

Credendo – Single Risk Insurance AG

SOLVENCY & FINANCIAL CONDITION REPORT 2020

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# **Summary**

The Solvency and Financial Condition Report (SFCR) provides key information on the solvency and financial position of Credendo – Single Risk Insurance AG (hereinafter referred to as "Credendo SR") and ensures the creation of a transparent overall image to external addressees. In particular, this report provides information on Credendo SR's business and performance, describes the system of governance and its adequacy with regard to the risk profile, and provides information on valuation for solvency purposes and capital management. The main target group is not primarily the supervisory authority, but rather policy holders, investors, analysts, rating agencies and interested readers.

According to the statutory provisions of the Austrian Insurance Supervision Law (VAG), Credendo SR published the SFCR report for the first time on 20 May 2017 for 2016. Since then the SFCR report is available to the target groups on an annual basis in order to gain new insights into the insurance company. The SFCR report consists of five chapters (A-E) with corresponding subsections.

This report also contains details of the specifics in respect of the legal and regulatory requirements of the business operation of the Swiss branch of Credendo SR in Geneva. They are in accordance with Swiss insurance supervision law, Swiss Code of Obligations and FINMA Circular 2017/2 Corporate Governance Insurers (risk management and internal control system), 2010/1 Remuneration systems, 2017/4 Responsible Actuary, 2018/3 Outsourcing and 2016/3 ORSA. They have been summarized for the sake of clarity in the individual chapters A to E under the subsection "Any other information".

At the time of writing, it was clear that the COVID 19 pandemic is having a significant impact on the global economy. The year 2021 will still be dominated by the corona pandemic. There will be restrictions until the vaccination achieves its full effect, and the question is to what extent positive effects of the vaccination on the emerging markets, where the majority of our insured risks are located, will already be observed in 2021. Although it is too early to assess the final impact on Credendo SR, it is evident that premium growth has fallen short on projected budget levels and also finished below the premium volume recorded in 2019. While new claims did not occur in 2020 to the extent expected at the onset of the pandemic, recovery expectations had to be revised. Depending on the duration of the containment measures and the associated impact in the respective economies, 2021 is also expected to be a difficult year. Our capital basis is strong and we are therefore well positioned to absorb unexpected shocks should the merger not go ahead according to plan. In our underwriting decisions, the political and economic measures taken by the various governmental bodies regarding COVID 19, are taken into account when performing the respective sensitivity analysis.

Credendo SR's Business Continuity Management Plan was implemented on 17 March 2020, when nearly all staff and management started to work from home by means of secure teleworking. This includes Underwriting as well as all Overhead and Key Functions. The implementation of the Business Continuity Management Plan has been performed without any major problems and operations have been running smoothly within the framework of the given limitations. Based on this positive experience, it is also expected that business operations can be maintained smoothly in 2021 should the COVID-19 pandemic continue to be rampant.

#### Planned merger 2021

Part of the Credendo Group's three-year strategy is to optimize the group structure. As part of this strategy and based on its 100% shareholding in Credendo SR, Credendo ECA initiated the merger process between Credendo SR and Credendo Excess & Surety SA | NV, also a 100% subsidiary of Credendo ECA located at Avenue Roger Vandendriessche 18, Belgium, Brussels (hereinafter referred to as Credendo XS). The merger, which is planned for the first half of 2021, will bring together all of Credendo's speciality product lines in trade credit insurance into one company. Credendo SR will be merged into Credendo XS and cease to exist as a separate legal entity. The merger will take place by way of universal succession, whereby

Credendo XS will take over all assets and liabilities of Credendo SR. The new entity Credendo - Guarantees & Speciality Risks (Credendo GSR) will drive the growth ambitions of both companies.

The capitalisation of more than Euro 135 million created by the merger opens up new markets as it creates incentives for individual stakeholders (such as banks) to do new and additional business with the acquiring company. With this capitalisation and the diversification of its product portfolio, Credendo - Guarantees & Speciality Risks will become a major specialised credit insurer able to offer revolutionary surety (SurTech), excess-of-loss and single-risk policies from its headquarters in Brussels and its extensive network of branches in Austria, France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Poland, Spain and Switzerland.

The reduction of the complexity of the group structure and the resulting improvement in governance and the efficiency of the reporting processes additionally speak for the timely implementation of the planned merger.

#### A. Business and Performance

Credendo SR is a stock corporation with its head-office in Vienna (Austria) and a branch office in Geneva (Switzerland). It is a 100% owned subsidiary of the DelcrederelDucroire (hereinafter: "Credendo ECA") and operates in the property and casualty insurance, namely in the insurance class credit insurance and other financial losses, both in direct and indirect business (i.e. assumed reinsurance).

In the financial year 2020 gross written premiums amounted to EUR 22,721.8k (prior year: EUR 25,575.6k). 2020 was characterised by a particularly selective approach to Underwriting in order to improve sustainably the portfolio of commercial and political risk exposures, this especially in the light of the Covid-19 pandemic.

The economic and political environment has adversely affected recoveries of past claims and has also resulted in new potential claims. In spite of a conservative Underwriting policy being in place, the cost of claim payments and provisions continued to weigh heavily on the company's financial results so that the year 2020 had to be closed with a loss after taxes and reserves of EUR 6,870.8k.

On the positive side it should be noted that, notwithstanding the company's continuing selective approach to Underwriting, the company has succeeded in increasing its share of business with defined target clients and client segments, while business relations with clients and client groups that proved to be loss making because of their claims history were discontinued.

Credendo SR's business is supported by a solid capital base as evidenced by its Solvency Credit Ratio, which stood at 261.2% per 31 December 2020.

#### **B. System of Governance**

The governance system of Credendo SR covers the outline of the company's individual business activities in terms of nature, scale and complexity, and reflects the underlying risk profile adequately. There have been changes to the governance system in preparation for the planned merger, which is due to take place in 2021, with retroactive effect from 1st of January 2021.

Overall, Credendo SR has a three-member Management Board and 27 employees (10 of them in the Swiss branch in Geneva). At the end of the 2020 financial year, the Chairman of the Management Board will leave the company and the Management Board will then consist of only two persons. The Supervisory Board consists of four shareholder representatives and two works council delegates and is responsible for the appointment of the members of the Management Board. The two members of the supervisory board delegated by the works council resigned from the supervisory board on 15 December 2020 after the works council was dissolved in December 2020. As of this date, the supervisory board consists only of the four capital representatives The four key functions (risk management, actuarial function, compliance function, internal audit function) and relevant committees are firmly anchored within the organisational structure and decision-making processes.

The remuneration system of Credendo SR is based on the basic principle of a fair remuneration corresponding to the skills and performance of the executives and employees. The current market practice is also taken into account. Negative incentive systems are avoided in order to guarantee a prudent and risk-

conscious business practice. In order to ensure the required professional qualification and personal reliability of its managers and staff, Credendo SR has clearly defined "fit & proper" criteria in place. These criteria are reviewed as part of an evaluation process and ensure competent decision making within Credendo SR.

An appropriate and effective risk management system, comprising strategies, processes and reporting procedures based on group-wide risk assessments and evaluation, is a central element in the organizational structure and decision-making processes. Risk appetite, risk preferences and risk limits for day-to-day business are defined in the risk appetite agreed by the Supervisory Board at the proposal of the Management Board and compliance with these requirements is reviewed by the Management Board. In the internal reporting, the risk management function also evaluates the identified risks

Once a year, or in the event of significant changes in the risk profile, a forward - looking assessment of capital requirements is carried out in the Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA). In order to have adequate decision bases for the liquidity requirements, the assumptions of the business plan are tested and subjected to various stress tests and scenario analyses.

The internal control system, which ensures compliance with legal and regulatory administrative rules and the company's own guidelines, is integrated into the individual processes and takes place alongside the workforce or directly upstream or downstream of the work processes. The processes owners review at least annually the processes and risk management function and the compliance function control them.

The independent compliance function ensures compliance with legal and regulatory requirements and internal policies to protect the reputation and integrity of Credendo SR.

As a further key function, Internal Audit reviews the legality, regularity and appropriateness of Credendo SR's business activities in accordance with an audit plan set up in consultation with the Management Board. The function is independent, outsourced to Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH, and reports directly to the Management Board and on quarterly basis to the Supervisory Board.

The also independent actuarial function, outsourced to arithmetica Consulting GmbH in Austria and to Pittet Associés SA, Lausanne in Switzerland, prepares the actuarial calculations, assesses the quality of the data, identifies potential shortcomings, and makes suggestions for possible improvements and reports to the Management Board. Outsourcing activities are subject to a clear review process, which needs to be initiated before each planned outsourcing in order to ensure continuous quality. Apart from activities that must be performed by the service provider during the contract period, a reintegration process for outsourced activities has also been defined.

#### C. Risk Profile

Credendo SR calculates the Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) according to the Solvency II standard formula. Based on these calculations quantifiable risks are covered and Credendo SR's regulatory capital requirement is determined.

Credendo SR is a mono-line non-life insurer, specializing in credit insurance. The financial and operational risks has always been low as calculated in the past and continue to be so in present calculations under Solvency Pillar 1. Contrary to this, especially the underwriting risk is considered high in terms of possible losses considering both the likelihood of the risk being realized and the impact of that risk when realised. Credit insurance business is often volatile, i.e. there is the risk of occasional large (outliers) losses occurring.

The SCR calculated in accordance with the standard formula amounted to EUR 18,645.6k (prior year: EUR 21,241.0k) as of 31 December 2020. At the same time, own funds available to cover the SCR requirement amounted to EUR 48,699.1k (prior year: EUR 52,126.6k). As of 31 December 2020, the BSCR amounted to EUR 17,918.7k (prior year: EUR 20,656.5k) the diversification was EUR -4,330.9k (prior year: EUR – 5,126.6k).

#### D. Valuation for Solvency Purposes

Credendo SR sets up its financial statement based on the Austrian accounting principles and then converts them into Solvency II values. Due to different valuation approaches and regulatory requirements between the Austrian Commercial Code (hereinafter: Unternehmensgesetzbuch - UGB) and the Solvency II regulations, differences arise within the different balance sheet items.

The valuation difference between the Solvency II balance sheet and the UGB balance sheet amounted to EUR 5,085.6k (prior year: EUR 5,656.6k) as of 31 December 2020. The technical provisions - Non-life result in a difference of EUR -3,899.9k (prior year: EUR 7,116.2k) and other provisions for EUR -795.9k (prior year: EUR -1,593.3k).

## E. Capital Management

The capital management of Credendo SR aims to increase the financial capacity adequately through active capital management that ensures sound financial conditions. In addition, Credendo SR builds up adequate collateral buffers and aims at a SCR of at least 150% and an at least A-credit rating.

As of 31 December 2020 the UGB capital amounted to EUR 48,309.3k (prior year: EUR 55,180.1k) while the Solvency II own funds equalled to EUR 48,699.1k (prior year: EUR 52,126.6k). The difference therefore totalled EUR 389.9k (prior year: EUR 3,053.5k).

The own funds of Credendo SR consist of basic own funds (Tier 1) and ancillary own funds (Tier 3).

As of 31 December 2020 Credendo SR holds sufficient own funds to cover the regulatory capital requirements. The SCR ratio was 261.18% (prior year: 245.41%), the Minimum Capital Requirement (MCR) ratio was 1,038.0% (prior year: 981.6%).

# A. Business and performance

## A.1 Business

Credendo—Single Risk Insurance AG (hereinafter referred to as Credendo SR) is a joint stock company headquartered in Vienna and wholly owned by Credendo ECA. Credendo SR operates in the property and casualty insurance business, namely in the insurance class credit insurance and other financial losses, both in direct and indirect business (i.e. assumed reinsurance). Credendo SR's core product is the provision of Single risk insurance. In this field, the company can draw on many years of experience. Credendo SR applies a holistic approach towards risk assessment with a thorough analysis of all factors influencing a transaction and thus can offer bespoke solutions for its customers.

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Table 1: General information

By year-end 100% of Credendo SR's shares were held by DelcrederelDucroire, the Belgian Export Credit Agency (brand name Credendo ECA) with its headquarters in Brussels.

DelcrederelDucroire is an autonomous public institution whose activities as the Belgian ECA are guaranteed by the Belgian state. The goal of DelcrederelDucroire is to promote international trade relations as well as the exports of Belgian companies.

Figure 1 shows in a summarizing way the subsidiaries of the Delcredere | Ducroire (Credendo ECA) including the current ownership ratios.

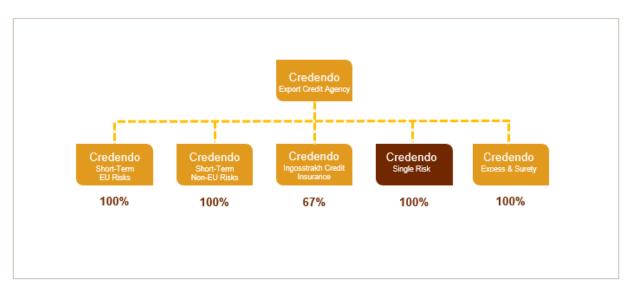


Figure 1: Overview of the company's structure

As already mentioned above, Credendo SR conducts the non-life insurance business in the insurance branches "credit insurance" and "other financial losses" both in direct and indirect business. Credendo SR's portfolio mainly contains the next three lines of business (LoBs):

- Direct Single Risk: Cover for all sales to one debtor or for a single contract with one debtor/obligor
- Direct Turnover: A credit insurance policy that covers the insured's total credit sales
- Assumed Reinsurance: covering Single Risk as well as Turnover Risks (facultative & treaty business)

Figure 2 represents the gross written premiums per LoB.

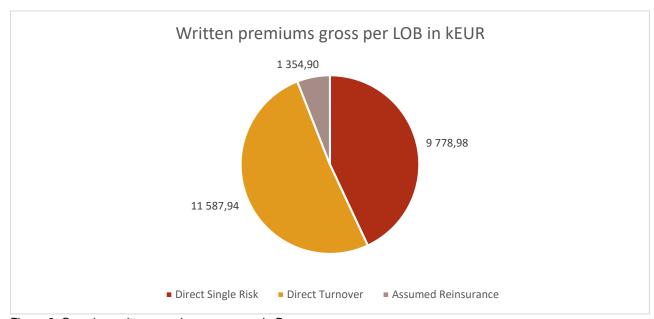


Figure 2: Overview written premiums gross per LoB

Policies where Credendo SR acts as the only insurer amount to approx. 30% of the direct single risk premium volume. The remainder being policies where Credendo SR is acting as co-insurer in syndicated

transactions (thereof the majority in the London market). Altogether, Credendo SR has outstanding risks in 160 countries.

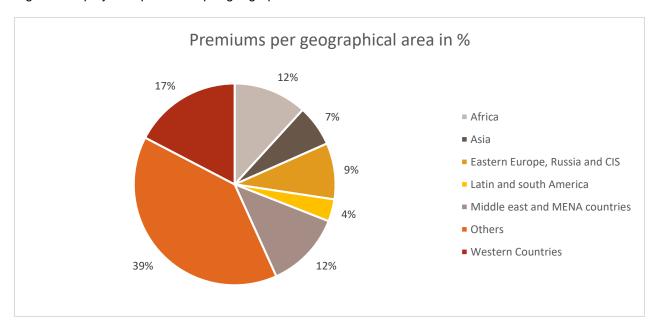


Figure 3 displays the premiums per geographical area.

Figure 3: Overview premiums per geographical area

#### Significant developments and events during the reporting period

2020 ends up with the continuing spread of the COVID19 pandemic, with an acceleration in a number of countries constraining to repeat lockdowns and governmental restrictions. The damage to the global economy is certain; the only uncertainties prevail on the depth of the current crisis, which in turn will depend from the virus control and the governmental responses. Unsurprisingly, the political and commercial risk insurance market has been hit by this uneven health crisis with direct negative impact on global trade. Disruption of global chains value, temporary slowdown of the Chinese economy added to turbulences in oil markets weighted on the market demand. As a provider of Single Risk political and commercial risk insurance for predominantly emerging market domiciled risks, Credendo Single Risk (SR) is exposed to global economic and political developments. Credendo – SR has seen in 2020 progressively fewer inquiries to cover risks coming from corporates, banks and traders, offset partly by higher risk pricing. Therefore, the risk portfolio profile has evolved, banks accounting for the lion's share at the end of 2020, representing almost 50% of the written premium.

Despite an extremely challenging year, Credendo – SR reports gross written premium at EUR 22.72 M, showing a slight decrease compared to last year.

In the year ahead, economists expect a sharp rise in payment default and a recovery of the economy that is likely to be uneven across countries and sectors. At a sector level, the most affected sectors such as airlines, tourism and automotive will take time to recover. Food and health sectors, e-trade and tech industry perform somewhat better. In the light of this scenario Credendo – Single Risk performed a prudent underwriting approach, which will continue in 2021.

In this context, the merger of Credendo – SR with its sister company Credendo – Excess and Surety which is planned to take place in first half year of 2021 will enhance our risk profile as a multiline trade credit insurer. The merger – once completed – aims at creating a new major player in the specialised trade credit insurance market by combining three strategic business lines for the marketable risks in trade credit, surety and single risk, in one entity. In addition to helping us achieve greater portfolio diversification, the merged

company to be named Credendo – Guarantees and Speciality Risks, with a combined capital of EUR 135 million, will be able to open up to new markets and access new clientele benefiting from a scale-up of resources and expanded distribution channels.

# **A.2 Underwriting Performance**

# Performance from underwriting activities on an aggregated level

The gross premium volume decreased by 11.2% versus previous year and ended up at EUR 22,721.8k. Credendo SR's technical performance is shown in more detail below and is compared with the previous year. The technical performance will be shown in an aggregated form as well as in the Solvency II – LoBs and for the geographical areas where Credendo SR is active at present.

#### Performance from underwriting activities broken down by significant LoBs

Table 2 and Table 3 show the gross and net performance from underwriting activities.

#### Gross

	Premiums, claims and expenses per LoB [kEUR]								
	Written premiums - gross		Earned premiums – gross		claims incurred- gross		Expenses incurred - gross		
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019*	
Credit and suretyship insurance	22,721.8	25,575.6	24,228.9	25,453.2	23,960.2	19,084.9	9,027.2	10,908.9	

Table 2: Gross performance from underwriting activities

#### Net

	Premiums, claims and expenses per LoB [kEUR]									
	Written premiums - net		Earned premiums - net		Claims incurred- net		Expenses incurred - net			
	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019	2020	2019*		
Credit and suretyship insurance	3,929.4	6,459.9	5,143.4	6,198.8	5,583.2	4,344.7	5,785.2	6,321.2		

Table 3: Net performance from underwriting activities

<sup>\*</sup> Prior years value amended

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# The five most important countries (looking at gross written premiums) - non-life insurance obligations

# Performance from underwriting activities broken down by significant countries

Table 4 summarizes the performance from underwriting activities by major geographical areas. These are the five most important countries when looking at gross written premiums. The remaining geographical areas are grouped under "Others". However, the main countries are usually subject to strong fluctuations. These fluctuations are among other factors dependent on political developments and change almost annually. Since the business is offered primarily through brokers, Credendo SR usually has no influence on the business volume per country or Insured. Since the XL-protection of ceded reinsurance cannot be attributed directly to a country, it is shown under "Others". This resulted in negative Net premiums in this item.

Premiums, claims and expenses per area [kEUR]	Five most important countries (looking at gross written premiums) – non-life insurance obligations								
Written premiums	Switzerland	France	United Kingdom	Luxemburg	Others				
	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020			
Gross	13,970.0	2,325.3	1,700.6	942.5	545.5	3,238.0			
Net	13,168.0	1,879.4	1,523.6	942.5	545.5	-14,129.6			
Earned Premiums									
Gross	14,151.1	2,924.3	1,401.1	1,253.9	263.6	4,234.8			
Net	13,165.5	2,548.5	1,179.8	1,253.9	263.6	-13,268.0			
Claims incurred									
Gross	11,302.4	2,050.6	2,620.9	647.4	0.0	7,558.7			
Net	10,691.2	1,621.4	2,375.7	647.4	0.0	-9,424.6			
Expenses incurred	2,897.3	945.4	1,996.1	276.6	180.4	-650.6			
Other expenses						48.5			
Total expenses	2,897.3	945.4	1,996.1	276.6	180.4	-602.1			

Table 4: Overview of the performance from underwriting activities broken down by significant areas 2020

Premiums, claims and expenses per area [kEUR]	Five most important countries (looking at gross written premiums) – non-life insurance obligations								
Written premiums	Switzerland	Switzerland France Luxemburg Singapore Kingdom							
	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019			
Gross	14,256.5	3,883.4	1,770.3	1,414.5	983.1	3,267.9			
Net	12,550.4	3,396.6	1,770.3	1,336.5	577.8	-13,171.7			
Earned Premiums									
Gross	14,525.8	3,660.8	1,323.1	570.7	1,031.0	4,341.8			
Net	12,602.6	3,165.0	1,323.1	542.0	641.2	-12,075.1			
Claims incurred									
Gross	12,727.3	-1,149.3	193.4	1,246.9	259.8	7,468.2			
Net	10,936.4	-2,287.6	193.4	1,246.9	8.6	-4,995.9			
Expenses incurred	2,462.6	1,397.2	538.8	375.1	1,994.7	-1,310.4			
Other expenses						10.5			
Total expenses	2,462.6	1,397.2	538.8	375.1	1,994.7	-1,299.9			

Table 5: Overview of the performance from underwriting activities broken down by significant areas 2019

# Comparison of the significant information, which the annual report obtains

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in kEUR	2020	2019						
Written premiums	22,721.8	25,575.6						
Earned premiums	5,143.4	6,198.8						
Claims incurred	6,273.3	5,374.3						
Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds	195.4	149.2						
Operating expenses	5,283.0	5,185.6						
Other underwriting income	0.0	0.0						
Other underwriting expenses	-48.5	-10.5						
Change in equalisation reserve	0.0	0.0						
Underwriting profit	-6,656.9	-4,520.7						

Table 6: Overview of the main information obtained in the annual report

# **Development of premiums**

In 2020, Credendo SR recorded a total premium income of EUR 22,721.8k (previous year: EUR 25,575.6k) and is only active in credit insurance. The gross premiums earned during the 2020 financial year amounted to EUR 24,228.9k (previous year: EUR 25,453.2k).

# Comparison with information contained in the annual report

Within direct business, the Single Risk activity, on which our business development is focused, decreased by 22.0% (previous year: increase of 8.3%). The reasons for this are, on the one hand, the trading transactions decline worldwide due to the COVID-19 crisis. On the other hand, the number of acceptable risks decreased due to the more cautious underwriting policy against the background of the situation of the global economy. Furthermore, our own turnover business decreased by another 21.4% (2019: 10.4%), for the reasons previously mentioned. Fronting business, on the other hand, grew by 13.4%.

