

# HALF-YEARLY FINANCIAL REPORT H1|2019

January 1 to June 30, 2019



# PROFILE

STRATEC designs and manufactures fully automated analyzer systems for its partners in the fields of clinical diagnostics and biotechnology.

Furthermore, the company offers integrated laboratory software, and complex consumables for diagnostic and medical applications. STRATEC covers the entire value chain – from development to design and production through to quality assurance.

Our partners market the systems, software and consumables, in general together with their own reagents, as system solutions to laboratories, blood banks and research institutes around the world. STRATEC develops its products on the basis of its own patented technologies.

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# CURRENT INFORMATION

- Sales in H1/2019 show year-on-year growth of 21.7% at constant currency to € 110.4 million; nominal growth of +24.1% (H1/2018: € 88.9 million)
- Adjusted EBIT for H1/2019 up 40.4% to € 12.7 million (H1/2018: € 9.1 million)
- Adjusted EBIT margin improves year-on-year by 130 basis points to 11.5%
- Successful market launch of new products and strong development pipeline
- Financial guidance for fiscal year 2019 confirmed

## KEY FIGURES<sup>1</sup>

€ 000s	H1/2019	H1/2018 <sup>2</sup>	Change	Q2/2019	Q2/2018 <sup>2</sup>	Change
Sales	110,369	88,931	+24.1%	62,694	49,290	+27.2%
Adjusted EBITDA	17,343	12,227	+41.8%	9,981	6,664	+49.8%
Adjusted EBITDA margin (%)	15.7	13.7	+200 bps	15.9	13.5	+240 bps
Adjusted EBIT	12,723	9,060	+40.4%	7,644	5,038	+51.7%
Adjusted EBIT margin (%)	11.5	10.2	+130 bps	12.2	10.2	+200 bps
Adjusted consolidated net income <sup>3</sup>	10,284	7,455	+37.9%	6,448	4,098	+57.3%
Adjusted earnings per share (€) <sup>3</sup>	0.86	0.63	+36.5%	0.54	0.35	+54.3%
Earnings per share (€) <sup>3</sup>	0.46	0.24	+91.7%	0.35	0.15	+133.3%

<sup>1</sup> For comparison purposes, adjusted figures exclude amortization resulting from purchase price allocations in the context of acquisitions and the associated reorganization expenses, as well as other non-recurring effects.

<sup>2</sup> Retrospectively adjusted for recognition of nucleic acid purification business as discontinued operation pursuant to IFRS 5. Not retrospectively adjusted for IFRS 16.

<sup>3</sup> Result from continuing operations.

bps = basis points

€ 000s	06.30.2019	12.31.2018	Change
Equity	148,571	152,204	-2.4%
Total assets	291,215	275,285	+5.8%
Equity ratio (%)	51.0	55.3	-430 bps

bps = basis points

# LETTER FROM THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

Dear Shareholders,  
Partners and Friends of STRATEC,

*In the second quarter of 2019, STRATEC maintained the high growth momentum already seen in the first quarter. Sales for the first half of 2019 rose year-on-year by 24.1 %. This strong performance was driven by the achievement of development targets and pleasing call-up volumes for products already established on the market. Not only that, systems launched onto the market just recently also made their first notable sales contributions. Higher sales volumes and positive benefits of scale enabled the company to generate double-digit percentage growth in its adjusted EBIT as well. In October 2018, STRATEC launched an initiative to sustainably improve its earnings. Implementation of the relevant measures is progressing on schedule and we expect to achieve the efficiency enhancement potential planned for this year. In view of this strong first-half performance, we can therefore confirm the full-year targets we have set ourselves.*

*Given the high volume of development activities performed in recent years, we expect the 2019 financial year to witness an above-average number of market launches. Two systems developed by STRATEC that have now entered serial production were launched onto the European market by our partners in the first half of 2019 already and further major market launches are set to follow in the second half. Together with our strong development pipeline, these new products – with their long lifecycles – form a key element of our company's long-term growth.*

Birkenfeld, August 2019

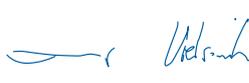
The Board of Management of STRATEC SE



Marcus Wolfinger



Dr. Robert Siegle



Dr. Claus Vielsack

*The trend seen among our partners towards outsourcing the development and production of automation solutions to specialist companies such as STRATEC is continuing apace. Consistent with this, we made substantial progress with negotiating new development agreements once again in the first half of 2019. This makes us confident that we will be able to sign further cooperation agreements by the end of the year and further expand our in any case well-stocked development pipeline.*

*To help implement this constantly growing development pipeline, we managed to attract further highly qualified employees to our company in recent months as well. This way, we increased our workforce year-on-year by 6.3% to 1,220 employees as of June 30, 2019. The first of two complexes newly built at our Birkenfeld location was occupied on schedule in the second quarter of 2019.*

*We would like to thank our shareholders for the trust they have placed in us, which was also reflected in the high levels of approval granted at this year's Annual General Meeting. These included the approval provided for a further record dividend payment of € 0.82 per share, which we then distributed in June 2019.*

# INTERIM GROUP MANAGEMENT REPORT

## Report on earnings, financial, and asset position

### Earnings position

Consolidated sales increased by 24.1 % to € 110.4 million in the first six months of the 2019 financial year, compared with € 88.9 million in the previous year. On a constant currency basis, this corresponds to growth of 21.7%. This substantial sales growth was driven in particular by higher numbers of systems called up, as well as by increased sales with development and services. System sales benefited both from strong business with established products and from further growth in the sales contributed by systems recently launched onto the market. The increase in sales with development and services, by contrast, was due to the achievement of major development targets.

Given the higher volume of sales, the gross profit (gross profit on sales) rose from € 21.1 million in the previous year to € 24.8 million in the first half of 2019. As of June 30, 2019, the gross margin therefore came to 22.5%, compared with 23.7% in the previous year.

The development pipeline, which was filled to an above-average extent, led gross development expenses to rise by € 3.4 million from € 17.6 million in the previous year to € 21.0 million in the period under report.

Sales-related expenses showed a slight reduction from € 4.3 million in the previous year to € 4.1 million in the first half of 2019, while general administration expenses rose to € 9.4 million, up from € 8.0 million in the previous year.

Adjusted EBIT for the first six months of 2019 rose by 40.4% to € 12.7 million, compared with € 9.1 million in the previous year. Accordingly, the adjusted EBIT margin improved by 130 basis points to 11.5% (H1/2018: 10.2%). This margin growth was due in particular to positive benefits of scale. Not only that, the company also witnessed the first beneficial effects of its earnings improvement initiative launched in 2018. The positive impact on the margin was nevertheless partly offset by higher expenses in connection with the currently above-average volume of development activities. Furthermore, the margin was also held back by the high share of sales attributable to development and services. In this respect, the company expects to achieve a significantly stronger sales mix in the second half of the year.

Given the company's operating earnings growth, its adjusted consolidated net income from continuing operations also increased, in this case by 37.9% to € 10.3 million (H1/2018: € 7.5 million). Adjusted earnings per share from continuing operations (basic) for the first six months of 2019 rose by 36.5% to € 0.86, compared with € 0.63 in the previous year.

In the interests of comparability, key earnings figures have been adjusted to exclude amortization resulting from purchase price allocations in the context of acquisitions, associated reorganization expenses, and other non-recurring items.

A reconciliation of the adjusted figures with those reported in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income is presented in the following tables.

