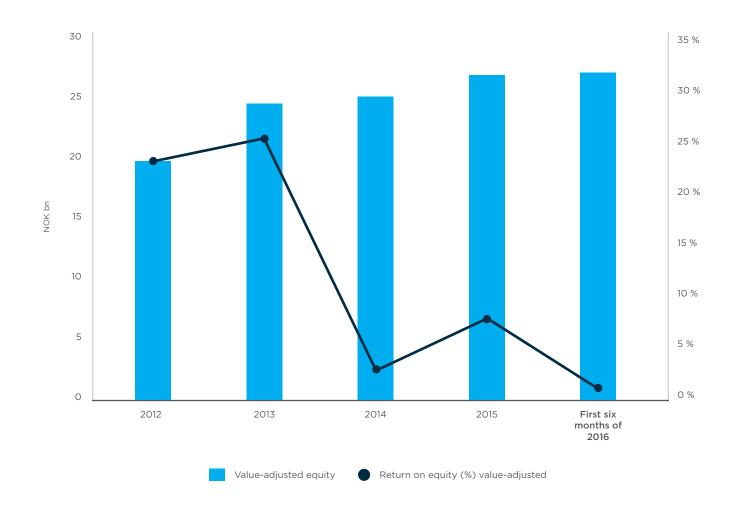
# INTERIM REPORT FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2016



## **KEY FIGURES**

	FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2016	2015	2014	2013	2012
NOK bn					
Value-adjusted equity Return on equity value-adjusted	26,8 1 %	26,6 8 %	24,9 3 %	24,3 25 %	19,6 23 %
Liquidity	7,4	7,3	7,0	5,5	4,4

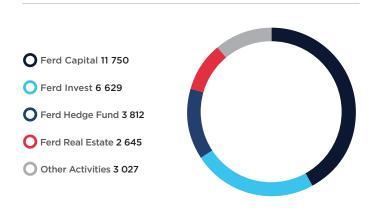


# MANAGEMENT'S COMMENTARY ON THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2016

The group's value-adjusted equity at the end of June totalled NOK 26.8 billion (NOK 26.6 billion at 31 December 2015). After adjusting for a dividend paid to Ferd's owners, the return on value-adjusted equity for the first six months of 2016 was NOK 350 million, equivalent to 1.3%. The Norwegian stock market was down 1.2% over this period, while Nordic stock markets were down by 4.3% in Norwegian krone terms. Ferd Capital generated a return of 5.0% in the first six months of the year. Elopak was the investment that produced the best return for Ferd in the first six months of 2016. Elopak is Ferd's largest investment. The weakestperforming investment in Ferd Capital's portfolio in the first six months of 2016 was Petroleum Geo-Services (PGS), which was down 46%. Ferd achieved a return of 10.3% on its real estate portfolio as a result of strong performance by its residential property development projects. Ferd's portfolio of Nordic stock exchange listed shares generated a return of -1.8% in the first six months, representing outperformance of 2.5% relative to its benchmark index. Ferd's hedge fund portfolio produced a return of -4.1% (in USD terms), while the return for its benchmark index was -1.6% (in USD terms).

Ferd realised a total of NOK 1.6 billion in the first six months of 2016. NOK 1.1 billion of this amount was payment from the sale of TeleComputing while the group received a total of approximately NOK 400 million in payments from its fund investments and dividends from Ferd Capital's portfolio companies. Ferd invested approximately NOK 900 million during the first six months of 2016. Its largest single investment was in Scatec Solar, a stock exchange listed company in which it invested almost NOK 200 million. NOK 300 million was invested in the first six months of 2016 using Ferd Capital's Special Investments mandate, while Ferd Real Estate invested a total of NOK 170 million in two new real estate projects.

The chart below shows the allocation of capital by book value for Ferd AS at 30 June 2016 in NOK million:



### FERD CAPITAL

Ferd Capital is a long-term investor that works actively with private and stock exchange listed companies during its ownership period to ensure the greatest possible value creation. Ferd Capital has three mandates: unlisted companies, stock exchange listed companies and Special Investments. The Special Investments mandate enables Ferd to invest in financial instruments relating to most aspects of corporate capital structure, and its investment decisions are not subject to any requirements in respect of ownership interest or influence. Ferd Capital's largest investments at 30 June 2016 were Elopak, Interwell, Mestergruppen, Swix, Aibel and Fjord Line, as well as the stock exchange listed companies PGS and Scatec Solar.

The portfolio's value-adjusted equity totalled NOK 10.3 billion at 30 June 2016 (NOK 10.2 billion at 31 December 2015). Ferd Capital's investments in oil service companies reported a relatively flat performance over the period with the exception of PGS, which posted a weak performance. The investment that generated the highest return for Ferd Capital in both percentage and Norwegian krone terms was Elopak. The value of Ferd's other investments changed by lesser amounts. After adjusting for dividends, the overall return on Ferd Capital's investments was NOK 486 million.