Inward facultative reinsurance business decreased by 48.2% (prior year: increase 83.4%). The high volatility of this business is due to the low base. The incoming treaty reinsurance business decreased by 46.5 % to a level of EUR 197.5k. The reason for this is that all assumed obligatory treaties are in run-off in order to avoid risk accumulation here.

The cession of premiums to reinsurance increased further significantly. Net premiums are now 17.3% of gross premiums, compared to 25.3% in 2019, due on the one hand to the high cost of Excess of Loss protection and the high proportion of fronting business on the other hand.

In terms of geographical origin of the direct single risk premiums, Switzerland ranks first with 30.0%, followed by France with 23.8% and the UK with 16.9%. Germany remains a difficult market for private credit insurers.

#### Claims incurred

According to the income statement, the net accrued losses show an expense of EUR -6,273.3k thousand in the fiscal year (previous year: EUR -5,374.3k).

#### Comparison with the information contained in the annual report

In 2020, the claims side continued to be influenced by the difficult situation on the commodity markets, the weak economic situation of the emerging markets, as well as the uncertain development of the national economies due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to this, previous recovery expectations (before and after claim payment) were significantly reduced. IBNR reserves were also set aside for new large losses (China, Zambia). In addition, a lump-sum IBNR reserve was set up due to the forecast deterioration of the situation in the global economy.

Gross claims payments including claim handling fees increased to EUR 34,300.4k (previous year: EUR 22,185.8k), while at the same time recovery payments of EUR 5,545.1k (previous year: EUR 9,023.3k) were offset. Gross claims payments thus increased from EUR 13,162.5k in the previous year to EUR 28,755.3k.

The gross claims reserves decreased in 2020 to EUR 12,416.4k (previous year: EUR 16,629.6k), due to claims payments. In contrast, IBNR reserves increased significantly from EUR 7,811.2k in 2019 to EUR 14,746.0k in 2020. On the one hand, part of the IBNR reserves from previous years could be released to income. On the other hand, high reserves had to be allocated for the insurance years 2018 - 2020 in accordance with the reservation guidelines. In addition, a lump-sum IBNR reserve was set up for the first time to cushion potential losses due to the Covid 19 pandemic. The net variation in the loss reserve resulted in an expense of EUR 235.7k (previous year: EUR 5,495.9k).

#### Expenses for profit-unrelated premium refund

The expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds jointly amounted to EUR -669.1k gross (previous year: EUR -560.5k) for the financial year 2020. The reinsurance part throughout this period amounted to EUR 473.7k (previous year: EUR 411.4k) which then in turn led to a net expense of EUR -195.4k (previous year: EUR -149.2k).

# Comparison with the information contained in the annual report

In 2020, the expenses for profit-unrelated premium refunds increased by 31% net compared to the previous year. This is due to the fact that in 2020 in Single Risk Business as well as in Turnover-business for more policies no-claims bonus was paid out respectively up-front rebates were granted.

#### **Operating expenses**

The expenses for the insurance operations amounted to EUR 8,363.3k (previous year: EUR 8,869.1k) in 2020. After subtracting the reinsurance commissions expenses ended up at EUR 5,283.0k (previous year: EUR 5,185.6k). The largest part of these expenses were acquisition costs, amounting to EUR 5,593.2k (previous year: EUR 6,133.1k).

#### Comparison with the information contained in the annual report

At 15.6% of gross premiums, the average commission rate decreased compared to the previous year (15.8%). In direct business, rates decreased from 15.3% to 15.1% due to the decline in single-risk business, where commission rates of up to 20% are common. In indirect business, rates increased from 19.4% to 22.9%. The ratio of assumed mandatory reinsurance contracts that are in run-off, and have high commission rates, to facultative assumed remained the same in 2020. However, there is high variability in assumed facultative reinsurance with lower commission rates.

Acquisition and other operating costs were at EUR 4,828.9k, down 0.2% from the prior year's (EUR 4,839.1k), with increased consulting costs which have been partially offset by savings in travel and marketing activities due to COVID-19.

Income from reinsurance commissions decreased by 16.4% compared to the previous year. There are several reasons for this. On the one hand, it is a direct result of the decline in ceded premiums, on the other hand, the ratio of premiums going into the main quota share treaty to premiums for fronting business has shifted. In addition, the share of premiums for the Excess of Loss contracts for which there is no ceding commission increased.

#### Other underwriting income and expenses

The other underwriting expenses deducted by other underwriting income amounted to an expense of EUR - 48.5k (previous year: EUR -10.5k) at the end of the reporting period.

# Comparison with the information contained in the annual report

In 2020, this item exclusively comprises interest on deposits. The increase derives from the fact that interest had to be paid for higher deposits and years with higher interest rates were concerned.

## Equalisation reserve and result from underwriting activities performance

The change in equalisation reserve amounted to EUR 0.0k (previous year: EUR 0.0k).

The technical result deteriorated compared to 2019 (EUR -4,520.7k) and ended up at a loss of EUR -6,656.9k.

The non-technical result before taxes amounts to a loss of EUR -521.1k (previous year: profit EUR 1,943.3k).

In conclusion, Credendo SR reported a loss from ordinary activities of EUR -7,177.9k (previous year: EUR -2,577.4k) and a loss after taxes and reserves of EUR -6,870.8k (previous year: EUR -2,587.0k).

#### Comparison with the information contained in the annual report

The technical result decreased versus 2019 by 47.3%, and ended again below expectations.

#### A.3 Investment Performance

The ordinary revenues from investments (including liquid funds) - which are current revenues minus expenses with the result from sales of investments – and valuation differences (from price, not from exchange rate differences) are displayed in Table 7.

The income from undertakings for collective investment in the amount of EUR 114.5k (prior year: EUR 1,191.7k) can be explained by realised gains through sales and dividends. The investment result in the area of bonds in the amount of EUR 143.8k (prior year: EUR 514.0k) is due to coupon payments.

	Inco	me	Change		
Income (net) from investment [kEUR]	2020	2019*	Absolute	in %	
Other investments	239.7	1,731.8	-1,492.1	-86.2	
1. Collective Investments Undertakings	114.5	1,191.7	-1,077.2	-90.4	
2. Bonds	143.8	514.0	-370.2	-72.0	
3. Cash and cash equivalents	-18.6	26.1	-44.7	-171.2	
Total	239.7	1,731.8	-1,492.1	-86.2	

<sup>\*</sup> Prior years value amended (appreciations of bonds were not taken into account)

Table 7: Overview of ordinary revenues from investments (including liquidity) - which combines current revenues and expenses with the result from sales of investments

The total investment income from financial assets and current accounts amounted to EUR 17.2k (previous year: EUR 1,777.7k), which represents a return of 0.0%. On the one hand, the return was negatively influenced by the devaluation of the US Dollar, on the other hand, hardly any profits were realized from the increase in value of the reinvesting special fund through the sale of parts of the fund.

Hidden reserves in the investment area increased significantly from EUR 2,757.9k in 2019 to EUR 3,979.0k in 2020 primarily due to the increase in value of the special fund.

#### **Net-revenue from investments**

The result of the yield on investments (including liquidity) reflects the profit from sales of parts of the special Fund and the coupons of the bonds. For the calculation of the yield, the ordinary result was taken into consideration. Realized or unrealized exchange rate differences are not included in this ratio. For the calculation of the yield, the opening and closing balances of the investments are averaged. The net-revenues are displayed in \* Prior **years** value amended

Net-revenue from investment						
2020	2019*					
0.4 %	2.4 %					

<sup>\*</sup> Prior years value amended

Table 8: Overview of net-revenue

#### Information on gains and losses recognised directly in equity

In the past reporting period, the Credendo SR did not experience any gains or losses, which can directly be recognised in equity.

#### Information on investment in securitisation

Since 2018, parts of the investment volume has been distributed to a **Special Fund**. Sub funds within this fund use Futures, Forwards and Derivatives to a minor extent, especially to hedge foreign exchange positions. Apart from that there are no **derivatives** or investments without guaranteed capital within the investments of Credendo – Single Risk Insurance AG.

# A.4 Performance of other activities

A description of the other relevant income and expenses with comparison of last reported information

Other material income and expenses [kEUR]	2020	2019
Other material income	2,819.9	1,179.5
Of which exchange rate fluctuations	2,803.6	1,127.1
Other expenses	3,358.2	1,013.9
Of which exchange rate losses	3,335.4	996.7

Table 9: Overview of other relevant revenue and expenses in comparison to the previous reporting period

The other non-technical result showed a loss of EUR -538.3k (previous year: profit EUR 165.6k). This result is due to the currency volatility, especially of US dollars. Within these items, realized profits and losses as well as evaluations of receivables and payables and current bank accounts are reported.

**Other non-technical income** in the amount of EUR 2,819.9k (previous year: EUR 1,179.5k) mainly contains revenues from exchange rate profit.

**Other non-technical expenses** in the amount of EUR -3,358.2k (previous year: EUR -1,013.9k) primarily contain losses derived from exchange rates.

## Leasing expenses

Corresponding to article 291 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35, Credendo SR does not have any significant financing or operating-leasing contracts as lessor.

# A.5 Any other information

Specifics in respect of the business and performance of the branch office in Switzerland:

In 2005, a branch office was founded in Geneva, Switzerland and in 2006 Swiss authorities granted the license to operate the insurance class of credit insurance and other financial risks in Switzerland. Finally, in 2007, business operations started to their full extent.

The branch office operates also property and casualty insurance, namely in the insurance class credit insurance and other financial losses, both in direct insurance and in reinsurance assumed.

The branch office showed a loss after tax of CHF -1,469.6k according to Swiss GAAP (prior year: loss CHF -3,429.2k). The details are shown in a table in the appendix following the QRTs. The table is named "Branch Office Switzerland Financial situation report" and is part of the Appendix.

#### **Business development**

Despite an extremely challenging year due to Covid-19 and the stressed situation in global markets resulting from this, Credendo – SR reports gross written premium before deduction of no-claim bonus at CHF 15.0 M, showing a slight decrease compared to last year.

#### Premium volume

The gross premium volume decreased by 8.3% versus previous year and ended up at CHF 14,178.3k. The breakdown of the written premiums for direct and indirect business is shown below split into gross, cession to reinsurers and self-retention (net).

Written pre	Written premium before deduction of refund for no claim bonus										
Amounts in kCHF	Gross premiums 2020	Gross premiums 2019	Change	Reinsurers' share 2020	Reinsurers' share 2019	Change	net 2020	net 2019	Change		
DIRECT	14,178.3	15,461.7	-8.3%	-12,721.2	-13,342.7	-4.7%	1,457.1	2,119.0	-31.2%		
INDIRECT	0.0	0.0	0%	0.0	0.0	0%	0.0	0.0	0%		
Total	14,178.3	15,461.7	-8.3%	-12,721.2	-13,342.7	-4.7%	1,457.1	2,119.0	-31.2%		

Table 10: Written premium Switzerland in kCHF

Within direct business, the Single Risk activity, on which our business development is focused, decreased by 36.1% (previous year: increase of 19.0%). The reasons for this are, on the one hand, the trading transactions decline worldwide due to the COVID-19 crisis. On the other hand, the number of acceptable risks decreased due to the more cautious underwriting policy against the background of the situation of the global economy. At the same time, the turnover-business increased by 14.2% in 2020, after an increase of 9.1% in 2019 mainly because of new customers could be attracted.

The cession of premiums to reinsurance increased further significantly. Net premiums are now 10.3% of gross premiums, compared to 13.7% in 2019, due on the one hand to the high cost of Excess of Loss protection and the high proportion of fronting business on the other hand.

Finally, net written premiums ended up at CHF 1,457.1k, which was 31.2% below previous year.

#### Claims and recoveries

According to P&L the net incurred claims including variation of equalization reserve display a loss of CHF 523.1k in the reporting year (previous year: loss of CHF 4,687.0k).

In 2020, the claims side continued to be influenced by the difficult situation on the commodity markets, the weak economic situation of the emerging markets, as well as the uncertain development of the national economies due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to this, previous recovery expectations (before and after claim payment) were reduced. IBNR reserves were also set aside, mainly for a new large loss (Arab Emirates).

Thus, the gross claim payments increased to CHF 17,652.2k (previous year: CHF 9,392.5k), at the same time recoveries amounting to CHF 367.0k (previous year: CHF 1,279.3) could be accounted against. Compared to the previous year, the gross claim payments deducted by recoveries increased from CHF 8,644.0k in 2019 to CHF 17,845.9k including external claim handling fees.

Gross claim reserves decreased significantly in 2020 to CHF 246.2k (prior year: CHF 5,639.0k). Thereof, the IBNR reserve increased from CHF 891.8k in 2019 to CHF 3,083.6k in 2020. IBNRs are set aside on a case by case evaluation for potential claims for Single Risk Business. For the fronting business it is calculated with actuarial methods. Variation in net outstanding claim reserve resulted in a profit of CHF 1,079.2k (previous year: loss of CHF -3,285.9k).

The frequency of newly reported claims in 2020 increased in whole turnover business significantly but most of them are small claims. In Single-Risk business number of claims remained the same but severity was lower than in previous year.

#### **Acquisition- and Operating Costs**

At 13.8% of gross written premium, external acquisition costs decreased significantly versus prior year (14.7%). Reason is that the share of premiums deriving from Single Risk Business decreased where brokerage rates up to 20% are common.

Operating costs (not including brokerage) ended up at CHF 2,404.9k being 0.5% above prior year's costs of CHF 2,392.9k), with increased consulting costs which have been partially offset by savings in travel and marketing activities due to COVID-19.

Income from reinsurance commissions decreased by 11.1% compared to the previous year. There are several reasons for this. On the one hand, it is a direct result of the absolute decline in ceded premiums, on the other hand, the ratio of premiums going into the main quota share treaty to premiums for fronting business has shifted. In addition, the share of premiums for the Excess of Loss contracts for which there is no ceding commission increased.

#### Investment Income and other non-technical income

The investment income from financial assets and current accounts after deduction of expenses from financial assets ended up at a loss of CHF -402.0k after a loss of CHF -141.8k in prior year. This is for sure not satisfactory but has to be seen considering the short-term horizon of Credendo SR investments and the actual low interest environment. The fluctuation of currencies (EUR and USD) has impacted this result negatively as well.

Other non-technical result ended up at a profit of CHF 95.8k (previous year: profit of CHF 895.7k) resulting by the volatility of currencies especially USD and EUR vis a vis CHF. Within these items, realized profits and losses as well as evaluations of receivables and payables and current bank accounts are reported.

#### Result 2020

The technical result after equalization reserve splits into direct and indirect business as follows:

Technical R	Result								
Amounts in kCHF	Gross 2020	Gross 2019	Change	Reinsurers' Share 2020	Reinsurers' Share 2019	Change	Net 2020	Net 2019	Change
DIRECT	-2,404.4	-3,554.5	-32.4%	1,220.2	-662.1	-284.3%	-1,184.2	-4,216.6	-71.9%
INDIRECT	31.0	36.0	-14.0%	-10.1	-2.4	316.7%	20.8	33.6	-37.9%
Total	-2,373.5	-3,518.5	-32.5%	1,210.1	-664.5	282.1%	-1,163.4	-4,183.0	-72.2%

Table 11: Technical result Switzerland in kCHF (values of prior year amended)

The technical result improved significantly versus 2019 but still ended below expectations at a loss of CHF 1,163.4k.

The non-technical result before taxes ends up in a loss of CHF 306.2k (previous year: profit of CHF 753.9k), influenced on one hand by negative investment yields due to the situation on the bond markets and exchange rate developments between CHF and EUR respectively USD. On the other hand the other non-technical result ended up at a gain of CHF 95.8k (previous year: CHF 895.7k).

The financial investment income is shown in the following position per asset class and income type:

		2019				
Amounts in kCHF	Fixed income investments	Cash, deposits and other capital market investment	Total	Fixed income investments	Cash, deposits and other capital market investment	Total
Gains	133.9	1.5	135.5	166.5	4.1	170.6
Unrealised gains	12.9	0.0	12.9	44.5	0,0	44.5
Realised gains		0.0	0.0	105.6	0,0	105.6
Total	146.8	1.5	148.4	316.6	4.1	320.7

Table 12: Investment income Switzerland in kCHF

The investment expenses consist on the following positions:

	2020	2019
Amounts in kCHF	Fixed income investments	Fixed income investments
Depreciation and write-downs	-458.2	-369.0
Realised losses <sup>1)</sup>	-71.6	-67.0
Total	-529.7	-436.0

## 1) Expenses from investment management included in realised losses

Table 13: Investment expenses Switzerland in kCHF

In the equity position, the liaison account with the head office Credendo - Single Risk Insurance AG Vienna and the accumulated deficit is accounted for.

Amounts in kCHF	2020	2019
Liaison Account with Credendo SR, Vienna	24,565.0	17,613.2
profit reserve or cumulative losses as debit item		
Total loss	-8,754.1	-7,284.5
derived from profit/loss brought forward:	-7,284.5	-3,855.3
derived from currency translation differences		
Total Equity	15,811.0	10,328.7

Table 14: Equity Switzerland in kCHF

Credendo SR has no other information of the reporting period that needs to be disclosed here.

# **B. System of Governance**

# **B.1 General Information on the system of governance**

A core element of the balanced corporate management and monitoring of Credendo SR is a functioning system of governance. For this reason, Credendo SR's system of governance defines the individual business activities in terms of type and scope, and takes the underlying risk profile adequately into account.

#### Organisational structure

Credendo SR currently employs 27 people, of whom 10 are employed in the Geneva branch office. The Management Board consists of three members (as of 01.01.2021 of two members). Their main responsibility for individual business areas was defined by a Supervisory Board resolution dating from 21 November 2014. The Management Board has appointed holders of the key governance functions or outsourced the functions to qualified providers. Regarding the outsourced functions, a person responsible for outsourcings was appointed within Credendo SR, who is responsible for monitoring the performance of service providers. At present, the risk management function and compliance function are held by employees of Credendo SR, while the internal audit function and the actuarial function have been outsourced.

As of 1 January 2020, the "Best Estimate Committee" and the "Risk Control Committee" were merged to form the "Solvency Risk Committee" as the tasks related to very similar areas and thus a simplification and increase in efficiency of governance could be achieved.



Figure 4 shows Credendo SR's organisational structure.

Figure 4: Credendo SR's organisational structure 2020

The managers responsible for the individual corporate divisions (i.e. department heads) report to the members of the Management Board and communicate directly with the department's employees. The governance functions are organised as independent functions with direct reporting lines to the Management Board. They report to the Management Board at least quarterly, and directly report to the Supervisory Board at least once a year. The holders of the key functions, exercising their functions independently, report directly to the Management Board and to the Supervisory Board or, if required by law, to the responsible supervisory authority.

#### **Management Board**

The responsibilities of the Management Board include in particular: management of the company, preparation of the annual financial statements, internal audit, governance, ORSA reporting and approval of internal guidelines, and policies, the implementation of a proper risk management and adequate internal control system in line with the Credendo SR Risk Strategy as well as the approval of large underwriting risks.

The Supervisory Board entrusted each Board member with a primary responsibility for defined areas:

- Mag. Michael FRANK, Chairman of the Management Board: compliance, risk management, external relations, Human Resources (HR), administration, IT (retires from the Management Board as of 31 December 2020)
- Christian HENDRIKS, member of the Management Board: underwriting department, claims
- Mag. Brigitta AYASCH, member of the Management Board: finance and accounting, reinsurance (from 1.1.2021 Chairwoman of the Board)

Due to the retirement of Mr. Frank from the Management Board as of 31 December 2020, the defined responsible areas of the Management Board members will also change as follows:

Brigitta Ayasch, Chairwoman of the Management Board: Risk Management, Finance and Accounting, Reinsurance, IT and Human Resources

Christian Hendriks, Member of the Management Board: Underwriting Department, Claims Department, External Relations and Compliance.

The Management Board reports to the Supervisory Board on a regular basis (at least quarterly) on the business performance, the company's current position compared to the business plan and the asset, financial and earnings situation. The Chairman of the Supervisory Board has to be informed immediately in case of important business events. Written reports of the Management Board are verbally discussed during Supervisory Board meetings. Reports are approved or taken note of in accordance with the "Credendo SR Charter for the Management Board" and the "Credendo SR Charter for the Supervisory Board". The Management has delegated respective competences and responsibilities to managers and holders of key functions by means of employment contracts.

The Management Board manages the company's business in accordance with the law, the company's Articles of Incorporation and the internal rules of procedures, which were approved by the Supervisory Board. The Articles of Incorporation and the Rules of Procedure of the Management Board specify those activities, which require the approval of the Supervisory Board or the Annual General Meeting. The Management Board gives advice on any matter relating to Credendo SR's business and takes necessary decisions to manage, control and monitor the operating business.

#### **Supervisory Board**

The Supervisory Board of Credendo SR consists of four shareholder representatives and two members of the works council, who resigned from the Supervisory Board as of 15 December 2020. The Supervisory Board is responsible for the appointment of the board members and for supervising the Management Board's responsibilities in accordance with the legal requirements.

Members of the Supervisory Board are as follows:

Dirk TERWEDUWE, Chairman of the Supervisory Board Frank VANWINGH, Deputy Chairman Nabil JIJAKLI, member Ronny MATTON, member Beatrix PISCHA-GREIGERITSCH, member (seconded by

Beatrix PISCHA-GREIGERITSCH, member (seconded by the works council) (resigned from the Supervisory Board on 15.12.2020)

Mag. Daniela ROUSSENOVA, member (seconded by the works council) (resigned from the Supervisory Board on 15.12.2020)

Due to its size and the very specific business model, no committees have been established on the level of the Supervisory Board. The functions of the Audit Committee and the Nomination and Remuneration Committee are performed by the entire Supervisory Board. The current members of the Supervisory Board, beside the members seconded by the works council, are members of the Executive Board or senior management of the holding company, Delcredere|Ducroire, which is also operating in the field of credit insurance. Therefore, the Supervisory Board's expertise in monitoring the business activity of Credendo SR and in supporting the Management Board are ensured.

The deliberations and resolutions of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board are recorded and implemented by the Management Board as part of its management function.

The Supervisory Board in monitoring and the Management Board in execution are both responsible for the preparation and implementation of the governance system. As part of this responsibilities, they are in charge of setting up standardised governance functions.