€ 000s	01.01. – 06.30.2019
<b>Adjusted EBIT</b>	12,723
<b>Adjustments</b>	-1,285
• Expenses relating to transactions and associated restructuring expenses	
• PPA amortization	-4,535
<b>EBIT</b>	6,903

€ 000s	01.01. – 06.30.2019
<b>Adjusted consolidated net income from continuing operations</b>	10,284
<b>Adjusted earnings per share from continuing operations in € (basic)</b>	0.86
<b>Adjustments</b>	-1,285
• Expenses relating to transactions and associated restructuring expenses	
• PPA amortization	-4,535
• Current tax expenses	350
• Deferred tax income	722
<b>Consolidated net income from continuing operations</b>	5,537
<b>Earnings per share from continuing operations in € (basic)</b>	0.46

## Financial position

The cash flow from operating activities rose by 8.4% to € 12.9 million in the first half of 2019, as against € 11.9 million in the previous year. This growth was due in particular to the increase in consolidated net income and to the higher volume of depreciation, amortization and non-cash expenses included in this figure. Furthermore, unlike in the previous year changes in net working capital led to an inflow of funds. By contrast, a higher volume of income taxes paid had a significantly negative impact on the cash flow performance.

The cash flow from investing activities came to € -14.8 million, compared with € 1.0 million in the first half of 2018. The previous year's period included an inflow of funds of € 8.6 million from the disposal of financial assets. This resulted from the sale of all of the shares held in a company shareholding.

STRATEC invested € 8.3 million in property, plant and equipment in the first half of 2019, compared with € 3.9 million in the previous year. This increase was due in particular to the construction activities currently underway to significantly extend the buildings at the company's headquarters in Birkenfeld.

Investments in intangible assets amounted to € 5.7 million in the first half of 2019, compared with € 3.8 million in the previous year.

The investment ratio (investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets/sales) therefore amounted to 12.7% in the first half of 2019, compared with 8.6% in the previous year.

The cash flow from financing activities amounted to € -1.5 million and mainly consisted of the dividend of € 9.8 million distributed to shareholders in June 2018, as well as of the taking up of loans and payments received in connection with issuing stock options in the employee stock option programs.

Cash and cash equivalents decreased from € 26.9 million as of June 30, 2018 to € 20.4 million as of June 30, 2019.

## Asset position

Total assets grew by € 15.9 million from € 275.3 million as of December 31, 2018 to € 291.2 million as of June 30, 2019.

The main changes on the assets side relate in particular to property, plant and equipment, which rose from € 39.5 million as of December 31, 2018 to € 52.5 million as of June 30, 2019. This increase was driven in particular by the investments currently being made to significantly extend the buildings at the company's headquarters in Birkenfeld, as well as to the first-time application of IFRS 16.

Due mainly to lower holdings of finished products and merchandise, inventories were reduced from € 58.5 million to € 55.0 million.

Changes on the equity and liabilities side of the balance sheet related in particular to financial liabilities, which rose from € 76.9 million as of December 31, 2018 to € 95.1 million as of June 30, 2019. This increase was principally due to the requirements of IFRS 16 (Leases), which have been applied for the first time in the 2019 financial year, as well as to the taking up of additional loans.

The equity ratio amounted to 51.0% as of June 30, 2019, as against 55.3% as of December 31, 2018. This reduction resulted in particular from the first-time application of IFRS 16, the taking up of additional loans and the dividend distributed in the first half of 2019.

## Macroeconomic and sector-specific framework

### Macroeconomic framework

In its Economic Outlook published in May, the OECD further cut its global economic growth forecast. This follows on from the reduction already published in March. Accordingly, the OECD now only expects the global economy to grow by 3.2% in 2019, marking a slowdown compared with the previous year's figure of 3.5%. In 2020, global economic growth should then recover slightly to 3.4%. The OECD nevertheless points out that the downward risks to the forecast growth rates outweigh the upward potential. The reasons stated for lower growth momentum include existing trade tensions and weaker trade and investment activities, especially in Europe and China.

Overall, the OECD expects virtually all economies to report slower growth in the next two years. Having grown by 1.8% in 2018, for example, the euro area economy is expected to grow by just 1.2% in 2019 and by 1.4% in 2020. A particularly marked loss of momentum is forecast for the German economy, with its great reliance on exports, which is expected to grow by a mere 0.7% in 2019 (2018: 1.5%).

The US economy is expected to generate growth of 2.8% in 2019, as against 2.9% one year earlier. The pace of growth is then set to slow further to 2.3% in 2020. The causes cited particularly include milder fiscal policy measures, as well as political and trade-specific uncertainties.

The OECD has also forecast a further slowdown in China's economic expansion, with growth rates of 6.2% and 6.0% predicted for 2019 and 2020 respectively (2018: 6.6%). According to the OECD, China remains a key factor in global economic growth. Should Chinese economic output show any more marked slowdown in future, then the OECD believes this would harbor further risks for global growth and trading prospects.

Given its long-term project and product lifecycles, STRATEC and the decisions its customers take concerning joint development projects are only affected by macroeconomic fluctuations to a limited extent. Having said this, the macroeconomic climate nevertheless plays a major role in STRATEC's entrepreneurial activity and is therefore extensively factored into the company's assessments and planning.

### Sector-specific framework

Based on various estimates, in-vitro diagnostics (IVD) is set to remain a growth market, with average annual global growth rates of around 5% through to 2023. By 2023, the IVD market should have an estimated volume of 88 billion US dollars, as against around 68 billion US dollars in 2018. The various segments within IVD will report different growth rates. STRATEC particularly operates in those segments which are expected to generate high growth rates. These include molecular diagnostics, for example, where growth is expected to average around 9% p.a. between 2018 and 2023. Other segments, such as blood glucose self-monitoring, are not growing as fast and are not among STRATEC's areas of activity.

Today, STRATEC offers products and solutions in numerous key areas of the IVD market. Consistently aging populations, increased prevalence of chronic diseases based on our current lifestyles, and the ever growing significance of personalized treatment – these are key market growth drivers. Over and above that, the research being performed on innovative technologies, such as specific biomarkers, will create new opportunities for future market growth.

Due not least to the increasing complexity of IVD tests, it is difficult for any company to develop proprietary products in all technology and market segments. In view of this, diagnostics groups frequently procure specific technologies to maintain their technological leadership and survive in the market. As a result, a process of consolidation has been apparent in the IVD market for years now and is expected to continue in future as well. At the same time, the constant rise in regulation recently seen in the diagnostics industry also represents an increasingly high barrier to potential competitors to STRATEC entering the market. There are only very few comparable companies with the ability to offer a comparable range of products and services from compiling specifications, through development, approval, and production of the respective instruments and solutions. The competitive situation therefore remains very limited and, alongside in-house development departments, is restricted to a handful of specialist companies. With the companies acquired in recent years, STRATEC has further extended the range of products and services it can offer to customers and accessed new market segments. This has further improved the company's competitive situation.

## Report on forecasts and other statements concerning the company's expected development

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Since being founded 40 years ago, STRATEC has attached great value to sustained growth, focusing on continually developing new proprietary technologies to help attract promising and longstanding customer projects. The company leverages innovative solutions which allows its partners to service their markets with high quality products. Growth prospects for customer target markets, in particular in the area of in-vitro diagnostics, remain positive. In addition, STRATEC is benefiting from the increasing trend in the in-vitro diagnostics industry towards outsourcing the development and production of automation solutions to specialized partners such as STRATEC. Thanks to this, as well as to a full development pipeline, the company's business outlook remains positive.