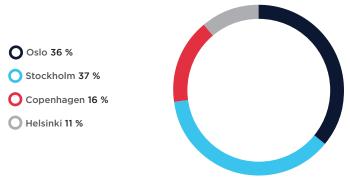
#### **FERD INVEST**

Ferd Invest invests in listed Nordic companies. Its target is to generate a return that is higher than the return on a Nordic share index (the MSCI Nordic Mid Cap Index). Ferd Invest's mandate does not stipulate limits with regard to the allocation of investments between countries and sectors and the portfolio differs significantly from its benchmark index.

The value of Ferd Invest's portfolio at 30 June 2016 was slightly over NOK 6.2 billion (NOK 6.3 billion at 31 December 2015). Ferd Invest produced a return of NOK -114 million in the first six months of 2016, equivalent to -1.8% (13.3% in the same period in 2015).

The largest investments in the portfolio at 30 June 2016 were Opera Software ASA, Novo-Nordisk AS, Hexagon AB and Hennes & Mauritz AB.

The chart below shows the allocation of the portfolio between stock markets at 30 June 2016:



#### FERD HEDGE FUND

Ferd's objective for its hedge fund portfolio is to achieve a good risk-adjusted return over time, both relative to the market and in absolute terms. In order to achieve good risk diversification, it is important that the composition of the portfolio features a range of funds which generate returns that are not dependent on the same risk factors.

The market value of the hedge fund portfolio at 30 June 2016 was NOK 3.4 billion (NOK 3.6 billion at 31 December 2015). The hedge fund portfolio produced a return for the first six months of 2016 of NOK -144 million (NOK 70 million in the same period in 2015), representing a return of -4.1% (in USD terms).

### FERD REAL ESTATE

Ferd Real Estate is an active real estate investor. The business area has activities in the development of residential projects, the development and construction of new office buildings, and the development of warehouses/mixed-use buildings. Ferd Real Estate carries out projects both independently and in collaboration with selected partners. It also makes purely financial investments in real estate.

Ferd Real Estate's value-adjusted equity at 30 June 2016 totalled NOK 2.2 billion (NOK 1.9 billion at 31 December 2015). The portfolio produced a return of 10.3%. Ferd Real Estate's operating profit was NOK 214 million for the first six months of 2016 (NOK 199 million for the same period in 2015).

The strong return for the period was principally due to record-high sales of residential units and the performance of the market for undeveloped residential sites.

Ferd Real Estate's largest residential project is Tiedemannsbyen. The project is for around 1,400 residential units and will be carried out over a period of between 10 and 15 years. Two new construction phases have been launched in 2016. 80% of the residential units in these phases were sold in the first six months of 2016.

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Other Activities principally consists of Ferd's investments in externally managed private equity funds and hedge fund units purchased in the secondary market. Ferd's private equity investments produced a return of -6.5% in the first six months of 2016 (-1.2% in the same period in 2015), while its portfolio of hedge fund units purchased in the secondary market produced a return of 5.0% during the same period (1% in the first six months of 2015). Ferd received payments in excess of NOK 300 million from these two portfolios during the first six months of 2016. The profit or loss arising from the financial instruments used by Ferd to hedge its currency exposure is also reported in Other Activities, which also includes group-level costs.

## FERD AS - CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT

	01.01 06.30.2016	01.01 06.30.2015	2015
NOK 1 000			
OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES			
Income from financial investments Other income	132 600 10 700	1 610 100 12 900	2 663 100 21 800
Operating income	143 300	1 623 000	2 684 900
Payroll costs Other operating expenses	- 30 000 - 32 500	- 28 500 - 25 700	- 85 600 - 35 100
Operating expenses	- 62 500	- 54 200	- 120 700
Operating profit/ -loss	80 800	1 568 800	2 564 200
Net financial items	218 000	29 500	- 539 600
Result before tax	298 800	1 598 300	2 024 600
Income tax expense *)			- 201 900
Profit/ - loss	298 800	1 598 300	1 822 700
CONDENSED TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
	01.01 06.30.2016	01.01 06.30.2015	2015
NOK 1 000			
Profit/ -loss	298 800	1 598 300	1 822 700
Other income and expenses: Actuarial gains/ losses on pensions Tax on actuarial gains/ losses on pensions			- 1 900 500
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME/ -LOSS	298 800	1 598 300	1 821 300

<sup>\*)</sup> Tax has not been calculated for the 2016 year to date profit.