## **Holders of key functions**

The holders of the key functions are obliged to perform and fulfil the responsibilities and obligations set out in the guidelines for the respective key functions. The holders of the key functions are nominated by the Management Board with the approval of the Supervisory Board and have to report to the Management Board regarding recent developments in the areas they are responsible for. A written report to the Management Board and to the Supervisory Board is prepared at least once a year.

The holders of the key functions are independent in their function and can report at their own initiative to the Management Board, the Supervisory Board or the Supervisory authority at any time and without being affected by external circumstances or persons. Based on these reports the Management Board can decide whether to take actions or not.

Figure 5 summarises the tasks of the key functions.

#### Risk Management

- Management of risk management activities
- Close cooperation with the actuarial function
- Strategy development and introduction of methods, processes and procedures in the risk management process
   Identification of risks threatening the existence of the company
- Advising the Management Board on risk management issues and strategic decisions
- Support in the introduction of an efficient risk management system

#### Internal Control System & Compliance

- Assessment of the legal environment with regard to new legal requirements (Solvency II, VAG, etc.) by carrying out a compliance risk assessment.
- · Monitoring compliance with legal and regulatory requirements
- Identifying, assessing and recording non-compliance with legal and regulatory requirements, as well as breaches of business integrity
   Evidence of sanctions and reputational risk or reporting to
- Evidence of sanctions and reputational risk or reporting to relevant authorities
- Policy development and documentation

#### Actuarial Function

- · Coordination of the calculation of technical provisions
- Ensuring the appropriateness of the methods and base models used and the assumptions made in the calculation of the technical provisions
- Assessing the sufficiency and quality of the data used in the calculation of technical provisions;
- Comparison of best estimates with empirical values
- Informing the administrative, management or supervisory body about the reliability and appropriateness of the calculation of the technical provisions:
- provisions;Monitoring the calculation of technical provisions;
- Formulating an opinion on the general underwriting and acceptance policy; and reinsurance agreements;
- Contributing to the effective implementation of the risk management system, in particular with regard to the creation of risk models underlying the calculation of capital requirements.

Figure 5: Overview of the tasks of each key function

#### Internal Audit

- · Implementation and updating of an internal audit plan
- Analysis, review and assessment of the functioning and adequacy of the governance system
- Timely preparation of a written audit report and submission to the board of directors
- Informing management with analyses and recommendations regarding the audited areas.
- Audit reports approved by the Management Board are distributed to the heads of the audited or affected areas.
- Follow-up and reporting on internal audit recommendations
   Quarterly reporting to the Management Board and Supervisory
- Quarterly reporting to the Management Board and Supervisory Board on the determinations and recommendations of all audit findings from the previous quarter

#### Committees

Credendo SR set up the committees shown in Figure 6.

COMMITTEE	SET UP THE COMMITTEES SHOWN IN  EXTENDED MANAGEMENT BOARD  (EMB)	SOLVENCY RISK COMMITTEE (SRC)	COMPLIANCE & INTERNAL CONTROL COMMITTE (ICS)
Membership	Management Board     CFO     Head of Reinsurance Department     Senior Underwriter     Claims Manager/ Administrator     Risk Management     Compliance Function     Actuarial Function (once year, according to needs)	A minimum of two Management Board Members     CFO     Actuarial Function     Risk Management Function     Financial & Solvency II Reporting Expert     Compliance Function	A minimum of two Management Board Members     Compliance Function     Risikomanagement Function     Entity ICS responsible
Frequency	Quarterly, before quarterly closings	Quarterly, after BE/SCR calculations     For preparation of public disclosure reporting according to needs	At least once a month and as necessary
Purpose	Supervises the claims and provisions process and ensure that they are in accordance with company procedure     Review insurnace policy conditions to determinate coverage     Decision on provisions	Risk Management Framework und policies Risk identification process, including emerging risk monitoring Risk measuring performance against risk appetite To discuss/ validate data analysis and results of BE & SCR calculations Recomendadtion for posibly recalculations or reparametrizations Stress testing, especially approval of stress scenarios to be tested Supervisory reporting and disclosure requirements — ORSA/SFCR/RSR	Periodical review of processes and procedures to monitor the operational implementation of internal system of control so that decision-making capability and accuracy of reporting and financial results are always maintained at an optimal level

Figure 6: Organisational structure - Credendo SR committees

#### Annual general meeting

The Annual general meeting has the purpose of a common decision-making process of its shareholders with regard to Credendo SR's matters. It decides on matters concerning the Articles of Incorporation, Rules of Procedure of the Supervisory Board, the Supervisory Board per se, important issues regarding the company's strategy, and appoints and dismisses members of the Supervisory Board.

In the past reporting period, there were no changes in the governance structure that need to be disclosed in this document.

#### Remuneration system

The remuneration system of Credendo SR is based on the basic principle of a fair remuneration corresponding to the skills and performance of the executives and employees. The current market practice is also taken into account. Negative incentive systems are avoided in order to guarantee a prudent and risk-conscious business practice.

Within the Credendo ECA, there is a system for variable remuneration in place, which covers Management Board members, managing directors in the subsidiaries, as well as employees.

# Remuneration principles and payment conditions

The basic principles of the group guideline for variable compensation are as follows:

- The variable remuneration is limited to a maximum of 25% of the annual income
- The variable remuneration is dependent on criteria that have to be met by the beneficiaries and can be influenced by them as well
- The criteria shall be defined as collectively as possible

- Calculation is done after the expiring of the period relevant for the bonus payment
- The criteria are set independently of the budget
- Quantitative and qualitative criteria must be met
- The criteria should be as straightforward as possible
- The fulfilment of the criteria supports long-term and positive developments
- The criteria should be defined as consistently as possible for a longer period in order to allow for continuous development

The following payment terms apply to all variable remuneration components at Credendo SR:

- Variable remuneration components up to a maximum of 25% of gross annual remuneration or EUR 30,000 are fully paid out within one month after granting
- In exceptional cases, if bonuses exceed 25% of the gross annual salary or EUR 30,000 they are only disbursed over a period of three years. 60% of the total amount of the bonus will be paid out in the first year, 20% in the second year and 20% in the third year. Bonuses are paid with the June salaries.

#### Variable remuneration of Management Board members

The members of the Management Board are covered by the variable remuneration system of the Credendo ECA and can receive a maximum of up to 25% of the annual salary (assessed and decided by the Supervisory Board). It is an individual bonus based on the valuation of a combination of quantitative and qualitative criteria that defines the amount of the variable remuneration.

#### Variable remuneration of employees

Credendo SR does not have a general system for the determination of a variable remuneration that applies to all employees. The Management Board can grant a variable remuneration. The Management Board is responsible for the approval of the variable remuneration and has to document it with a Management Board's resolution.

#### Supplementary pension

Management Board members are not eligible for a supplementary company pension as a rule. Employees in Vienna benefit from an attractive pension scheme based on a company agreement whose entitlements were transferred to an external pension fund in 2018. In Geneva branch, the company contributes to the "second pillar" of the pension scheme.

# **Material transactions**

As of 31 December 2020, there have been no material transactions by members of the Management Board, the Supervisory Board or other key stakeholders of Credendo SR.

There are reinsurance relations in the form of quota-share treaties and Excess of Loss covers with the parent company. Furthermore, parts of the IT were outsourced to the parent company.

#### Reporting lines and access to information

The governance functions support the Management Board and the Supervisory Board in monitoring the financial reporting, the auditing process, the internal control system (ICS) and the compliance with legal requirements. It is also entitled to propose investigations in specific areas if necessary.

# Independence of the governance functions

A governance function can also obtain legal opinions from experts outside the company if necessary, but has to consult with the Management Board and Supervisory Board beforehand.

The governance functions have unlimited access to all information within Credendo SR and can request internal resources to perform their tasks.

# Assessment of the adequacy of the governance system

On basis of the organizational structure shown in Figure 4 and the clear definition of the key functions' tasks and responsibilities, the appropriate independence of functions is ensured within Credendo SR. Potential conflicts of interest (within the structure and process organisation) are continuously identified and prevented by the implementation of specific measures. Due to these processes, the adequacy of the governance system can be guaranteed.

# **B.2** Fit and proper requirements

The members of the Supervisory Board and the Management Board, as well as the holders of key and management positions, were informed of the requirements regarding the "fit & proper" assessment set out in table 15.

These requirements of knowledge, skills and experience ensure that competent decisions are made within Credendo SR. Besides the professional competence, the fulfilment of the requirements for personal qualifications is essential for members of the Management Board, the Supervisory Board and the holders of key functions.

The established requirements and procedures apply to new members of the executive bodies, holders of key functions, management members and employees.

# Selection criteria for the selection of Management Board, Supervisory Board and key functions

	rd, Supervisory Board and key function
FIT	ra, oupervisory Board and Rey function
Education and skills	Completion of relevant studies and courses or external and internal training courses or other appropriate trainings and education
Work experience  Appropriate professional experience (depending on the position: leader experience as an executive or expert), relevant knowledge for the specific area	
Expertise	<ul> <li>Regulatory framework, insurance expertise, knowledge of the company's organization, governance and control</li> <li>Specially for the Management Board and Supervisory Board: Strategic planning and corporate governance, as well as knowledge of rights and obligations of the Management and the Supervisory Board</li> </ul>
Governance criteria	Independence through the disclosure of potential conflicts of interest, in particular due to already acquired functions within the company as well as personal, professional and economic relations to major shareholders, to other members of the Management and / or the Supervisory Board.
PROPER	
	<ul> <li>No reasons for exclusion (conviction for fraudulent crime, harm to creditor's interests, etc.)</li> <li>No conviction for any other criminal offence (a more than three months' imprisonment or a fine of more than 180 daily rates)</li> <li>No legal and administrative criminal proceedings relevant for the position within Credendo SR</li> <li>Legal and professional conduct, as well as sound financial conditions</li> </ul>

Table 15: Selection criteria for the selection of Management Board, Supervisory Board and key functions

#### Responsibility

The Management Board and the Supervisory Board are responsible for the implementation of the fit & proper requirements. The human resources department, working closely together with the Management Board, is responsible for the assurance that the criteria, the central documentation of the suitability assessment and the preparation of measures to ensure suitability are up-to-date.

## **Evaluation process**

The professional qualification of the people concerned is evaluated, in particular, during the admission process. Appropriate qualifications are acquired through appropriate specialist literature and ongoing training and development measures.

With regards to personal reliability, every member of the Supervisory Board or Management Board is required to immediately notify the Supervisory Board as a collective body, and every individual holding a key or management position is required to immediately notify the Management Board as a collective body, in the circumstances of any doubt raised concerning personal reliability. In doing so, the facts must also be provided in the shape of explanatory documents, in order to enable a rapid assessment as well as the adoption of appropriate measures.

Table 16 schematically shows the process concerning the assessment of management boards, Supervisory

Boards and individuals holding key positions.

Boards and individuals	s holding key positions.			
	Management Board	Supervisory Board	Key functions	
General		s are required for the suitability cord, self-assessment of profes		
1. Responsibility	Supervisory Board as collective body	General Shareholders Meeting	(entire) Management Board	
2. Decision making-process	Candidates' self-assessment	is the basis of the decision		
3. Implementation	For the implementation of the self-assessment, a checklist is being used. This checklist is to be assessed with "fit & proper", or with "not fit & proper". The overall assessment is based on a positive professional qualification, personal reliability (i.e. good reputation) and governance. The assessment has to be documented.			
4. Notification	The intended appointment of a member of the Management Board must be reported to the Austrian Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FMA) no later than one month before being in place. In case of doubt, the FMA can object to the professional qualification or personal reliability of the appointment.	The election of the chairman of the Supervisory Board must be reported to the FMA without delay. At the request of the FMA, the court for commercial matters may instantly revoke the election of the chairman.	The appointment of people who are responsible for key functions is to be reported to the FMA immediately after the appointment.	
5. Measures in case of a negative assessment result	A future member of the Management Board may not be appointed in the event of a negative assessment; in case of an already acting member of the Management Board a reassessment is required.	A future member of the Supervisory Board may not be appointed in the event of a negative assessment; in case of an already acting member of the Supervisory Board, the shareholders must be informed.	Employees already in place experiencing a negative assessment must be replaced or the suitability must be ensured as soon as possible.	
6. Assurance of suitability	Ensuring suitability is carried out in an internal process (ongoing training and further development measures as well as re-evaluations).			

Table 16: Process concerning the assessment of Management Boards, Supervisory Boards and individuals holding key positions

# B.3 Risk management system including the own risk and solvency assessment

Credendo SR has a sound risk management system. This includes strategies, processes and reporting procedures in order to recognize, measure, monitor, manage and report on the risks involved and their interdependencies on an individual basis. This was established in accordance with the risk management system of the holding company Credendo ECA and is based on group-wide risk assessments. These are, however, adapted to the Austrian and to the Swiss legal requirements as well as to the necessities and specifics of Credendo SR in order to cover the special needs arising from the size and the field of business.

Risk management is integrated into the organisational structure and decision-making processes of Credendo SR. It is consistent with the overall business strategy and a central point in strategic planning.

A central element of the strategic planning process is the correlation of all management decisions with a defined degree of risk transparency, which defines the types of risks that can be taken in order to achieve sustainable and profitable growth. Risk management is therefore also of central importance as a control element.

The Supervisory Board decides annually on the risk appetite and the risk management strategy based on the proposal of the Management Board. For the most relevant risk categories, the risk tolerances (e.g. quantitative requirements for risk appetite, according to which risks are to be selected) and the risk preferences (e.g. qualitative requirements for risk appetite, according to which risks are to be selected) are derived from the pre-defined risk appetite in order to create a better guide for everyday business. The Management Board also examines to which extent the implementation of the risk management strategy, the requirements for risk assumptions and the legal and regulatory regulations are complied with.

In the course of the internal reporting by the risk management function, the identified risks are also assessed quantitatively, if possible. Subsequently, an assessment is made for the individual risk categories, which is done in cooperation with the actuarial function.

Table 17 displays the risk management process.

Phase	Question	Description
Risk identification	Which risks have a significant impact on Credendo SR?	<ul> <li>Risk identification based on a predefined risk category and an initial risk assessment. These risk categories are reviewed annually.</li> <li>Identification of new risks to which Credendo SR is or could be exposed, including an analysis of external and internal factors causing possible changes</li> </ul>
Risk analysis and valuation	What are the expected effects on Credendo SR as an insurance company?	<ul> <li>Risk assessment based on quantitative (e.g. value-at-risk approach) and qualitative (e.g. "qualitative tags") analysis, a so-called risk appetite framework</li> <li>Implementation of various case scenarios</li> </ul>

Risk controlling	How does Credendo SR deal with risks internally?	<ul> <li>Risk transfer and risk reduction techniques, e.g. through reinsurance</li> <li>Set thresholds and limits (including risk tolerance areas)</li> <li>Effectiveness control of the measures, incl. clear documentation (risk map)</li> <li>Use of an indicator-based risk-controlling system, e.g. in the selection of customers</li> </ul>
Risk monitoring	Does the Credendo SR impose effective measures?	<ul> <li>Controlling of risk mitigation and risk concentration</li> <li>Ensuring compliance with MCR / SCR</li> <li>Controlling of the overall risk tolerance, risk-bearing capacity and the risk profile</li> </ul>
Risk reporting	How does Credendo SR report the risks?	<ul> <li>Standard reporting on set dates ( i.e. annual, quarterly, biweekly)</li> <li>Ad hoc reporting</li> </ul>

Table 17: Overview of the risk management process

The risk management system of Credendo SR identifies and measures all material risks including:

- Risk captured by Solvency II required regulatory capital calculation
- Risk not captured by the Solvency II required regulatory capital calculation
- Risk which is not (or hard) to quantify

At Credendo SR, no internal model is used, which means that no changes occur during the reporting period. Furthermore, no validation and evaluations other than in the standard approach are being carried out.

## Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA)

Credendo SR uses an appropriate process of forward-looking Own Risk & Solvency Assessment (ORSA). This enables and encompasses the assessment of risks and includes the determination of corresponding capital needs (taking into account the specific risk profile, approved risk appetite and the business strategy), the continuous compliance with the requirements regarding regulatory capital and technical provisions, and the significance with which the risk profile deviates from the assumptions underlying the regulatory solvency capital calculation in the Solvency II Framework.

At Credendo SR, the Risk Control Committee is responsible for preparing the ORSA. The process begins in August and is usually completed by the end of November. On the one hand, the findings of the ORSA serve the budgeting process to ensure compliance with the equity requirements for the years to come; on the other hand, the ORSA is presented to the Supervisory Board at the year's end's meeting.

The first step is to create a risk profile. Eligible own funds for risk coverage are calculated in the course of the calculation process in accordance with the regulatory framework of Solvency II and limit the risk appetite. The valuation of own funds is made quarterly based on local accounting regulations and conform to Solvency II regulations. These are in particular:

- 1. Market value of investments
- 2. Technical provisions gross for the Solvency II balance sheet (BE)
- 3. Technical provisions of reinsurer's share for the Solvency II balance sheet (BE)

- 4. Personnel provisions for the Solvency II balance sheet (BE)
- 5. Risk margin

Non-quantified risks are managed by strict internal controls as well as the annual risk assessment by the risk owner.

A forward-looking estimate of the capital requirements, coordinated by the finance department, is part of the annual budget preparation in which all departments are involved. Subsequently, the calculations of the minimum capital according to Solvency II and all other documents necessary for the planning are forwarded to the Management Board and the Supervisory Board, which then can take the necessary measures based on this information.

# Continuous Compliance with Regulatory Capital Requirements and Forward-looking Capital Adequacy Assessment

Regulatory capital adequacy is monitored on a quarterly basis by relating available own funds to the risks assessed by the Solvency II standard formula. Taking into account the stability of the company's risk profile and the frequency and quality of calculations continuous compliance with the Solvency II regulatory capital requirements is ensured.

A forward-looking assessment of the regulatory and other capital needs is part of the annual business planning cycle. The business planning over a three-year time horizon involves input from across the whole company and is coordinated by the finance department. Solvency II regulatory capital calculations, taking into account expected changes to the risk profile and business strategy over the business planning period, and how these needs are expected to be covered are submitted to the Management Board and the Supervisory Board, together with the business plan.

Non-quantitative risks over the business-planning horizon are considered annually in the full ORSA. The assessment also documents the identification and explanation of the differences identified from the comparison of main risk profiles with the assumptions underlying the standard formula for the SCR calculation.

The forward-looking full ORSA also addresses the medium-term capital management plan, based on the business strategy, risk tolerance and ORSA insights, and includes among others:

- any strategies for raising additional own funds and planned capital issuance where necessary and the proposed timing for actions to improve the financial condition if need be.
- the maturity relating to the own fund items.
- the impact on the application of any limits in the applicable capital regime from issuance, redemption or repayment of, or other variation in the valuation of, an own funds item.
- distribution policy if applicable.

#### **Stress Testing**

To provide an adequate basis for the assessment of solvency needs and for decision-making, the sensitivity to the assumptions used in the business plan are tested by subjecting identified risks to a sufficiently wide range of stress tests and/or scenario analysis.

Taking Credendo SR's risk profile of a credit insurer into account, the most relevant stress testing refers to shocks on the underwritten credit risks. The stress-testing program includes:

#### During the annual full ORSA:

- Qualitative stresses from failure of a key process, loss of key functions or personnel, the occurrence
  of unforeseen external events
- Reverse stress testing, including the assessment of the probability of realization of scenarios that could threaten the viability of Credendo SR, such as default by countries where important exposure is situated

#### Reviewing of the risk appetite framework

The risk appetite framework, which is part of risk management, is reviewed once a year by decision of the Management Board at the last meeting of the Supervisory Board of the year (normally at the end of November) taking the insights gained through the ORSA into account. The results of the discussion as well as the business strategy are then agreed upon. The risk-appetite framework states, which risks Credendo SR accepts, avoids, reduces or outsources. This is also known as risk tolerances.

#### **Timing & Frequency**

#### Regular ORSA process

Credendo SR's regular ORSA process provides for:

- Quarterly interim risk & solvency reports at Credendo SR, submitted to the Management Board 6-8 weeks after financial closing and once a year to the Supervisory Board: these reports provide for an updated assessment of the underwriting risks, which happen to be most material, and estimations on other quantified but less material and volatile risks.
- An annual forward-looking assessment of quantified Solvency II risks, submitted together with the 3 years forward-looking business plan in the 4th quarter to the Supervisory Board.
- An annual full forward-looking ORSA, including non-quantified risks, whereby the final draft is submitted to the Supervisory Board. Reference date for the analysis is the end of the previous financial year as the SCR calculation is then to be reported for Pillar III.

The frequency of the assessment is considered more than adequate taking into account the risk profile and the limited volatility of the overall solvency needs relative to the capital position.

#### Non-regular ORSA

A non-regular or ad hoc ORSA is performed outside of the regular time-scales following any significant change in the risk profile. Circumstances that will trigger such a non-regular (partial) ORSA will mainly remain limited to underwriting risks, as these are the most material and therefore may change the risk and solvency profile significantly. Significant changes may be triggered by internal decisions and factors or external events (such as sudden business or financial developments, new product launches or significant regulatory changes within the next 12 months). No ad hoc ORSA was conducted in the past financial year.

# Overall Solvency Needs (OSN)

The OSN of Credendo SR according to the current ORSA assessment are calculated as the plain sum of all risks which are quantified and are considered to be covered by the own funds at the moment.

For the purpose of ORSA, the risks are aggregated "as they are considered on individual risk level". The methods of risk measurement are not necessarily entirely consistent (i.e. they are not calibrated as to be the value at risk at a certain confidence level, which is equal for each risk). Credendo SR certainly evaluates its risk at a different quantile than the Solvency II standard formula, i.e. a lower "year event" (a "less than 200 year" event). According to these assumptions, a comparison of the results from the calculation of the OSN to those from Solvency II standard formula might be inadequate.

#### **Business Plan**

Credendo SR's risk management strategy states that risk appetite shall be considered in the business planning process, balancing goals for the operational objectives (typically built on forecasts for premium income and insured amounts, charges of claims and expenses, risk mitigation, etc.) and risk.

# **B.4 Internal control system**

## The internal control system (ICS)

The ICS of Credendo SR ensures that legal and regulatory requirements, as well as the corporate guidelines, are fulfilled at all times. The ICS includes all the coordinated internal measures, principles and procedures applied within Credendo SR in order to ensure compliance with legal and business policies, to ensure the regularity and data quality of the accounting, to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the operational processes, to protect the assets and to ensure the reliability of operational information.

The organisational measures of the ICS are integrated into the individual processes, meaning that these measured are either integrated during, before or after the process itself. The ICS is thus integrated operationally into all business processes.

