 2022 EUR Term Loan B	27,208,589
Tunstall Group Holdings Limited 2023 EUR Super Senior Term Loan	26,917,522
Tunstall Group Holdings Limited 2023 EUR Reinstated Term Loan B	26,070,244
IVC Acquisition Ltd 2023 EUR Term Loan B	25,735,727

#### Sales

	Proceeds
Issuer	€
Deutsche Global Liquidity Series Plc - Managed Euro Fund	183,321,450
JPMorgan Liquidity Funds - EUR Liquidity LVNAV Fund	142,000,000
Morgan Stanley Liquidity Funds - Euro Liquidity Fund	121,000,000
Lernen Bidco Limited 2018 EUR 2nd Lien Term Loan	76,500,000
Fugue Finance BV EUR Term Loan	74,952,375
Auris Luxembourg III SARL EUR Term Loan B1A	70,351,031
Richmond UK Bidco Limited 2017 GBP Term Loan B	63,745,661
HNVR Holdco Limited EUR Term Loan B1	62,264,679
HNVR Holdco Limited 2023 EUR Term Loan B2	61,078,021
Numericable Group SA EUR Term Loan B11	56,746,602
Casino Guichard-Perrachon SA 2021 EUR Term Loan B	56,607,240
Virgin Media SFA Finance Limited GBP Term Loan M	54,064,371
Altice France SA 2023 EUR Term Loan B14	46,480,902
Virgin Media SFA Finance Limited GBP Term Loan L	44,144,338
Vue International Bidco Plc 2019 EUR Term Loan B	34,896,667
Lifescan Global Corporation 2018 1st Lien Term Loan	34,163,482
Springer Nature Deutschland GmbH 2021 EUR Term Loan B17	31,937,337
Compass IV Limited 2018 EUR 2nd Lien Term Loan	31,424,792
International Park Holdings BV EUR Term Loan B	30,137,550
Albion Financing 3 SARL EUR Term Loan	28,482,847

Listed above are the aggregate purchases and sales of an investment exceeding 1.00% of the total value of purchases and sales for the financial year ended 31 December 2023 or at least the top 20 purchases and sales.

At a minimum, the 20 largest purchases and sales are required to be disclosed, if applicable.