Based on its positive business performance in the first half and the current order forecasts received from its customers, STRATEC confirms the financial guidance issued for the 2019 financial year: STRATEC therefore still expects to generate currency-adjusted sales growth of at least 12% (basis: € 187.8 million) in 2019 and an adjusted EBIT margin of around 14% to 15% (2018: 13.9%).

Given the construction work currently underway to significantly expand capacities at the company's headquarters in Birkenfeld and its investments in numerous development projects, STRATEC expects to report an above-average investment ratio in 2019. Investments in property, plant and equipment and intangible assets are budgeted at around 12% to 14% of sales in 2019 (previous year: 10.3%). Following completion of the construction work, the investment ratio is expected to fall significantly once again from 2020 onwards.

Depending on its ability to recruit adequate numbers of suitably qualified employees, STRATEC plans to increase the number of its employees at roughly the same percentage rate as its sales growth. This way, the company aims to do justice to continuing high demand for development services.

STRATEC's financial forecast is based on budgets that account for the specific features of its business model, as well as for numerous internal and external factors, and that weight such factors in accordance with their significance. New order figures, our customers' forecasts and their order behavior, and their stocking of services parts play a superordinate role here, as do the numbers of projects in development and negotiation. This forecast does not account for additional opportunities resulting from external growth. Given the long-term nature of its business relationships, macroeconomic developments are of subordinate significance for STRATEC. The macroeconomic factor is therefore weighted less prominently in the company's forecasts.

## **Opportunity and risk report**

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We analyze and evaluate the risks facing the company and its business environment within the framework of our risk management system, which has been established as an early warning risk identification system. Furthermore, this system also includes an internal control system (IKS) and a compliance system to ensure compliance with the relevant legal and industry-specific requirements.

The core tasks of risk management at the STRATEC Group involve managing and monitoring the Group's internal financing requirements and securing the overall company's financial independence.

Financial risks are monitored by the reporting department and managed using detailed rolling financial and liquidity planning.

Given the further intensification in the trade and currency disputes between some countries, STRATEC has observed a slight reduction in short-term transparency within the relevant markets. Among other factors, this is reflected in a slight increase in volatility in customers' order forecasts.

From STRATEC's perspective, as of June 30, 2019 there were no further changes compared with the risks and opportunities identified in the Group Management Report for the 2018 financial year dated April 11, 2019. Details of our risk management system and our company's specific opportunity and risk profile and of our use of financial instruments can be found in Section 'D. Opportunities and Risks' in the 2018 Group Management Report.

# CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET

## as of June 30, 2019

### Assets

€ 000s	06.30.2019	12.31.2018 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		
Goodwill	41,094	41,245
Other intangible assets	55,454	57,017
Property, plant and equipment	52,512	39,510
Non-current financial assets	469	459
Non-current other receivables and assets	1,109	1,109
Non-current contract assets	15,816	8,557
Deferred taxes	336	201
	<b>166,790</b>	<b>148,098</b>
<b>Current assets</b>		
Inventories		
• Raw materials and supplies	25,267	23,729
• Unfinished products, contract fulfilment costs	21,872	21,946
• Finished products and merchandise	7,820	12,855
	<b>54,959</b>	<b>58,530</b>
Receivables and other assets		
• Trade receivables	34,891	34,750
• Receivables from associates	22	22
• Current financial assets	1,148	810
• Current other receivables and assets	7,516	5,747
• Current contract assets	3,016	1,132
• Income tax receivables	2,495	1,418
	<b>49,088</b>	<b>43,879</b>
Cash and cash equivalents	20,378	23,816
Assets held for sale	0	962
	<b>124,425</b>	<b>127,187</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>291,215</b>	<b>275,285</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not retrospectively adjusted for the first-time application of IFRS 16 in 2019. The figures are therefore only comparable to a limited extent with those for 2019. This particularly applies to the 'Property, plant and equipment' and 'Financial liabilities' line items.

## Shareholders' equity and debt

€ 000s	06.30.2019	12.31.2018 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Shareholders' equity</b>		
Share capital	12,012	11,969
Capital reserve	25,538	24,119
Revenue reserves	110,425	116,347
Treasury stock	-89	-89
Other equity	685	-142
	<b>148,571</b>	<b>152,204</b>
<b>Non-current debt</b>		
Non-current financial liabilities	82,770	68,933
Other non-current liabilities	242	417
Non-current contract liabilities	3,255	3,342
Provisions for pensions	3,986	3,811
Deferred taxes	7,073	7,530
	<b>97,326</b>	<b>84,033</b>
<b>Current debt</b>		
Current financial liabilities	12,373	7,987
Trade payables	10,909	6,457
Liabilities to associates	47	0
Other current liabilities	7,557	5,835
Current contract liabilities	10,922	12,722
Provisions	1,293	1,348
Income tax liabilities	2,217	3,796
Liabilities directly associated with assets held for sale	0	903
	<b>45,318</b>	<b>39,048</b>
<b>Total shareholders' equity and debt</b>	<b>291,215</b>	<b>275,285</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not retrospectively adjusted for the first-time application of IFRS 16 in 2019. The figures are therefore only comparable to a limited extent with those for 2019. This particularly applies to the 'Property, plant and equipment' and 'Financial liabilities' line items.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the period January 1 to June 30, 2019

€ 000s	01.01. – 06.30.2019	01.01.–06.30.2018 <sup>1</sup>
Sales	110,369	88,931
Cost of sales	-85,561	-67,819
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>24,808</b>	<b>21,112</b>
Research and development expenses	-3,857	-4,479
Sales-related expenses	-4,149	-4,276
General administrative expenses	-9,429	-8,048
Other operating income/expenses	-470	-845
<b>Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)</b>	<b>6,903</b>	<b>3,464</b>
<b>Net financial expenses</b>	<b>-276</b>	<b>-113</b>
<b>Earnings before taxes (EBT)</b>	<b>6,627</b>	<b>3,351</b>
Current tax expenses	-1,747	-2,202
Deferred tax income	657	1,707
<b>Earnings from continuing operations</b>	<b>5,537</b>	<b>2,856</b>
Earnings from discontinued operation	-1,648	-233
<b>Consolidated net income</b>	<b>3,889</b>	<b>2,623</b>
<b>Items that may not be reclassified to profit or loss</b>		
Remeasurements of defined benefit pension plans	0	36
Changes in value of financial investments	0	-2,544
<b>Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</b>		
Currency translation differences from translation of foreign operations	826	-3,076
<b>Other comprehensive income (OCI)</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>-5,584</b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>4,715</b>	<b>-2,961</b>
<b>Basic earnings per share in €</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.22</b>
From continuing operations	0.46	0.24
From discontinued operation	-0.14	-0.02
No. of shares used as basis (basic)	11,969,239	11,920,779
<b>Diluted earnings per share in €</b>	<b>0.32</b>	<b>0.22</b>
From continuing operations	0.46	0.24
From discontinued operation	-0.14	-0.02
No. of shares used as basis (diluted)	12,047,271	12,039,839

<sup>1</sup> Retrospectively adjusted to account for the reclassification of research and development expenses, sales-related and general administration expenses to cost of sales and for the recognition of the nucleic acid purification business as a discontinued operation pursuant to IFRS 5. Not retrospectively adjusted for the first-time application of IFRS 16 in 2019.