The ICS is constantly being monitored in order to guarantee compliance with the defined processes and controls and in order to make adjustments if necessary in the event of a changing environment. In addition, the effectiveness, traceability and efficiency of the ICS are being reviewed periodically, the assessment being carried out by self-assessment or by an independent body, e.g. internal audit.

#### Responsibilities

The Management Board is responsible for the design and effectiveness of the ICS. It is also responsible for the reporting to the Supervisory Board. The process owner, the risk management function, the compliance function, the ones responsible for the assessment and the asset liability management (ALM), the internal auditors and the external auditor, inform the Management Board about the functionality and effectiveness of the ICS. The persons in charge are responsible each for clearly defined areas of organization and control of ICS.

It is also necessary to monitor and document the execution of the processes' key controls. The ICS reports can be integrated into the regular reports of the individual (key) functions.

The individual processes have to be reviewed and adapted at least once a year by the process owners, the risk manager and the compliance officer. Additionally, necessary processes and controls are to be defined and implemented as required.

#### Control of the ICS

The risk management function and the compliance function control the ICS. The controls and tasks are clearly defined in the guidelines for each respective function. In 2018, an annual self - assessment procedure was introduced and performed with the employees at both locations, Geneva and Vienna. After summary and analysis, the results were included in the risk control matrix

#### The compliance function

The compliance function is an independent function that reports directly to the Management Board. The compliance function has the task to protect Credendo SR's good reputation and integrity. This is to be ensured by adhering to the applicable laws and regulations, as well as through the rigorous application of clearly defined ethical standards defined by the company.

The compliance function is either performed by a compliance officer, who is appointed by the Management Board in which case the compliance function has a direct reporting line to the Management Board, or the compliance function is exercised by a member of the Management Board itself. A deputy of the compliance officer is also appointed and exercises the rights and duties connected to the compliance function in case the compliance officer is absent.

The compliance function ensures that all necessary rules, processes and guidelines are in place and that within Credendo SR an environment is created, in which all employees are aware of the importance of

complying with the regulations and ethical standards. In addition, the compliance function monitors and registers violations of the ethical principles of Credendo SR in order to ensure that they do not repeat themselves. Proposals for changes are addressed to the Management Board by the compliance function, which must approve them. Another task of the compliance function is to advise the Management Board on legal issues.

#### B.5 Internal audit function

Since 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2017, the internal audit function in Austria and Switzerland has been outsourced to the Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH.

The Credendo SR's internal audit function is a separate organisational unit which is exclusively responsible for the regular and comprehensive examination of the legality, regularity and expediency of the Credendo SR's business and business processes. This includes, in any event, the assessment of the adequacy and effectiveness of the internal control system as well as the other elements of the governance system. Internal auditing performs its tasks autonomously, objectively, impartially and independently of processes and / or systems.

Within the framework of these activities, internal auditors are also supposed to make important suggestions, recommendations, perform analysis and provide information concerning the audited areas to then report these to the Management Board, and on a quarterly basis to the Supervisory Board. The organisational units involved are requested to make the most of the results of the work of internal auditing in order to support the company's policy, as well as to improve operational procedures.

## Organisation and structure

The internal audit department is independent of other activities which Credendo SR carries out and reports directly to the entire Management Board and the Supervisory Board. The responsibility for the establishment and functioning of internal auditing lies with the entire Management Board and cannot be delegated. The Management Board ensures that internal auditors can always carry out the duties assigned to them as well as ensuring that the internal auditors have sufficient and adequate quantitative and qualitative personnel and equipment.

#### Order of assignment

The order of assignment of the internal audit department is carried out by approval of the annual revision plan by the entire Management Board, or by the approval of a special audit commissioned by at least two members of the Management Board. Approval shall be given before the start of the examination period (that is, the actual calendar year).

In case of the initiation of a special audit by the internal auditors, the management of the company is to be informed immediately after the announcement of events or suspicious actions relevant to the special audit.

Likewise, the internal audit department controls the compliance function. The compliance officer can request assistance from the internal audit department in case of an independent investigation, after prior information from the Management Board, whereby the compliance officer retains responsibility for the investigation and must also report the results to the Management Board.

## Principles of internal auditing and its exercising

Internal auditors carry out their duties independently, i.e. are not subject to any instructions, regarding the planning, auditing, reporting and evaluation of the results of the audit and the decision to initiate special audits. The right to issue special audits by at least two members of the Management Board shall remain unaffected. The internal audit department is not involved in decision-making or business processes or performs other tasks, which are not in line with the audit activity.

#### Internal auditing duties

Internal auditing is subject to secrecy in its activities. It shall observe the legal requirements, in particular those of data protection, and shall treat all information obtained in the course of its activities in a confidential manner. The internal auditors have to carry out their auditing activities with the greatest possible consideration for the operational procedures. In the event of a divergent view of the audited organisational unit and internal auditing competences, the Management Board shall decide.

#### Audit planning

Internal audit prepares an annual risk-oriented audit plan based on which audits are carried out. The audit plan includes the audit areas to be audited and the type of audit to be carried out. The nature, extent, complexity and risk content of the business area to be audited are taken into account, in addition to specific audit requirements of the Supervisory Board. Furthermore, follow-up audits are planned for areas of objections of prior years. Special audits can be initiated independently by the internal auditors, or mandated by the Management Board.

The audit plan is prepared independently by the auditors and submitted to the Management Board for approval. After approval by the Management Board, the audit plan is also submitted to the Supervisory Board for approval. Significant changes to the audit plan must be brought to the attention of the Management Board and the Supervisory Board without delay. The audit plan is kept available for at least seven years. The capacity planning of the internal audit department must be guided by the audit requirements.

#### **B.6 Actuarial function**

The actuarial function in Austria has been outsourced to arithmetica Consulting GmbH. The actuarial function is a function independent of the organisational units and the reporting function. The specific tasks of the actuarial function have already been described in section B.1.

The actuarial function is appointed by the Management Board and reports directly to the Management Board. A deputy for the actuarial function is also to be appointed. Credendo SR ensures that the actuarial function is carried out by individuals who have knowledge of insurance and financial mathematics appropriate to the nature, extent and complexity of the risks associated with insurance or reinsurance activities; individuals able to provide their relevant experience with regards to applicable professional and other standards.

#### Reporting to the Management Board

The report must be submitted to the Management Board at least once a year. The Management Board forwards the report to the Group Risk Officer and the Supervisory Board. The Management Board presents the actuarial report to the Supervisory Board at the next following meeting and the Supervisory Board takes note of the report.

This report should document all tasks performed by the actuarial function as well as their results and possible shortcomings and recommendations.

# **B.7 Outsourcing**

## Assessment before outsourcing

A clearly defined assessment must be carried out before going through with any form of outsourcing. It defines which considerations are to be taken into account before outsourcing and the conditions under which further outsourcing from the service provider to a sub-service provider should be permitted. The processes that are to be observed during the contract period with the service provider are also defined here. All outsourcing requires a Management Board decision. Outsourcing does not include processes, services and activities which are unrelated to the insurance business and / or are of short duration (shorter than six months' time) and / or can be clearly classified as insignificant.

The significant constituents of the outsourcing process are summarised in Table 18.

Subject of outsourcing	In the course of the assessment preceding the outsourcing process, an exact description and, if necessary, a clear definition of the processes, services and functions to be outsourced are to be made.
Supervisory authorisation	If the outsourcing of important and / or critical processes, services and functions is being considered, considerations must be given to the necessary collection of regulatory approvals. Important or critical are in this case processes, services and functions, which are indispensable when it comes to Credendo SR guaranteeing its performance and obligations within its insurance activities. In case of any doubt, a clarification with the competent supervisory authority must be carried out.
Due Diligence	Credendo SR remains fully responsible for all outsourced processes, services and functions. In particular, these outsourced processes, services and functions are subject to Credendo SR's risk management and internal control system. Accordingly, the decision to outsource must be preceded by a reviewing process carried out with due diligence with regard to the subject of the outsourcing and the service provider.

Table 18: Overview of the significant constituents of the outsourcing process

## **Decision-making criteria**

When selecting the service provider, the following criteria must be taken into account and documented:

- Professional competences and reputation of the service provider
- Legal power of the service provider to provide services
- Financial soundness
- ICS and emergency plans of the service provider
- Compliance with legal requirements by the service provider
- Availability of responsible and competent contact person

# **Outsourcing contractors**

After the outsourcing has taken place, the monitoring, testing and evaluation of the processes, services and activities provided by the service provider must be carried out during the period of outsourcing. The members of the Management Board are entrusted with the task of assigning these tasks to the employees in charge of the respective matter (outsourcing officers).

The outsourcing contractors must have the necessary competences and skills to effectively monitor the outsourced activities and the associated risks.

The outsourcing officers have to inform the Management Board and the risk management function on a regular basis, but at least once a year about the quality and contractual conformity of the services of the service provider.

#### **Outsourcing contract**

An outsourcing contract between Credendo SR and the service provider is to be signed, which comprehensively regulates the reciprocal rights and liabilities between the contractual parties.

#### **Outsourced functions**

Table 19 displays the key-functions which the Credendo SR outsources.

Internal audit function	Outsourced to: Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH., (Location: Vienna, Austria)
Actuarial function	Outsourced to: arithmetica Consulting GmbH (Location: Vienna, Austria)

Table 19: Overview of the Credendo SR's outsourced functions

Outsourcing of the internal audit function to Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH. in accordance with the FMA as of 18 November 2016, signed by FMA-VU132.330/0002-VPR/2016.

Outsourcing of the actuarial function to arithmetica Consulting -GmbH in accordance with the FMA as of 6 November 2015, signed by FMA-VU132.330/0001-VPR/2015.

Outsourcing of the SAP accounting program and other IT services to Delcredere|Ducroire in accordance with the FMA as of 11 May 2016, signed by FMA-VU132.330/0001-VPR/2016 and acknowledgement of changes with the FMA as of 16 May 2018, signed by FMA-VU132.330/0001-VPR/2017 and as of 27 July 2018, signed by FMA-VU132.330/0002-VPR/2018.

Outsourcing of parts of the portfolio management of investments to Degroof Petercam Asset Management SA/NV with its registered office in Brussels, Belgium, in accordance with the FMA as of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018, signed under GZ FMA-VU132.330/0003-VPR/2018.

#### Monitoring of outsourced activities

The risk management system and the ICS of Credendo SR have to take account of outsourced activities or actions in their agendas. Furthermore, they have to monitor the actual service provision in order to effectively assess any associated risks. Credendo SR has evaluated appropriate criteria for the monitoring of the service provision and the risks. These criteria allow an efficient management of the outsourcing. These criteria are documented within the internal directives and also provide corresponding emergency plans in case the service provider does not deliver the contractually agreed services on time, or should the service provider terminate the contractual relationship.

Credendo SR also ensures that the necessary organisational structures and necessary knowledge of previously outsourced activities are provided in an appropriate time frame to enable a functioning reintegration. Emergency plans are subject to a periodic review.

## **B.8** Any other information

Specifics in respect of the governance system of the branch office in Switzerland:

#### General Information on the governance System in Switzerland

The Swiss branch of Credendo SR is included in the Governance System of the Austrian parent company as far as legally possible and permissible under FINMA Circular 2017/2 Corporate Governance - Insurers (risk management and internal control system, 2010/1 Remuneration systems, 2017/4 Responsible (r) Actuary, 2018/3 Outsourcing and 2016/3 ORSA, integrated.

## **Management Board**

is responsible as a collective body for the company as a whole. However, the Swiss VAG provides for the function of a general representative, who is accountable to the supervisory authority FINMA as the responsible person. This function is held by Geneva based Member of the Management Board Christian Hendriks.

The other bodies of the company, such as the Supervisory Board and the Annual General Meeting, are responsible for both locations.

# **Holders of key functions**

The key functions are staffed in a way, that if they are not outsourced to third parties, (that the holder of the function is active in Vienna and the deputy is active in Geneva. The tasks are the same as in Austria, and the activities of the established committees, composed of staff from both locations, cover the affairs of the entire company.

## Remuneration system and Assessment of the adequacy of the governance system

The employees of the Swiss Branch are also included in the variable compensation system that applies to Credendo SR.

The organizational structure as shown in Figure 5 also ensures the appropriate separation of functions for the Swiss Branch. Possible conflicts of interest can be identified in time and prevented by appropriate measures. This ensures the appropriateness of the governance system in Switzerland as well.

## Fit and proper requirements

For this, as in Austria, the "FIT & Proper" criteria defined by the Supervisory Authorities apply, according to which the selection of employees, especially in management positions and key functions, takes place. The criteria are described in point B.2 and also apply to the employees of the Swiss Branch.

## Risk management system including the own risk and solvency assessment

Credendo SR risk management system is integrated into the organizational structure and decision-making processes for both location Vienna and Geneva, according to legal and regulatory requirements in Austria and Switzerland.

The risk management process as described in Table 12 is applied to the same extend for the Swiss Branch in order to cover special needs arising from the local specific field and to ensure the appropriateness of the risk Management system in Switzerland as well.

The operational implementation of risk management in Switzerland is carried out by annual risk identification, risk analysis and evaluation of all material risks.

The risk identification takes place via company-wide existing processes, supplemented by local specific expert opinions and / or estimations.

Monitoring and internal reporting of Swiss Branch specific operational risks are performed on regular basis.

The risk identification, risk analysis and evaluation, monitoring and reporting are carried out in collaboration between branch manager in Geneva and Risk Management function.

#### ORSA

Due to the size of the branch office there is no legal obligation to report an own ORSA. The scenarios used in the ORSA are representative of the overall risk profile of the company and cover all significant aspects of the overall risk profile in Austria as well as in Switzerland.

#### The internal control system

The legal and regulatory requirements for the ICS are similar in Switzerland and Austria and are taken into account in the company's internal guidelines, measures, principles and procedures.

The organizational measures of the ICS are integrated in the processes that cover the entire business activity at both locations.

Ongoing monitoring takes place at the Geneva location, through Self-Assessment and examination by the second line of defence (risk management and compliance) especially by the local deputy of the key function in collaboration with the functional owner. In 2018, a responsible person was appointed for monitoring and reporting on the Internal Control system in Switzerland.

## **Compliance function:**

The Risk Management function and the Compliance function review the ICS on regular basis.

Through the local expertise by the respective deputies, the compliance with applicable regulations and laws in the Swiss Branch should be secured. The Compliance function supports and advises the general representative in legal matters.

#### Internal audit function

The activity of Internal Audit in Switzerland is identical to that one described in section B.5. It is outsourced for the whole company outsourced to Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH., which means also for the Swiss Branch. It is carried out independently by the latter at both locations, according to a plan approved by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

#### **Actuarial function**

The actuarial function in Switzerland is outsourced to Pittet Associés SA, Lausanne, Switzerland. This company covers the legal and regulatory requirements that are binding and necessary in respect of the actuary for Switzerland.

#### **Outsourcing:**

The following activities are outsourced for the Swiss branch:

Internal Audit Ernst & Young Management Consulting GmbH;
Actuarial Function Pittet Associés SA, Lausanne, Switzerland

Accounting Credendo – Single Risk, Austria.

SAP, Firewall, IT Services (partly)

Credendo ECA, Belgium

Asset Management

(partly)Credendo – Single Risk, Austria.IT (partly) / Administration (partly)Credendo – Single Risk, Austria.Claims Management (partly)Credendo – Single Risk, Austria.

Production / claims settlement (partly) various Insurance Companies

The monitoring, testing and evaluation of the processes, services and activities provided by the respective service providers is carried out by outsourcing officers.

Credendo SR has no other information of the reporting period that need to be disclosed here.

# C. Risk Profile

Credendo SR calculates the Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) according to the Solvency II standard formula. Based on these calculations all quantifiable risks are covered and Credendo SR's regulatory capital requirement is determined.

Credendo SR is a mono-line non-life insurer, specializing in credit insurance. While the financial or operational risks whose contribution to the SCR according to Solvency II calculated in the Quantitative Impact Studies (QIS) in prior years is relatively low, it is especially the underwriting risk that is considered large in terms of possible losses considering both the likelihood of the risk being realised and the impact of that risk when realised. Credit insurance business, especially Single Risk business, is often "fat tailed", i.e. there is the risk of individual large (outliers) losses occurring.

Credendo SR measures risks both quantitatively and qualitatively:

- Underwriting risk, market risk and counterparty default risk are measured quantitatively
- Less quantifiable risks (such as strategic risk and reputation risk) are measured qualitatively

The SCR is the sum of the Basic Solvency Capital Requirement (BSCR), the capital requirement for the operational risk and the adjustment of risk-minimising effects.

The BSCR of Credendo SR is derived by aggregating various risk classes and taking into account correlation effects:

- Market risk
- Credit risk/Counterparty default risk
- Non-Life underwriting

in kEUR	SCR 31.12.2020	SCR 31.12.2019	Difference
SCR	18,645.6	21,241.0	-2,595.4
Operational risk	726.9	902.0	-175.1
Adjustments	0.0	-317.5	317.5
BSCR	17,918.7	20,656.5	-2,737.8
Diversification	-4,330.9	-5,126.6	795.6
Market risk	5,886.1	6,812.0	-925.9
Credit risk/Counterparty default risk	2,062.1	2,722.1	-660.0
Non-life underwriting risk	14,301.5	16,249.0	-1.947.5

Table 20: SCR & BSCR

As of 31 December 2020, the SCR equalled to EUR 18,645.6k (prior year: EUR 21,241.0k). At the same time, the own funds to cover the SCR amounted to EUR 48,699.1k (prior year: EUR 52,126.6k). As of 31 December 2020, the BSCR amounted to EUR 17,918.7k (prior year: EUR 20,656.5k). The diversification was EUR 4,330.9k (prior year: EUR 5,126.6k).

The individual components of the BSCR as well as its reasons for a decline or increase are given in the following sub-chapters.

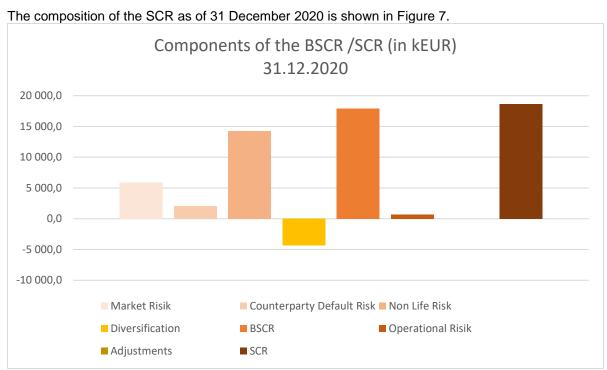


Figure 7: Components of BSCR / SCR as per 31.12.2020

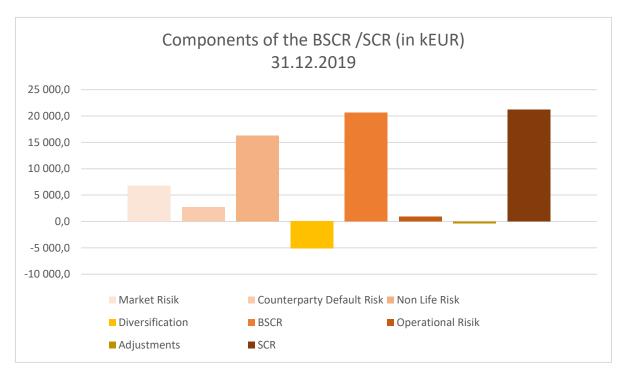


Figure 8: Components of BSCR / SCR as per 31.12.2019

Within the reporting period, Credendo SR has not made any changes to the risk assessment methods. However, minor adaptions may arise from changes in the interpretation as well as improvements of the modelling or parametrization.

## C.1 Underwriting risk

#### 1.1 Risk description

Credendo SR has identified the following underwriting risks as set out in Table 21. In case of any significant changes compared to the previous reporting period a detailed explanation is given.

Risk category	Risk sub-category	Description
	Premium and reserve risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the value of insurance liabilities, resulting from fluctuations in the timing, frequency and severity of insured events, and in the timing and amount of claim settlements
Underwriting Risk	Catastrophe risk (CAT)	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the value of insurance liabilities, resulting from significant uncertainty of pricing and provisioning assumptions related to extreme or exceptional events

Table 21: Overview of the underwriting risk

#### 1.2. Risk exposure

Table 22 shows the exposure in underwriting risk as of the respective year-end.

in kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
Non-life underwriting risk	14,301.5	16,249.0	-1,947.5
Diversification	-3,772.1	-4,171.8	399.7
Premium and reserve risk	9,536.2	8,704.8	831.5
CAT	8,537.3	11,716.1	-3,178.7
Lapse risk	0.0	0.0	0.0

Table 22: Risk exposure of the underwriting risk

In 2019 the underwriting risk amounted to EUR 14,301.5k. In particular, the Premium and reserve risk is the most significant driver of the capital requirement.

Compared to last year the Non-Life Risk decreased from EUR 16,249.0k by EUR1,947.5k. Reason is that increase in future estimated premiums was planned in a more prudent way. The impact can be seen in the premium risk as well as in CAT-risk.

#### 1.3. Risk assessment

The underwriting risk is calculated in accordance with the Austrian VAG 2016 respectively Article 114 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35. The sub-categories are subdivided according to the standard formula.

## Premiums and reserve risk

The capital requirement for premiums and reserves is calculated by using a formula-based approach and the volume of premiums and reserve risk according to pre-defined Lines of Business (LoBs).

For a correct segmentation, homogenous risk groups have to be defined. For the calculation of the SCR two homogeneous risk groups were transferred to the Solvency II Lines of Business. The results from the LoB "credit defaults" were transferred to the Solvency II LoB "Credit and suretyship insurance".

## Catastrophe risk

The catastrophe risk consists of the following risks:

- Natural catastrophe risk
- Catastrophe risk of non-proportional property reinsurance
- Man-made catastrophe risk
- All other non-life catastrophe risks

The catastrophe risk of the credit insurance is assigned to the so-called "man-made risks". According to the Solvency II standard formula, the two largest claims are taken into account for "severity" (the severity of damages). For "frequency" (accumulation of damages), the loss of premiums of an entire year due to increased claims is used as a calculation basis.

#### 1.4. Risk concentration

Credendo SR is exposed to the main risk concentrations shown in Table 23 and therefore the following processes have been established for the purpose of monitoring in this risk category:

Risk category	Risk concentration	Monitoring process
Underwriting risk	Risk of having too high	Regular monitoring and, where
	risks per debtor, per	necessary, reduction of hazards
	country or per sector	

Table 23: Overview of risk concentration

## 1.5. Risk mitigation

The implemented risk mitigation techniques of Credendo SR aim at reducing the probability of occurrence as well as the extent of the possible losses. All risk mitigation activities are performed according to a cost-benefit analysis. During the reporting period, Credendo SR has undertaken a series of countermeasures to limit the risk exposure.