## FERD AS - CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	06.30.2016	06.30.2015	12.31.2015
NOK 1 000			
Investments in subsidiaries Other non-current assets	12 583 000 109 700	11 478 100 25 400	11 440 600 110 100
Total non-current assets	12 692 700	11 503 500	11 550 700
Financial instruments	14 613 100	14 327 100	14 740 900
Bank deposits Other current assets	558 000	343 900 240 200	3 300 405 300
Total current assets	15 171 100	14 911 200	15 149 500
Total assets	27 863 800	26 414 700	26 700 300
Equity	26 424 100	26 079 700	26 126 300
Other long-term liabilities	372 000	247 800	389 900
Total non-current liabilities	372 000	247 800	389 900
Short-term interest bearing liabilities Other current liabilities	835 100 232 600	87 100	184 100
Total current liabilities	1 067 700	87 100	184 100
Total liabilities	1 439 700	334 900	574 000
Total equity and liabilities	27 863 800	26 414 700	26 700 300

## **FERD AS - SEGMENT INFORMATION**

## **BUSINESS SEGMENTS 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 2016**

	FERD AS	FERD CAPITAL	FERD INVEST	FERD HEDGE FUND	FERD REAL ESTATE	OTHER ACTIVITIES
NOK 1 000		-				
OPERATING PROFIT						
Income from financial investments Other income	132 600 10 700	473 200 200	- 115 400	- 176 900	212 800 8 400	- 261 100 2 000
Operating income	143 300	473 400	- 115 400	- 176 900	221 200	- 259 100
Operating expense	- 62 500	- 23 500	- 4 400	- 5 000	- 7 200	- 22 400
Operating profit	80 800	449 900	- 119 800	- 181 900	214 000	- 281 500
BALANCE SHEET						
Investments in subsidiaries Financial instruments Other assets	12 583 000 14 613 100 667 700	9 887 400 1 760 700 101 800	6 503 900 125 500	3 564 500 247 900	2 603 000 100 42 200	92 500 2 783 900 150 400
Total assets	27 863 800	11 749 800	6 629 400	3 812 300	2 645 300	3 026 800

## BUSINESS SEGMENTS 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 2015

	FERD AS	FERD CAPITAL	FERD INVEST	FERD HEDGE FUND	FERD REAL ESTATE	OTHER ACTIVITIES
NOK 1 000						
OPERATING PROFIT						
Income from financial investments Other income	1 610 100 12 900	547 900	714 600 100	92 400	198 900 8 200	56 300 4 700
Operating income	1 623 000	547 900	714 700	92 400	207 100	61 000
Operating expense	- 54 200	- 11 300	- 4 100	- 4 700	- 8 200	- 25 900
Operating profit	1 568 800	536 600	710 600	87 700	198 900	35 100
BALANCE SHEET						
Investments in subsidiaries Financial instruments Bank deposits Other assets	11 478 100 14 327 100 343 900 265 700	9 057 400 928 200 829 100 2 700	6 042 100 29 400 141 100	3 348 700 - 10 000 49 100	2 329 400 100 - 440 100 3 700	91 200 4 008 000 - 64 500 69 000
Total assets	26 414 700	10 817 300	6 212 600	3 387 900	1 893 200	4 103 700

## **FERD AS - SEGMENT INFORMATION**

## **BUSINESS SEGMENTS 2015**

	FERD AS	FERD CAPITAL	FERD INVEST	FERD HEDGE FUND	FERD REAL ESTATE	OTHER ACTIVITIES
NOK 1 000		0/				7.0
OPERATING PROFIT						
Income from financial investments Other income	2 663 100 21 800	319 000 100	1 419 500 100	144 800 - 100	318 500 17 500	461 300 4 200
Operating income	2 684 900	319 100	1 419 600	144 600	336 000	465 600
Operating expense	- 120 700	- 33 000	- 9 200	- 11 500	- 20 300	- 46 700
Operating profit	2 564 300	286 100	1 410 400	133 100	315 700	418 900
BALANCE SHEET						
Investments in subsidiaries Financial instruments Bank deposits Other assets	11 440 600 14 740 900 3 300 515 500	8 919 400 1 573 900 18 200 104 800	6 218 500 53 100 27 100	3 887 600 41 400 95 100	2 423 000 100 - 440 000 63 400	98 200 3 060 800 330 600 225 000
Total assets	26 700 300	10 616 400	6 298 700	4 024 000	2 046 600	3 714 600