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

for the period April 1 to June 30, 2019

€ 000s	04.01.–06.30.2019	04.01.–06.30.2018 <sup>1</sup>
Sales	62,694	49,290
Cost of sales	-49,009	-36,929
<b>Gross profit</b>	<b>13,685</b>	<b>12,361</b>
Research and development expenses	-1,959	-2,578
Sales-related expenses	-1,906	-2,528
General administrative expenses	-4,563	-3,933
Other operating income/expenses	-433	-1,053
<b>Earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT)</b>	<b>4,824</b>	<b>2,269</b>
<b>Net financial expenses</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>-118</b>
<b>Earnings before taxes (EBT)</b>	<b>5,010</b>	<b>2,151</b>
Current tax expenses	-874	-1,303
Deferred tax income	8	974
<b>Earnings from continuing operations</b>	<b>4,144</b>	<b>1,822</b>
Earnings from discontinued operation	61	-121
<b>Consolidated net income</b>	<b>4,205</b>	<b>1,701</b>
<b>Items that may not be reclassified to profit or loss</b>		
Remeasurements of defined benefit pension plans	0	36
Changes in value of financial investments	0	-45
<b>Items that may be subsequently reclassified to profit or loss</b>		
Currency translation differences from translation of foreign operations	-440	-1,978
<b>Other comprehensive income (OCI)</b>	<b>-440</b>	<b>-1,987</b>
<b>Comprehensive income</b>	<b>3,765</b>	<b>-286</b>
<b>Basic earnings per share in €</b>	<b>0.35</b>	<b>0.14</b>
From continuing operations	0.35	0.15
From discontinued operation	0.00	-0.01
No. of shares used as basis (basic)	11,974,228	11,925,608
<b>Diluted earnings per share in €</b>	<b>0.35</b>	<b>0.14</b>
From continuing operations	0.35	0.15
From discontinued operation	0.00	-0.01
No. of shares used as basis (diluted)	12,050,984	12,040,445

<sup>1</sup> Retrospectively adjusted to account for the reclassification of research and development expenses, sales-related and general administration expenses to cost of sales and for the recognition of the nucleic acid purification business as a discontinued operation pursuant to IFRS 5. Not retrospectively adjusted for the first-time application of IFRS 16 in 2019.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

for the period January 1 to June 30, 2018

€ 000s	Share capital	Capital reserve
<b>As of 01.01.2018</b>	<b>11,921</b>	<b>22,417</b>
Equity translations with owners		
• Dividend payments		
• Issue of subscription shares from stock option programs, less costs of capital issue after taxes	40	1,237
Allocations due to stock option programs		59
Comprehensive income of the year		
Transfer due to disposal		
<b>As of 06.30.2018</b>	<b>11,961</b>	<b>23,713</b>

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

for the period January 1 to June 30, 2019

€ 000s	Share capital	Capital reserve
<b>As of 01.01.2019</b>	<b>11,969</b>	<b>24,119</b>
Equity translations with owners		
• Dividend payments		
• Issue of subscription shares from stock option programs, less costs of capital issue after taxes	43	1,259
Allocations due to stock option programs		160
Comprehensive income of the year		
<b>As of 06.30.2019</b>	<b>12,012</b>	<b>25,538</b>

Revenue reserves			Other equity					Group equity
Accumulated net income	Free revenue reserves	Treasury stock	Fair value reserve	Pension plans	Currency translation			
						IFRS 5		
100,092	19,392	-89	0	-769	774	0	153,738	
							-9,533	
							1,277	
							59	
2,623			-2,544	36	-3,076	0	-2,961	
-2,544			2,544			0	0	
90,638	19,392	-89	0	-733	-2,302	0	142,580	

Revenue reserves			Other equity					Group equity
Accumulated net income	Free revenue reserves	Treasury stock	Fair value reserve	Pension plans	Currency translation			
						IFRS 5		
96,955	19,392	-89	0	-887	1,572	-827	152,204	
							-9,811	
							1,302	
							160	
3,889					-1	827	4,715	
91,033	19,392	-89	0	-887	1,571	0	148,571	

# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

## for the period January 1 to June 30, 2019

€ 000s	01.01. – 06.30.2019	01.01.–06.30.2018 <sup>1</sup>
<b>Operations</b>		
Consolidated net income (after taxes)	3,889	2,623
Depreciation and amortization	9,201	8,444
Current income tax expenses	1,714	2,202
Income taxes paid less income taxes received	-4,323	-26
Financial income	-46	-21
Financial expenses	513	329
Interest paid	-496	-307
Interest received	39	20
Other non-cash expenses	2,990	691
Other non-cash income	-790	-1,119
Change in net pension provisions through profit or loss	148	8
Change in deferred taxes through profit or loss	-608	-1,713
- Profit / + loss on disposals of non-current assets	-19	2,085
- Increase / + reduction in inventories, trade receivables and other assets	-6,142	-8,779
+ Increase / - reduction in trade payables and other liabilities	6,803	7,492
<b>Cash flow from operating activities</b>	<b>12,873</b>	<b>11,929</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
Incoming payments from disposals of non-current assets		
• Property, plant and equipment	22	16
• Financial assets	28	8,597
Outgoing payments for investments in non-current assets		
• Intangible assets	-5,685	-3,763
• Property, plant and equipment	-8,289	-3,874
Incoming payments from sale of previously consolidated companies less cash and cash equivalents transferred	-871	0
<b>Cash flow from investing activities</b>	<b>-14,795</b>	<b>976</b>
<b>Financing</b>		
Incoming funds from taking up of financial liabilities	8,000	0
Outgoing payments for repayment of financial liabilities	-1,034	-1,402
Incoming payments from issue of shares for employee stock option programs	1,302	1,277
Dividend payments	-9,811	-9,533
<b>Cash flow from financing activities</b>	<b>-1,543</b>	<b>-9,658</b>
<b>Cash-effective change in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>-3,465</b>	<b>3,247</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at start of period	24,095	24,137
Impact of exchange rate movements	-252	-484
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of period</b>	<b>20,378</b>	<b>26,900</b>

<sup>1</sup> Not retrospectively adjusted for the first-time application of IFRS 16 in 2019.

# SELECT EXPLANATORY NOTE DISCLOSURES

for the period January 1 to June 30, 2019

## Information on the company

STRATEC SE, with its legal domicile in Gewerbestrasse 35-37, 75217 Birkenfeld, Germany, designs and manufactures fully automated analyzer systems for its partners in the fields of clinical diagnostics and biotechnology. Furthermore, the STRATEC Group (hereinafter also 'STRATEC') offers integrated laboratory software, and complex consumables for diagnostic and medical applications. In this, the company covers the entire value chain – from development and design through to production and quality assurance. The partners market the systems, software and consumables, in general together with their own reagents, as system solutions to laboratories, blood banks and research institutes around the world. STRATEC develops its products on the basis of its own patented technologies.

STRATEC SE is entered in the Commercial Register in Mannheim, Germany, under No. HRB 732007.

This half-yearly financial report was approved for publication by the Board of Management of STRATEC SE on August 14, 2019.