Credendo SR continuously monitors the effectiveness of the implemented risk mitigation measures. Therefore, the processes shown in Table 24 were established in this risk category.

Risk category / risk	Risk mitigation	Monitoring process
Underwriting risk	The reinsurance program should support the business objectives and strategies and help to mitigate risk, identifying the level of risk transfer appropriate to the approach to risk and defined risk limits (i.e. established risk tolerances and maximum net risk to be retained) and taking into consideration the risk appetite framework and the availability and cost of reinsurance	<ul> <li>Verifying the retention limits established: this is part of the exposure monitoring by the risk management function</li> <li>Monitoring of reinsurance recoverable and the creditworthiness of each reinsurer</li> <li>Retaining deposits from reinsurers covering the ceded part of technical provisions.</li> </ul>

Table 24: Overview of the risk mitigation processes

## **Use of Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs)**

Credendo SR does not use any SPVs to manage risks.

# C.2 Market risk

## 2.1. Risk description

Credendo SR has identified the following sub-risks of market risk, displayed in Table 25.

Risk category	Risk sub-category	Description	
	Interest rate risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation resulting, directly or indirectly, from changes in the term structure of interest rates or in the volatility of interest rates	
	Equity risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation resulting, directly or indirectly, from changes in the level or in the volatility of market prices of equities	
	Property risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation resulting, directly or indirectly, from changes in the level or in the volatility of market prices of real estate	
Market risk	Spread risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation resulting, directly or indirectly, from changes in the level or in the volatility of credit spreads over the risk-free interest rate term structure	
	Currency risk	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation resulting, directly or indirectly, from changes in the level or in the volatility of currency exchange rates	
	Market risk concentration	The risk stemming either from lack of diversification in the asset portfolio or from large exposure to default risk by a single issuer of securities or a group of related issuers	

Table 25: Sub-risks categories of the market risk

Credendo SR's capital requirement for market risk, the most important after underwriting risk, is largely determined by Credendo SR's financial investments. Since the capital increase in 2018, Credendo SR distinguishes between "tied assets" amounting to at least 130% of SCR and "free assets" in terms of investment. In respect of "tied assets" a very conservative investment strategy is maintained. The aim is not only to meet legal and regulatory requirements regarding the coverage of technical reserves but also to incur minimal risks only on its asset base and provide the liquidity needed at any point in time. This prudent investment policy targets in steady returns with relatively low volatility.

In respect of "free assets", rules were defined allowing the addition of equity and real estate to bonds targeting at achieving more attractive yields for this part of the portfolio. In addition, the diversification reduces dependence of the developments on the bond markets.

## 2.2. Risk exposure

in kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
Market risk	5,886.1	6,812.0	-925.9
Diversification	-2,588.3	-3,244.5	656.2
Interest rate risk	1,733.3	1,821.1	-87.8
Equity risk	3,735.8	3,927.5	-191.7
Property risk	241.4	339.1	-97.8
Spread risk	1,646.8	1,834.1	-187.3
Currency risk	853.3	1,839.5	-986.2
Market risk concentration	263.8	295.1	-31.3

Table 26: Risk exposures concerning the market risk

Table 26 shows the exposure to market risk.

The highest of the market risks is again the Equity risk since it is foreseen to invest up to 25% of the so-called "Free assets" into Equity funds. The Equity risk decreased versus 2019 mainly because of the impact of the symmetric adjustment.

The interest rate risk, which was the second highest risk in 2020 declined compared to 2019, as the volume of the bond portfolio of tied assets was reduced whereas it was stable in "free assets".

Credendo SR holds a high proportion of investments in bonds and time deposits. Since the investment volume decreased in 2020 versus 2019, the spread risk decreased accordingly compared to the previous year.

More than 50 % of the premium volume of Credendo SR derives from foreign currencies. For the unhedged currency positions, a shock of 25% is usually applied to calculate the currency risk. As at 31.12.2020, there was a better congruency between the foreign currency positions on the assets and liabilities side of the balance sheet compared with 2019. The currency risk was reduced accordingly.

Although properties are included in accordance with the investment policy, these are not included in the property risk, as investments are made exclusively in funds which are shown in equity risk. The property risk recognised is based on the IFRS 16 standard on "Lease Arrangements".

The concentration risk decreased due to the fact that the same liquidity was better distributed among the same number of banks.

#### 2.3. Risk assessment

Market risk is calculated in accordance with the Austrian VAG 2016 respectively Article 164 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35. The sub-categories are subdivided according to the standard formula.

#### **Equity risk**

This risk category is made up of two different types of shares: type 1 comprises equities traded in a regulated market in countries which are members of the EEA or the OECD, type 2 includes all other shares.

The capital requirement is calculated as a result of an immediate permanent impairment of:

- 22% for type 1 and 2 shares with strategic focus
- 39% (49%) of all other type 1 shares (type 2 shares) including a "symmetric adjustments" Since 2018, Credendo SR has shares within funds in its portfolio. In addition, a pure bond fund which is held beside the special fund, was included into this risk category as a simplification to avoid the application of look through approach. This leads to a slightly higher SCR than in case of application of the look through approach.

## **Currency risk**

The capital requirement for this risk category equals the sum of the capital requirements for the currency risk of each foreign currency. Foreign currencies are all currencies that are not used to prepare Credendo SR's financial statements.

To calculate the capital requirement, Credendo SR uses the standard formula according to Solvency II. This formula calculates two scenarios (increase / decrease of 25% of the foreign currency w.r.t. the local currency). The scenario that results in the larger capital requirement is taken into account for the calculation of the currency risk.

#### Spread risk

The capital requirement for this sub-risk category is calculated as the sum of the capital requirement of:

- Bonds and loans
- Tradable securities and other securitisation positions
- Credit derivatives

The capital requirements for the above products are calculated using a risk factor based on the quality of the loan and the duration of the underlying product. Credendo SR currently does not invest in securitisation positions or in credit derivatives.

According to Credendo SR's business strategy the "tied assets" are preliminary invested in bonds, where all securities are intended to be held to maturity. The spread risk arising from this strategy is monitored by continuous inspection of the external rating of the issuer. If a security migrates to non-investment grade, Credendo SR's management is informed and the option of sale is considered.

The special fund for the "free assets" is obliged to obey the same quality criteria.

#### Interest rate risk

The interest rate risk includes such risks resulting from changes in the underlying base curve (interest rates of government bonds, swap risks and inflation).

To calculate the capital requirement, Credendo SR uses a duration-based approach on the asset side, taking into account an interest rate increase or decrease. The non-simplified approach is applied to the balance sheet items on the liabilities side (technical provisions and personnel provisions).

#### **Property risk**

The capital requirement is calculated as a result of an immediate permanent loss of value of 25%. Credendo SR has no direct participation in properties in its portfolio. The property risk is exclusively driven by the rules of IFRS 16.

#### Market risk concentration

The capital requirement for this risk category is calculated on the basis of the "single name exposures"-companies. Companies belonging to the same group or the same financial conglomerate are treated as "single name exposure", as well as real estate properties located in the same building.

#### 2.4. Risk concentration

As Credendo SR is exposed to main risk concentrations (shown in Table 27), processes were established for the purpose of monitoring this risk category.

Risk category / risk	Risk concentration	Monitoring process
Market risk	The risk concentration in	Regular reports and, if
	sub-risk categories due to	necessary, reallocation of
	not well diversified	investments
	investment activities	

Table 27: Risk concentration in market risk

#### 2.5. Risk mitigation

The implemented risk mitigation techniques of Credendo SR aim at reducing the probability of occurrence as well as the extent of the possible losses. All risk mitigation activities are performed according to a cost-benefit analysis. During the reporting period, Credendo SR has undertaken a series of countermeasures to limit the risk exposure.

Credendo SR continuously monitors the effectiveness of the implemented risk mitigation measures. Therefore, the processes shown in Table 28 were established in this risk category.

Risk category / risk	Risk mitigation	Monitoring process
Equity Risk	Purchase of Funds	Quarterly review of the report of the fund manager
Currency risk	ALM	Quarterly review of the balance sheet items
Spread risk	Sales of bonds which deteriorate in rating	Ongoing monitoring of external ratings
Spread risk	Investment in government bonds which are not subject to spread risks in accordance with the standard formula	Ongoing monitoring of the share of government bonds in the portfolio
Interest rate risk	Buying short-term investments as tied assets and holding the investments until the end of their maturity	Monitoring of the maturities of assets and liabilities
Market risk	The Management Board determines limits on an annual basis for its financial investments per asset class which are reflected in the investment strategy. The investment strategy clearly determines the diversification of assets across the most important investment categories, the allocation of limits per counterparty, the type of financial instruments and the currencies	Financial instruments are monitored on a regular basis and managed in accordance with the "prudent person" principle

Table 28: Overview of the processes per risk category

# C.3 Credit risk

## 3.1. Risk description

Table 29 displays the main identified risks concerning credit risk.

Risk category	Risk sub-category	Description
Credit/Counterparty Default Risk	n.a.	The risk of loss or of adverse change in the financial situation, resulting from fluctuations in the credit standing of issuers of securities, counterparties and any debtors to which the undertaking is exposed

Table 29: Overview of risks in credit risk

## 3.2. Risk exposure

According to Table 30 the default risk is the third largest risk for Credendo SR after the underwriting risk non-life and the market risk. The decrease from EUR 2,722.1k in 2019 to EUR 2,062.1k in 2020 is explained on the one hand by the improvement of ratings from banks where liquidity is kept and on the other hand by the reduction of reinsurance receivables from technical reserves in respect of type 1. Concerning type 2, above all the receivables against policyholders decreased by 44% versus 2019 which was due to the lower premium production in Q4 and the strict collection measures.

in kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
Credit/counterparty default risk	2,062.1	2,722.1	-660.0
Diversification	-129.0	-184.8	55.8
Type 1 (banks, reinsurance)	1,416.0	1,631.6	-215.6
Type 2 (policyholder, insurance broker)	775.2	1,275.3	-500.1

Table 30: Risk exposure of credit/counterparty default risk

#### 3.3. Risk assessment

The credit risk is calculated in accordance with the Austrian VAG 2016 respectively Article 189 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35.

The credit risk includes the credit default, default of payment, as well as the deterioration of the creditworthiness of debtors, e.g. Insurers, brokers or reinsurers. Furthermore, the default of bank deposits is taken into account. A distinction is generally made between counterparty risks, sight deposits; derivatives and country risks related to foreign debtors or counterparties with cross-border payment obligations.

Other crucial areas of potential default risk are the investment portfolio and receivables from reinsurance companies.

#### 3.4. Risk concentration

As Credendo SR is exposed to main risk concentrations shown in Table 31 processes were established for the purpose of monitoring this risk category.

Risk category / risk	Risk mitigation	Monitoring process
Credit/counterparty default risk	Risk of building up excessive claims towards a single counterparty	Selection of reinsurers and investments according to internal guidelines (credit rating & rating), as well as a limit system

Table 31: Credit/counterparty default risk - risk concentration

## 3.5. Risk mitigation

The implemented risk mitigation techniques of Credendo SR aim at reducing the probability of occurrence as well as the extent of the possible losses. All risk mitigation activities are performed according to a cost-benefit analysis.

In this risk category, Credendo SR has implemented general risk mitigation techniques (setting limits, ongoing monitoring of economic and political developments and / or risk transfers through reinsurance).

# C.4 Liquidity risk

## 4.1. Risk description

Credendo SR has identified the following material sub-risk shown in Table 32 in the liquidity risk.

Risk category	Risk sub-category	Description
Liquidity Risk	Operational liquidity risk	The risk that day-to-day cash requirements in order to settle financial obligations when they fall due are not covered under normal conditions
	Strategic liquidity risk	The risk that liquidity needs in order to settle financial obligations when they fall due are not met on a longer-term basis

Table 32: Sub-risks in the liquidity risk

## 4.2. Risk exposure

The risk that day-to-day cash requirements are not covered under normal conditions is very low as insurance cash inflows usually cover cash outflows.

The investment policy states that 50% of "Tied assets" has to be held in liquidity or quoted government bonds respectively bonds secured by governments (all investment grade) where it should be possible to transfer immediately into liquidity without any delay.

The asset/liability management takes the time to maturity into account. The aims are regular monitoring and to match liquidity requirements with available liquidity. Resources to cover day-to-day cash requirements are, besides cash inflows from net written premiums and recourse payments from claims, available cash and deposit holdings and highly liquid financial investments. The risk that assets invested in by Credendo SR become illiquid is firmly mitigated by the investment policy prescribing that a large part of investments should be in cash and short-term funds and through minimum standards on credit risk for securities.

The strategic risk of liquidity, of not being able to meet liquidity needs on a longer-term basis, is mitigated by the fact that Credendo SR is a client at various major banks and hence possess sufficiently diversified sources of funding. In case of big claims payments reinsurance treaties foresee "cash loss clauses" so that additional liquidity can be retrieved quickly from reinsurance companies. Additionally, quota share reinsurers have to provide deposits covering the reinsurance part of technical provisions.

## 4.3. Risk assessment

The liquidity risk is neither calculated in the standard formula nor in the course of Credendo SR's ORSA. The risk can be assessed by comparing the maturity structure of the assets and liabilities in the balance sheet. If there is a mismatch of these maturity dates, there is a risk that liquidity-raising costs will accrue. These costs may incur by the sale of investments or by taking out bridging loans.

#### 4.4. Risk concentration

Credendo SR checks risk concentrations on a regular basis. In this risk category, no significant risk concentration was identified for the current reporting period.

## 4.5. Risk mitigation

The implemented risk mitigation techniques of Credendo SR aim at reducing the probability of occurrence as well as the extent of the possible losses. All risk mitigation activities are performed according to a cost-benefit analysis. During the reporting period, Credendo SR has undertaken a series of countermeasures to limit the risk exposure.

Credendo SR continuously monitors the effectiveness of the implemented risk mitigation measures. Therefore, the processes - shown in Table 33 - were established.

Risk category / risk	Risk mitigation	Monitoring process
Liquidity risk - operational	High share of investments in liquid positions, cash loss agreement with reinsurers	Biweekly liquidity analysis
Liquidity risk - strategic	Accuracy of maturities on the assets and liabilities side of the balance sheet	Analysis of durations Monitoring of credit quality of bonds Purchase of traded titles

Table 33: Overview of processes per risk category

# C.5 Operational risk

## 5.1. Risk description

Table 34 shows the sub-risks concerning operational risk identified by Credendo SR.

Risk sub-category	Description
nternal fraud risk	The risk of loss due to acts of a type intended to defraud, misappropriate property or circumvent regulations, the law or company policy, excluding diversity/discrimination events, which involves at least one internal party
External fraud risk	The risk of loss due to acts of a type intended to defraud, misappropriate property or circumvent the law, by a third party
Risk from employment, employment practices & workplace safety	The risk of loss arising from fluctuation of employees, acts inconsistent with employment, health or safety laws or agreements, from payment of personal injury claims, from diversity or discrimination
Risk from clients, products and business practices	The risk of loss arising from an unintentional or negligent failure to meet a professional obligation to specific clients, or from the nature or design of a product
Damage to physical assets	The risk of loss arising from loss or damage to physical assets from natural disaster or other events
Business disruption &	The risk of loss arising from disruption of business or system failures
	The risk of loss from failed transaction processing or
The state of the s	process management, from relations with trade
management	counterparties and suppliers
	External fraud risk  Risk from employment, employment practices & vorkplace safety  Risk from clients, products and business practices  Damage to physical essets  Business disruption & system failures Risk from execution, delivery and process

Table 34: Risks in the area of operational risk

Operational risk covers a broad variety of possible risks that deal with a variety of possible causes.

Operational risks are considered by Credendo SR as difficult to quantify and to anticipate. In addition to identifying the most potentially adverse operational risks, Credendo SR assesses its vulnerability to these risks and implements processes and procedures to mitigate, monitor and control material operational risks, in light of the overall risk appetite. Key operational risks identified at Credendo SR are related to business continuity, IT processes and human resources. The COVID -19 pandemic is a challenge for both IT and human resources.

#### 5.2. Risk exposure

As shown in Table 35 the operational risk amounted to EUR 726.9k, which was a decrease of EUR 175.1k versus prior year as a consequence of the increase of BSCR.

in kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
Operational risk	726.9	902.0	-175.1

Table 35: Operational risk exposure

#### 5.3. Risk assessment

The operational risk is calculated in accordance with the Austrian VAG 2016 respectively Article 204 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35. On this basis, the risk assessment is carried out.

#### 5.4. Risk concentration

Credendo SR checks risk concentrations on a regular basis. In this risk category, no significant risk concentration was identified in the current reporting period.

#### 5.5. Risk mitigation

Credendo SR has defined risk mitigation techniques which are listed in the following section.

## **Business continuity / Disaster recovery plan**

Business continuity plans as well as IT safety concepts should ensure the ability to operate on an on-going basis and limit losses in the event of severe business disruption. A full replication of IT was put in place. In case of disruption of one site (Vienna or Geneva), full operations could be proceeded from the second site promptly.

With the first lockdown, the mechanisms laid down in the emergency plans were set in motion. Together with the works council, the management informed the employees about the concrete further procedure. Specifically, the use of the home office was made mandatory for all employees, with the exception of the respective journal services.

To implement this measure, it was necessary to ensure the availability of IT resources. Many employees had already been upgraded with laptops before and also worked from places other than the office, e.g. from home or on business trips. For this group of staff, the changeover was straightforward. For the other staff, desk-top devices and some laptops were provided and taken home. These devices were preconfigured so that they were immediately ready for use when connected to the internet. Within just one week, operations were back as before.

Due to the COVID -19 pandemic, no special adjustments were necessary in the staff contingency plan.

#### **Electronic data processing**

In 2015 Credendo SR replaced the existing insurance IT-tools and systems so that only one technical coreinsurance platform is used. This resulted in increased efficiency and remedied identified deficiencies in processes.

#### Outsourcing

Credendo SR outsources certain services. The outsourcing arrangements are subject to a formal and comprehensive written agreement covering the responsibilities of both parties and a qualitative description of the services. Agreements are in line with the appropriate policy.

#### Fraud risk

Credendo SR's insurance activities are conducted by qualified staff with the necessary experience and technical capabilities, acting in accordance with the integrity policy and code of conduct. Fraud risk is mitigated through the delegation of authorities' rules and the strict observance of the four-eyes-principle.

## Legal risk

Legal risk is defined as including, but not limited to, exposure to fines, penalties, or punitive damages resulting from supervisory actions, as well as commercial disputes. Credendo SR, like all other insurers, is subject to litigation in the normal course of its business. Although there is always uncertainty about the outcome of such type of litigation, it is not really possible to calculate a material effect, but it can be considered as not significant. Legal risks are closely monitored by the head of underwriting and the compliance function, according to the domains of responsibility that have been identified between both functions, as these risks may jeopardise the reputation of the entities.

## Merger and integration process

Significant integration issues can arise both before and after a merger, both operationally and culturally. A merger is a major organisational change with the risk of changing many of the underlying processes on which operations are based.

A project team was formed and teams from all areas worked effectively together to identify and resolve key integration issues. Based on a "Legal Steps Plan", an overall plan was designed to address the complex requirements of three jurisdictions and regulators.

#### C.6 Other material risks

## 6.1. Risk description

Table 36 shows the by the Credendo SR identified sub-risks concerning other material risks.

Risk category	Risk sub-category	Description
ALM-risk	n.a.	The risk of mismatch between the liabilities and the assets covering them
Strategic risk	n.a.	The risk of loss from the impact on earnings or capital arising from adverse business decisions, improper implementation of decisions, or lack of responsiveness to industry changes
Reputational risk	n.a.	The risk of potential damage to an undertaking through deterioration of its reputation or standing due to a negative perception of the undertaking's image among customers, counterparties, shareholders and/or regulatory authorities

Table 36: Other material risks

#### **ALM-risk**

The market risk capital requirement not only covers the risk arising from the level or volatility of market prices of financial instruments but also properly reflects the structural mismatch between assets and liabilities, in particular with respect to the duration thereof and the currency composition. Not typically seen as an ALM-risk but important for Credendo SR is the counterparty risk in terms of geographical spread in assets and liabilities. This means that because of the reason that Credendo SR is specialized in taking risks in emerging markets it would not invest in those countries but mainly in Europe.

## Strategic risk

Strategic risk is defined as the risk of the current and prospective impact on earnings or capital arising from adverse business decisions, improper implementation of decisions, or lack of responsiveness to industry changes. Strategic risk is a function of the compatibility of the strategic goals, the business strategies developed to achieve those goals, the resources deployed against these goals, and the quality of implementation. Resources include communication channels, operating systems, delivery networks, and managerial capacities and capabilities.

Credendo SR has a well-established process for setting strategic high-level objectives that are effectively communicated within the organization and are translated into detailed 3-year business plans. These strategic goals and objectives are approved and overseen by the Management Board and the Supervisory Board.

#### Reputational risk

Reputational risk for Credendo SR is considered to be the risk of a deteriorated reputation and standing of the company among its, clients, shareholders and other stakeholders including regulatory authorities and rating agencies.

The management of Credendo SR considers upholding the good reputation of the company as an important task and responsibility. This goes beyond just complying with all applicable laws and regulations, which is an obvious requirement, but also about the key value of integrity in the performance of the business and compliance with fundamental ethical principles when dealing with others and the environment. Credendo SR's values are enshrined in Credendo SR's Compliance Rules and Code of Conduct.

#### 6.2. Risk exposure

The reputation risk and other material risks are not subject to a quantitative assessment by Credendo SR.

#### 6.3. Risk assessment

The assessment of other material risks is difficult (e.g. strategic and reputation risks). This means that less quantifiable risks are assessed using qualitative tags ("high, moderate, low") for likelihood and impact of the (inherent and) residual risks. Likelihood (or probability) represents the possibility that a given event will occur, while impact or severity represents its effect. Inherent risk is the risk in the absence of any actions to alter either the risk's likelihood or impact. Residual risk is the risk that remains after response to the risk.

#### 6.4. Risk concentration

Credendo SR checks the risk concentrations on a regular basis. In this risk category, no significant risk concentration was identified in the current reporting period.

