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# ALTEX-ATS LIMITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014



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## Directors' Report for the year ended 31 March 2014

The directors present their directors report and the audited financial statements of Altex-ATS Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 March 2014.

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#### PRINCIPAL ACTIVITY

The Company's prinicpal activity is the provision of a software license to a fellow subsidiary company of ICAP plc from which it earns a monthly fee. It is anticipated that the Company will continue its present business activities next year.

The Company is incorporated and domiciled in England and Wales. The registered office is 2 Broadgate, London, EC2M 7UR.

## **DIVIDENDS**

No dividends were paid during the year (2013: £nil).

#### **DIRECTORS**

The directors of the Company, who held office during the year and up to the date of signing the financial statements were:

S Wren

(resigned 1 June 2013)

N Dargan

(appointed 1 June 2013)

#### STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

The directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' 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 prepared the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 101 Reduced Disclosure Framework (FRS 101).

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 accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 101 have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- notify its shareholders in writing about the use of disclosure exemptions, if any, of FRS 101 used in the preparation of 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 the maintenance and integrity of the Company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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## POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no material post balance sheet events which require separate disclosure.

## **GOING CONCERN**

The Company's financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis because its parent entity, Intercapital Limited, has indicated that it will provide financial support to the Company until at least twelve months from the date of signing the financial statements.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

The Company's incumbent auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office and are deemed reappointed in the next financial year.

## PROVISION OF INFORMATION TO THE AUDITORS

So far as the directors are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware.

The directors have taken all the steps they ought to have taken as directors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

This report has been approved by the board of directors and signed by order of the board:

N Dargan

21 August 2014

## Strategic Report for the year ended 31 March 2014

The directors present their strategic report and the audited financial statements of Altex-ATS Limited (the 'Company') for the year ended 31 March 2014.

## **BUSINESS REVIEW AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS**

The directors consider that the year end financial position was satisfactory and do not anticipate any changes to the principal activities.

#### RESULTS :

The results of the Company are set out in the profit and loss account on page 6.

The profit for the financial year of £273,000 (2013: £271,000) has been transferred to reserves.

The net liabilities of the Company are £279,000 (2013: £552,000).

## PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

From the perspective of the Company, the principal risks and uncertainties are integrated with the principal risks of the Group and are not managed separately. Accordingly, the principal risks and uncertainties of ICAP plc, which include those of the Company, are discussed on page 42 of the Group's annual report, which does not form part of this report.

## KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

The directors of ICAP plc manage the Group's operations on a divisional basis. For this reason, the Company's directors believe that analysis using key performance indicators for the Company is not necessary or appropriate for an understanding of the development, performance or position of the business of the Company. The key performance indicators of ICAP plc, which includes the Company, are discussed on page 20 of the Group's annual report, which does not form part of this report.

This report has been approved by the board of directors and signed by order of the board:

21 August 2014

## Independent Auditors' Report to the members of Altex-ATS Limited

## Report on the financial statements

#### Our opinion

In our opinion the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at 31 March 2014 and of its profit/loss and cash flows for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

#### What we have audited

The financial statements, which are prepared by Altex-ATS Limited, comprise:

- the profit and loss account for the year ended 31 March 2014;
- the statement of total recognised gains and losses for the year ended 31 March 2014;
- the balance sheet as at 31 March 2014;
- the statement of changes in equity as at 31 March 2014; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 101 "Reduced Disclosure Framework".

In applying the financial reporting framework, the directors have made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, they have made assumptions and considered future events.

## What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the directors; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Directors' Report and Strategic Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

## Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Directors' Report and Strategic Report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

## Other matters on which we are required to report by exception

# Adequacy of accounting records and information and explanations received

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or

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- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns.