## Basis of preparation

Consistent with § 37w of the German Securities Trading Act (WpHG), the half-yearly financial report of STRATEC SE comprises interim consolidated financial statements, an interim group management report, and a responsibility statement. The interim consolidated financial statements, which have not been audited, have been prepared in abridged form in accordance with the requirements of IAS 34 (Interim Financial Reporting) and in accordance with those International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB), London, and interpretations issued by the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRS IC) that were valid and endorsed by the EU as of the reporting date and, in the case of the interim group management, additionally in accordance with the applicable requirements of the German Securities Trading Act (WpHG).

Apart from those accounting standards and interpretations requiring mandatory application for the first time in the current financial year and unless indicated otherwise below, the accounting policies applied in the interim consolidated financial statements are consistent with those applied when preparing the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2018. A detailed description of the accounting policies was published in the notes to the consolidated financial statements in the 2018 Annual Report.

STRATEC has not made premature application of new or amended accounting standards and interpretations that have already been published but do not yet require mandatory application.

The group currency is the euro. Unless otherwise indicated, all amounts have been stated in thousand euros (€ 000s).

## Accounting standards applied for the first time in the current financial year

### **IFRS 16 (Leases)**

STRATEC applied IFRS 16 (Leases) for the first time as of January 1, 2019. Pursuant to IFRS 16 C5 (b), first-time application was made retrospectively as of January 1, 2019 without amending the previous year's figures. Conversion effects upon first-time application have been recognized cumulatively in equity, while the previous year's period has been presented in accordance with the previous accounting requirements.

IFRS 16 (Leases) replaces the previously valid provisions of IAS 17 (Leases) and the associated interpretations IFRIC 4 (Determining Whether an Arrangement Contains a Lease), SIC 15 (Operating Leases – Incentives), and SIC 27 (Evaluating the Substance of Transactions in the Legal Form of a Lease).

The core concept of the new standard is that the **lessee** should, as a general rule, recognize all leases and all associated contractual rights and obligations in its consolidated balance sheet. The distinction previously required by IAS 17 (Leases) between finance and operating leases longer applies for lessees. For all leases, the lessee recognizes a lease liability in its consolidated balance sheet for the obligation to make future lease payments. At the same time, the lessee recognizes a right-of-use asset. This basically corresponds to the present value of future lease payments plus directly allocable costs. Lease payments include fixed payments, variable payments to the extent that these are indexed, payments expected for residual value guarantees and, where appropriate, the exercise price for purchase options and penalties for the premature termination of lease contracts. During the term of the lease contract, the lease liability is written forward in accordance with financial considerations, while the right-of-use asset is subject to scheduled amortization. This approach generally results in higher expenses at the beginning of the term of the lease contract. The weighted average incremental borrowing rate used to discount future lease payments remaining as of January 1, 2019 amounts to 3.7%.

At the **lessor**, by contrast, the requirements of the new standard are similar to the existing provisions of IAS 17 (Leases). Lease contracts will continue to be classified either as finance or operating leases. Leases in which substantially all of the risks and rewards incidental to ownership are transferred are classified as finance leases, while all other lease contracts count as operating leases. Classification of finance leases pursuant to IFRS 16 (Leases) has been based without amendment on the criteria set out in IAS 17 (Leases).

Apart from the application of a single discount rate to a portfolio of similarly structured lease contracts, upon **first-time application** STRATEC has drawn on the simplifications provided for in IFRS 16 C10, although the practical expedient provided for in IFRS 16.C10 (b) was not relevant for STRATEC. Furthermore, STRATEC has basically drawn on the options provided for in IFRS 16.5 and the option provided for in IFRS 16.15.

Specifically, first-time application of IFRS 16 (Leases) has resulted in the following adjustments and implications:

€ 000s	06.30.2019	01.01.2019
Right-of-use assets	7,537	8,288
Lease liabilities	7,592	8,288
EBITDA	944	n/a
EBIT	46	n/a
Financial result	-147	n/a
Consolidated net income	-81	n/a

## Voluntary application of accounting methods

Due to the introduction of an enhanced allocation key, upon the preparation of the 2018 consolidated financial statements the product-related quality assurance costs previously included in general administration expenses were reallocated to cost of sales. The figures reported for the comparative period have been suitably adjusted by an amount of € 258k.

Due to the activation of the new uniform ERP system at the two largest production locations, Birkenfeld and Beringen, at the beginning of the 2019 financial year and the implementation of this system at the Budapest and Anif locations in the 2018 financial year already, all locations relevant to STRATEC's production activities now have a uniform ERP system. Due to the ongoing associated improvements in STRATEC's internal reporting and the further restructuring of the allocation key, starting in the 2019 financial year the product-related project support costs previously included in research and development expenses and in sales-related expenses have now been reallocated to cost of sales. Suitable adjustments, involving an amount of € 119k in research and development expenses and an amount of € 2,707k in sales-related expenses, have been made to the figures reported for the comparative period.

## Scope of consolidation

In accordance with the requirements of IFRS 10 (Consolidated Financial Statements), the scope of consolidation for the interim consolidated financial statements of STRATEC SE (parent company) basically includes all companies controlled by STRATEC SE (subsidiaries). Specifically, the scope of consolidation comprises the following subsidiaries:

- STRATEC Biomedical Switzerland AG, Beringen, Switzerland
- STRATEC Biomedical UK, Ltd., Burton upon Trent, UK
- STRATEC Biomedical USA, Inc., Glendale, US
- STRATEC Biomedical S.R.L., Cluj-Napoca, Romania
- STRATEC Services AG, Beringen, Switzerland
- STRATEC Capital GmbH, Birkenfeld, Germany
- RE Medical Analyzers Luxembourg 2 S.à r.l., Luxembourg, Luxembourg
- Medical Analyzers Holding GmbH, Zug, Switzerland
- Diatron Medicinai Instrumentumok Laboratóriumi Diagnosztikai Fejlesztő-Gyártó Zrt, Budapest, Hungary
- Diatron US, Inc., Delaware, US
- STRATEC PS Holding GmbH, Birkenfeld, Germany
- STRATEC Consumables GmbH, Anif, Austria
- STRATEC Biomedical Inc., Southington, US
- Mod-n-More Korlátolt Kft., Budapest, Hungary

The level of shareholding and percentage of voting rights held as of June 30, 2019 was unchanged and amounted to 100% of voting capital at all of the companies listed.

Due to their immaterial significance, the following subsidiaries have not been fully consolidated in the interim consolidated financial statements:

- Sanguin International Inc., Southington, US
- STRATEC Biomedical (Taicang) Co. Ltd., Taicang, China.

## Discontinued operations

By contract signed on February 28, 2019, all shares held in **STRATEC Molecular GmbH, Berlin**, and all loans granted by STRATEC SE to STRATEC Molecular GmbH were sold. The closing of the contract took place on schedule on March 31, 2019. Furthermore, in connection with the sale the control and profit transfer agreement concluded between STRATEC SE and STRATEC Molecular GmbH in the 2013 financial year was also rescinded as of March 31, 2019. Since the interim financial statements as of September 30, 2018, assets and liabilities forming part of the disposal group had been reported separately in the balance sheet and measured in accordance with the requirement of IFRS 5 (Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations). Furthermore, the earnings from this operation were presented separately in the consolidated statement of comprehensive income. The relevant figures reported for the comparative period have been adjusted accordingly.