#### 6.5. Risk mitigation

The implemented risk mitigation techniques of Credendo SR aim at reducing the probability of occurrence as well as the extent of the possible losses. All risk mitigation activities are performed according to a cost-benefit analysis. During the reporting period, Credendo SR has undertaken a series of countermeasures to limit the risk exposure.

Credendo SR continuously monitors the effectiveness of the implemented risk mitigation measures. Therefore, the processes shown in Table 37 were established for this risk category.

Risk category / risk	Risk mitigation	Monitoring process
ALM -risk	Financial investments issuers are primarily in Europe or other OECD countries. Insurance covers are primarily risks in emerging countries	Determined in strategy and rules which are obeyed currently.
ALM -risk	Rules to match duration of assets and liabilities by investing in short- and medium term investments	<ul> <li>The maturity of investments is monitored quarterly</li> <li>The duration of provisions is monitored annually</li> </ul>
Strategic risk	Close monitoring of business trends     The quality of internal control and risk management, consistent with the strategic issues confronting	<ul> <li>A close follow-up by the internal control functions on changing regulatory expectations</li> <li>Keeping track of developments in regulatory changes</li> <li>The tailor-made and up to date IT-landscape should allow mitigating a more important impact/frequency strategic risk</li> </ul>
Reputational risk	<ul> <li>A communication function that takes care of external communication concerning reputation-sensitive topics and acts/reacts in reputational risk incidents.</li> <li>Adequate procedures for handling complaints with periodic reports by the complaints function to senior management and Management Board on the nature, scale and frequency of such complaints by clients and brokers</li> <li>Training and increasing risk awareness within the organization by the compliance function on the principles of the code of conduct, integrity policy and introduction by the risk management function to the risk management framework.</li> </ul>	Ongoing monitoring, respectively also on the basis of complaints and reports.

Table 37: Overview of the processes of the risk mitigation

# C.7 Any other information

## Stress testing and sensitivity analysis

Stress testing and sensitivity analysis aim to provide an appropriate basis for the assessment of the solvency capital requirements and for the decision-making, and are basically carried out within the framework of the ORSA. Therefore, the sensitivity of the assumptions which are used in the business plan are tested by subjecting identified risks to a sufficiently wide range of stress tests and/or scenario analysis.

Taking Credendo SR's risk profile of a credit insurer into account, the most relevant stress testing refers to shocks on the underwritten credit risks. The stress testing program includes:

- Accompanying the decision on the business plan:
  - Sensitivity analysis by stressing assumptions on modelled loss ratios in the business plan (which is the baseline scenario). The volatility of loss ratios illustrates insurers' capabilities to minimize volatility through managing exposures (such as capping and managing down potential and real exposures, increasing deductibles, etc.), repricing risks, adjusting reinsurance protection.
- During the annual full ORSA:
  - Qualitative stresses from failure of a key process, loss of key functions or personnel, the occurrence of unforeseen external events
  - Reverse stress testing, including the assessment of the probability of realisation of these scenarios that could threaten the viability of Credendo SR, such as default by countries where important exposure is situated.

The above stress testing program fits Credendo SR's profile where risks are especially situated at the liabilities side (i.e. underwriting risk including CAT and reserve risk).

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During the 2020 ORSA process, Credendo SR also carried out the following scenario analysis:

- Scenario 1 a &b: These scenarios describes the application of the Undertaking Specific Parameter for the premium and reserve risk within the premium and reserve risk for the projection horizon 2020-2023. This refers to a change of the standard deviation. These scenarios illustrate, there is an increase of the SCR and therefore the SCR-ratio over the planning horizon decreases (for the USP reserve risk parameter from 248.03% to 177.53% and the USP premium risk parameter from 248.03% to 183.84%).
- Scenario 2: The scenario Stress 2 describes a total collapse of the oil sector exposure due to drastic
  changes in the commodity market. The whole exposure defaults in the projection year 2021 with an
  assumed recovery rate of 50%. This scenario is a catastrophic and tragic scenario and was defined
  as a reverse stress test scenario. Therefore, the SCR ratio is beyond the critical level. In the stress
  year 2021 even the MCR quota is below 100%.
- Scenario 3: The scenario Stress 3 describes a scenario where the Covid-19 impact is reflected.
  This leads to a higher loss ratio in the year 2020 but expects more recoveries in the upcoming years.
  This scenario shows almost the same SCR quotas as the Base scenario with a slightly lower SCR quota in the year 2023. Overall, it can be said that the Covid-19 impact is not substantial in Credendo SR's projections.

The scenarios serve as an insight into the conditions under which we will fall short of the Group's internal target solvency ratio of 150% and what consequences, if any, need to be drawn from this for the underwriting policy.

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## Specifics in respect of the risk profile of the branch office in Switzerland:

Since the branch office operates in the same industry, the risk profile is more or less identical with the one described in the chapter above. Nevertheless, Credendo SR established for the branch in Switzerland (CH) an own risk assessment for the analysis of the own solvency needs. Market risks, consisting of a Credit classification risk, an interest rate risk and a currency risk are considered. The following specifics can be mentioned:

#### Market risk:

In general, every calculation underlies the same assumptions as the calculation for the whole company. The future projections of balance sheet and income statement (31.12.2020 and onwards) are made for the whole business. To calculate the share of the Swiss branch a proportional approach was implemented, meaning that the proportion of CH business on the basis due date was taken and applied for every balance sheet item on the forecast due date 31.12.2020.

#### - Credit Classification risk

The methodology of credit classification risk for the CH branch is the same as for the whole company. All securities are intended to be held to maturity. The credit risk arising from this strategy is monitored by continuous inspection of the external rating of the issuer. If a security migrates to non-investment grade Credendo SR's management body is informed and the option of sale is considered. An adverse scenario is established by a downgrading of the credit rating over the considered time-horizon.

The calculation is done separately for bonds, banks as well as for reinsurance receivables of the CH branch. For bonds and banks, all counterparties are rated. If a reinsurance company has no rating, as Standard & Poor's rating of "BBB" is assumed.

#### Interest rate risk

The consideration of the interest rate risk for the CH branch follows the same assumptions as for the whole company. Hence, just assets are examined as liabilities are assumed to be non-interest bearing. The shock parameters for the duration approach are identical with the whole company calculation, being +20 basis points for 1 year, +60 basis points for 2 years and +120 basis points for 3 years

- Currency Risk: since the share of business in FX is usually close to 100% the Swiss branch has a
  higher currency risk if regarded isolated from Swiss view. Since trade flows in the world market are
  primarily denominated in USD and EUR also insurance cover is denominated in these currencies.
  Therefore, policies in CHF in this industry are rare. Nevertheless, this risk is reduced by balancing
  currencies on the asset and liability side.
  - If looked at from the side of the whole company, an appreciation of CHF versus EUR increases administrative cost. At the same time, the income from premium does not increase since they are written in EUR and USD.
- Liquidity risk: Due to the low interest situation and the economic environment, it is at present hardly possible to enter into new business relations with banks in Switzerland. According to the quality criteria of our Policy on Financial Risks there are no additional Swiss banks complying with these standards accepting us as a customer. According to the system of limits in place to reduce counterparty default risk, only limited liquidity can be held in current accounts per bank. This risk is diluted by investing in quoted short-term bonds which can be sold quickly in case of need. In addition, payments can be executed out of the head-quarter at any time as long as free money transfers between Switzerland and EU are possible.

Supervisory- and legal risk: the legal framework in Switzerland has steadily become more demanding and stringent also for branch offices. This has resulted in continuously increasing costs for personnel and consulting services. There is a certain risk that small and specialised insurance branch offices can't be

maintained in a profitable way in Switzerland. Credendo SR aims at mitigating this risk by cost savings in other areas, inter alia by outsourcing of certain services and functions to the head-office.

# **Investment Strategy**

The policy on financial risks comprises the strategy vis-à-vis market risk (including the assessment of the "prudent person"-principle), concentration risk, ALM risk, liquidity risk and credit risk. Processes and procedures have to be developed that enable to properly identify, evaluate, mitigate, monitor and control all financial risks described.

These processes and procedures are embedded in the governance and risk management systems. They take account of the overall risk appetite setting, ensuring that enough assets with sufficient values and enough liquidity are held to meet all liabilities and enable payments as they fall due.

The Prudent person principle is determined as follows:

Prudence is to be found in the process by which the investment strategy is developed, adopted, implemented, and monitored, care and skill sufficient to the tasks of investment management.

All assets, including those covering the Solvency Capital Requirement, are invested in such a manner as to ensure the security, quality, liquidity and profitability of the portfolio as a whole.

Investment assets are appropriately valued as all financial instruments held and quoted in an active market.

Assets to cover the technical provisions are invested appropriate to the nature and duration of the insurance liabilities and in compliance with existing restrictions on covering assets.

Derivative instruments can only be used insofar as they contribute to a reduction of risks or facilitate efficient portfolio management.

The investments shall be predominantly effected in Euros, as well as in US-Dollars or other foreign currencies subject to compliance with the principle of congruence. First target of the currency match is to achieve 100 % of coverage of insurance liabilities per currency by investments.

#### Our vision on corporate sustainability

As part of the Credendo Group, an international credit insurance group, Credendo SR conducts its business in a socially responsible and forward-looking manner, taking into account our impact on the environment, society, the economy, our stakeholders and our employees.

Credendo SR strongly supports projects that contribute to harmonious and sustainable economic development and the protection of our planet.

Credendo SR strives to conduct its business in a responsible and sustainable manner and promotes responsible and sustainable business practices related to the environment, human rights, anti-corruption and the promotion of sustainable lending to lower income countries.

Credendo promotes equal opportunities, diversity, non-discrimination and gender equality in the context of recruitment and employment.

Credendo's employees represent the company's human capital and are key to the company's success. Credendo promotes and focuses on several initiatives for the well-being of its employees. Creating a pleasant working environment, developing training and learning programmes, committing to ensuring fair treatment in terms of compensation and benefits regardless of age, race, culture, gender, disability, sexual orientation, religion or political beliefs, promoting a good work-life balance and sociability among employees are some examples.

Credendo SR has no other information of the reporting period that need to be disclosed here.

# **D. Valuation for Solvency Purposes**

The derivation of the Solvency II balance sheet is carried out in accordance with the Solvency II Directive 2009/138/EC and the Delegated Regulation 2015/35. The principle of a separated valuation of individual assets and liabilities and the assumptions of the going concern principle apply to the valuation for solvency purposes.

In accordance with the requirements of Article 75 of the Solvency II Directive, the valuation is carried out based on current market values. As active markets do not exist for all assets (or liabilities), Credendo SR applies mark-to-market values according to the Solvency II fair value hierarchy. In case no observable market values are available, market-consistent valuation techniques (mark-to-model) are used where appropriate.

According to Credendo SR, an active market fulfils the following three criteria:

- The products traded on the market are homogeneous;
- Willing buyers and sellers can be found at any time,
- Prices are available to the public.

## **D.1 Assets**

#### Overview of assets

The accounting basis used for the valuation of assets in the annual financial statements is carried out according to the following accounting principles:

- §§ 203ff. UGB
- § 144 VAG 2016

The accounting basis used for the valuation of assets in the annual financial statements in accordance with the Solvency II is based on the following principles:

- Article 7 to 16 Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35
- §§148ff. VAG 2016

Due to different regulations and valuation approaches between the UGB financial statement and the Solvency II regulations, differences occur in the items of the balance sheet. The following tables show the individual assets of Credendo SR with both their UGB and the Solvency II value. Any existing differences in valuation are shown and explanations of differences in the valuation methods are provided.

Table 38 compares the Solvency II assets to the UGB assets. Only non-zero positions are listed.

Assets in kEUR	Solvency II value	UGB value	Differences in valuation
Intangible assets	0.0	14.1	-14.1
Deferred tax assets	312.5	312.5	0.0
Property, plant & equipment held for own use	1,117.9	152.4	965.5
Investments (other than assets held for index-linked and unit-linked contracts)	52,133.7	48,098.1	4,035.6
Property (other than for own use)	0.0	0.0	0.0
Holdings in related undertakings, including participations	0.0	0.0	0.0
Bonds	12,234.5	12,122.8	111.7
Government bonds	5,717.8	5,659.2	58.6
Corporate bonds	6,516.7	6,463.7	53.0

Assets in kEUR	Solvency II value	UGB value	Differences in valuation
Collective Investments Undertakings	38,398.7	34,475.3	3,923.4
Deposits other than cash equivalents	1,500.5	1,500.0	0.5
Reinsurance recoverables from:	7,347.2	7,192.0	155.2
Non-life and health similar to non-life	7,347.2	7,192.0	155.2
Non-life excluding health	7,347.2	7,192.0	155.2
Insurance and intermediaries receivables	4,869.3	4,869.3	0.0
Reinsurance receivables	4,255.0	4,255.0	0.0
Receivables (trade, not insurance)	330.8	330.8	0.0
Cash and cash equivalents	18,131.3	18,131.3	0.0
Any other assets, not elsewhere shown	124.6	181.2	-56.6
Total assets	88,622.4	83,536.8	5,085.6

Table 38: Overview of the assets according to Solvency II against the assets according to UGB

Table 39 summarises the UGB and Solvency II valuation methods.

Assets	Valuation method UGB	Valuation method Solvency II	Explanation of differences in the valuation
Intangible assets	Acquisition value depreciated over its estimated useful life	Measurement only if market value is available	No active market applicable
Deferred tax assets	Acquisition value = different measurement between the balance sheet and the tax balance sheet	The deferred taxes on the Solvency II balance sheet include deferred taxes on the basis of the difference between the values ascribed to assets and liabilities recognised and valued in the Solvency II balance sheet and the values ascribed to assets and liabilities as recognised and valued for tax purposes	They are recognized if there is a surplus of deferred tax assets and impairment testing is positiv
Property, plant & equipment held for own	Acquisition value of plant & equipment is depreciated over its estimated useful life	Economic value according to IAS 40 (Revaluation method)  Value in use of rental	Due to materiality reasons, no revaluation is carried out. The UGB value is assumed.
use	Value in use of rental agreements not recorded	agreements according to IFRS 16 are measured at amortised cost	Differences due to the differences in the valuation method

Assets	Valuation method UGB	Valuation method Solvency II	Explanation of differences in the valuation
Bonds (government bonds and corporate bonds)	Depreciation according to moderate lower of cost or market principle  Pro rata interests: Pro rata temporis converted in EUR at year-end rate	Mark to Market. The market values are measured by deposit statements from banks.  Balance sheet value = Rates <sub>Clean</sub> · nominal + pro rata interests  Pro rata interests: No independent measurement under Solvency II. The Solvency II balance sheet value includes pro rata interests	Differences due to the differences in the valuation method
Collective Investments Undertakings	Depreciation according to strict lower of cost or market principle	Mark-to-market: the market values are measured by deposit statements from banks	Differences due to the differences in the valuation method
Deposits other than cash equivalents	Acquisition value in foreign currency converted into the reporting currency (EUR) at year-end rate	Current account balance. Foreign currency converted into the reporting currency (EUR) at year-end rate. Balance sheet value = account balance + pro rata interests	Differences due to the differences in the valuation method
Reinsurance recoverables from: non-life and health similar to non-life and non-life excluding health	Nominal value	Proportion of reinsurance at Best Estimate of Provision for Claims Outstanding (PCO) and at Premium Provision (PPR)	Differences due to the differences in the valuation method
Insurance and intermediaries receivables	Nominal value	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	Due to short durations the UGB value is assumed
Reinsurance receivables	Nominal value	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	Due to short durations the UGB value is assumed

Assets	Valuation method UGB	Valuation method Solvency II	Explanation of differences in the valuation
Receivables (trade, not insurance)	Nominal value	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	Due to short durations the UGB value is assumed
Cash and cash equivalents	Nominal value	Nominal value	No revaluation necessary
Any other assets, not elsewhere shown	Nominal value	Nominal value	In UGB the pro rata interests are shown in a separate balance sheet item. In Solvency II they are presented in the asset class "fixed-term deposit and bonds"

Table 39: Overview of UGB and Solvency II valuation methods

# Information regarding leasing agreements

Credendo SR has no financing or operating-leasing contracts. Rental contracts are shown on the liability as well on the asset side of the balance sheet within Solvency II according to IFRS 16 since 2019.

# Information regarding holdings in related undertakings

Credendo SR does not have related undertakings.

# Changes regarding the recognition and valuation bases

In 2020, there were no changes in the recognition and valuation bases.

## Sources of estimation uncertainty

Estimation uncertainties on the asset side Could derive from deferred taxes since they are based on future expectations of results.

# **D.2 Technical provisions**

Table 40 compares the technical provisions according to Solvency II to the assets according to UGB.

Liabilities in kEUR	Solvency II value	UGB value	Difference in valuation
Technical provisions – Non-life	22,540.4	18,640.5	3,899.9
Technical provisions calculated as a whole	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Best Estimate	20,967.6	n.a.	n.a.
Risk margin	1,572.8	n.a.	n.a.
Other technical provisions	n.a.	123.9	n.a.

Table 40: Overview of technical provisions according to Solvency II and UGB

# Method for Solvency II valuation

The first step is the creation of homogeneous risk groups.

The following parameters are used to determine the homogeneous risk groups:

- The risk / LoB
- Run-off patterns
- The development of the insurance stock
- The ratio of claims expenses to earned premiums
- Management of the insurance stock

Furthermore, Credendo SR ensured that sufficient information is available for the assessment of each group. If necessary, small units are grouped into a risk group.

Table 41 shows the different segments / models.

Segment	Applied statistical method	
Direct business payment default		
Gross claims incurred without VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Gross recoveries without VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Gross claims incurred VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Gross recoveries VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Reinsurance claims incurred without VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Reinsurance recoveries without VT145	Chain Ladder Incurred	
Reinsurance claim incurred VT145	90% respectively 97% of Gross Chain Ladder Reserve as of 2016	
Reinsurance recoveries VT145	90% respectively 97% of Gross Chain Ladder Reserve as of 2016	
Indirect business payment default		
Gross claims incurred	Case Reserve (UGB/VAG)	
Gross recoveries	Case Reserve (UGB/VAG)	
Reinsurance claims incurred	Case Reserve (UGB/VAG)	
Reinsurance recoveries	Case Reserve (UGB/VAG)	

Table 41: Overview of different segments / models

## Uncertainty of the value of the technical provisions

As part of the actuarial function report, sensitivity and residual analyses are performed to determine the uncertainty of the technical provisions.

# Explanation of material differences in valuation according to Solvency II and UGB Technical provisions according to UGB/VAG

The technical provisions according to UGB/VAG are subject to the prudence principle.

We regularly have discussions with our actuary about the difference between local GAAP reserves and Solvency II best estimates. The increase in prudency within the local GAAP reserving for claims as well as the estimation of recovery rates is taken into account, so the ratio of UGB/SII increased from 77.6% to 82.7% and was expected to close even more within the next years. Furthermore, in 2020 a lump-sum IBNR was set aside for the first time to recognize the higher potential risk of claims due to the global economic situation caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### Formation and valuation of the provision for premium deferral

A provision for unearned premiums and a reserve for late incurred claims (IBNR) are created. It relates to business that has incepted at the provision's valuation date and represents the premiums for this incepted business less the premiums that have already been earned against these contracts (determined on a pro rata temporis basis). This measure is calculated gross of acquisition expenses. The temporal depreciation is carried out by calculating the date differences.

According to §10 (4) RLVVU, a cost reduction of 15vH is permissible. Valuation basis is the full amount.

## Single claims reserve

In principle, a reserve is being set up for each individual claim reported in the claims department, considering the prudence principle. The created reserve intends to cover the expected claims including all settlement payment.

Based on the reported number of policyholders, the amount of the reserve results from the combination of

- the expected compensation
- the expected recourses

The following information is taken into account as well:

- All mitigating measures during the vesting period
- Financial situation of the debtor
- New agreements
- Defined collaterals of policies

## Formation and valuation of the provision for claims management expenses

Provisions have to be created for claims management expenses that cannot be measured to the extent of the exact amount at the reporting date as well as expenses that occur after the reporting date (claims expenses avoidance and claims expenses minimisation).

The provision further includes the contractual obligations, which have not yet been settled at the reporting date.

As Credendo SR's business volume is very low, the amount of the provision is set up as an individual allowance rather than as a percentage value, as is the case of most other insurance companies.

# Formation and valuation of the reserve regarding claims incurred but not reported (so called IBNR reserve)

In the case of the credit insurance, the policy conditions stipulate that the insurer must be informed of initial delays in payment. By the end of the waiting period, usually a large amount respectively a high percentage of the cases will be paid, restructured, and therefore no claims need to be reported. In this stage, the final amount of claims incurred is usually unknown. In case of insufficient information on possible claims incurred, Credendo SR sets up a reserve for late incurred claims (IBNR) according to the method described below. The IBNR reserve of the direct business and the reserve for reinsurers' share are valued on an individual basis. For this purpose, starting 2018 an objectified scheme has been implemented as a rule. An exception is the Turnover Policies, which are ceded to the contract 145. An actuarial method has been used here since 2019 to calculate IBNR reserves.

For the inward treaty business, the IBNRs are set aside according to the declaration of the first insurer.

## Best Estimate reserves - Solvency II

The Best Estimate calculation does not include any reserve buffers that comply with the prudence principle. The Best Estimate cash flows are discounted separately for their further use as part of the SCR and MCR calculations. The Best Estimate for non-life insurance obligations is calculated separately for Provision for Claims Outstanding (PCO) and for the Premium Provision (PPR).

## **Provision for Claims Outstanding (PCO)**

The provision for claims outstanding applies to claims already incurred prior to the calculation date, irrespective of whether the claims resulting from the relevant claim have been reported to the policyholder or not. Credendo SR uses the Chain Ladder method to calculate the provision for claims outstanding.

#### Notation

The notation and procedures shown in Figure 7 are used to analyse and calculate the Best Estimate - PCO.

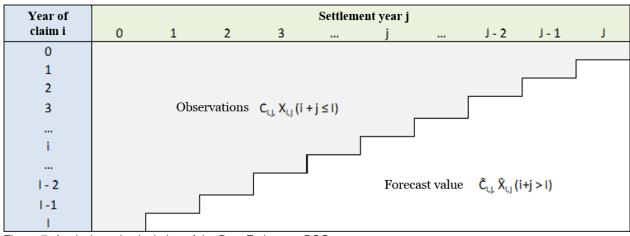


Figure 7: Analysis and calculation of the Best Estimate - PCO

The lines correspond to the years of claims i, while the columns correspond to the settlement years. The accumulated claims incurred Ci,j of the claims year i projected to settlement years j result in:

$$C_{i,j} = \sum_{k=0}^{j} X_{i,k}$$

where Xi, j corresponds to the incremental claims incurred level. Furthermore, it is assumed that the claims incurred level Ci, j are observable for  $i + j \le I$  and are not observable for i + j > I.

