



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

as of December 31, 2024

Stiftung Projekt STOP

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Companies' Register No. 9110031694923

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ASSETS	2024-12-31 EUR	2024-12-31 EUR	2023-12-31 EUR	SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY AND LIABILITIES	2024-12-31 EUR	2024-12-31 EUR	2023-12-31 EUR
A. CURRENT ASSETS				A. SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY			
I. Accounts receivable and other assets				I. Foundation capital		6,709,256.81	145,000.00
1. Other receivables and assets		0.00	79,456.89	II. Balance Sheet Loss		-6,651,747.39	-94,968.89
II. Bank balances		78,010.34	78,275.74			57,509.42	50,031.11
		78,010.34	157,732.63	B. PROVISIONS			
				1. Other provisions		18,120.00	13,500.00
				C. LIABILITIES			
				1. Accounts payable - Trade	2,380.92		5,344.63
				2. Other liabilities	0.00		88,856.89
						2,380.92	94,201.52
TOTAL ASSETS		78,010.34	157,732.63	TOTAL SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		78,010.34	157,732.63

Gewinn- und Verlustrechnung
für den Zeitraum vom January 1, 2024 bis December 31, 2024

	2024 EUR	2023 EUR
1. Other operating income	0.00	5,020.00
2. Other operating expenses	<u>6,557,490.34</u>	<u>61,595.29</u>
3. OPERATING RESULT	-6,557,490.34	-56,575.29
4. Other interest and similar income	<u>711.84</u>	<u>1.10</u>
5. SUBTOTAL NO. 4 TO 4 (FINANCIAL RESULT)	<u>711.84</u>	<u>1.10</u>
6. EARNINGS BEFORE TAXES (TOTAL NO. 3 AND NO. 5)	<u>-6,556,778.50</u>	<u>-56,574.19</u>
7. EARNINGS AFTER TAXES	<u>-6,556,778.50</u>	<u>-56,574.19</u>
8. NET LOSS FOR THE YEAR	<u>-6,556,778.50</u>	<u>-56,574.19</u>

Notes to the Financial Statements as of December 31, 2024

1. General principles

The annual financial statements were prepared in accordance with the provisions of §§ 189 et seq. of the Austrian Commercial Code (UGB) in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and in compliance with the general standard of providing the most accurate possible rendition of net assets, the financial position and operating results of the company.

The income statement was structured according to the total cost method.

The foundation was established with the founding declaration on February 14, 2022, in accordance with the Federal Foundation and Fund Act of 2015 (BStFG 2015). The registration in the foundation and fund register took place on April 15, 2022.

The purpose of the foundation is nature and environmental protection, specifically combating pollution of the seas and the environment by (plastic) waste.

In accordance with § 20 Para. 6 BStFG 2015, an annual financial statement is voluntarily prepared for the respective financial year. The foundation is considered a small foundation for the financial year.

2. Accounting and valuation methods

The annual financial statements were drawn up in compliance with the principle of **completeness** in accordance with statutory provisions.

When assessing the individual assets and liabilities, the principle of **individual valuation** was taken into account and a **going concern** assumed.

Expenses and revenues for the financial year were recognized in the annual financial statement regardless of the timing of the corresponding payments.

Current assets

Receivables and other assets

The receivables and other assets have been estimated at nominal value.

Balances with credit institutions

Foreign currency balances are valued at closing rate.

Other provisions

In accordance with the prudence principle, other provisions took into account all risks identifiable at the time of drawing up the balance sheet and the amount of or reason for contingent liabilities with the amounts which, according to the best possible estimate, may have to be used to settle the obligation. All provisions have a term of less than one year.

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Liabilities

Liabilities were recognized at their settlement amount. The liabilities amounting to EUR 2,380.92 are all current liabilities.

Currency conversion

Foreign currency receivables were valued at the acquisition cost or the lower foreign exchange rate as at balance sheet date.

Foreign currency liabilities were valued at the acquisition cost or the higher foreign exchange rate as at balance sheet date.

Exchange gains and exchange losses arising in connection with the passing on of pass-through items in foreign currency (USD) are presented as a net amount under the item '4. Other interest and similar income' in the income statement.

3. Remarks on the balance sheet and on the profit and loss account

Equity

Equity developed as follows in the financial year.
Additions are subsequent donations of the Borealis AG.

	Stand 2024-01-01 EUR	Additions EUR	Disposals EUR	Stand 2024-12-31 EUR
Foundation capital	145,000.00	6,564,256.81	0.00	6,709,256.81
Profit carried forward	-94,968.89	0.00	-6,556,778.50	-6,651,747.39
	50,031.11	6,564,256.81	-6,556,778.50	57,509.42

Provisions

Composition and development of provisions:

	Status 2024-01-01 EUR	Usage EUR	Allocation EUR	Status 2024-12-31 EUR
Other provisions				
Provisions for consulting fees	13,500.00	13,500.00	18,120.00	18,120.00

Breakdown of other operating expenses

Other operating expenses mainly relate to expenses for promoting the project supported by the foundation and are made up as follows. The project costs were financed by the founder's subsequent endowment.

Other	2024 EUR	2023 EUR
Expenditure on donations	6,514,290.04	0.00
insurances	1,998.00	0.00
legal and consulting costs, audit-expenses	39,929.56	60,290.55
transaction costs	1,272.74	1,304.74
	6,557,490.34	61,595.29



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4. Other Information

Organs and employees of society

The foundation does not employ any employees.

