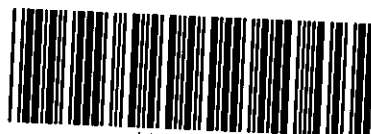


DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

Annual Report and Financial Statements

year ended 29 April 2023

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2023

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DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED OFFICERS AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISORS

Directors

A Eddles	(Resigned 19 July 2022)
K Jamieson	(Resigned 1 November 2022)
S Semon	(Appointed 8 July 2022)
D Thompson	(Appointed 10 October 2022)
R Lester	(Appointed 16 November 2023)

Secretary

S Thomas

Registered office

1 Portal Way
London
United Kingdom
W3 6RS

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED STRATEGIC REPORT

The directors present their annual report and the unaudited financial statements for the year ended 29 April 2023. Comparative figures are for the year ended 30 April 2022.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The Company is the holding company of a group of subsidiaries whose principal activities are the retail sale of high technology consumer electronics, personal computers, domestic appliances, photographic equipment, communication products and related financial and after-sales services. The Company's subsidiaries undertake business to business sales in the computer and communication sectors and also provide financial and other related services and investment in other Currys plc subsidiary companies. The directors anticipate that these activities will be maintained.

BUSINESS REVIEW AND RESULTS

Objective and strategy

The objective of the Company is to deliver value to its shareholder.

Principal risk to achieving the Company's objective

Impairment risk

The Company holds equity investments in other subsidiary companies of Currys plc. The principal risk faced by the Company is an impairment in the value of these subsidiaries. These investments are assessed for impairment by the Directors annually or, if sooner, where an indicator of impairment arises.

Results and financial position

The results of the Company are shown on page 5. The assets of the Company comprise investments in a fellow group undertaking and intra-group balances.

The financial position of the Company at the year end was satisfactory.

Approved by the Board of Directors and signed on its behalf by:



R Lester

Director

12 January 2024

Registered office:

1 Portal Way

London

W3 6RS

Company Registration No. 03891149

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

DIRECTORS' REPORT

DIVIDENDS

The directors recommend that no dividend be paid (2021/22: £nil).

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Details of principal risks and future developments can be found in the Strategic Report and form part of this report by cross-reference.

GOING CONCERN

As further described in note 1 to the financial statements, the Directors have formed a judgement that, at the time of approving the financial statements, there is reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future as the Company has received commitments from its ultimate parent company that it will provide financial support for a period of at least 12 months to ensure the Company can meet its liabilities as they fall due.

For this reason the Directors continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

DIRECTORS AND COMPANY SECRETARY

The directors of the Company are set out on page 1.

AUDIT EXEMPTION

For the year ended 29 April 2023, the Company was entitled to exemption from audit under Section 479A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary companies.

Directors' responsibilities in respect of audit exemption:

- The members have not required the Company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- The Directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the Board of directors and signed on its behalf by:



R Lester

Director

12 January 2024

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DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

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

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework". Under company law the Directors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the Company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Company's transactions with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the Company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT
For the year ended 29 April 2023

	Note	Year ended 29 April 2023 £'000	Year ended 30 April 2022 £'000
Operating profit / (loss)	2	<u>1,530</u>	<u>(774)</u>
Finance income	4	<u>10,134</u>	<u>371</u>
Profit / (loss) before and after taxation		<u>11,664</u>	<u>(403)</u>

All operating profits / (losses) are derived from continuing operations in the UK.

There are no other items of comprehensive income or expense other than the profit / (loss) for the current and preceding periods and therefore no statement of comprehensive income has been presented.

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
BALANCE SHEET
For the year ended 29 April 2023

	Note	29 April 2023 £'000	30 April 2022 £'000
Non-current assets			
Investments	6	335,589	334,584
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	7	496,072	485,413
Total assets		831,661	819,997
Net assets		831,661	819,997
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	5	5
Retained earnings		831,656	819,992
Total equity		831,661	819,997

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- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These financial statements were approved by the directors on **12 January 2024** and signed on their behalf by:



R Lester

Director

Registered office:
1 Portal Way
London
W3 6RS
Company Registration No. 03891149

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY
For the year ended 29 April 2023

	Share capital £'000	Retained earnings £'000	Total £'000
As at 1 May 2021	5	820,395	820,400
Loss for the year	-	(403)	(403)
Total comprehensive income for the year	-	(403)	(403)
As at 30 April 2022	5	819,992	819,997
Profit for the year	-	11,664	11,664
Total comprehensive expense for the year	-	11,664	11,664
At 29 April 2023	5	831,656	831,661

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation

DSG European Investments Limited (the "Company") is a Company incorporated in the United Kingdom, which is registered in England and Wales under the Companies Act 2006. The address of the registered office is given on page 1. The nature of the Company's operations and its principal activities are set out in the strategic report on page 2.