#### Best Estimates of future cash flows

If the Chain Ladder method is used on the basis of the payment values (CLP), the cash flows are generated directly from this procedure. Credendo SR, however, applies the Chain Ladder method based on the expense values (CLI). Therefore, expense items must be converted into payment balances in order to be able to infer the future payments (Best Estimate cash flow). Here, an average expenditure-to-payment ratio is calculated for each settlement year, which is applied to the projected expenses.

If expert estimates have been made in the calculation of Best Estimate claims provisions (for example, assumption of a reserve estimation according to the calculation bases used in the financial statements, etc.), these are taken into account accordingly in the cash flow calculation. If future payments are used (for example, for the calculation of the SCR or MCR), the discounting is per accounting year.

## Claims triangles - types

After testing and verification of data, these are summed up to claims triangles. The following triangles are considered for calculating the Best Estimate claims reserve of Credendo SR:

- Data triangle of the payment levels
- Data triangle of the reserve levels
- Data triangle of the expense levels (payment levels + reserves)

## **Solvency II Premium Provision (PPR)**

At present, the following simplification is applied to the premium Best Estimate:

 $BE = CR \cdot VM + (CR - 1) \cdot PVFP + AER \cdot PVFP$ 

VM Volume measure for unearned premium

PVFP Present value of future premiums CR Best Estimate combined ratio

AER Estimate of acquisitions expenses ratio

For the purpose of this calculation, a distinction is made between the direct business and the indirect business as well as between the SR and the TO segment.

#### Counterparty risk adjustment (CDA)

According to Article 42 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35, a CDA is calculated for the Best Estimate Claims Provision (PCO) and for the Best Estimate Premium Provision. This is performed according to the simplification in Article 61 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35.

A default probability is assigned according to the credit rating that is assessed by an external rating agency. It is calculated for each reinsurance company separately and netted with a possible deposit in the reinsurance portfolio. The split into a CDA for claims provisions and a CDA for premium provisions is based on the proportion of the respective provision type in relation to the entire Best Estimate provision.

## Risk margin

The risk margin is valued according to *method 1* of Guideline 61, Paragraph 1.11.4. of the "Guidelines on the valuation of technical Provisions" [EIOPA-BoS-14/166 EN].

The calculation of the risk margin is in accordance with Article 37 of the Delegated Regulation 2015/35. However, the calculation bases for the SCR valuation are projected per module. The following modules are considered on a separate basis:

- Market risk: Currency. However, this is 0 because, according to Article 38 (1) (h) Delegated Regulation 2015/35, market risk can be offset by appropriate asset-liability management.
- Non-life premium and reserve risk
- Non-life catastrophe risk
- Non-life lapse
- Default risk

# Operational risk

# **Matching Adjustment**

Credendo SR does not use the matching adjustment.

## Volatility adjustment

Credendo SR does not use the volatility adjustment.

#### Risk-free interest rate curve

The risk-free interest rate curve is not used.

# **Temporary deduction**

The temporary deduction is not used.

## **D.3 Other liabilities**

Table 42 compares other liabilities according to Solvency II against the other liabilities according to UGB. Only non-zero positions are listed.

Liabilities in kEUR	Solvency II value	UGB	Difference in valuation
Provisions other than technical provisions	669.7	669.7	0.0
Financial liabilities other than debts owed to credit institutions	970.3	0.0	970.3
Pension benefit obligations	408.7	459.3	-50.6
Deposits from reinsurers	6,193.7	6,193.7	0.0
Insurance & intermediaries payable	1,117.4	1,117.4	0.0
Reinsurance payables	7,415.3	7,415.3	0.0
Payables (trade, not insurance)	607.6	607.6	0.0

Table 42: Overview of other liabilities according to Solvency II against the other liabilities according to UGB

Other liabilities	Valuation method UGB	Valuation method Solvency II	Explanation of differences in the valuation
Provisions other than technical provisions	Expected use	Settlement value according to IAS 37. For durations of more than 12 months, depreciation with market interest rate.	Due to materiality reasons, no revaluation is carried out. The UGB value is assumed.
Financial liabilities other than debts owed to credit institutions	None	Liabilities according to IFRS 16 (Lease Arrangements) are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method	Differences due to different evaluation methods.
Pension benefit obligations	According to an actuarial method in line with AFRAC statement 27	Settlement value according to IAS 19	Differences due to discounting with different interest rates
Deposits from reinsurers	Repayment amount on the prudence principle	Settlement value	UGB value is assumed
Insurance & intermediaries payable	Repayment amount on the prudence principle	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	UGB value is assumed
Reinsurance payables	Repayment amount on the prudence principle	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	UGB value is assumed
Deferred tax liabilities	Passive deferred tax liabilities arise when the asset side/passive side of the trade balance sheet is higher/lower than the tax balance sheet.	The deferred taxes included in the Solvency II balance sheet include deferred taxes based on the difference between the assets and liabilities recognized in the Solvency II balance sheet and the recognized assets and liabilities for tax purposes	They are recognized as soon as there is a surplus of deferred tax liabilities
Payables (trade, not insurance)	Repayment amount on the prudence principle	Nominal value (for durations less than 12 months) or present value in line with market interest rate (for durations more than 12 months)	UGB value is assumed

Table 43: Overview of the valuation methods - Other liabilities

## D.4 Alternative methods for valuations

Credendo SR does not use alternative methods for valuations.

## **D.5** Any other information

## Specifics in respect of the valuation for Solvency purposes of the branch office in Switzerland:

Since the main supervision of Credendo SR is performed out of Austria, Solvency II is applicable for the whole company including the branch office. Therefore, everything said above is valid to its full extent also for the branch office.

It is not a requirement to prepare a Swiss Solvency Test (SST) according the circular 2017/3 SST point 2 if it is a branch of a foreign insurance company.

In respect of the rules for the preparation of the Swiss balance sheet the rules of Swiss Code of Obligations and of Swiss VAG are valid.

The biggest differences in the valuation derive from the unearned premium reserve and the equalization reserve.

The Austrian accounting does calculate the unearned premiums pro rata temporis at a cost charge of 15%. For the annual report of the Geneva branch, this cost charge must not be applied according to the Swiss Code of Obligations.

The Equalization reserve for credit insurance has to be set aside according to the method No. 2 in appendix 5 of agreement of 10th of October 1989 between Swiss Federation and EEC. This agreement concerns direct insurance with the exception of life insurance under the provision of lit. 2.3 of the method No. 2 in above mentioned appendix No. 5.

Credendo SR has no other information of the reporting period that need to be disclosed here.

# E. Capital Management

#### E.1 Own funds

## Objectives of the capital management

The capital management of Credendo SR has the following objectives:

- The financial strength of Credendo SR has to be increased adequately by means of active capital management.
- In case of occurrence of major damage events, substantial cuts or strong fluctuations in the financial markets, the financial strength and financial solvency of Credendo SR shall be ensured
- Concerning the SCR: Credendo SR maintains a buffer between the available own funds and the capital needed to cover the aggregate risk by targeting a Solvency II capital adequacy ratio of at least 150% as calculated by the Solvency II standard formula
- Regarding the external ratings: Credendo SR targets a rating capital adequacy corresponding to a minimum A-rating category.

In order to meet the OSN and other regulatory capital requirements, this is regularly monitored and a planning horizon of 3 years is applied to the planning.

## Responsibilities of capital management

The individual responsibilities regarding the capital management are clearly defined by Credendo SR. The risk management function defines Credendo SR's risk appetite and creates a corresponding framework. In collaboration with the CFO, the risk management function plans the medium-term capital requirement, ensures the monitoring of the ORSA process and is responsible for the Solvency II reporting. As well as other disclosure obligations.

The reinsurance department, in turn, is responsible for an appropriate risk transfer and propose the reinsurance program.

The clearly defined responsibilities within the capital management process ensure that Credendo SR's capitalisation is always appropriate.

#### **Process of capital management**

Regarding the management of the capital requirements, Credendo SR has implemented the process shown in Figure 8.

- 1 Accounting, together with the actuarial function, determines the excess of the assets over the liabilities, including own funds.
- 2. Accounting reports the results to the risk management and the Management Board.
- 3. Credendo SR's own funds are allocated to Tier 1 and Tier 3. If the own funds requirements are not met, an Ad Hoc ORSA is carried out.
- 4. The need for adjustment to meet the regulatory capital requirements is determined.

Figure 8: Process of capital management

At Credendo SR, all surpluses should be reinvested to build up own funds according to the current capital management policy. There is no distribution of dividends. The equity consists of the share capital plus capital reserves, as well as profits respectively losses carried forward.

## Reconciliation from UGB to Solvency II

As of 31 December 2020, the UGB equity amounted to EUR 48,309,3k (previous year: EUR 55,180.1k). It consists of the ordinary share capital, which is the paid-up share capital (currently EUR 65,000.2k), and the losses carried forward. The profits or losses carried forward represent a significant share of the retained earnings. As already mentioned, profits carried forward are reinvested in order to further improve the equity capitalisation. As a result of the loss situation in previous years, the reserves were reversed and a retained loss of EUR 16,690.9k was reported.

In comparison to this, the economic capital amounted to EUR 48,699.1k (previous year: EUR 52,126.6k) according to the regulatory valuation principles. Any deviations can be seen in the reconciliation from UGB to Solvency II.

in kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
Equity according to UGB	48,309.3	55,180.1	-6,870.8
Revaluation assets	5,085.6	5,656.6	-570.9
Revaluation technical provisions	-3,899.9	-7,116.2	3,216.3
Revaluation other provisions	-795.9	-1,593.9	798.0
Others			
Economic capital (Solvency II)	48,699.1	52,126.6	-3,427.5

Table 44: Reconciliation of the equity according to UGB to the economic capital

## **Explanation of the reconciliation**

The difference between the UGB equity and the economic capital according to Solvency II is EUR 389.8 (previous year: EUR -3,053.5k) and is derived from the different treatment of the balance sheet items depended on the respective valuation approach. This is explained in detail in chapter D.

## Composition of the own funds according to Solvency II

In accordance with Article 87 of the Solvency II Directive, the own funds comprise the sum of the basic own funds and the ancillary own funds.

The **Basic Own Funds (BOF)**, are composed of 3-Tier classes:

- TIER 1 is mainly composed of ordinary share capital, ancillary share capital, retained profits and hybrid capital components such as subordinated liabilities
- TIER 2 mainly comprises retrieved but unpaid ordinary share capital and subordinated liabilities
- TIER 3 includes subordinated liabilities and deferred tax assets (provided that these are realized within 12 months).

## The **Ancillary Own Funds (AOF)**, provide further subdivisions:

- **TIER 2 additional**: mainly consist of unpaid and not retrieved share capital (that is available on request)
- TIER 3 additional own funds: consist predominantly of the amount corresponding to the value of the deferred tax assets

According to Solvency II, the TIER-classes differ in their ability to absorb losses. TIER 1 has the highest or best ability to absorb losses, while TIER 3 has the worst ability.

In accordance with Solvency II, own shares, foreseeable dividends and investments in financial and credit institutions are deducted from the own funds.

#### Composition of the own funds

The own funds of Credendo SR consist of basic own funds (Tier 1) and ancillary own funds (Tier 3).

The amount of own funds equalled to EUR 48,699.1k for the financial year 2020 (previous year: EUR 52,126.6k).

#### **Classification into TIER classes**

Credendo SR holds Tier 1 and Tier 3 capital. Credendo SR's business strategy is geared towards growth for the next few years, which is why it is necessary to provide sufficient capitalisation. In addition, sufficient capitalisation is vital for Credendo SR's business model in order to guarantee policyholders a sound security. The actual capital structure and the merger planned in 2021 will ensure this sufficient capitalisation.

The composition of the individual Tier classes and the own funds for covering the SCR are shown in Table 45.

Tier-classes according to Solvency II				
in kEUR	2020	2019	Differenz	
Tier 1				
Ordinary share capital	65,000.2	65,000.2	0.0	
Reconciliation reserve	-16,613.6	-12,873.6	-3,740.0	
Tier 2	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Tier 3	312.5	0.0	312.5	
Own funds for covering the SCR	48,699.1	52,126.6	-3,427.5	

Table 45: Composition of the Tier classes

# Covering the SCR and MCR by Tier-classes

Solvency II has limitations for charging the available own funds with the capital requirements (SCR and MCR). The limitations relevant to Credendo SR are shown in Table 46.

Covering the SCR and MCR according to Solvency II Level 2			
SCR covering			
Minimum eligible Tier 1 capital	50% of SCR		
Maximum eligible Tier 3 capital	15% of SCR		
MCR covering			
Minimum eligible Tier 1 capital	80% of MCR		
Tier 3 capital	not eligible		

Table 46: Credendo SR relevant limitations

The eligible own funds of Credendo SR are shown in Table 47. Credendo SR thus fulfils all quality requirements for the Solvency II capital requirements.

Eligible to SCR	In kEUR	In % of own funds
Tier 1 capital of eligible own funds	48,386.6	99.4%
Tier 3 capital of eligible own funds	312.5	0.6%
Eligible to MCR	In kEUR	In % basic own funds
Tier 1 capital of eligible basic own funds	48,386.6	100.0%

Table 47: Eligible own funds

# Other obligatory disclosures

Credendo SR does not use any transitional arrangements regarding the own funds, as well as for the ancillary own funds.

Credendo SR has no further information to report on capital loss compensation mechanisms than the previously mentioned characteristics of the Tier classes and the ability to absorb losses.

In addition to the in "QRT S.23.01" required ratios of eligible own funds to SCR and MCR, no other ratios have been disclosed by Credendo SR.

#### Reconciliation reserve

The reconciliation reserve is primarily composed of the surplus of the assets above the liabilities amounting to EUR 48,699.1k (previous year: EUR 52,126.6k) and the other basic own funds EUR 65,312.7k (EUR 65,000.2k).

Components in kEUR	Description	2020	2019	Difference
Excess of assets over liabilities	This is the excess of the assets above the liabilities as listed in the Solvency II balance sheet	48,699.1	52,126.6	-3,427.5
Own shares (held directly and indirectly)	This is the sum of shares held directly and indirectly by the company	0.0	0.0	0.0
Foreseeable dividends, distributions and charges	These are the company's foreseeable dividends, distributions and charges	0.0	0.0	0.0
Other basic own funds items	These are the basic components of Article 69 (a) i to v, Article 72 (a) and Article 76 (a), as well as the basic own funds components approved by the supervisory authority pursuant to Article 79 of the Delegate Regulation (EU) 2015/35	65,000.2	65,000.2	0.0
Other own funds	These result from the recognition of deferred tax assets. These are offset on the basis of tax losses that can be utilised in the future. The UGB approach was chosen here.	312.5	0.0	312.5
Adjustment for restricted own fund items in respect of matching adjustment portfolios and ring fenced funds	This is the total amount of the adjustment of the compensation reserve due to the existence of restricted own fund items in ring fenced funds and matching adjustment portfolios at group level	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sum reconciliation reserve		-16,613.6	-12,873.6	-3,740.0

Table 48: Composition of the reconciliation reserve

No transitional arrangements were implemented by Credendo SR. Credendo SR neither uses ring fenced funds nor a matching adjustment portfolios.

# E.2 Solvency Capital Requirement and Minimum Capital Requirement

As of 31 December 2020, Credendo SR has sufficient eligible own funds to cover the capital requirements. The Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR) amounted to 261,18% (previous year: 245.41%). The Minimum Capital Requirement (MCR) amounted to 1,038.03% (previous year: 981.62%).

Credendo SR monitors the developments of the MCR and SCR ratios on a quarterly basis. A decrease of the capital requirement ratios below the threshold of 120% will be reported immediately to the Management Board, which will then investigate the origin and if necessary, initiate appropriate countermeasures.

Credendo SR uses the standard formula for calculating the SCR and MCR. Table 49 shows the development of the SCR and MCR in the various risk modules according to the standard formula.

Solvency capital requirement kEUR	2020	2019	Difference
According to risk modules			
Market risk	5,886.1	6,812.0	-925.9
Counterparty default risk	2,062.1	2,722.1	-660.0
Underwriting risk non-life	14,301.5	16,249.0	-1,947.5
Operational risk	726.9	902.0	-175.1
Diversification	-4,330.9	-5,126.6	795.6
Adjustments	0.0	-317.5	317.5
Solvency Capital Requirement (SCR)	18,645.6	21,241.0	-2,595.4
Minimum Capital Requirement (MCR)	4,661,4	5,310.3	-648,9

Table 49: Development of SCR/MCR

The composition and calculation of the SCR is described in detail in section C of this report.

Credendo SR does actually not use simplified calculations or undertaking-specific parameters (USPs) in order to determine the SCR.

No internal model is implemented and no change to an internal model is currently planned. Both the MCR and the SCR developed better than expected during the reporting period.

# E.3 Use of the duration-based equity risk sub-module in the calculation of the Solvency Capital Requirement

Credendo SR uses no duration-based equity risk sub-module in the calculation of the solvency capital requirement.

# **E.4 Differences between the standard formula and any internal model used** Credendo SR uses the standard formula and there is no internal model implemented.

# E.5 Non-compliance with the Minimum Capital Requirement and non-compliance with the Solvency Capital Requirement

Credendo SR was at all times in 2020 compliant with the minimum capital requirement and the solvency capital requirement.

### E.6 Any other information

### Specifics in respect of the branch office in Switzerland:

It is not a requirement to prepare a Swiss Solvency Test (SST) according the circular 2017/3 SST point 2 if it is a branch of a foreign insurance company. There is a monthly review on the coverage of the reserves by the tied assets for the Swiss branch. In order to ensure the coverage, a required amount is determined with the technical, direct provisions. This required amount is compared to the tied assets, consisting of bonds and bank deposits. There was a surplus at any time in 2020.

According to the FINMA circular 2016/02 point 114 the Swiss branch does not need its own financial report if specific details of the Swiss business are provided in the report on the Solvency and Financial Condition Report of the head office. For the SFCR 2020 components of the Swiss business are additionally considered with the topics of business activity and the quantitative submission of the income statement.

Credendo SR has no other information of the reporting period that need to be disclosed here.

Vienna, 23rd of March 2021

The Management Board

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Member of the Management Board

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#### List of Abbreviations

AER Acquisitions expenses ratio

AFRAC Austrian Financial Reporting and Auditing Committee

ALM Asset-liability management

AOF Ancillary own funds
BOF Basic own funds

BSCR Basic solvency capital requirement

CAT Catastrophe risk
CEO Chief executive officer
CFO Chief financial officer

CR Best estimate combined ratio

FINMA Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority FINMA Austrian Financial Market Supervisory Authority

Credendo ECA DelcrederelDucroire

Credendo SR Credendo – Single Risk insurance AG
CDA Counterparty default risk adjustment

IKS Internal control system

LoB Line of Business

MCR Minimum Capital Requirement

OECD The Organisation for Economic Co-operation and

DelcrederelDucroire Development

Office National du Ducroire I Nationale

ORSA Delcrederedienst

Ols Own Risk and Solvency Assessment

QRT Quantitative Impact Study

RCC Quantitative Reporting Templates

PCO Risk Control Committee

PPR Provision for Claims Outstanding

PVFP Premium Provision

SCR
SPV
Solvency Capital Requirement
SR
SPO
Solvency Capital Requirement
Special Purpose Vehicles
TO
Single Risk insurance business

UGB Turnover business

USP Austrian Commercial Code
VAG Undertaking-specific parameters
VM Insurance Supervision Law

Volume measure for unearned premium

### **Annex 1: Regulatory requirements**

This appendix lists all regulatory requirements which the SFCR entails. In addition to these regulatory requirements, this document has been prepared in accordance with articles 35 & 51 to 56 of the Solvency II Directive 2009/138/EC (Level 1) and § 241 to §244 of the Austrian Commercial Code 2016 (Level 4).

### Chapter A

Chapter A provides information on the business and performance of the insurance company, in accordance with article 293 of the Delegated Regulation (Level 2) and the guidelines 1 and 2 of EIOPA-BoS-15/109 (Level 3).

### **Chapter B**

Chapter B provides information on the governance system of the insurance company, in accordance to article 294 of the Delegated Regulation (Level 2) and guidelines 3 and 4 of EIOPA-BoS-15/109 (Level 3).

### **Chapter C**

Chapter C provides information on the risk profile of the insurance company, in accordance to article 295 of the Delegated Regulation (Level 2) and guideline 5 of EIOPA-BoS-15/109 (Level 3).

### **Chapter D**

Chapter D provides information on the valuations requirements to Solvency II, in accordance to article 296 of the Delegated Regulation (Level 2) and guidelines 6 to 10 of EIOPA-BoS-15/109 (Level 3).

### Chapter E

Chapter E provides information on the capital management of the insurance company, in accordance to articles 297 and 298 of the Delegated Regulation (Level 2) and guidelines 11 to 13 of EIOPA-BoS-15/109 (Level 3).