In the fiscal year, the following individuals served as board members:

Name	since
Markus Horcher	14.02.2022
Benjamin James Dixon	14.02.2022

No advances or loans were granted to the board. Furthermore, no liabilities were assumed.

Events after the balance sheet date

No material events occurred after the balance sheet date, that would change the balance sheet or the income statement.

Operating results

The board proposes to carry forward the reported retained earnings of EUR -6,651,747.39 to the next period.

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1. General Information

Stiftung Projekt STOP ("the Foundation") was established by Borealis AG ("The Founder") on February 2022 in accordance with the Austrian Federal Law on Foundations and Funds 2015 (BStFG 2015) and was registered in the Foundation Register on 15 April 2022 with registered office in Vienna.

The Founder contributed an initial capital in the amount of EUR 100,000 to the Foundation in 2022 followed by a capital injection of EUR 45,000 during 2023 and another injection of EUR 6.564.256,81 during 2024. Additional financial means needed to accomplish the purpose of the Foundation can be provided also through third party funders (both, private sector and government funding).

The Foundation exclusively and directly pursues charitable objectives within the meaning of Sections 34 et seq. of the Austrian Federal Fiscal Code (BAO) and is not profit-oriented. The Foundation does not seek to generate profit but may pursue secondary purposes to a minor extent (i.e. not more than 10% of its activities).

Mr. Markus Horcher and Mr. Benjamin James Dixon are appointed as members of the Foundation's Board. Together, with Mrs. Dorothea Wiplinger, General Secretary, they are responsible for the management of the Foundation. The respective term of office is three years. KPMG Alpen-Treuhand GmbH supported the Board until December 21, 2024 by providing accounting consultant services. As of January 1, 2025 this is being handled by Metis Steuerberatung GmbH & CoKG as of January 1, 2025. PwC Wirtschaftsprüfung GmbH was appointed to provide services as external auditor ("Stiftungsprüfer" according to sec 19 (1) BStFG).

2. Activities in the Reporting Year

Waste, and in particular plastic waste is one of the most urgent challenges faced by society today. Solving this challenge requires financially viable, sustainable and circular waste management systems, where waste is being valued and therefore collected, sorted and recycled. The Foundation was created to provide an effective solution to these challenges and to transform today's inadequate linear systems in hot spot areas into sustainable and more circular ones.

This shall be achieved by:

- Providing access to affordable, reliable and formal waste collection services
- Establishing a business model to transform waste into feedstock for recycling, ensuring economic sustainability
- Providing support and advice (free of charge) to local institutions and
- Developing and transferring knowledge

This purpose can be achieved by the following means:

- Voluntary contributions (donations, gifts, subsidies etc.),
- Income from asset management;
- Other income.

The Foundations' activities contribute to achieving the United Nations Sustainable Developing Goals (UN SDGs) 3,8,9,11,12,14 and 17.

3. Main activities in the Reporting Year

After hand-over of the city programs in Pasuruan and Jembrana, and the kick-off of the expansion of across the Banyuwangi region in 2023, key activities in 2024 included the roll-out of waste collection services as well as the construction and groundbreaking of a waste processing infrastructure. In line with the implementation plan for Project STOP, the total spent in 2024 was significantly higher with MEUR 6.5. The related activities were financed by the Funder through additional capital injections. In 2024, no Research & Development activities were financed by the Foundation.

As of January 1, 2024, the Foundation has been granted the status of an institution qualifying as beneficial recipient of donations according to 4a § 5 Z 3 EStG.

4. Financial Position and Results of Operations

The year 2024 closed with a **net deficit of EUR -6,556,778.50** (prior year: EUR -56,574.19). This result primarily reflects the immediate use of earmarked contributions for project implementation.

Foundation capital was raised through subsequent foundations to EUR 6.709.256,81 (prior year: 6,709,256.81). In total equity increased by EUR 7.478,31 to EUR 57.509,42.

Provisions of EUR 18.120,00 were recognised for audit, tax advisory and project reporting costs.

5. Risks and Outlook

The Foundation is not exposed to any material economic risks. Main challenges in the successful project implementation include:

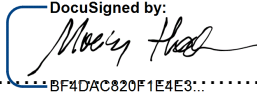
- **Securing long-term financing** for the program in Indonesia in its current scope and time frame. This is mitigated through ongoing fundraising activities as well as, in case necessary additional funds cannot be generated, a downsizing of the scope of the originally defined program scope.
- **A changing political environment** in Indonesia might affect governmental support and commitment for Project STOP resulting in a delay of permits or financial contribution from the local municipalities for workers' salaries. This is mitigated through formal agreements between government agencies and Project STOP as well as continued stakeholder engagement by the Project STOP team.
- **Financial sustainability** might not be achieved at the planned time of closing and handover of the project leading to additional resource need and a postponement of the scheduled time of handover. This is mitigated by the Project STOP's investment in financial planning and monitoring and capacity building for local counterparts.
- **Ethical risks** such as corruption and bribery. These are mitigated by strict financial controls and training of all Project STOP staff on ethical conduct standards.
- **Waste system failing** after handover to the local government. This is mitigated by clarifying government responsibility through well designed policy and strong governance structure and capacity building through training programs.
- **Improper maintenance** of equipment, causing safety issues and/or operation to be not sustainable. This is mitigated by incorporating Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) based on past work and building local capacity through effective trainings.

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6. Events after the Reporting Date

As of the preparation date of this report, no significant events have occurred after the balance sheet date that would materially affect the Foundation's assets, financial position or results of operations.

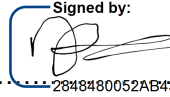
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