The Company meets the definition of a qualifying entity under FRS 100 (Financial Reporting Standard 100) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Accordingly, the financial statements have therefore been prepared in accordance with FRS 101 (Financial Reporting Standard 101) 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' as issued by the Financial Reporting Council, incorporating the Amendments to FRS 101 issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

As permitted by FRS 101, the Company has taken advantage of the disclosure exemptions available under that standard in relation to financial instruments, capital management, presentation of comparative information in respect of certain assets, presentation of a cash-flow statement, standards not yet effective, impairment of assets and related party transactions. Where relevant equivalent disclosures have been given in the group accounts of Currys plc.

These financial statements are separate financial statements. The Company is exempt from the preparation of consolidated financial statements because it is included in the group accounts of Currys plc. The group accounts of Currys plc are available to the public and can be obtained as set out in note 9.

The financial statements have been presented in Pound Sterling, the functional currency of the Company derived from the Company's primary economic environment, and on the historical cost basis.

There are no new accounting standards, amendments to standards or IFRIC interpretations which are effective for the Company for the first time during the current financial year ended 29 April 2023 which have had an impact on the Company's results or net assets. Certain other new accounting standards, amendments to existing accounting standards and interpretations which are in issue but not yet effective, either do not apply to the Company or are not expected to have any material impact on the Company's net results or net assets.

The principal accounting policies are set out below:

1.2 Going Concern

As further disclosed within the Directors' Report on page 3, the financial statements are prepared under the going concern basis as, after recovering the projections of the Company, the directors have a reasonable expectation that the Company has adequate resources to continue in operation for at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. Accordingly, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the annual report and financial statements.

1.3 Translation of foreign currencies

The financial statements are presented in pounds Sterling, the functional currency of the Company's primary economic environment, and on the historical cost basis.

Transactions in foreign currencies are initially recorded at the rate of exchange prevailing at the transaction date. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are retranslated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. Exchange gains and losses arising on settlement or retranslation of monetary assets and liabilities are included in the profit and loss account.

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

1.4 Tax

Current tax

Current taxation is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the period, using prevailing tax rates and adjusted for any tax payable in respect of previous periods.

Deferred tax

Deferred tax liabilities are recognised for all taxable temporary differences and deferred tax assets are recognised to the extent that it is probable that taxable profits will be available against which deductible temporary differences can be utilised. Deferred tax is charged or credited in the income statement.

Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the periods in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and laws that have been enacted, or substantively enacted by the balance sheet date. Deferred tax balances are not discounted.

1.5 Non-derivative financial assets

Financial assets are recognised in the Company's balance sheet when the Company becomes party to the contractual provisions of the investment. The Company's financial assets comprise investments in subsidiaries and those receivables which involve a contractual right to receive cash from external parties. Financial assets comprise all items shown in notes 6 and 7.

When the Company recognises a financial asset, it classifies it in accordance with IFRS 9 depending on the Company's intention with regard to the collection, or sale, of contractual cash flows and whether the financial asset's cash flows relate solely to the payment of principal and interest on the principal outstanding. All of the Company's assets measured at amortised cost are subject to impairments driven by the expected credit loss (ECL) model. The Company has adopted the simplified approach to calculate lifetime expected credit losses. Historical credit loss rates are applied consistently to groups of financial assets with similar risk characteristics. These are then adjusted for known changes in, or any forward-looking impacts on creditworthiness.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows expire, or the Company transfers the financial asset in a way that qualifies for derecognition in accordance with IFRS 9.

Investments in subsidiaries

Investments in subsidiaries are stated at cost less any provision for impairment in value.

Investments are assessed for indicators of impairment at each balance sheet date. If there is objective evidence that the recoverable amount of the investment is less than the carrying amount, an impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss. This is subject to reversal in future periods. The recoverable amount of an investment is the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and its value in use.

Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are initially measured at their transaction price. Where there is a significant financing component, trade and other receivables are discounted at contract inception using a discount rate that is at an arm's length basis and such that would be reflected in a separate financing transaction between the Company and the customer. Other receivables are initially measured at fair value plus transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition or issue of the financial asset. Subsequently, trade and other receivables are measured at amortised cost.

Receivable balances with other Group entities are reviewed for potential impairment based on the ability of the counterparty to meet its obligations. The net current asset / liability position of the entity is considered and where the amount due to the Company is not covered, the estimated cashflows of the counterparty and subsidiary companies with the ability to distribute cash to it are considered.

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES continued

1.6 Estimates, judgements and critical accounting policies

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from these estimates and any subsequent changes are accounted for with an effect on income at the time such updated information becomes available. Investments in subsidiaries are reviewed annually for impairment by comparing the value in use based on estimated future cash flows to the carrying amount of the investment. Such calculations require judgement relating to the appropriate discount factors and long-term growth rates prevalent in a particular market as well as short to medium term cash flow projections. The directors draw upon experience as well as external resources in making these judgements.

2. OPERATING PROFIT

The Company is exempt from audit and hence no audit fee was paid or accrued in the current or prior period. The auditors did not provide any non-audit services to the Company during the year (2021/22: £nil).

Operating profit in the year represents the reversal of impairments of investments made in prior periods.

3. EMPLOYEES AND DIRECTORS

The Company had no employees during the year (2021/22: none). The directors received no remuneration for services to the Company during the year (2021/22: £nil).