# **Annex 2: Quantitative Reporting Templates**

### S.02.01.02 Balance sheet

		Solvency II value
Assets		C0010
Goodwill	R0010	
Deferred acquisition costs	R0020	
Intangible assets	R0030	
Deferred tax assets	R0040	312,500.00
Pension benefit surplus	R0050	
Property, plant & equipment held for own use	R0060	1,117,909.48
Investments (other than assets held for index-linked and unit-linked contracts)	R0070	52,133,714.32
Property (other than for own use)	R0080	
Holdings in related undertakings, including participations	R0090	
Equities	R0100	
Equities - listed	R0110	
Equities - unlisted	R0120	
Bonds	R0130	12,234,489.25
Government Bonds	R0140	5,717,807.67
Corporate Bonds	R0150	6,516,681.58
Structured notes	R0160	
Collateralised securities	R0170	
Collective Investments Undertakings	R0180	38,398,735.07
Derivatives	R0190	
Deposits other than cash equivalents	R0200	1,500,490.00
Other investments	R0210	
Assets held for index-linked and unit-linked contracts	R0220	
Loans and mortgages	R0230	
Loans on policies	R0240	
Loans and mortgages to individuals	R0250	
Other loans and mortgages	R0260	
Reinsurance recoverables from:	R0270	7,347,203.15
Non-life and health similar to non-life	R0280	7,347,203.15
Non-life excluding health	R0290	7,347,203.15
Health similar to non-life	R0300	
Life and health similar to life, excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked	R0310	
Health similar to life	R0320	
Life excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked	R0330	
Life index-linked and unit-linked	R0340	
Deposits to cedants	R0350	
Insurance and intermediaries receivables	R0360	4,869,283.66
Reinsurance receivables	R0370	4,255,018.32
Receivables (trade, not insurance)	R0380	330,843.77
Own shares (held directly)	R0390	
Amounts due in respect of own fund items or initial fund called up but not yet paid in	R0400	
Cash and cash equivalents	R0410	18,131,269.32
Any other assets, not elsewhere shown	R0420	124,648.94
Total assets	R0500	86,622,390.94

Liabilities		Solvabilität-II-Wert
Technical provisions – non-life	R0510	22,540,389.58
Technical provisions – non-life (excluding health)	R0520	22,540,389.58
TP calculated as a whole	R0530	
Best Estimate	R0540	20,967,637.66
Risk margin	R0550	1,572,751.92
Technical provisions - health (similar to non-life)	R0560	
TP calculated as a whole	R0570	
Best Estimate	R0580	
Risk margin	R0590	
Technical provisions - life (excluding index-linked and unit-linked)	R0600	
Technical provisions - health (similar to life)	R0610	
TP calculated as a whole	R0620	
Best Estimate	R0630	
Risk margin	R0640	
Technical provisions – life (excluding health and index-linked and unit-linked)	R0650	
TP calculated as a whole	R0660	
Best Estimate	R0670	
Risk margin	R0680	
Technical provisions – index-linked and unit-linked	R0690	
TP calculated as a whole	R0700	
Best Estimate	R0710	
Risk margin	R0720	
Other technical provisions	R0730	
Contingent liabilities	R0740	
Provisions other than technical provisions	R0750	669,731.00
Pension benefit obligations	R0760	408,749.02
Deposits from reinsurers	R0770	6,193,733.02
Deferred tax liabilities	R0780	
Derivatives	R0790	
Debts owed to credit institutions	R0800	
Financial liabilities other than debts owed to credit institutions	R0810	970,342.99
Insurance & intermediaries payables	R0820	1,117,421.68
Reinsurance payables	R0830	7,415,331.11
Payables (trade, not insurance)	R0840	607,567.79
Subordinated liabilities	R0850	
Subordinated liabilities not in BOF	R0860	
Subordinated liabilities in BOF	R0870	
Any other liabilities, not elsewhere shown	R0880	
Total liabilities	R0900	39,923,266.18
Excess of assets over liabilities	R1000	48,699,124.76

S.05.02.01 Premiums, claims and expenses by country

		Home Country	Top 5 coun	Top 5 countries (by amount of gross premiums written) - non-life obligations						
_		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050	C0060	C0070		
	R0010		Switzerland	France	United Kingdom	Luxemburg	Hong Kong			
		C0080	C0090	C0100	C0110	C0120	C0130	C0140		
Premiums written										
Gross - Direct Business	R0110	322,800.56	13,969,987.34	2,325,345.70	1,700,574.21	691,691.04	545,469.14	19,555,867.99		
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0120	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	250,799.48	0.00	250,799.48		
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0130	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Reinsurers' share	R0140	0.00	802,007.50	445,897.56	176,942.71	0.00	0.00	1,424,847.77		
Net	R0200	322,800.56	13,167,979.84	1,879,448.14	1,523,631.50	942,490.52	545,469.14	18,381,819.70		
Premiums earned										
Gross - Direct Business	R0210	392,253.06	14,126,984.08	2,924,250.40	1,401,144.11	958,555.09	263,604.16	20,066,790.90		
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0220	0.00	24,147.63	0.00	0.00	295,388.72	0.00	319,536.35		
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0230	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Reinsurers' share	R0240	0.00	985,663.27	375,712.21	221,295.35	0.00	0.00	1,582,670.83		
Net	R0300	392,253.06	13,165,468.44	2,548,538.19	1,179,848.76	1,253,943.81	263,604.16	18,803,656.42		
Claims incurred										
Gross - Direct Business	R0310	323,173.74	11,215,169.68	2,105,674.56	2,181,218.75	556,346.62	0.00	16,381,583.35		
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0320	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	95,608.82	0.00	95,608.82		
Gross - Non-proportional reinsurance accepted	R0330	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Reinsurers' share	R0340	0.00	621,040.99	435,360.00	231,181.41	0.00	0.00	1,287,582.40		
Net	R0400	0.00	10,594,128.69	1,670,314.56	1,950,037.34	651,955.44	0.00	15,189,609.77		
Changes in other technical provisions										
Gross - Direct Business	R0410	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Gross - Proportional reinsurance accepted	R0420	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Gross - Non- proportional reinsurance accepted	R0430	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Reinsurers'share	R0440	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Net	R0500	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Expenses incurred	R0550	113,890.38	3,032,434.49	910,301.41	2,431,867.73	276,181.22	183,617.63	6,948,292.86		
Other expenses	R1200				$\overline{}$			0.00		

Total expenses R1300 0.00

### S.17.01.02

### **Non-life Technical Provisions**

		Direct business and accepted proportional reinsurance Credit and suretyship insurance
		C0100
Technical provisions calculated as a whole	R0010	
Total Recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default associated to TP as a whole	R0050	
Technical provisions calculated as a sum of BE and RM		
Best estimate		
Premium provisions		
Gross	R0060	7,762,830.62
Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default	R0140	2,042,524.02
Net Best Estimate of Premium Provisions	R0150	5,720,306.60
Claims provisions		
Gross	R0160	13,204,807.04
Total recoverable from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default	R0240	5,304,679.13
Net Best Estimate of Claims Provisions	R0250	7,900,127.91
Total Best estimate - gross	R0260	20,967,637.66
Total Best estimate - net	R0270	13,620,434.51
Risk margin	R0280	1,572,751.92
Amount of the transitional on Technical Provisions		
Technical Provisions calculated as a whole	R0290	
Best estimate	R0300	
Risk margin	R0310	

Technical provisions - total	
Technical provisions - total	R0320
Recoverable from reinsurance contract/SPV and Finite Re after the adjustment for expected losses due to counterparty default - total	R0330
Technical provisions minus recoverables from reinsurance/SPV and Finite Re-total	R0340

Credit and suretyship
insurance
C0100
22,540,389.58
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15,193,186.42

S.19.01.21 Non-life Insurance Claims Information Total Non-Life Business

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Pri or	R0100									X	X	0.00	R0100	0,00	10.293.411
N-9	R0160	3,646,895.49	282,453.90	-2,311,632.87	-83,646.56	-62,329.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	0. 0 0	0.00	$\times$	R0160	0,00	8.696.861
N-8	R0170	458,548.00	1,549,644.73	-20,000.86	2,225,178.40	205,721.91	-66,190.82	-140,659.13	-2,306,248.71	0. 0 0	X	$\times$	R0170	0,00	1.471.741
N-7	R0180	4,754,507.87	8,422,811.46	7,206,461.03	997,740.71	-277,816.06	-467,635.15	-309,710.62	-266,584.70	$\bowtie$	$\geq \leq$	$\mathbb{X}$	R0180	-266,584.70	1.905.994
N-6	R0190	3,124,296.90	7,893,051.79	-458,808.93	805,456.65	2,469,728.74	2,886,691.7 6	-2,491.57		X	$\times$	$\times$	R0190	-2,491.57	20.326.359
N-5	R0200	5,871,457.47	14,029,605.78	8,280,060.20	10,452,220.3 3	-916,155.97	8,603,233.7 5			X	$\times$	$\times$	R0200	8,603,233.75	10.947.033
N-4	R0210	50,660,542.03	24,920,756.44	-3,615,851.79	1,103,925.11	-4,054,439.08	> <			X	$\times$	$\times$	R0210	- 4,054,439.08	37.717.188
N-3	R0220	5,718,675.32	2,074,887.69	5,488,622.67	1,464,488.73	$\nearrow$	> <			X	$\times$	$\times$	R0220	1,464,488.73	73.069.372
N-2	R0230	4,492,943.27	10,489,130.09	4,789,774.32	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	$\nearrow$	>	$\nearrow$	X	$\times$	$\times$	R0230	4,789,774.32	13.282.186
N-1	R0240	1,573,066.55	16,615,449.76							X	$\times$	$\times$	R0240	16,615,449.7 6	14.982.073
N	R0250	584,366.44								X	$\times$	X	R0250	584,366.44	1.573.067
												Tot al	R0260	27,733,797.6 5	194.265.285

### **Gross undiscounted Best Estimate Claims Provisions**

(absolute amount)

Development year

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		C0200	C0210	C0220	C0230	C0240	C0250	C0260	C0270	C0280	C0290	C0300
Prior	R0100					$\bigg\rangle$				> <	> <	0
N-9	R0160	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	><
N-8	R0170	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-2,411,744.15	-543,825.30	-1,705,860.70	0.00		$\geq \leq$	><
N-7	R0180	0.00	0.00	0.00	-2,402,860.84	-657,925.76	-1,839,560.01	-1,587,149.40	-1,707,139.39	><	$\geq \leq$	$\geq \leq$
N-6	R0190	0.00	0.00	1,378,711.40	591,357.25	324,900.43	1,268,448.13	1,551,243.50		><	$\geq \leq$	><
N-5	R0200	0.00	11,852,564.82	1,698,997.76	-174,104.38	1,047,950.66	-1,961,153.79	$\nearrow$		> <	><	><
N-4	R0210	12,018,406.43	-3,139,043.82	-7,385,287.10	-7,170,714.23	-1,026,501.65				><	$\geq \leq$	$\geq \leq$
N-3	R0220	1,359,115.81	8,273,791.15	2,666,564.53	3,602,347.91					><	$\geq \leq$	><
N-2	R0230	15,429,987.32	4,325,524.79	-2,107,210.46	$\mathcal{N}$	$\mathcal{N}$	$\nearrow$	$\searrow$		><	><	><
N-1	R0240	20,130,964.58	3,795,597.82		$\mathcal{N}$	$\mathbf{x}$	$\nearrow$			><	><	><
N	R0250	11,009,131.93	$\rightarrow$						$\rightarrow$	><	><	><

(discounted data)

Year end

	C0360
R0100	0
R0160	0
R0170	0
R0180	-1,709,403.93
R0190	1,555,884.78
R0200	-1,966,537.39
R0210	-1,028,451.20
R0220	3,611,125.71
R0230	-2,112,771.82
R0240	3,816,475.07
R0250	11,038,485.82
R0260	13,204,807.04

Total

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### Own funds

		Total	Tier 1 - unrestricted	Tier 1 - restricted	Tier 2	Tier 3
		C0010	C0020	C0030	C0040	C0050
Basic own funds before deduction for participations in other financial sector as foreseen in article 68 of Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/35					$\times$	
Ordinary share capital (gross of own shares)	R0010	65,000,208.00	65,000,208.00	><		><
Share premium account related to ordinary share capital	R0030			> <		><
linitial funds, members' contributions or the equivalent basic own - fund item for mutual and mutual-type undertakings	R0040					
Subordinated mutual member accounts	R0050					
Surplus funds	R0070			>	$>\!\!<$	><
Preference shares	R0090					
Share premium account related to preference shares	R0110		$\geq$			
Reconciliation reserve	R0130	-16,613,583.24	-16,613,583.24	$\geq <$	> <	><
Subordinated liabilities	R0140					
An amount equal to the value of net deferred tax assets	R0160	312,500.00		><	> <	312,500.00
Other own fund items approved by the supervisory authority as basic own funds not specified above	R0180					
Own funds from the financial statements that should not be represented by the reconciliation reserve and do not meet the criteria to be classified as Solvency II own funds					$\times$	
Own funds from the financial statements that should not be represented by the reconciliation reserve and do not meet the criteria to be classified as Solvency II own funds	R0220				$\times$	
Deductions					>	
Deductions for participations in financial and credit institutions	R0230					
Total basic own funds after deductions	R0290	48,699,124.76	48,386,624.74			312,500.00
Ancillary own funds		$\searrow$		$\setminus$	$>\!\!<$	><
Unpaid and uncalled ordinary share capital callable on demand	R0300			$\nearrow$		><
Unpaid and uncalled initial funds, members' contributions or the equivalent basic own fund item for mutual and mutual - type undertakings, callable on demand	R0310					
Unpaid and uncalled preference shares callable on demand	R0320			$\geq <$		
A legally binding commitment to subscribe and pay for subordinated liabilities on demand	R0330					
Letters of credit and guarantees under Article 96(2) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0340			> <		> <

Letters of credit and guarantees other than under Article 96(2) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0350					
Supplementary members calls under first subparagraph of Article 96(3) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0360					
Supplementary members calls - other than under first subparagraph of Article 96(3) of the Directive 2009/138/EC	R0370					
Other ancillary own funds	R0390		$\bigg\rangle \bigg\rangle$	$\nearrow$		
Total ancillary own funds	R0400			$\nearrow$		
Available and eligible own funds			$\bigg\rangle$	$\nearrow$	><	
Total available own funds to meet the SCR	R0500	48,699,124.76	48,699,124.76			312,500.00
Total available own funds to meet the MCR	R0510	48,699,124.76	48,699,124.76			
Total eligible own funds to meet the SCR	R0540	48,699,124.76	48,699,124.76			312,500.00
Total eligible own funds to meet the MCR	R0550	48,699,124.76	48,699,124.76			
SCR	R0580	18,645,598.86		><	><	
MCR	R0600	4,661,399.72		><	><	
Ratio of Eligible own funds to SCR	R0620	261.1829%		><	><	
Ratio of Eligible own funds to MCR	R0640	1,038.0278%		><	><	

		C0060	
Reconciliation reserve			
Excess of assets over liabilities	R0700	48,699,124.76	
Own shares (held directly and indirectly)	R0710		
Foreseeable dividends, distributions and charges	R0720		
Other basic own fund items	R0730	65,312,708.00	
Adjustment for restricted own fund items in respect of matching adjustment portfolios and ring fenced funds	R0740		
Reconciliation reserve	R0760	-16,613,583.24	
Expected profits			
Expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP) - Life business	R0770		
Expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP) - Non- life business	R0780		
Total Expected profits included in future premiums (EPIFP)	R0790		

S.25.01.21 Solvency Capital Requirement - for undertakings on Standard Formula

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-		Gross solvency capital requirement	USP	Simplifications
		C0110	C0090	C0100
Market risk	R0010	5,886,098.04	> <	
Counterparty default risk	R0020	2,062,082.89	> <	
Life underwriting risk	R0030			
Health underwriting risk	R0040			
Non-life underwriting risk	R0050	14,301,501.33		_
Diversification	R0060	-4,330,949.38	$\geq \leq$	
Intangible asset risk	R0070		$\geq \leq$	
Basic Solvency Capital Requirement	R0100	17,918,732.88	$\geq$	
Calculation of Solvency Capital Requirement		C0100		
Operational risk	R0130	726,865.99		
Loss-absorbing capacity of technical provisions	R0140	720,003.99		
Loss-absorbing capacity of deferred taxes	R0150			
Capital requirement for business operated in accordance with Art. 4 of Directive 2003/41/EC	R0160			
Solvency capital requirement excluding capital add-on	R0200	18,645,598.86		
Capital add-on already set	R0210	10,010,000.00		
Solvency capital requirement	R0220	18,645,598.86		
Other information on SCR				
Capital requirement for duration-based equity risk sub-module	R0400			
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirement for remaining part	R0410			
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirements for ring fenced funds	R0420			
Total amount of Notional Solvency Capital Requirement for matching adjustment portfolios	R0430			
Diversification effects due to RFF nSCR aggregation for article 304	R0440			

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# Minimum Capital Requirement - Only life or only non-life insurance or reinsurance activity

### Linear formula component for non-life insurance and reinsurance obligations

MCR<sub>NL</sub> Result

**C0010 R0010** 2,854,842.71

Medical expense insurance and proportional reinsurance
Income protection insurance and proportional reinsurance
Workers' compensation insurance and proportional reinsurance
Motor vehicle liability insurance and proportional reinsurance
Other motor insurance and proportional reinsurance
Marine, aviation and transport insurance and proportional reinsurance
Fire and other damage to property insurance and proportional reinsurance
General liability insurance and proportional reinsurance
Credit and suretyship insurance and proportional reinsurance
Legal expenses insurance and proportional reinsurance
Assistance and proportional reinsurance
Miscellaneous financial loss insurance and proportional reinsurance
Non-proportional health reinsurance
Non-proportional casualty reinsurance
Non-proportional marine, aviation and transport reinsurance
Non-proportional property reinsurance

I	Net (of reinsurance/SPV) best estimate and TP calculated as a whole	Net (of reinsurance) written premiums in the last 12 months
R0020	C0020	C0030
R0020		
R0040		
R0050		
R0060		
R0070		
R0080		
R0090		
R0100	13,620,434.51	3,929,431.83
R0110		
R0120		
R0130		
R0140		
R0150		
R0160		
R0170		

### Linear formula component for life insurance and reinsurance obligations

 MCRL Result
 R0200

Obligations with profit participation - guaranteed benefits
Obligations with profit participation - future discretionary benefits
Index-linked and unit-linked insurance obligations
Other life (re)insurance and health (re)insurance obligations
Total capital at risk for all life (re)insurance obligations

	Net (of reinsurance/SPV) best estimate and TP calculated as a whole	Net (of reinsurance/SPV) total capital at risk
	C0050	C0060
R0210		
R0220		
R0230		
R0240		
R0250		

### **Overall MCR calculation**

Linear MCR

SCR

MCR cap

MCR floor

Combined MCR

Absolute floor of the MCR

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**Minimum Capital Requirement** 

	C0070
R0300	2,854,842.71
R0310	18,645,598.86
R0320	8,390,519.49
R0330	4,661,399.72
R0340	4,661,399.72
R0350	3,700,000.00
-	C0070
R0400	4,661,399.72

## **Annex 3: Swiss financial situation report: quantitative template**

Table: Branch Office Switzerland Financial situation report

Financial situation i	eport: quantitative temp	plate "Performance Solo NL"
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Currency: kCHF or annual report currency Amounts stated in thousands

						Direct no	on-Swiss		
		Total [		Direct Swis	s business	business		Indirect business	
		10	ıaı	Other branches		Total		Miscellaneous	
		Previous	Reporting	Previous	Reporting	Previous	Reporting	Previous	Reporting
1	Cross promiums	year	year	year	year	year	year	year	year
2	Gross premiums	15,461.74	14,178.29	15,461.74	14,178.29	0,00	0,00	15,461.74	14,178.29
2	Reinsurers' share of gross premiums	-13,342.72	-12,721.17	-13,342.72	-12,721.17	0,00	0,00	-13,342.72	-12,721.17
3	Premiums for own account (1 + 2)	2,119.03	1,457.12	2,119.03	1,457.12	0,00	0,00	2,119.03	1,457.12
4	Change in unearned premium reserves	262.90	462.84	226.88	431.86	36.02	30.98	262.90	462.84
5	Reinsurers' share of change in unearned premium reserves	222.93	-357.54	225.36	-347.4	-2.43	-10.14	222.93	-357.54
6	Premiums earned for own account (3 + 4 + 5)	2,604.86	1,562.42	2,571.27	1,541.58	33.58	20.84	2,604.86	1,562.42
7	Other income from insurance business	0.00	0.0	0.00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0.00	0.0
8	Total income from underwriting business (6 + 7)	2,604.86	1,562.42	2,571.27	1,541.58	33.58	20.84	2,604.86	1,562.42
9	Payments for insurance claims (gross)	-8,761.64	-17,929.32	-8,761.64	-17,929.32	0,00	0,00	-8,761.64	-17,929.32
10	Reinsurers' share of payments for insurance claims	7,360.60	16,326.95	7,360.60	1,326.95	0,00	0,00	7,360.60	16,326.95
11	Change in technical provisions	-5,823.13	5,389.62	-5,823.13	5,389.62	0,00	0,00	-5,823.13	5,389.62
12	Reinsurers' share of change in technical provisions	2,537.20	-4,310.40	2,537.20	-4,310.40	0,00	0,00	2,537.20	-4,310.40
13	Change in technical provisions for unit-linked life insurance	$\searrow$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	> <	$\bigg / \bigg /$	$\geq$	
14	Expenses for insurance claims for own account (9 + 10 + 11 + 12 + 13)	-4,686.98	-523.15	-4,686.98	-523.15	0,00	0,00	-4,686.98	-523.15
15	Acquisition and administration expenses	-4,658.37	-4,474.88	-4,658.37	-4,474.88	0,00	0,00	-4,658.37	-4,474.88
	Reinsurers' share of acquisition and administration expenses	2,559.55	2,275.58	2,559.55	2,275.58	0,00	0,00	2,559.55	2,275.58
17	Acquisition and administration expenses for own account (15 +	·							
	16)	-2,098.82	-2,199.29	-2,098.82	-2,199.29	0,00	0,00	-2,098.82	-2,199.29
18	Other underwriting expenses for own account	-2.10	-3.33	-2.10	-3.33	0,00	0,00	-2.10	-3.33
19									
	(non-life insurance only)	-6,787.89	-2,725.78	-6,787.89	-2,725.78	0,00	0,00	-6,787.89	-2,725.78
	Investment income	320.70	155.14	>>	>>	$\geq \leq$	$\nearrow$	$>\!\!<$	
21	Investment expenses	-462.49	-557.09	$\overline{}$		$\geq \leq$		> <	
22	Net investment income (20 + 21)	-141.79	-401.95			> <			

23	Capital and interest income from unit-linked life insurance	0.00	0.00	><	><	$>\!\!<$		$>\!\!<$	
24	Other financial income	1,642.32	1,953.59	> <	$\searrow$	$\mathbf{R}$	$\searrow$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	
25	Other financial expenses	-746.66	-1,857.84	><	$\searrow$	$\mathcal{N}$	$\searrow$	$\langle$	
26	Operating result (8 + 14 + 17 + 18 + 22 + 23 + 24 + 25)	-3,429.16	-1,469.56	><	$\searrow$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	$\searrow$	$\langle$	
27	Interest expenses for interest-bearing liabilities	0.00	0.00	><		$\nearrow$		$\nearrow$	
28	Other income	0.00	0.00			$\nearrow$		$\nearrow$	
29	Other expenses	0.00	0.00	><	$\nearrow$	$\langle$		$\langle$	
30	Extraordinary income/expenses	0.00	0.00			$\nearrow$		$\nearrow$	
31	Profit / loss before taxes (26 + 27 + 28 + 29 + 30)	-3,429.16	-1,469.56	> <	$\searrow$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	$\searrow$	$\bigg / \bigg /$	
32	Direct taxes	0.00	0.00	> <		$\langle \rangle$		$\searrow$	
	Profit / loss (31 + 32)	-3,429.16	-1,469.56						