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

#### Directors' remuneration

Under the Companies Act 2006 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion, certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are not made. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

## Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

## Our responsibilities and those of the directors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Directors' Responsibilities set out on page 1, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and ISAs (UK & Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the Company's members as a body in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

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Lisa Kleinman (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
London
21 August 2014

# Profit and Loss Account for the year ended 31 March 2014

	<u>Note</u>	Year ended 31/03/2014 £'000	Year ended 31/03/2013 £'000
Turnover		359	359
Profit on ordinary activities before taxation	3	359	359
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	(86)	(88)
Profit for the financial year		273	271

The profit of the Company for the year is derived from continuing operations. The notes on pages 10 to 13 are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses for the year ended 31 March 2014

	Year ended 31/03/2014 £'000	Year ended 31/03/2013 £'000
Profit for the financial year	273	271
Total recognised gains and losses relating to the year	273	271

The notes on pages 10 to 13 are an integral part of these financial statements.

# Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2014

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	<u>Note</u>	As at 31/03/2014 £'000	As at 31/03/2013 £'000
Fixed assets		22	21
Deferred tax asset	6	22	31
		22	31
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	7	(224)	(504)
Tax payable		(77)	(79)
		(301)	(583)
Net current liabilities		(301)	(583)
Net liabilities		(279)	(552)
Capital and reserves			
Called up share capital	8	4	4
Share premium account		3,996	3,996
Profit and loss account		(4,279)	(4,552)
Total shareholders' deficit		(279)	(552)

The notes on pages 10 to 13 are an integral part of these financial statements.

The financial statements on pages 6 to 13 were approved by the board of directors on 21 August 2014 and were signed on its behalf by:

N Daigan Director

# Statement of Changes in Equity as at 31 March 2014

	Called up			
	<u>share</u>	<u>Share</u>	<b>Profit</b>	
	<u>capital</u>	<u>premium</u>	and loss	
	(note 8)	account	account	<u>Total</u>
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
As at 1 April 2012	4	3,996	(4,823)	(823)
Profit for the year	· =	=	271	271
As at 31 March 2013	4	3,996	(4,552)	(552)
Profit for the year	-	-	273	273
As at 31 March 2014	4	3,996	(4,279)	(279)

The notes on pages 10 to 13 are an integral part of these financial statements.

## Called up share capital

The balance classified as called up share capital includes the nominal value of the proceeds on issue of the Company's called up share capital, comprising £1 ordinary shares.

## Share premium account

The share premium account includes the value of the proceeds above nominal on issue of the Company's called up share capital, comprising £1 ordinary shares.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014

## 1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 101, 'Reduced Disclosure Framework' (FRS 101) and the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) as applicable to companies using FRS 101. FRS 101 sets out a reduced disclosure framework for a 'qualifying entity' as defined in the standard which addresses the financial reporting requirements and disclosure exemptions in the individual financial statements of qualifying entities that otherwise apply the recognition, measurement and disclosure requirements of EU-adopted IFRS.

The Company is a qualifying entity for the purposes of FRS 101. Note 9 gives details of the Company's parent and from where its consolidated financial statements prepared in accordance with IFRS may be obtained.

The following disclosure exemptions have been adopted:

- financial risk management note;
- · comparatives for tangible and intangible fixed asset reconciliations;
- cash flow statements;
- process for managing capital;
- · key management compensation; and
- related party transactions between wholly owned group companies.

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis.

## b) Turnover

Turnover comprises license fees from the provision of software developed by the Company for electronic trading platforms.

#### c) Tax

Tax on the profit for the year comprises both current and deferred tax as well as adjustments in respect of prior years. Tax is charged or credited to the profit and loss account, except when it relates to items charged or credited directly to equity, in which case the current and deferred tax is also dealt with in equity.

Current tax is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted, or substantially enacted by the balance sheet date.

Deferred tax is recognised using the liability method, in respect of all temporary differences between the carrying value of assets and liabilities for reporting purposes and the tax bases of the assets and liabilities. Deferred tax is calculated at the rate of tax expected to apply when the liability is settled or the asset is realised. A deferred tax asset is recognised only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilised.