The assets relating to discontinued activities as of December 31, 2018 are presented in the following table:

€ 000s	12.31.2018
Deferred tax assets	64
Raw materials and supplies	225
Unfinished products, contract fulfillment costs	56
Finished products and merchandise	55
Trade receivables	271
Current financial assets	1
Current other receivables and assets	11
Cash and cash equivalents	279
<b>Assets held for sale</b>	<b>962</b>

The liabilities relating to discontinued activities as of December 31, 2018 are presented in the following table:

€ 000s	12.31.2018
Current financial liabilities	26
Trade payables	47
Other current liabilities	805
Provisions	25
<b>Liabilities related to assets held for sale</b>	<b>903</b>

Following the closing of the transaction as of March 31, 2019, no amounts are included in the consolidated balance sheet as of June 30, 2019.

The earnings from the discontinued operation in the period from January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 and in the comparative period in the previous year are structured as follows:

€ 000s	2019	2018
Sales	450	1,234
Current income and expenses	-475	-1,473
<b>Current earnings from discontinued operation (before taxes on income)</b>	<b>-25</b>	<b>-239</b>
Taxes on income	-15	6
Expenses from fair value measurement less costs to sell and disposal of discontinued operation	-1,608	0
<b>Earnings from discontinued operation (after taxes on income)</b>	<b>-1,648</b>	<b>-233</b>

In the (abridged) cash flow statement, the discontinued operation had the following implications in the period from January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 and in the previous year's comparative period:

€ 000s	2019	2018
Cash flow from operating activities	-54	-205
Cash flow from investing activities	-36	-14

As of June 30, 2018, the discontinued operation held cash and cash equivalents of € 588k.

No depreciation or amortization was attributable to the discontinued operation in the period from January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 (previous year: € 190k). Over the same period, non-current asset impairments of € 46k were attributable to the discontinued operation (previous year: € 0k).

## Segment disclosures

No changes in segmentation have arisen compared with the consolidated financial statements as of December 31, 2018.

### Segment data by operating segment for the period from January 1 to June 30, 2019

	<b>Instrum- tation</b> (includes service parts and consumables allocable to business unit) € 000s	<b>Diatron</b> (includes service parts and consumables allocable to business unit) € 000s	<b>Smart Consumables</b> € 000s	<b>Other Segments</b> € 000s	<b>Total<sup>1</sup></b> € 000s	<b>Recon- ciliation</b> € 000s	<b>Total</b> € 000s
Sales with external customers	81,985	20,673	5,946	1,765	110,369	0	110,369
Intersegmental sales	875	1,134	109	563	2,681	-2,681	0
Depreciation and amortization	2,984	3,703	2,327	141	9,155	0	9,155
EBITDA	13,190	3,860	-1,111	119	16,058	0	16,058
Adjusted EBITDA	14,475	3,860	-1,111	119	17,343	0	17,343
EBIT	10,206	157	-3,438	-22	6,903	0	6,903
Adjusted EBIT	11,491	3,345	-2,091	-22	12,723	0	12,723
Interest income	1,253	0	0	0	1,253	-1,207	46
Interest expenses	360	1,081	246	33	1,720	-1,207	513
Assets	303,588	59,279	33,255	13,732	409,854	-118,639	291,215
Additions to non-current assets	11,960	503	809	656	13,928	0	13,928
Average number of employees	653	216	159	93	1,121	13	1,134

<sup>1</sup> Excluding segment data pursuant to IFRS 5 (Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations)

### Segment data by operating segment for the period from January 1 to June 30, 2018

	<b>Instrum- tation</b> (includes service parts and consumables allocable to business unit) € 000s	<b>Diatron</b> (includes service parts and consumables allocable to business unit) € 000s	<b>Smart Consumables</b> € 000s	<b>Other Segments</b> € 000s	<b>Total<sup>1</sup></b> € 000s	<b>Recon- ciliation</b> € 000s	<b>Total</b> € 000s
Sales with external customers	62,995	16,912	6,089	2,935	88,931	0	88,931
Intersegmental sales	928	255	305	391	1,879	-1,879	0
Depreciation and amortization	2,742	3,471	1,993	48	8,254	0	8,254
EBITDA	10,299	2,236	-1,093	276	11,718	0	11,718
Adjusted EBITDA	10,808	2,236	-1,093	276	12,227	0	12,227
EBIT	7,557	-1,235	-3,086	228	3,464	0	3,464
Adjusted EBIT	8,487	1,978	-1,633	228	9,060	0	9,060
Interest income	1,221	2	0	0	1,223	-1,202	21
Interest expenses	311	1,038	175	7	1,531	-1,202	329
Assets	279,349	55,975	32,707	9,206	377,237	-115,913	261,324
Additions to non-current assets	4,731	679	1,724	489	7,623	0	7,623
Average number of employees	568	216	149	86	1,019	26	1,045

<sup>1</sup> Excluding segment data pursuant to IFRS 5 (Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations)

## Sales

The sales generated from contracts with customers in the period from January 1, 2019 to June 30, 2019 were structured as follows:

Segment	Instrumentation € 000s	Diatron € 000s	Smart Consumables € 000s	Other € 000s	Total € 000s
<b>Type of goods or service</b>					
Analyzer systems	40,462	11,404	0	0	51,866
Service parts and consumables	22,075	8,044	2,896	0	33,015
Development and services	18,710	0	3,050	1,765	23,525
Other	738	1,225	0	0	1,963
<b>Total</b>	<b>81,985</b>	<b>20,673</b>	<b>5,946</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>110,369</b>
<b>Geographical regions</b>					
Germany	10,483	3,937	178	134	14,732
European Union	47,568	5,668	2,496	220	55,952
Other	23,934	11,068	3,272	1,411	39,685
<b>Total</b>	<b>81,985</b>	<b>20,673</b>	<b>5,946</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>110,369</b>
<b>Time at which sales are recognized</b>					
Recognized at a point in time	78,610	20,673	5,562	1,254	106,099
Recognized over time	3,375	0	384	511	4,270
<b>Total</b>	<b>81,985</b>	<b>20,673</b>	<b>5,946</b>	<b>1,765</b>	<b>110,369</b>

The sales generated from contracts with customers in the period from January 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018 were structured as follows:

Segment	Instrumentation € 000s	Diatron € 000s	Smart Consumables € 000s	Other € 000s	Total € 000s
<b>Type of goods or services</b>					
Analyzer systems	33,097	9,115	0	0	42,212
Service parts and consumables	20,006	6,865	3,449	0	30,320
Development and services	7,461	0	2,640	2,935	13,036
Other	2,431	932	0	0	3,363
<b>Total</b>	<b>62,995</b>	<b>16,192</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>88,931</b>
<b>Geographical regions</b>					
Germany	11,403	4,362	6	224	15,995
European Union	32,553	3,420	2,530	304	38,807
Other	19,039	9,130	3,553	2,407	34,129
<b>Total</b>	<b>62,995</b>	<b>16,912</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>88,931</b>
<b>Time at which sales are realized</b>					
Recognized at a point in time	59,120	16,912	5,858	2,935	84,825
Recognized over time	3,875	0	231	0	4,106
<b>Total</b>	<b>62,995</b>	<b>16,912</b>	<b>6,089</b>	<b>2,935</b>	<b>88,931</b>

## Property, plant and equipment

STRATEC SE invested a total of € 13,974k in intangible assets and property, plant and equipment in the first six months of the 2019 financial year (previous year: € 7,637k). The investments in intangible assets mainly relate to the capitalization of development expenses, while the investments in property, plant and equipment chiefly involve the extension to the buildings at the Birkenfeld location and the acquisition of machinery, tools, test materials, and hardware.