4. FINANCE INCOME

	Year ended 29 April 2023 £'000	Year ended 30 April 2022 £'000
Interest receivable from group undertakings	10,134	371
Finance income	<u>10,134</u>	<u>371</u>

5. TAX

	Year ended 29 April 2023 £'000	Year ended 30 April 2022 £'000
Current tax:		
UK corporation tax at 19.5% (2021/22: 19%)	-	-
Income tax charge	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

5. TAX continued

A reconciliation of the notional to the actual income tax charge is set out below:

	Year ended 29 April 2023 £'000	Year ended 30 April 2022 £'000
Profit / (loss) before tax	11,664	(403)
Tax on profit / (loss) at UK corporation tax rate of 19.5% (2021/22: 19%)	2,274	(77)
Group relief (claimed) / surrendered free of charge	(2,079)	22
Items attracting no tax relief or liability	(195)	55
Income tax charge	-	-

On 24 May 2021 the Finance Bill 2021 passed through all stages in the House of Commons and became substantively enacted, which included a legislative change to increase the rate of corporation tax from 19% to 25% with effect from 1 April 2023.

6. INVESTMENTS

	29 April 2023 £'000	30 April 2022 £'000
Cost		
At beginning of year	345,161	345,161
At end of year	345,161	345,161
Impairment		
At beginning of year	(10,577)	(10,285)
Charge in the year	-	(292)
Reversal	1,005	-
At end of year	(9,572)	(10,577)
Net book value at end of year	335,589	334,584

Balances represent investments in subsidiary undertakings. Details of the subsidiary undertakings are set out in note 10.

A reversal of impairment charges of £1,005,000 (2021/22: £292,000 charge) was made relation to the Company's investment in Alfa s.r.l. during the year ended 29 April 2023, based on an increase in the recoverable amount of the investment. The recoverable amount is based on its the value in use.

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

7. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES

	29 April 2023 £'000	30 April 2022 £'000
Amounts due from group undertakings	496,072	485,413
	<u>496,072</u>	<u>485,413</u>

Trade and other receivables are non-interest bearing. The carrying amount of trade and other receivables approximates fair value.

Amounts due from the ultimate parent company comprises an unsecured loan receivable repayable on demand with interest, capitalised on a monthly basis.

8. CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL

	29 April 2023 £'000	30 April 2022 £'000
Allotted and fully paid		
528,000,001 ordinary shares at £0.00001 each	5	5
	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

9. PARENT COMPANY

The Company's immediate parent is DSG Overseas Investments Limited.

The Company's ultimate parent and controlling entity is Currys plc, a company incorporated in Great Britain and which is registered in England and Wales. Currys plc is the parent of the largest and smallest group which includes the Company and for which consolidated financial statements are prepared. Copies of its financial statements may be obtained from its registered office at 1 Portal Way, London W3 6RS.

10. SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS

The subsidiary undertakings at 29 April 2023 are listed below:

Name	Country of incorporation or registration	Share class(es) held	% Held	Registered Office
Alfasrl ¹	Italy	Ordinary	100 ¹	Via monte Napoleone n.29, 20121 Milano
ElGiganten Aktiebolag	Sweden	Ordinary	100	Box 1264, 164, 29 Kista, Stockholm
ElGiganten A/S	Denmark	Ordinary	100	Arne Jacobsens Allé 16, 2 sal København S, 2300 Copenhagen
Elkjøp Nordic AS	Norway	Ordinary	100	Nydalsveien 18A, NO-0484 Oslo
Elkjøp Norge AS	Norway	Ordinary	100	Solheimsveien 10, NO-1473, Lørenskog
Gigantti Oy	Finland	Ordinary	100	Toivonlahdenkatu 2, FI-00100, Helsinki
CCC Nordic A/S	Denmark	Ordinary	100	Arne Jacobsens Allé 15, 8, 2300 København S.
Dixons Stores Group Retail Norway AS ¹	Norway	Ordinary	100 ¹	Nydalsveien 18A, NO-0484 Oslo
ElCare Nordic AS	Norway	Ordinary	100	Industrivegen, 53, 2212, Kongsvinger
ElCare Nordic Oy	Finland	Ordinary	100	Silvastianie 1, 01510, Vantaa
Electrocare Nordic AB	Sweden	Ordinary	100	Arabygatan 9 35246 Växjö, Kronobergs län

DSG EUROPEAN INVESTMENTS LIMITED **NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued**

10. SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKINGS continued

Name	Country of incorporation or registration	Share class(es) held	% Held	Registered Office
El-Giganten Logistik AB	Sweden	Ordinary	100	Mobelvägen 51, 556 52 Jönköping
Elkjøp Holdco AS	Norway	Ordinary	100	Nydalsveien 18A, NO-0484 Oslo
Epoq Logistic DC k.s.	Czech Republic	Ordinary	100	Evropská 868, 664 42 Modřice
1 Interest held directly by DSG European Investments Limited				

The following are the other significant shareholdings of the Company, which are all held indirectly.

Name	Country of incorporation or registration	Share Class(es) Held	% Held	Registered Office
Elkjøp Fjordane AS	Norway	Ordinary	30	Fugleskjærgata 10, 6905 Florø