## FERD AS GROUP - CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT

	01.01 06.30.2016	01.01 06.30.2015	2015
NOK 1 000			
OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSES			
Sales revenue Income from financial investments Other income	6 971 700 -255 100 129 800	6 028 500 913 000 56 600	12 912 700 1 985 900 315 300
Operating income	6 846 500	6 998 100	15 213 900
Cost of goods sold Other operating expenses	-5 087 200 -1 839 000	-4 194 600 -1 703 500	-8 339 200 -4 566 700
Operating expenses	-6 926 200	-5 898 100	-12 905 900
Operating profit	-79 700	1 100 000	2 308 000
Net finacial intems	134 300	25 100	-680 600
Result before tax and non-controlling interests	54 600	1 125 100	1 627 400
Income tax expense *)	-55 000	-48 200	-318 300
Profit after tax from continued operations	-400	1 076 900	1 309 100
Profit after tax for discontinued operations	16 800	49 500	101 200
Profit for the year	16 400	1 126 400	1 410 300
Non-controlling interests' share of the result Parent company's shareholders' share of the result	-9 300 25 700	13 400 1 113 000	-2 300 1 412 600
CONDENSED TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	01.01 06.30.2016	01.01 06.30.2015	2015
NOK 1 000			
Profit/ -loss	16 400	1 126 400	1 410 300
Other income and expenses than can be reclassified to the income statement at a later date:  Currency translation of foreign subsidiaries  Effect of cash flow hedging  Tax on cash flow hedging	-48 400 -3 400	-8 100 54 900	113 800 95 300 -21 500
Other income and expenses not reclassified to the income statement at a later date: Actuarial gains/ losses on pensions Tax on actuarial gains/ losses on pensions	-1 600		3 300 -1 000
TOTAL COMPREHENSIVE INCOME	-37 000	1 173 200	1 600 200
Non-controlling interests' share of the result Parent company's shareholders' share of the result	-8 400 -28 600	15 300 1 157 900	12 700 1 587 500

<sup>\*)</sup> Tax has not been calculated for the 2016 year to date profit. Hence, income tax consists of changes to last year's estimate.

## FERD AS GROUP - CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

	06.30.2016	06.30.2015	12.31.2015
NOK 1 000			
Intangible assets Tangible assets Investment property Other non-current assets	3 200 300 2 208 000 2 248 000 1 030 000	3 261 900 2 298 300 2 086 400 928 600	3 153 700 2 175 400 2 235 900 1 001 500
Total non-current assets	8 686 300	8 575 200	8 566 500
Financial instruments Bank deposits Other current assets	15 537 500 2 033 200 5 949 400	15 278 200 1 652 400 5 136 700	15 652 100 1 852 700 6 167 500
Total current assets	23 520 100	22 067 300	23 672 300
Total assets	32 206 300	30 642 500	32 238 800
Equity	22 830 600	22 483 400	22 729 800
Long-term interest bearing liabilities Other long-term liabilities	4 296 500 1 177 100	3 942 700 1 172 900	4 015 000 1 187 600
Total non-current liabilities	5 473 600	5 115 600	5 202 600
Short-term interest bearing liabilities Other current liabilities	502 100 3 400 100	403 500 2 640 000	661 200 3 645 200
Total current liabilities	3 902 200	3 043 500	4 306 400
Total liabilities	9 375 800	8 159 100	9 509 000
Total equity and liabilities	32 206 300	30 642 500	32 238 800

# COMMENTARY ON THE INTERIM ACCOUNTS FOR THE FIRST SIX MONTHS OF 2016

# BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES

The annual accounts of Ferd AS are prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) as approved by the EU. The accounting principles applied in the interim accounts for the first half of 2016, which ended on 30 June 2016, are the same as applied in the annual accounts for 2014. The interim report includes the unconsolidated interim accounts for Ferd AS and the consolidated interim accounts, which comprise Ferd AS together with its subsidiaries and associated companies.

The interim report does not include all of the information and disclosures required for the annual accounts, and the interim accounts should be read in conjunction with the annual accounts for 2015. The interim accounts have not been audited. All Ferd Capital's investments are recognised in the unconsolidated accounts of Ferd AS at estimated market value.

#### **USE OF ESTIMATES AND ASSUMPTIONS**

In connection with the preparation of the interim report and the application of Ferd's accounting principles, management has exercised its judgement and used estimates and assumptions that affect amounts recognised in the profit and loss account and in the balance sheet. The most important assumptions in respect of future events and other important causes of uncertainty in the estimates made, and which may represent a significant risk of material changes in future accounting periods to amounts recognised in the accounts, are described in the annual accounts for 2015. In preparing the interim report for the first half of 2016, management has exercised its judgement in the same areas.

### **SEGMENT REPORTING**

Ferd reports business areas in line with how the Company's management makes, monitors and evaluates decisions. The operative areas are identified on the basis of the internal steering information that is periodically reviewed by management and utilised to the allocation of capital and resources as well as goal achievement.

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