## Financial instruments

The following table presents the carrying amounts and fair values of individual financial assets and liabilities for each individual class of financial instruments pursuant to IFRS 9 (Financial Instruments) and reconciles these with the corresponding balance sheet items.

As financial liabilities also include the financial instruments covered by IFRS 2 (Share-based Payment), which are exempted from the scope of IFRS 7 (Financial Instruments: Disclosures), the 'Not in scope of IFRS 7' column provides a corresponding reconciliation of these items.

### Abbreviations for IFRS 9 measurement categories (Financial Instruments):

<b>AC</b>	Measured at amortized cost
<b>FVTPL</b>	Measured at fair value through profit or loss
<b>FVTOCI</b>	Measured at fair value through OCI
<b>n/a</b>	Not attributable to any measurement category

Figures in € 000s 06.30.2019 (12.31.2018)	IFRS 9 cate- gory	Carrying amount	Amortized cost	Fair value			Not in scope of IFRS 7	Total	Fair value
				of which Level 1	of which Level 2	of which Level 3			
<b>Non-current assets</b>									
Financial assets									
• Investments in associates	n/a	158 (158)					158 (158)	158 (158)	158 (158)
• Other financial assets	AC	311 (301)	311 (301)					311 (301)	311 (301)
<b>Current assets</b>									
Trade receivables	AC	34,891 (34,750)	34,891 (34,750)					34,891 (34,750)	34,891 (34,750)
Receivables from associates	AC	22 (22)	22 (22)					22 (22)	22 (22)
Financial assets									
• Amortized cost	AC	305 (115)	305 (115)					305 (115)	305 (115)
• Fair value through profit or loss	FVTPL	843 (696)		819 (696)	24 (0)			843 (696)	843 (696)
• Fair value through OCI	FVTOCI	0 (0)		0 (0)				0 (0)	0 (0)
Cash and cash equivalents	AC	20,378 (23,816)	20,378 (23,816)					20,378 (23,816)	20,378 (23,816)
<b>Total financial assets</b>									
• of which amortized cost	AC	55,907 (59,004)	55,907 (59,004)					55,907 (59,004)	
• of which fair value through profit or loss	FVTPL	843 (696)		819 (696)	24 (0)			843 (696)	
• of which fair value through OCI	FVTOCI	0 (0)		0 (0)				0 (0)	
• of which not in scope of IFRS 7	n/a	158 (158)					158 (158)	158 (158)	

Figures in € 000s 06.30.2019 (12.31.2018)	IFRS 9 cate- gory	Carrying amount	Amortized cost	Fair value			Not in scope of IFRS 7	Total	Fair value
				of which Level 1	of which Level 2	of which Level 3			
<b>Non-current debt</b>									
Financial liabilities									
• Amortized cost	AC	81,839 (68,572)	81,839 (68,572)				81,839 (68,572)	80,976 (67,719)	
• Not in scope of IFRS 7	n/a	931 (361)					931 (361)	931 (361)	
<b>Current debt</b>									
Financial liabilities									
• Amortized cost	AC	11,609 (7,388)	11,609 (7,388)				11,609 (7,388)	12,302 (8,015)	
• Fair value through profit or loss	FVTPL	0 (15)			0 (15)		0 (15)	0 (15)	
• Not in scope of IFRS 7	n/a	764 (584)					764 (584)	764 (584)	
Trade payables	AC	10,909 (6,457)	10,909 (6,457)				10,909 (6,457)	10,909 (6,457)	
Liabilities to associates	AC	47 (0)	47 (0)				47 (0)	47 (0)	
<b>Total financial debt</b>									
• of which amortized cost	AC	104,404 (82,417)	104,404 (82,417)				104,404 (82,417)		
• of which fair value through profit or loss	FVTPL	0 (15)			0 (15)		0 (15)		
• of which fair value through OCI	FVTOCI	0 (0)					0 (0)		
• of which not in scope of IFRS 7	n/a	1,695 (945)					1,695 (945)	1,695 (945)	

### Fair value hierarchy

To ensure the comparability and consistency of fair value measurements and related disclosures, IFRS 13 (Fair-Value Measurement) stipulates a fair value hierarchy that allocates the input factors used in valuation methods to calculate fair value to three levels. The hierarchy grants the highest priority to prices (taken over without amendment) on active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 input factors) and the lowest priority to non-observable input factors (Level 3 input factors). The following specific definitions apply:

**Input factors:** Assumptions that would be used by market participants when determining the price of an asset or liability, including risk assumptions, such as:

- The risk involved in a specific valuation method used to calculate fair value (such as a price model), and
- The risk involved in the input factors used in the valuation method.

Input factors may be observable or non-observable.

**Level 1 input factors:** Listed prices (taken over without amendment) on active markets for identical assets or liabilities to which the company has access on the valuation date.

**Level 2 input factors:** Input factors other than the listed prices included in Level 1 that are either directly or indirectly observable for the asset or liability.

**Level 3 input factors:** Input factors not observable for the asset or liability.

**Observable input factors:** Input factors derived from market data, such as publicly available information about actual events or transactions, which reflect those assumptions that would be used by market participants when determining the price of the asset or liability.

**Non-observable input factors:** Input factors for which no market data is available and which are derived from the best information available concerning the assumptions that would be used by market participants when determining the price of the asset or liability.

No items were reclassified within the three input factor levels in the period from January 1 to June 30, 2019 or in the comparative period. The financial assets allocated to Level 1 involve shares in listed companies, which have been measured at the closing price on the stock market with the highest trading volumes as of the balance sheet date. In the comparative period,

these **predominantly** involved shares in a listed US company which were sold in full in June 2018. Overall, this had the following implications for the consolidated statement of comprehensive income:

	Level 1 € 000s	Level 2 € 000s	Level 3 € 000s
<b>Balance at 01.01.2018</b>	<b>12,114</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Total gains or losses recognized through profit or loss			
• Other operating income	0	0	0
• Other operating expenses	0	0	0
• Other financial income/expenses	225	-28	0
Total gains or losses recognized in OCI			
• Changes in value	-2,544	0	0
• Reclassifications out of OCI into profit or loss (other operating income)	0	0	0
Additions	0	0	0
Retirements			
• Due to sale	-8,597	0	0
• Due to derecognition	0	0	0
<b>Balance at 06.30.2018</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>-28</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Balance at 01.01.2019</b>	<b>696</b>	<b>-15</b>	<b>0</b>
Total gains or losses recognized through profit or loss			
• Other operating income	0	0	0
• Other operating expenses	0	0	0
• Other financial income/expenses	151	39	0
Total gains or losses recognized in OCI			
• Changes in value	0	0	0
• Reclassifications out of OCI into profit or loss (other operating income)	0	0	0
Additions	0	0	0
Retirements			
• Due to sale	-28	0	0
• Due to derecognition	0	0	0
<b>Balance at 06.30.2019</b>	<b>819</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>

## Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities include liabilities to banks of € 77,343k (12.31.2018: € 69,534k). In some cases, the relevant loan agreements include agreements concerning compliance with specific key financial figures (covenants) and of general obligations involving restrictions on the disposability of assets and provisos concerning further borrowing.

## Risk management activities

STRATEC had concluded hedging transactions as of June 30, 2019. These involve currency futures intended to secure future cash flows from sales in USD. No use was made of the hedge accounting provisions of IFRS 9 (Financial Instruments).