Calculations of current and deferred tax liability have been based on ongoing discussions with the relevant tax authorities, management's assessment of legal and professional advice, case law and other relevant guidance. Where the expected tax outcome of these matters is different from the amounts that were recorded initially, such differences will impact the current and deferred tax amounts in the period in which a reassessment of the liability is made.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014

## 1. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

## d) Intercompany netting

All UK Group companies are party to a netting agreement and balances have been netted within, and between, debtors and creditors.

## e) Share capital

Ordinary shares are classified as equity. Dividends are recognised as deductions from the profit and loss account in the period in which they are declared.

## 2. KEY ACCOUNTING JUDGEMENTS AND SOURCES OF ESTIMATION UNCERTAINTY

The Company makes various judgements in applying its accounting policies and various assumptions and estimates, including about the future, when determining the carrying value of certain assets and liabilities.

As at 31 March 2014 there were no such judgements or assumptions that had a significant effect on the amounts recognised in the financial statements. None of these items give rise to a significant risk of causing material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the next financial year.

## 3. OPERATING PROFIT

During the current year, the Company did not trade on its own account and had no employees (2013: nil). The Company's auditors' remuneration in the UK was £ 8,000 (2013: £ 3,000), which has been borne by other Group companies.

#### 4. DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION

Remuneration payable to the directors in respect of their services to the Company was as follows:

	<u>Year ended</u> 31/03/2014		Year en	Year ended	
			<u>31/03/2013</u>		
		Highest		Highest	
•		paid		paid	
	Total	director	Total	director	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	
Aggregate emoluments	-	-	406	406	
Contributions to defined contribution pension schemes	· -	-	48	48	
	· -		454	454	

As at 31 March 2014, retirement benefits are accruing to no directors (2013: 1 director) under defined contribution schemes sponsored by ICAP plc.

# Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2014

# 5. TAX ON PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES

·	Year ended	Year ended
	31/03/2014	31/03/2013
	£'000	£'000
a) Analysis of charge for the year		
Current tax:		
UK Corporation tax	77	79
-	77 -	79
Deferred tax:		
Deferred tax (note 6) - current year	9	9
- -	9	9
- -	86	88
b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
Profit on ordinary activities before tax	359	359
Profit before tax multiplied by standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23% (2013:		
24%)	83	86
Effects of:	03	
Impact of change in rate for deferred tax	3	2
·	3	2
Tax charge for the year	86	88
Effective tax rate	24%	25%

Legislation to reduce the main rate of Corporation Tax from 23% to 21% from 1 April 2014 was included in the Finance Act 2013. Further reductions to the main rate have been enacted reducing it to 20% by 1 April 2015. As these latter changes have been substantially enacted at the balance sheet date they are therefore included in the tax charge. Deferred tax will unwind at a rate of 21% in the period to 31 March 2015 but this is not expected to have a material impact on the deferred tax balances.

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## 6. DEFERRED TAX ASSET

	The deferred tax asset was as follows:		
		As at 31/03/2014 £'000	As at 31/03/2013 £'000
	Capital allowances	22	31
		22	31
		£'000	2013 £'000
	At beginning of the year	31	40
	Transferred to the profit and loss account (note 5)	(9)	(9)
	As at 31 March	22	31
7.	CREDITORS	<u>As at</u> 31/03/2014	<u>As at</u> 31/03/2013
	A manufac Calling due middin and man	£'000	£'000
	Amounts falling due within one year Amounts owed to Group companies	224	504
		224	504
8.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		
		As at 31/03/2014 £'000	As at 31/03/2013 £'000
	Allotted and fully paid:		
	4,419 Ordinary share(s) of £1 each (2013: 4,419)	4	4 4
		4	4

# 9. ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

#### Parent company

The Company's immediate parent is Intercapital Limited, which does not prepare consolidated financial statements.

The Company's ultimate parent is ICAP plc, which is incorporated in England and Wales, and heads the largest group of companies of which the Company is a member. ICAP plc prepares consolidated financial statements in accordance with IFRS and copies may be obtained from the Company Secretary, ICAP plc, 2 Broadgate, London, EC2M 7UR.