The members of the Board of Management, managing directors, and employees held the following number of subscription rights (stock option rights) as of June 30, 2019:

## Shareholders' equity

The development in shareholders' equity at STRATEC and dividends paid is presented in the consolidated statement of changes in equity. The number of ordinary shares issued by STRATEC SE as of June 30, 2019 amounts to 12,012,795. All shares are fully paid in and are registered shares.

## Disclosures on the volume of treasury stock and on subscription rights held by the company's directors, officers and employees pursuant to § 160 (1) Nos. 2 and 5 AktG

The company owned a total of 4,995 treasury stock shares at the interim balance sheet date. This corresponds to a prorated amount of € 4,995.00 of the company's share capital and to a 0.04% share of its equity.

### Stock option programs

The company had three stock option programs (equity-settled share-based payment) as of June 30, 2019.

In the financial years 2015 to 2017, the individual members of the Board of Management were no longer granted any stock options. Rather than stock options, they were granted stock appreciation rights (cash-settled share-based payment – SARs) as a variable compensation component of a long-term incentive nature. From the 2018 financial year, a modification to this approach means that the company no longer exclusively grants stock appreciation rights (SARs), but has once again granted stock options at a ratio of 75% (SARs) to 25% (stock options).

Stock option rights	Board of Management/ Managing Directors	Employees	Total
Outstanding on 01.01.2019	114,600	99,500	214,100
Granted	15,000	4,250	19,250
Exercised	33,000	10,550	43,550
Lapsed	0	0	0
Forfeited	0	0	0
Outstanding on 06.30.2019	96,600	93,200	189,800

Of the stock option rights granted in the first six months, a total of 10,000 were granted to members of the Board of Management (previous year: 0), 5,000 to managing directors of subsidiaries (previous year: 4,000), and 4,250 to employees (previous year: 5,250).

In the first six months, 32,000 stock option rights were exercised by members of the Board of Management (previous year: 25,000), 1,000 stock options were exercised by managing directors of subsidiaries (previous year: 0), and 10,550 stock options were exercised by employees (previous year: 15,050). Of the stock options exercised by STRATEC employees in the previous year's period, 2,500 related to stock options granted to a member of the Board of Management prior to his appointment as such. To service the stock option rights thereby exercised, a total of 43,550 shares were created from conditional capital (previous year: 40,050).

As in the previous year, no stock option rights lapsed in the period under report. None of the stock option rights held by managing directors of subsidiaries were forfeited (previous year: 1,000). As in the previous year, none of the stock option rights held by employees were forfeited in the period under report.

## Stock appreciation rights

The fair value of stock appreciation rights (SARs) developed as follows:

Stock appreciation rights (SARs)	Tranche I/2019	Tranche I/2018	Tranche I/2017
Issue date	01.15.2019	10.25.2018	01.23.2017
Fair value at issue date	€ 18.43	€ 16.18	€ 10.90
Fair value at 12.31.2018	n/a	€ 12.03	€ 14.59
Fair value at 06.30.2019	€ 15.64	€ 15.36	€ 19.11

The development in the number of stock appreciation rights (SARs) is presented below:

Number of rights	Total at 01.01.2019	Granted	Exercised/lapsed/ forfeited	Total at 06.30.2019	of which exercisable
Tranche I/2017	40,000	0	0	40,000	40,000
Tranche I/2018	30,000	0	0	30,000	0
Tranche I/2019	0	30,000	0	30,000	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>30,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>100,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>

The total obligation for the payments expected in connection with the stock appreciation rights (SARs) granted as of the reporting date amounted to € 1,695k (12.31.2018: € 945k). This item has been recognized under financial liabilities.

## Components of other comprehensive income (OCI)

The currency translation reserve of € 1,571k recognized within other comprehensive income (OCI) as of June 30, 2019 (previous year: € -2,302k; 12.31.2018: € 745k) mainly comprises currency differences arising upon the translation of the separate financial statements of companies whose functional currency is not the euro and from the translation within equity of group-internal net investments as of the reporting date. The change in this item is recognized in the 'Currency translation differences from translation of foreign business operations' line item in the statement of comprehensive income.

## Research and development expenses

Outlays for research and development expenses not meeting the criteria for capitalization set out in IAS 38 (Intangible Assets) totaled € 3.9 million in the first six months of the 2019 financial year (previous year: € 4.5 million) and mainly involved personnel expenses and costs of materials. Overall, the STRATEC Group invested a total of € 21.0 million in research and development in the first six months of 2019 (previous year: € 17.6 million).

## Select related party disclosures

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In the first half of 2019, STRATEC SE did not generate any revenues from transactions with STRATEC Biomedical (Taicang) Co. Ltd. (previous year: € 1k) and purchased services of € 97k from this company (previous year: € 177k). As of the interim reporting date, STRATEC SE reported receivables of € 13k (12.31.2018: € 13k) and liabilities of € 13k (12.31.2018: € 0k). Furthermore, as of the interim reporting date STRATEC Biomedical UK, Ltd. had a receivable of € 9k due to Sanguin International Inc. (12.31.2018: € 9k). Mod-n-More Korfältolt Kft. purchased services of € 67k from STRATEC Biomedical (Taicang) Co. Ltd. in the first half of 2019 (previous year: € 0k). As of the interim reporting date, there were liabilities of € 34k in this respect (previous year: € 0k).

For his activity as a member of the Administrative Board and in the previous year also as an advisor of STRATEC Biomedical Switzerland AG, Hermann Leistner received compensation equivalent to € 7k in the period under report (previous year: € 26k).

In the first half of 2019, STRATEC SE generated revenues of € 41k from transactions with DITABIS Digital Biomedical Imaging Systems AG (previous year: € 0k) and purchased services of € 272k from this company (previous year: € 0k). As of the interim reporting date, the company had receivables of € 130k due to DITABIS Digital Biomedical Imaging Systems AG (12.31.2018: € 49k). Services were performed on customary contractual conditions.

As of June 30, 2019, the STRATEC Group had outstanding balances of € 2,641k in connection with profit participation by members of the Board of Management (12.31.2018: € 2,983k).

## Employees

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Including temporary employees, STRATEC had a total of 1,220 employees as of June 30, 2019 (previous year: 1,122).

## Major events after the interim reporting date

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No events of particular significance which can be expected to materially influence the Group's earnings, financial, or asset position have occurred since the interim reporting date.

## Responsibility statement

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We hereby affirm that, to the best of our knowledge, and in accordance with the applicable reporting principles for interim financial reporting, the interim consolidated financial statements give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Group consistent with the principles of proper accounting, and the interim group management report includes a fair review of the development and performance of the business and the position of the Group, together with a description of the principal opportunities and risks associated with the expected development of the Group in the remainder of the financial year.

## FINANCIAL CALENDAR



Subject to amendment.

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## ABOUT STRATEC

STRATEC SE ([www.stratec.com](http://www.stratec.com)) designs and manufactures fully automated analyzer systems for its partners in the fields of clinical diagnostics and biotechnology. Furthermore, the company offers integrated laboratory software, and complex consumables for diagnostic and medical applications. STRATEC covers the entire value chain – from development to design and production through to quality assurance.

The partners market the systems, software and consumables, in general together with their own reagents, as system solutions to laboratories, blood banks and research institutes around the world. STRATEC develops its products on the basis of its own patented technologies.

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